



PENOBSCOT TRAILS – PCCA NEWSLETTER

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President's Message by Al Faust

Many of you know that I have been participating in our Hunter Safety weekend for many years. Well, this was the first time I participated as an "accompanying adult". My grandson Tristan took the course and had a great time. We bought him a Sylvan compass for his survival kit. When we got to the club Sunday

morning, Tristan was playing with the compass and said, "Did north change overnight?". It turns out, we had a miss painted compass and it was pointing south! Randy McEwen was impressed that he had picked that up right away.

I want to thank all the instructors that made the weekend possible. It was

a great experience for all 81 participants. Al

Hope to see you Thursday. Al

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Special points of interest:

- **PUBLIC - Hunters Breakfast** will be held November 20th – mark your calendar now. **Contact Nancy Hatch to volunteer.**
- **TRAIL DAY – STETSON CAMP** See details inside newsletter.
- **November 27th – Dinner Dance** – Members and Guests – please make reservations – details inside newsletter
- **Saturday 11/6** we move into Daylight Savings time – **turn your clocks back 1 hour – Change your Smoke Detector Batteries!**

FALL and the TRADITIONAL Deer Hunt

By Bill Barron

For many years in the past and hopefully into the future we hunters have and will eagerly anticipate that traditional deer expedition. Not realizing as a youngster that on my first forays into the field, deer hunting was not only a fun exercise, but something more longer lasting. However with each passing year we begin to savor each and every step in preparation--- contacting family

members or fiends --- father & son --- whose camp is available --- where to hunt --- preseason scouting --- proper gun care & selection --- who's turn to cook --- special foods, beans etc.--- after dinner card games etc. Before we know it, each year we re-live the past deer hunts with tall stories and yes, you now have TRADITION in capital letters. We can all have those special times, successful or not which

can make this deer hunting season that special one.

Until next time, this is der Forestmeister..

Ye Olde Editor wants to thank Bill for submitting another great article. Hope to get a few more in the future.

If anyone would like to submit an article – email me at: pccanews@gmail.com

PCCA – MEMBERS & GUESTS - MONTHLY DINNER & DANCE NIGHT

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There will be a buffet dinner and music (dancing) monthly at the Club House throughout the winter months.

Nancy Hatch will head up the catering for the meals and Dola Hinckley will be singing popular country music from the 50's through current as well as old time rock & roll. We hope that you, the members will come and enjoy the meals and music and bring your friends with you. This is a great opportunity to get

together, enjoy our clubhouse in a social light, have fun, and relax for an evening during the cold winter months. This is a Club function and all proceeds after expenses will be income to PCCA. The November schedule follows:

WHERE: PCCA CLUBHOUSE

WHEN: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH

TIME: BUFFET DINNER 5:00PM - 6:30 PM

MUSIC & DANCING 7:00PM - 10PM

PRICE:
DINNER & DANCE - \$12.50 PP; DINNER ONLY - \$8.00 PP; MUSIC & DANCING ONLY - \$5.00 PP

MENU: MEAT LOAF, PORK ROAST, VEGETABLES, SALAD, BREAD, AND DESSERT

Reservations to: Nancy @ 843-7270 or hatchhinckley@msn.com

STETSON CAMP – WAYPOINTING WORK DAY

Sunday, November 7th is the start of Daylight Savings time. When you get up in the morning or after church, consider coming to the Stetson Camp with your GPSr in hand to help us on our first Work Day to waypoint the location of things for our Grant project. We will start at 10 AM.

Everyone is welcome. If you don't have a GPSr, we can use you as a recorder or tagger. There will be many jobs.

Come learn more about our Grant Program, learn more about identifying trees, see you land and walk the trails.

Please bring your own GPSr (you should even be able to use a car Nuvi), writing utensil, small notebook, water, and lunch if desired. If you would have an would like to bring your 4 wheeler, that would be fine.

Hope to see you there!

NOVEMBER – REGULAR MEETING

The November meeting of the club will be held on Thursday, November 4th at the clubhouse on North Main Street in Brewer. A Stuffed Chicken Breast dinner with fixins will be served. Dinner tickets are \$7/per person. All are welcome to attend.

The speaker will be Charlie Rumsey. Charlie will speak on proper care of your firearms. His talk is sure be informative.

Business meeting will follow our meal and

celebration.

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.

