



PENOBSCOT TRAILS – PCCA NEWSLETTER

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President’s Message by Al Faust – regretfully missing

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Regretfully, as I was away from December 10th – December 20th, the President’s Message never reached me. This was despite a couple of

reminder emails. No worries, the news must go out – so, I am sure President Al would wish everyone a Happy and Safe New Year! He, also,

would thank everyone for their support over 2010 and look for continued support in 2011. Ye Olde Editor

MaineOffRoading.org

Our sincere apology to this group which I incorrectly named in last month’s newsletter. Not only did they help us get a burned out truck off our Stetson Land/Property, a couple of them have already joined PCCA. We look forward to our continued relations with this group which proved that Off Roaders can Tread Lightly. They will be having a booth at our Sportsmen Show so please make sure to visit them and introduce yourself. Thanks again folks and sorry for my error.

Special points of interest:

- **Members and Guests – Dinner and Dance – Theme and date of Feb – not ready at Press time.** Please make your reservations early! Nancy @ 843-7270 or hatchhinckley at msn dot com
- **Editor’s apology to the Off-Roading group which removed the truck from our Stetson land – it was MaineOffRoading.org NOT what came out in the December newsletter.**
- **Winner of the Gun Raffle was Charlie Rumsey**

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 13th.

The prizes include a rifle, a very nice donation from Hammond Marine of a one day boat rental (\$400 value) and a nice portable

DVD player/HDTV combination which is perfect for camping. 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 helping!

MORE IMPROVEMENTS IN OUR KITCHEN

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During a State of Maine Licensing inspection in August, there were some kitchen improvements still required, despite all the good work which had been done. We are very happy to report, as of this writing, things are nearly completed.

And again, the ability to do this is all due to the help from our friends at the Penobscot County Jail Work Program. This group has removed the old wall to wall and installed a very nice snap down floor (which will be easily cleaned). They have finished off walls which were not completed and helped with moving

service areas such as the sink, counters and other appliances.

The Board has approved improvements with the purchase of stainless steel shelving and new cabinets. All of this is necessary to support our very successful endeavor of catering for a means of fund raising. Our venue must meet specifications to comply with licensing so these improvements are certainly appreciated but also needed.

Come later in the year we are anticipating refurbishing of the old hardwood floor which was revealed when carpet was removed as well as

another coat of finish on the floors which had already been so beautifully restored.

If any of our members would like to donate to the refurbishing of our kitchen, please know donations are always accepted for specific needs. Just write out your check and indicate in the memo – Kitchen improvement fund.

If you are thinking about an event at the club for your group or organization in 2011 – it is not too late to contact Nancy – either by phone or through email. The calendar fills fast and we have a number of regulars.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLE POLICY – STETSON LAND

One last reminder about the new committee to assist in drafting a policy for recreational vehicle use on our land in Stetson. We have no official policy on use.

A small committee was approved to work on this

project. Each and every club member may have input to the outcome by contacting the Committee Chair, Andrew Stern. If you are a club member and interested to provide ideas, concerns and recommendations, please

contact Andrew at 207-944-4815.

It is hoped the outcome may be obtained by Spring so, please do not hesitate to call as we move into the new year.

JANUARY – REGULAR MEETING

The January meeting of the club will be held on Thursday, January 6th at the clubhouse on North Main Street in Brewer. A dinner with fixins will be served. Dinner tickets are \$7/per person. All are welcome to attend.

Speaker will be Glenn Rae of the American Chestnut Society and Dean/Barry with some Stetson land updates. Come and learn more about this society and how these trees may play a role on our Stetson

land.

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!

What's The New Year Going To Bring?

The entire Board of Directors wishes our members the very best for the up-coming New Year. We hope you and yours will have a happy holiday and then move into a health, happy and productive year.

In February, we participate in the Fly Fishermen's Cabin Fever Reliever Event at the Brewer Auditorium. A great event where we sell raffle tickets, promote our club and Sportsmens Show. Want to sit at the booth – contact Woody or Lois-Ann.

Next will be our largest fund raisers of the year – The Sportsmens Show! Your help will be valued –

no matter how big or small!

April and May we work on nominations for new Board members and officers and elections – if you are interested to serve on the Nominating committee or as a Board Member – please speak to a board member.

And, renewal of membership dues starts in June – each and every membership is important. So please, don't forget to renew your dues.

In early 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 what

we all offer by participating in a FREE event over one day on a weekend. We can use any and all members to help with everything from parking to manning an information booth. There are loads of jobs.

After the June meeting we will take our Summer MEETING break – but notice that is only the meetings. It doesn't mean that PCCA is not alive and working all summer. There are numerous activities which go on – hence the reason for a summer newsletter.

Want to do something – never hesitate to contact someone or leave a message on the clubhouse phone.

GREENLAND POINT FUND RAISER – FEBRUARY 19TH

Each year in February, the Princeton Rod & Gun Club joins PCCA to support and sponsor a Fund Raising supper for Greenland Point Conservation Camp. This is one of the primary fund raisers of the year and not to be taken lightly!

First – it is a wonderful meal – 5:30 PM! 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 will be a

Chinese raffle following.

You purchase tickets at the door and folks usually car pool down. Please consider filling a carful to support this fund raiser. For directions as 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 Chinese 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

- 6 – Regular Meeting
- 20 – Board Meeting
- ? – Dinner Dance

February

- 3 – Regular Meeting
- 17 – Board Meeting
- 19 – Greenland Point Fund Raiser – Princeton
- 26 & 27 – Cabin Fever Reliever

March

- 3 – Regular Meeting
- 11/13 – Sportsmens Show
- 17 – Board Meeting

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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Annual Sportsmens Show – MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Our Show is coming up on March 11th – 13th.

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!

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