

**Star Prairie Fish & Game Association May Meeting Minutes
Monday May 20, 2013 –Don Madsen’s on Cedar Lake**

The May meeting of SPF&G was called to order at 6:45 pm by Pres. Zais.
The Secretary’s and Treasurer’s reports were approved as read.

Thank You’s: From : Friends of the St. Croix Wetland Mngmnt – Ducks on a stick
To : Ronald Skarie - \$200 donation

Meeting Guests : none

Attendance : 24 members

New Members : Tom Harer, Dave Lackey

Committee Reports:

1. **Duck Race:** Will be on the Ox-Carts Days calender.
2. **Buck’s Night:** A discussion was held on running a 10 or 20 gun bar raffle, committee to make the decision.
3. **Fisheries/Habitat:** Approximately 600 rainbow trout were purchased by the club, at a cost of \$1,350, and stocked in the Apple river in Star Prairie, the Tues after the fishing opener. Two fish cribs that floated away were moved to proper locations and sunk. Dan Bygd met with USF&W on possible projects the club could get involved with for habitat improvement.
4. **Outreach/Youth:** \$200 donated to Unity Lions club for a Kids Fishing contest. 4 applications were received for the club scholarship. The \$1,000 scholarship was awarded to Luke Harris from Amery.
5. **Senior Pontoon Ride:** Scheduled for Wed. June 12, rain date 2 weeks later. Meet at River Island Park at 11:00 for setup.
6. **Executive :** Tabled.
7. **Membership Report:** The club has 52 members that have paid the new \$60 membership fee in 2012. 2013 memberships are now due

Old Business/New Business:

1. Erv E. and John P. supplied the meal for the May meeting. Jon Bush and Craig Warren have volunteered for the June meal.
2. There has been considerable media coverage on the clubs offer of a \$500 reward for the conviction of the bear poachers. Additional reward money has been offered by other groups and individuals.
3. The 2012 club tax forms have been filed. The new club liability insurance will be purchased through Bremer bank.
4. The Hwy 65 ditch clean up will be done on Thurs May 23. Meet at River Island park at 5:00.

5. A date for the Fish Boil was discussed, it could be the Tues or Wed before Ox-Cart days or on a Friday night not tied to any event. The decision will be made by the committee.
6. New club caps are in, members who pay the \$60, 2013 membership will receive a free cap, additional caps may be purchased for \$7.00.
7. Service Learning day was held on Friday, May 17 . 18 students worked on cabin area and trail cleanup and cleared and treated brush at a new prairie planting site.
8. Attendance drawing of \$60 was won by Paul Mayer, there was a \$40 carry over from the last 2 meetings.
9. The new club web site is on line at SPFG.org. Any one with pictures of club activities are asked to send them to Terry Zais.
10. A stock of Herbicides and 4 back-pack sprayers are available for members to use.
11. Marty Engel has won the Conservation Congress State award for Fish Manager of the year, he was nominated by SPF&G.

The next meeting of the SPF&GA is scheduled for Monday June 17, 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 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Mike Kelly (Secretary)