



# WILDLIFE ACTION

## PEE DEE CHAPTER

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## JANUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

### HUNTING REPORT

Dennis, VP of Hunting, said we had a good season with all but one member harvested multiple deer. Mark Derakitschan and his son harvested four this season.

At some time in the near future Dennis suggested we have a predator hunt. He said there are several bobcats in the area along with coyotes.

### FISHING REPORT

Roger Burrows, VP of Fishing, told the group that the flooding was affected fishing, but the fish are still there if you're willing to get in the river.

Crappie are starting to bite at Lakes Marion and Moultrie. A guide or depth finder is the best way to find them. It's time for Red Fin Trout and Perch on the Little Pee Dee River. Fish about 1 to 2 feet off the bottom in the pools and eddies.

A new member was introduced by Bill. George Bernheart is in the process of applying to national and once that is completed he will be joining our chapter.

### TREASURIES REPORT

Larry said we are solvent. Insurance bill of approximately \$1000 was paid.

### CRSO REPORT

Steve said he has a new member on his roster.

He mentioned that an RSO class is scheduled for February 23rd, 2019. The fee for the class is \$60. He currently has one person signed up for the class.

The 2019 signage is up.

Steve reiterated the new requirement that RSOs open the range for three hours one weekend a year. He will be tracking this.

He reminded us to sign in when we are the RSO.

### CMP MATCH

Dan and Kevin will be working on the upcoming 22 Sporter CMP Clinic which is the most flexible. Participant can use either iron sights or scope with an option for a sling if desired. We'll be shooting from a prone and then sitting position at 50 yards. The final will be standing order of fire for 20 rounds. Please bring at a minimum 60 rounds of ammunition or more for sighter shots. The cost will be determined, but will likely be in \$10 to \$20 range.

## **ANNUAL OFFICERS ELECTION-FEBRUARY**

Two members, Ron Lochner and Sonny Kirkland, are due to rotate off the board, however if they wish to remain on the board they may do so by unanimous vote of the chapter. Ron said he wanted to remain on the board. Sonny was unable to attend this meeting. Kevin will check with him about remaining on the board.

Dr. Jon Docherty ask to step down from his position of VP.

Kevin open the floor up for nominations to the board to full the VP spot. Bill Bessinger said he would be willing to be a VP nominee for the February election.

Kevin indicated he would step down as president if someone would accept the nomination so others in the chapter can develop their leadership skills

## **WLA DINNER**

It's once again time for Nationals annual fundraiser dinner in Marion, SC.

The flooding has again assaulted Fort Retch camp which is a major revenue stream for national. Members were asked about helping with the clean up. The question was raised about a scheduled work/clean up day at Fort Retch. Kevin said he would check with Frank about it.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Dennis said once the river drops he would like to have a work day to finish the bridge in the hunting area.

Kevin mentioned that Trail Life Boys have inquired about looking over our facility and using the grounds for their outdoor activities including camping, canoeing and shooting.

Dennis ask that the hat be passed for contributions for our chapter repairs and range expansions. A sum of \$204 was collected !

Juan mentioned that our chapter neighbor has come over upon occasions and ask that we do not shoot in the morning but return to a schedule similar to Sunday! Nick and Juan asked what are policy should be and what we should say? Kevin and Steve stated that we are protected by the 2000 Shooting Range Protection Act and should not change our general use. Therefore, the policy is to ask him if he is a member or would like to become a member? If he responds negatively then ask him to leave the property. This individual has been known to harass many RSO's throughout the years and possibly is the one that shoots into the woods toward our sign -in shed from his house If this occurs immediately call the Sheriff as posted in our SOPs.

Ron Lochner asked that we be mindful of live ammo on the ground. He was burning debris in the burn barrel and a live round detonated.

A motion was made by David to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Doc.

**New CMP Update:** Kevin spoke with the CMP Training Division regarding CMP Trainers. All members of WLA that have NRA training credentials for rifle, pistol or shotgun will be accepted as CMP Trainers. Please submit the following to Kevin's eMail - [tkevin@sc.rr.com](mailto:tkevin@sc.rr.com):

- Copy of your current NRA credential card
- Memo stating name, address and phone number

## **NEXT MEETING**

Sunday, February 10 at 1:00pm (Special Time)

February Event: CMP Match-22 Sporter



