



## PENOBSCOT TRAILS – PCCA NEWSLETTER

January 2012

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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MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY HOLIDAYS, and HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! I trust everyone has completed their shopping list for this year. While I am sympathetic to anyone who relies on the snow and cold weather, I am tickled with the way December is shaping up so far. Make sure you

read this month’s newsletter to get all the latest goings on at PCCA. A staple of every one of my monthly messages requests that you 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.

The more club members who help, the easier every task we do becomes. Also, please let me or anyone on the Board know if you have an interest in a particular area – doesn’t matter what it is. Hope to see you at the January dinner meeting.

Tony

#### Special points of interest:

- **Members and Guests – Dinner and Dance** – Please make your reservations early! Nancy @ 843-7270 or hatchhinkley at msn dot com
- We received a very nice **Thank You** from a student who was in the **October Hunter Safety Course** – hoping to publish it in a Newsletter soon!
- If you have articles or would like to write something for the news – please email it to the Editor OR send it to our PO Box.
- **Happy New Year** to all!

### Stetson Land – Field Trip

On a Saturday, this coming late January or early February, date to be determined, Barry Burgason and Deane Smith will lead a field trip on our land in Stetson to explain the practices which are taking place there. Please contact Deane (or sign up on the sheet which will be at our January meeting) – so we may let you know the date, time and meeting place. If you are interested in the Stetson land and what activities are taking place out there – it is important for you to come and visit the Stetson land with these guides.

### Sportsmen’s Show Raffle - Fund Raiser

This is one of a few newsletters each year which will be mailed to all members. If you get your newsletter via email and don’t receive the snail mailing – PLEASE email the newsletter editor.

WHY do we mail newsletters? A couple of times each year we have business which just can

not happen through email or the website. This monthly newsletter is one of them. Enclosed you will find 3 tickets for our Fund Raising raffle. We are asking you to either sell the tickets or buy them and return (either in person or by mail to the PO Box) the stubs and payment to us no later than Sunday March 4th.

The raffle will be drawn off Sunday afternoon of the Sportsmens Show.

We will be selling tickets at our meetings, at the Cabin Fever Reliever and other places. If you can sell more tickets, please feel free to contact Woody, Nancy or Lols-Ann to get more.

Thank you for heloing!

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**THE GREATEST GIFT**

Each year many of us struggle with what to give for gifts. Never enough money for what we might like to give. Just like giving to organizations, we would love to give more.

The greatest gift you can give is of yourself. Your time and your talents sometimes mean more than money. Have you ever thought, "I could do that!" Or, "I would love to learn that!" And we have probably all heard the old adage, "the turtle only gets ahead because he sticks his neck out!"

PCCA is looking for gifts this year. We are hoping to find some members

willing to share with us and put their time and talents to work for the club in 2012. Apprentices would be great too.

So, you say, I have some time, a bit of talent and have always admired turtles. What can I do?

We are looking for someone interested in our Brewer building and land. Someone willing to work with the Board to plan improvements, coordinate projects, and ensure our building is safe, maintained, and ready for the many activities which happen at this location. Another activity which has been done by the same member for three years is

the writing, publishing, mailing and coordination of our newsletter. Due to timing, it is hard to just "help" with the job but it isn't a hard one to do. Next, our Sportsmens Show Chairpeople are looking for folks willing to learn this aspect of our work.

If YOU would like to give us a gift of your time, talents and interests to work for the club, please see Tony, or any of the Chairpeople, after our meeting in January and make your offer. If you would like to deliver your present before the New Year – just send an email OR snail mail note.

Thank you everyone!

**NEWSLETTER DELIVERY – SNAIL MAIL OR EMAIL ??**

Just a reminder the PCCA Newsletter is only mailed via USPS mail a few times a year! If you want it mailed monthly you MUST send us a written request. IF you are not already receiving it via regular mail every month and need a printed copy, please drop a note to Newsletter Editor, PO Box

605, Brewer ME 04412 and we will send your news the old fashion way. No need to do this again if you already get it by US mail.

If you are ok reading it on line, we send you an email to let you know it is there to read. You sign up on our website. Once your

request is received you will need to confirm. You can unsubscribe there too. Please let us know to discontinue your regular mail version.

Our newsletter is posted monthly on our website. Reading it on line helps save the club a lot of postage yearly.

**JANUARY – REGULAR MEETING**

The January meeting of the club will be held on Thursday, January 5th at the clubhouse on North Main Street in Brewer. A dinner of Chicken Pie with fixins will be served. Dinner tickets are \$7/per person. All are welcome to attend.

Speaker will be our own member Debbie Palman talking about Search and Rescue Dogs. Come and learn more about the important role they play in our community.

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!

**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!



Greenland Point Center, Inc.  
*Outdoor Adventures*  
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**BENEFIT DINNER**  
**FOR THE GREENLAND POINT CENTER**

Sponsored by **PRINCETON ROD & GUN CLUB &**  
**PENOBSCOT COUNTY CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION**

AT THE  
**PRINCETON ROD & GUN CLUB**

located at the end of a dirt road, north off West Street in Princeton, Maine. West Street goes west off US Route 1 from downtown Princeton. The turn onto the dirt road is about 1.7 miles west of US Route 1 and is marked with a large sign on the right as you leave Princeton.

