



Federation of Dutchess County Fish and Game Clubs, Inc.

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The Voice of the Sportsman since 1932

December 12, 2024 Regular Delegates Meeting

Poughkeepsie Elks Lodge, Poughkeepsie, NY

The meeting was opened at 7:40 PM by President Anthony Pittore

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Anthony Pittore

A moment of silence was observed for armed services personnel, police, fire and all first responders, and past Federation members that are no longer with us today.

GUESTS ; Steve Meyen from Mid Hudson Sporting Clays

FINANCIAL REPORT AND MINUTES:

The treasurers report was accepted upon motion by Jim Guyette and seconded by John Lucas

The minutes of the previous delegates meeting in November were approved upon motion by Chris Villa and seconded by Ralph Hafner

The minutes of the Board of Directors meeting in November were approved upon a motion by Chris Villa and seconded by John Lucas

COMMITTEE REPORTS;

ANNUAL DINNER/ BARBECUE;

Dave Compton stated that the COMMITTEE & BOARD OF DIRECTORS decided the annual Bill Connors Memorial Barbecue will be August 24, 2025.

After a short discussion, the membership decided on ribs and chicken for the main entrée. The committee will try to keep the cost at \$45 per person. The tickets and a flyer will be available after the first of the year. This is not a fundraiser, this barbecue will be in honor of Bill Connors and the venue where the Federation can recognize and award any outstanding Club or Sportsman for their dedication to our Mission.

HUNTERS HELPING the HUNGRY;

Anthony Pittore stated that approximately 1000 pounds of venison was distributed on December 10. Also on December 10, 14 deer were processed, and once again, the freezers are full. Anthony on behalf of the Federation and the Conservation Awareness Foundation thanked everyone that has graciously volunteered

,processing venison throughout our busy season. Anthony also stated that Kevin Haight, Dave Morrison, and himself picked up 10 more deer to process , that are in the cooler.

Tommy Lasko mentioned that Dutchess County has Grants available for food processing and for food donations. Anthony will call Sue Serino's office Monday morning. Also two new organizations are being looked at to possibly provide Venison to, Hope on the Mission in Poughkeepsie and Neighbors helping Neighbors in Pawling.

FISH STOCKING & FISH ACCESS;

Mike Butts reported that he has been looking to regain Fishing access points and Fish stocking points throughout Dutchess County

(Greenhaven Fish & Game, Sprout Creek Farm, Page's properties, and a few others.)

Anthony Pittore reported that Morgan Lake will be stocked sometime in January when the lake freezes

YOUTH PHEASANT HUNT;

The junior Hunter Pheasant Hunt will be Saturday , September 27, 2025

CONSERVATION CAMPS;

After Christmas and email will be sent to the NYS DEC asking what about the status of the summer camps.

FUNDRAISING;

Tommy Fumarello stated the canine cancer shoot will be June 21, 2025 at Mid Hudson Sporting Clays. A brief discussion followed.

DUTCHESS COUNTY FAIR BOOTH;

The BOD agreed to let Northern Dutchess use the fair booth for the 2025 fair.

Also, it was noted that Northern Dutchess could possibly use extra help , from other clubs, at the fair.

VETERANS FISHING DAY;

April 26, 2025

FAMILY FISHING DAY;

April 27, 2025

YOUTH SHOOTING SPORTS;

After the first of the year, Tom Gannon reported he will reach out to five or six clubs to set up dates for youth trap shooting.

Anthony Pittore reported he is awaiting the decision about the NRA GRANT, should hear from the NRA sometime in January.

NYSCC REPORT; no report

Anthony reported that he will attend the region three fish and wildlife board meeting next Wednesday, December 18, 2024 with alt delegate Tom Gannon and Kevin Haight who is the land owner delegate for Dutchess County.

LEGISLATION; the New York State Legislature will meet in January

OLD BUSINESS;

Anthony Pittore reported that the new Website committee met with Tom Williams and the website is in its final stages and almost complete.

Anthony Pittore also reported that the illegal dumping on the Federation Property on Silverlake has ceased., thanks to DEC officers presence, no trespassing signs, and a camera.

We are still waiting for town of Lagrange to install the concrete pad at overlook pond.

NEW BUSINESS;

DEC will have Pheasants available for special hunts for the 2025 season

The Federation, junior member Lucas Whitten gave a presentation on a beaver dam removal.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE/ ELECTIONS;

President Anthony Pittore turned the floor over to Dave Compton

Dave Compton read the two board members who were up for reelection

Dave Compton read the names for the executive board that are up for a reelection

Dave Compton asked three times if there was any nominations from the floor and with no nominations from the floor, he asked to cast one vote for each nomination. All nominations were approved.

CLUB COMMUNICATIONS;

Viola Rod & Gun will hold a New York State 18 hour concealed carry firearms course at Northern Dutchess Rod & Gun club on January 18 and 19, 2025

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.

The next Delegates meeting is January 9, 2024

Respectfully submitted,
Anthony Pittore
(with help from Dave Morrison)