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# WCCA Meeting Minutes August 20, 2025

Wincek, President called the meeting to order at pm. The meeting was sponsored by Great Lakes Sportsmen Fishing Club at New Berlin Trap & Sportsmen Club – upper hall.

The meeting was attended by 12 individuals, comprised of Club Delegates and Wisconsin Conservation Congress Delegates. Quorum was declared

#### Secretary's Report

Membership was asked if there were any corrections or additions to the July 16, 2025 General Meeting Minutes. Motion by Shook, second by Perock to accept the Minutes as published. Motion carried. Minutes are always posted to the WCCA Website.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

 Report presented by Farchmin to Membership in attendance. A motion was made by Luling, second by Tackes to accept the Treasurer's report, subject to audit. Motion carried.

#### **Communications**

- OHEC sent a Grant Request asked for \$1000 for their newest project of introducing youth to fishing/aquatic ed/boating activities. They have purchased a pontoon boat at minimal cost, but now need to equip it with fishing gear, PFDs, etc. This is for youth from Greater Milw. Area. Camp Whitcomb in Hartland will be the location all is kept.
- Motion by Payne, second by Shook to grant them \$500 towards their goal. After discussion, Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Committee Reports**

#### DNR (news updates from dnr.wi.gov)

- District Meeting was held on August 6.
- Wardens will be taking special note of ATV/UTV riders for the rest of summer and well into September. As of August 6, there have been 25 fatalities. Most on private property. Ages 6 to 87. UTV due to lack of helmets and lack of seat belt usage. ATV & UTV also because of speed, alcohol use and off-road tires on pavement.
- Fisheries report Work details for LacLaBelle (nearing completion), Scuppernong, Mukwonago River and Paradise Springs finishing up for the year.
- Raised license fees moved out for the year. \$30 million transferred from Forestry into DNR. 22 positions eliminated. State Stewardship (\$100 million) removed from Budget. Governor vetoed.

- Invasive work completed in Waukesha, Racine and Kenosha Counties. Repairing dykes, controlled burns and structure replacements.
- 2026 Master Plan will include Big Muskego Lake. Bong still isn't finished since 1976.
- Bender Park boat launch had two (2) bids, but both were over budget. New bid proposals going out in 2026.
- Youth Conservation Congress was going camping the weekend of August 8-9. in the LaCrosse
  area. They were going to learn about foraging in the wilderness and have to cook a meal from
  what they find.
- Making a big push for attendance at the 2-day Duck Expo at EAA grounds the weekend of Aug. 22-23.
- New LOGO for WCC. New clothing is out to be purchased on line.

#### **Kids Fishing Clinic**

- Dates for 2026 Clinics: In the works.
- Ice Fishing in February

#### **Wisconsin Conservation Congress**

#### Wincek

- Mississippi River Committee discussing maintenance cost per Federal Government.
- Great Lakes Committee will meet virtually, 9am August 18. 1 Resolution to discuss. (Cleaning Fish on Lake Michigan and Lake Superior)

#### Diedrich

• I chair the Legislative Committee. We discussed 12 Resolutions. 4 were rejected. 8 moving on to DLC Committee in October for their input.

#### Hintz

No report. Had an excused absence from Upland & Turkey Committee.

#### Farchmin

- Land Use Committee meets December 1 − 2 resolutions to discuss.
- Trout Committee hasn't set up meeting yet.

#### Luling

- Warm Water Committee meeting will be in person December 13. 13 resolutions.
- All species, except Muskies, for year-round fishing.

#### **Scholarship**

 Rough Draft in the works. Will send out copies to the Board of Directors for their input. Could be discussed at September meeting.

#### **Wisconsin Wildlife Federation**

- Calendars available. 120 firearms. \$1000 cash per month. 365 prizes 1 every day.
- Lake Buelah study.
- They are heading up possible locations for Wake Boats. Would like other groups to join them in the fight. Bilges do not empty 100% so concerns for invasive species entering lakes.

#### 2026 Banquet

- Gun list: Discussion on which guns to order for banquet. Shook to get prices and availability of our recommendations. (Hintz and Katzer unable to attend meeting, but sent in their suggestions.) Looking at 8 handguns, 6-7 rifles, 6-7 shotguns all under \$1000 if possible.
- Seating will be 9-10 at a table.
- Please look for raffle prizes for next year. Hold on to them until Al Shook asks for them.

#### **Old Business**

- Still need Sponsor and place for Election Meeting in **December.** Start thinking about Sponsorship and meeting places for 2026.
- Ojibwa had 106 kids at their Annual Kid's Day.

#### **New Business:**

• There will be an "Adaptive Sportsman" shoot at the Schulz Club on August 23.

# PLEASE CONTACT: BOB WINCEK 414-217-9752 OR MARYSUSAN DIEDRICH 414-379-3770 TO SCHEDULE YOUR CLUB MEETING.

**Meetings** – As always, please consider having your Club host a meeting. Each Club needs to take a slot. Please look at the schedule of meeting dates and sign up. If you do not have a clubhouse available, efforts will be made to find a venue.

**Website** – Send your club information to Bob Wincek to be placed on the WCCA website. Even if you don't have a website, your information: meeting date/time and club location, can be visible through the WCCA's website. A club or business of the month will be on display. Get your information to Bob. Send in game pictures! Please go to the website to help increase the search engine ranking: <a href="https://www.waukeshacountyconservationalliance.com">www.waukeshacountyconservationalliance.com</a>.

#### Member Matters and Good & Welfare:

- Ron Gray's wife having health issues, so may miss some meetings.
- Tom Daluga going through chemo and radiation and will not attend some meetings.
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service along with Illinois DNR are mapping the spread of invasive black carp throughout the Mississippi River Basin through a program called "Keep, Cool, Call". Go to <a href="https://www.agfc.com">www.agfc.com</a> for more information about aquatic nuisance species in Arkansas.

## Next Meeting: September 17, 2025 at Daniel Boone Conservation League at Daniel Boone Conservation League Clubhouse.

Motion to adjourn by Farchmin, second by Tackes at 8:20 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, MarySusan Diedrich

#### **MEETING SCHEDULE:**

September 17, 2025 Daniel Boone Conservation League at Daniel Boone Clubhouse

October 15, 2025 Menomonee Falls Rod & Gun at MFR&G Club

November 12, 2025 New Berlin Trap & Sportsmen Club at New Berlin Trap & Sportsmen Club – lower building. (second Wednesday of the month)

December 17, 2025

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