



The PCCA is a volunteer organization comprised of sportsmen and sportswomen from the local area. Formed in 1928, the purpose is to promote and preserve our sporting heritage and wildlife in Penobscot County, Maine.

We raise money for conservation projects, wildlife college scholarships, and various adult and youth sporting programs.

President’s Message by Tony Richard

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Gobble, Gobble Everyone!! I hope all enjoyed Thanksgiving. Also hope everyone has had a chance to enjoy fall in Maine, whether it’s leaf peeping, hiking, fishing (still), or hunting one of the many opportunities here in Maine. I am writing this the day before

our annual PCCA Hunter Breakfast. I plan to be there as usual helping in any way I can. The breakfast is becoming quite the tradition with PCCA and has grown each year we’ve done it. We’ll give you a summary of how it went at the December dinner meeting.

Please consider volunteering to help in any of the great works PCCA is involved with - there are lots of opportunities to help with various club functions and activities. Hope to see you at the December dinner meeting.

Tony

Volunteer Opportunities Abound

When membership applications are read before the Board of Directors, we often here that the prospective member is someone who will be a “worker” for the club. But how do you, the member volunteer to do a job?

Just speak up and ask! Chair people would be happy to match your time, skills and talents with tasks to be done.

For example, would you like to help keep our club house maintained and beautiful (we need a coordinator for our Brewer property), work on projects on the Stetson land to build food plots, mark and waypoint trees (we need workers), place,

clean and maintain duck boxes (workers needed), write a newsletter, help to keep our website attractive and current (time to give our old Editor a break), help on club meals (we are always looking for new and refreshed workers and many are needed for the Sportsmens Show each year), provide security for the doors or sell tickets at the gates at the Sportsmens Show & Gun Show (our biggest productions of the year and we need everyone who can work), job shadow and learn the inner workings of the Sportsmens Show or Gun Show (trained helpers allow for smooth transition as older workers retire) –

any or all of these “jobs” we need volunteers. I am sure there are additional jobs as well.

Stepping up is easy – just call our President Tony Richard at 207-827-3440 or email him at pccapres at gmail dot com.

If you have an interest not mentioned, don’t be afraid to talk to Tony. We still have brush to be cleaned up at the club house in Brewer. There are trails which could use some maintenance and many other tasks which will assist keeping our grounds, buildings and programs sharp and well functioning.

Hope to hear from you!

Special points of interest:

- Members and Guests – Gala New Years Eve Dinner and Dance – Please make your reservations early! Nancy @ 843-7270 or hatchhinckley at msn dot com
Do you know a business who might like to have a booth at the Sportsmens Show – have them contact us through the website!
Winner of the Turkey Shoot Shoot in Nov – Karen Casey Moffitt Luck Shoot – 1st Tony Richard, 2nd Charlie Rumsey

HUNTERS BREAKFAST 2011 – ANOTHER GOOD YEAR

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Nancy Hatch, Chairperson of our, now, Annual Hunters Breakfast reported this year over 180 people were served. It was a beautiful fall day and many folks turned out to support the effort. From Public Service employees to hunters too, this breakfast has become an annual fall event for

many to enjoy.

Nancy and the Board express gratitude to all who helped in any way. From members who contributed money in the baskets on tables at our October meeting to those who came and worked either on Friday or Saturday, you all helped

make this event a successful fund raiser.

The proceeds of the Breakfast go to further our Scholarships. Without this great event annually, we would not be able to spread our scholarship assistance as far.

Again, thank you one and all!

STETSON LAND – WHAT’S HAPPENING?

Many things are happening out to the land we own in Stetson, as we continue to pursue completing practices required by our Grant. If you would like to learn more about the whole plan or everything which is happening, we encourage you to take a moment to chat with Dean Smith who is coordinating the tasks.

Lime has been added to some fields to bring the ph to a level which prepares it for planting many varieties of food such as clover for wildlife. In addition, we have partnered with the Maine Chapter of the American

Chestnut Society and they are looking to do planting on our land as well.

Negotiations and conversations continue with forestry companies regarding harvesting and this may start as early as this winter. Careful calculations are being made to ensure all activities align with the practices we are required to follow and do.

Our investment of time and resources in this land will ensure it is available for future generations of sportsmen and the wildlife

we enjoy as well.

In addition to the land, the camp will be undergoing some much needed work too. Plans are underway to replace the main camp door.

If any members are interested to assist at Stetson, please contact Dean Smith and offer your assistance. Dean is also working to set up a GPS user class for this winter if anyone is unfamiliar with using their unit. Let him know if you have interest.

DECEMBER – REGULAR MEETING

The December meeting of the club will be held on Thursday, December 1st at the clubhouse on North Main Street in Brewer. A dinner of roast port with fixins will be served. Dinner tickets are \$7/per person. All are welcome to attend.