We will have baskets on the table for folks to donate money to defray the cost of

food purchased to put on our Hunters Breakfast – please consider making a donation.

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



Al Faust, President & Aaron McGarvey, Member discuss GPSrs and mapping.

Change of Email Address

Please change your email address on line at our website & email it to the newsletter editor!

HUNTER SAFETY CLASS – THANK YOU!

Eighty-one students completed the Hunter Safety Course, the second weekend in October. As always, the class included youth and adults.

Our Chairman and Coordinator, Tony Richard wants to thank all the members of the club who stepped forward and volunteered their time to make this successful.

From instructors to cooks and kitchen help, a class of this size would just not run smoothly or be possible without such wonderful helpers. Thank you everyone!

PUBLIC HUNTERS BREAKFAST

For the past few years, PCCA has been holding a Public Hunter's Breakfast. It is becoming increasingly popular. This year it will be held on Saturday, November 20th from 4AM – 9 AM, right here at the PCCA club house.

As always, please

consider helping on this worthwhile project. To offer assistance, please contact Chairperson Nancy Hatch. Also, we are accepting monetary donations to defray our expenses.

The flyer is included in this newsletter. Please consider posting it in a

prominent place for advertising or making some more copies to post.

We usually have a log or two burning in the fireplace and plenty of hunting stories being shared.

This is one of our major fund raisers for our scholarships and camperships.

Up-Coming Events

November

4 - Regular Meeting

7 - Stetson Camp
GPRs Work Day

18 - Board Meeting

20 - Hunter's
Breakfast

27 - Dinner Dance

December

2 - Regular Meeting

16 - Board Meeting

31 - Gala New Years
Dinner Dance Bash

News and Information from Maine Department

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

So many places on line to read so I thought some of you might enjoy some Highlights from the IF&W site.

Don't forget – hunting and fishing licenses available to buy on line. Great Present! Super for the holidays!

News release 10/22 – First Circuit United States Court of Appeals Upholds Maine's Trapping Regulations

10/12 – Waterfowl Hunter's Reminded they need State Permit

Under the Warden's Section, I enjoyed reading about Warden's Courtesies – "What to do when approached by a Maine Game Warden". Very nicely written article.

You may make a report or tip OR even make a secure donation to Operation Game Thief right on line.

The agenda of Wildlife Council Advisory Meetings are posted on line along with minutes of previous meetings, plus the names and contact information for all members.

There are links to find fish species and see the water bodies on GoogleEarth. Fishing Derbies and Tournament require a permit – information on the site.

Overall this is a great website -

Sportsmen's Show

March 11 – 13,
2011

We already have a good number of vendor contracts.

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

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PUBLIC HUNTERS BREAKFAST – NOVEMBER 20TH – 4 AM – 9 AM

PCCA will host our Annual Hunter's Breakfast on Saturday November 20th from 4AM – 9AM. For \$6/per adult or \$3/for children under 12, you won't go away hungry!

Menu includes: **Bacon, ham, sausage, eggs**

(cooked to order), home fries, French Toast, pancakes, biscuits, donuts, sausage gravy, coffee and juice! All this for one price!

We will also have raffle tickets on sale.

Don't miss this fun time. There are usually logs on the fire and time for great conversation before a day in the woods.

Proceeds for college scholarships and camperships to Conservation Camps.

About Our Organization...

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**PCCA – MEMBERS
NOVEMBER TURKEY & HAM SHOOT**

**WHEN: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH
BEFORE OUR DINNER & MEETING**

TIME: 4:30 PM – 6 PM

COST: \$1.00 PER TARGET

OUR GUNS, OUR AMMO, "LUCK TARGETS" – COME TRY YOUR LUCK ON OUR RANGE BEFORE ENJOYING DINNER, THE SPEAKER AND OUR MEETING.

**WINNER WILL HAVE THEIR CHOICE OF A HAM OR A TURKEY
RUNNER UP GETS WHAT IS NOT CHOSEN BY THE WINNER.**

THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR IS EATING THE HUMBLE PIE FOR NOT GETTING THIS IN THE NEWSLETTER. IF YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO GETS THEIR NEWSLETTER BY MAIL AND DOESN'T HAVE EMAIL, PLEASE GIVE THEM A CALL AND LET THEM KNOW!

Lais-Ann, the Humble Newsletter Editor