

**Star Prairie Fish & Game Association September Meeting Minutes  
Monday September 16, 2013 –Don Madsen’s on Cedar Lake**

The September meeting of SPF&G was called to order at 6:45 pm by Pres. Zais. The Secretary’s report was approved as read. The Treasurer’s report was tabled, as guests were present.

**Thank You’s:** From : Phyllis Menke – birthday breakfast  
Bernice Madsen family- flowers  
To : Frank & Shirley Windish – memorial donation, Don Stephens – Sr. fishing outing, Family Fresh & Friendly bar– fish boil food

**Meeting Guests :** Drew Hawley – Private Lands Biologist, DNR  
Heather McAbee – NR Area Community Foundation

**Attendance :** 28 members + 2 guests

**New Members :** Bob Christenson

**Committee Reports:**

1. **Duck Race:** Was held Saturday Aug.17, net proceeds were \$860.
2. **Buck’s Night:** A committee meeting is set for Sat. Sept 28<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am at the Friendly bar in Star Prairie. Invitations should go out the week of Oct 14<sup>th</sup>. Long sleeve shirts for new members will be ordered as needed. The banquet menu will be set this week.
3. **Fisheries/Habitat:** Buckthorn removal at the Trout Farm is in progress. Dan Cain will re-order herbicides to replenish our supply.
4. **Outreach/Youth:** Youth day at Forest Ridge is scheduled for Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>. The club will supply and prepare the food, and additional members are requested to help at other areas. Meet at Forest Ridge at 8:30, the event should be over about 1:30. Liability waivers will need to be signed by attendees.
5. **Senior Pontoon Ride:** Tabled.
6. **Special Events :** Fish Boil was held on Fri. Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>. About 120 meals were served. More advertising was discussed for next year’s event, including more newspaper coverage, direct mail, and more posters. The weekday to hold the event was also discussed. Full financial results will be presented in Oct.
7. **Membership Report:** The club has 28members that have paid the \$60 membership fee for 2013.

**Old Business/New Business:**

1. Duane Madsen provided the meal for the meeting. C. Magoon and D. Demulling will provide the Oct. meal. T. Zais has volunteered for November.
2. Heather McAbee and Paul Mayer provided information on the New Richmond Area Community Foundation and how they could be of benefit to our club. They

currently manage 2 million dollars of assets for area non profit organizations. They can provide services in the areas of endowments, donations, backroom services, investments, and leadership training. They can manage money in an annuity or a pass thru fund.

3. Senior trout fishing day was held on Tuesday Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> at Don Stephens next to the Star Prairie trout farm. 7 seniors attended, there was a good turnout of members to help out.
4. Drew Hawley, the area DNR private lands biologist, introduced himself and gave an overview of his responsibilities.
5. The herbicide application on the prairie-planting site at McMurtrie has had a limited effect with the dry conditions. The site has been tilled. The late fall planting may be put off until next year to get a better kill of existing vegetation.
6. A sign up for new club Tee shirts was circulated, cost is \$12 with a pocket, \$10.50 without. C. Frawley will arrange purchase of them. The first shirt for each member will be paid for by the club.
7. Chuck Magoon will order club can cozies, 500 at \$.60 each.
8. A motion was made and passed to make a donation of cash or a suitable prize for the Wilson American Legion Turkey raffle.
9. New club brochures are needed, 1,000 will be ordered.
10. The clubs commitment for support of the Willow river canoe landing on the new NR trail system, will not be needed until spring 2014.
11. Left over groceries from the fish boil were sold to members at a discounted price.
12. Don Coles was drawn for the attendance prize of \$40, he was not present at the time of the drawing, so \$60 will be carried over to the Oct. meeting.

**The next meeting of the SPF&GA is scheduled for Monday October 21, 2013 with the 6:00 pm social hour and the 7:00 pm regular meeting at Don Madsen's on Cedar Lake.**

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Mike Kelly (Secretary)