**PUBLIC ROAST BEEF AND TURKEY SUPPER**

**WITH HOMEMADE STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE**

**SATURDAY, FEB. 11, 2012**

**5:30 PM**

**\$12.00 Adult, \$6.00 UNDER 12, \$30.00 Family Rate**

**CHINESE RAFFLE TO FOLLOW**

***COME OUT AND SUPPORT OUR YOUTH!***

## **DINNER – DANCE**

### **NEW YEARS EVE GALA EVENT**

#### **MEMBERS & GUESTS ONLY – RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**

WHERE: PENOBSCOT COUNTY CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION CLUB HOUSE  
570 NORTH MAIN STREET, BREWER, MAINE

BUFFET DINNER will be provided by CATERERS headed up by Nancy Hatch

MUSIC will be provided by DOLA HINCKLEY SINGING A MIXTURE OF ROCK & ROLL AND COUNTRY

THE EVENT WILL BE: DECEMBER 31, 2011

SOCIAL TIME AND APPETIZERS – 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM

MEAL SERVED FROM 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

LINE DANCING FROM 7:30 PM- 8:00 PM

DANCING FROM 8:00 PM – 12:00 PM

TOAST AT MIDNIGHT

FEES:	DINNER & DANCE	\$12.50 PP
	DINNER ONLY	\$ 8.00 PP
	MUSIC – DANCE ONLY	\$ 5.00 PP

DINNER MENU: STUFFED BAKED HADDOCK – ROAST BEEF  
MASHED POTATO – VEGETABLE – SALADS – ROLLS  
ASSORTED DESSERTS

RESERVATIONS: PHONE 843-7270 or by EMAIL pccarental at gmail dot com

SEE YOU NEW YEARS EVE FOR A GREAT TIME!

**BYOB**

## A SNAPSHOT of JANUARY TO JUNE – PCCA STYLE

With the coming of the New Year – we are reminded of how fast “time flies”. 2012 will see our 74<sup>th</sup> Annual production of the Sportsmens Show here in Eastern Maine. Penobscot County Conservation Club is alive AND still going strong as we enter our 84<sup>th</sup> year!

Going forward – here are a few things to look for this year: February, we participate in the Fly Fishers’ Cabin Fever Reliever Event at the Brewer Auditorium. We sell raffle tickets, promote our club and Sportsmens Show. Want to sit at the booth? – Contact Woody or Lois-Ann.

March brings our largest fund raiser of the year –

The Sportsmens Show! We look to every member to help in some way and will be trying to contact everyone by phone so you can help.

March and April also brings time for to find folks who would like to serve on our Board. If you are interested to serve on the Nominating committee or as a Board Member – please speak to or email President Tony ASAP.

June is the start of our new membership year. So please, don’t forget to renew your dues.

June, we will hold our Family Fun Day which is a collaborative effort of a

number of outdoor and sports related groups to introduce families to outdoor activities. This is a FREE event held on a Saturday. Any members who can help with everything from parking to manning an information booth please let us know. There are loads of jobs.

After our June meeting we will take our Summer “break”. It doesn’t mean PCCA is idle! Something is happening all summer. Many activities go on – you will hear all about it in the newsletters.

We also post many things on Facebook and the website. If you would like to participate – just get in touch through email, Facebook, or call.

## GREENLAND POINT FUND RAISER – FEBRUARY 11TH

Each February, the Princeton Rod & Gun Club joins PCCA and sponsors a Fund Raising supper for Greenland Point Conservation Camp. This is a primary fund raiser of the year for GPC!

It is a wonderful meal – Turkey or BBQ Roast Beef with mashed potatoes, carrots, peas, rolls, coffee or punch and homemade strawberry shortcake. Price is \$12.00, \$6.00 for children under 12 – Family rate \$30! There is a Chinese raffle following. You

purchase tickets at the door and folks usually car pool down. Please consider filling a car full to support this fund raiser. To get directions ask a board member or email the newsletter editor. If you can’t attend – consider writing your check to Greenlandpoint and sending it down with someone. Also they welcome raffle donations so bring one or send one with a member who is going.

This is sure to be a fun time and well worth the

ride regardless of the weather. Remember – we live in Maine and if you go slow, you can usually go.

Campers will be at the camp that weekend and they usually snowshoe over to the meal – held at the Princeton Rod & Gun Club building.

Again – need directions, information, want to donate – etc.....get the details from a Board member by talking to them, calling, emailing or through our Facebook page which I will respond to. Thank you!

### Up-Coming Events

#### January

5 – Regular Meeting

19 – Board Meeting

#### February

2 – Regular Meeting

16 – Board Meeting

11 – Greenland Point Fund Raiser – Princeton

25 & 26 – Cabin Fever Reliever

#### March

1 – Regular Meeting

9/11 – Sportsmens Show

15 – Board Meeting

### Sportsmen’s Show

March 9 – 11, 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.

**PENOBSCOT COUNTY  
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[http://www.conservation  
association.org](http://www.conservationassociation.org)

~ or ~

Friend us on FACEBOOK!

**Annual Sportsmens Show – MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

Our Show is coming up on March 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>. We would like to have every club member who might be able donate some time to working on the show. There are many jobs to do – from selling tickets, door guards, food concession and on.

Won't you consider signing up today.

Send an email to the Newsletter Editor with your interest and contact information. I will pass it on to the right committee Chairperson.

And – don't forget tell your

friends to mark their calendars to come!

YOU our members are our best advertisement. Please recruit people to come to the Best Sportsmens Show in Maine!

**About Our Organization...**

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



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