Speaker will be Dave Trahan the new Executive Director of Sportsmens Alliance of Maine. Come and learn more about his vision for SAM.

Business meeting will

follow our meal and speaker. This always proves to be an interesting update to activities within the club. There is usually a chance to sign up for any workdays or sessions, you have an opportunity to get to know folks and learn more about what is going on.

All members are encouraged to attend and also bring a guest. Dues will be received and applications for

membership are also available at our meetings.

There is a 50/50 raffle at our meeting. If you have any questions, feel free to contact an officer or Board member.

Coming to the meeting? Consider bringing a guest or maybe giving another member a ride. The more the merrier – a great time for fellowship!

This will be our last meeting before the New Year!

Change of Addresses

Please change your email address on line at our website & email it to the newsletter editor! Also, send us snail mail changes!

FUN DAY – JUNE 2012

It's not too late to mark your calendar with our Family Fun Day for children this early summer. The PCCA Annual Fun Day will be held on Saturday, June 2nd. There will be many partners in this event as we invite groups such as the Fly Fishers, the Maine

Bow Hunters, the Penobscot River Coalition, and others to help put on activities to interest children and their families in the outdoors.

Members of PCCA can assist in welcoming the public to our Penobscot

River Home Clubhouse, assist with a light luncheon, help with our own range, assist with parking and answer general questions.

Please mark your calendar and let Woody Higgins know you can help.

SPORTSMENS SHOW

Every year you read a lot about the show but there is a reason. This show is our LARGEST fund raiser of the year. Without it being successful, we would not be able to do all we do.

Any large event takes a lot of work, coordination, and a LOT of people to be successful. Everyone can

do something to help. So, if you are saying, "Well, I don't know what I can do?" Please ask. Either the days of the show or behind the scenes before or after, surely there will be something you can do.

Even recruiting a business, store or someone as an exhibitor is a help. Do you

know someone who has a business? Get them to buy a booth! Could you put up flyers or posters in local stores? Let us know.

This year is our 74th Annual Show – let's all work hard to make it a success as we ramp up towards our 75th!

GREENLAND POINT OUTDOOR CENTER

WINTER CONSERVATION CAMP

Greenland Point is located in Princeton ME on the shore of a beautiful lake. It was originally run by the University of Maine in Machias and now is run by a private non-profit corporation.

PCCA has strongly supported them with scholarships for a number of years. One of the Camps is a Winter Conservation Camp for children 9 to 16 years of age.

Children get to participate in all types of outdoor winter activities including

snowmobile education! It is a weekend overnight camp and in 2012 will be held on Saturday February 11th 8 AM – Sunday February 12th 2 PM.

Advance reservations are required and may be made by calling the camp at 207-796-5186 or emailing greenlandpoint at myfairpoint dot net. The cost for the weekend is \$100 per camper.

A limited number of camperships/scholarships are available.

This camp is packed full of activities including cross country skiing, sliding, snowshoeing, ice fishing, star navigation and other fun outdoor winter activities. Also, the snowmobile certification course will be offered. If you know of a child who can benefit from this camp, please pass the word.

Check out the Facebook page for Friends of Greenland Point and their Event for more information too! Hope to see some children from our area there!

Up-Coming Events

December

1 - Regular Meeting

15 - Board Meeting

31 - Gala New Years Dinner Dance Bash

January

5 - Regular Meeting

19 - Board Meeting

February

2 - Regular Meeting

16 - Board Meeting

25 & 26 - Cabin Fever Reliever

Sportsmen's Show

March 9 – 11, 2012

Our exhibitor space is nearly full. We are looking forward to a great year with some new exhibitors.

If you know of a company who would like to be in our show – please have them visit our website SOON for more information.

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Cabin Fever Reliever – MARK YOUR CALENDAR

February 25 & 26, 2012,
The Penobscot Fly
Fishers Group will
sponsor and produce
their Cabin Fever
Reliever Event at the
Brewer Auditorium
between State and
Wilson Street. This
event is a showcase to

see many groups and
organizations from our
area who all hold a
common interest in the
outdoors.

It's a fun place to come in
the middle of the winter to
get excited about the
PCCA Sportsmens Show

which will follow and of
course Spring.

Don't miss their event with
fun, food, activities and
conversations – usually
some nice raffles too!

The Fly Fishers hold their
meetings at our club
house!

About Our Organization...

**The PCCA is a volunteer
organization comprised
of sportsmen and
sportswomen from the
local area. Formed in
1928, the purpose is to
promote and preserve
our sporting heritage
and wildlife in
Penobscot County,
Maine.**

**We raise money for
conservation projects,
wildlife college
scholarships, and
various adult and youth
sporting programs.**

**To learn more about
PCCA or obtain a
membership application,
please contact us.**

