

**Star Prairie Fish & Game Association February Meeting Minutes
Monday February 17, 2014 –Don Madsen’s on Cedar Lake**

The February meeting of SPF&G was called to order at 6:47 pm by Pres. Zais.
The Secretary’s and Treasurer’s reports were approved as read.

Thank You’s: From : none
To : Polaris - \$500 donation

Meeting Guests : Sheri

Attendance : 20 members + 1 guest

New Members :

Committee Reports:

1. **Duck Race:** It was reported that a new law that fully allows duck races is expected to pass the WI legislator.
2. **Buck’s Night:** Ideas for new games or raffles are asked for to expand interest and keep up with other events.
3. **Fisheries/Habitat:** Dan Cain reported on a new group that has been formed to control invasive plant species. There is a possibility of grants to work on problem areas such as the Trout Farm and McMurtrie.
4. **Outreach/Youth:** Dan Cain reported that he has secured the use of a stocked trailer with equipment for youth events, such as shooting, archery, etc. Dan is working on a plan to hold regular events for youth. Jon Bush discussed ways of soliciting public input on suitable projects the club could take on, including newspaper articles, our web-site, and a contest.
5. **Senior Pontoon Ride:** Tabled.
6. **Special Events :** Tabled
7. **Membership Report:** The club has 29 members that have paid the \$60 membership fee for 2014.

Old Business/New Business:

1. Vern Warwick and Sheri provided the Feb meal. Duane Madsen and Dave Lackey volunteered for March, hopefully corned beef and cabbage. A \$5.00 donation is expected from all members for the meeting meal and refreshments.
2. Ideas were discussed on holding a recruitment event to attract new members.
3. After much discussion a motion was made and passed to donate \$3,500 to Grace Place for the conversion work at Maple Manor to house families in need and veterans. The discussion was centered around how this donation fits with our mission statement. The club has made similar donations in the past. It was decided that the mission statement should be reviewed and any such donations

should be budgeted. The budget and mission statement can be changed at the annual meeting.

4. The Indianhead Pheasants Forever banquet will be held on Fri. March 28th at Crickets – Amery. The Kinni Pheasants Forever banquet is Sat. March 8 at West Wind Supper club – River Falls. The St. Croix County Alliance banquet will be held on Tues. March 18 at the American Legion - Baldwin. Note that the club will pay for half the banquet ticket cost for any member attending these events.
5. Bill Winchester was drawn for the attendance prize of \$20, he was not present, so the March drawing will be for \$40.

The next meeting of the SPF&GA is scheduled for Monday March 17, 2014 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 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Mike Kelly (Secretary)