



# South Shore Wildlife Association

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Date: June 10, 2013

<p><u>In Attendance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stephen Joudrey     Eugene Herman</li> <li>• Greg Himmelman     Burt Schrader</li> <li>• Barry Kelley     Gary Mader</li> <li>• Doug Joudrey     Otis Scott</li> <li>• Lawrence Baltzer     Linda Joudrey</li> <li>• Annette Mader     Reg Archibald</li> <li>• Jeremy McEachern     Ron Thompson</li> </ul>	<p><u>50/50 Tonnie Draw</u></p> <p>Eugene H. \$15.00</p> <p><u>Door Prizes:</u> Hat – Ron T. Hat – Jeremy M. Deck of cards – Greg H</p>	<p><u>Executive Phone List:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stephen Joudrey (President) 543-9891</li> <li>• Eugene Herman (Sec/Treas) 543-2893</li> </ul> <p><u>Email :</u> sellherman60@hotmail.ca</p> <p><u>Web-Site:</u> sswa.chebucto.org</p>
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Stephen opened the meeting at 7:03 pm. Eugene read the minutes from the previous meeting and moved for adoption as read. Seconded by Barry

## Old Business:

- **Anti-Littering Signs:** Ron & Stephen have been working on this item. Signs had to be redesigned slightly by replacing the D.O.E. logo with the new sponsorship - Resource Recovery Funding Board (RRFB). We have been approved for up to \$300, excluding HST, for the purchase of these signs. It was decided that we would purchase 37 at a cost of \$296, and SSWA will pay the taxes. The project needs to be accounted for. Follow-up documentation, including proof of payment, must be submitted to RRFB within 60 days or reimbursement will be lost. It was decided to wait until a week prior to next meeting to process the order for the signs in order to give us maximum time to react to this guideline. The signs will be available at our July meeting.
- **Grade 2 & 3 Fishing Day** May 15<sup>th</sup> for the Bridgewater Elementary School at the MARC went very well. Reg, Greg, Eugene, Stephen, Doug Barry, Doug Joudrey, Ron G, Ron S, and Lawrence Baltzer assisted the more than 60 kids in attendance. Numerous trout were caught and everyone had a great time. At the end of the event the school presented SSWA with a card of thanks which included a check for \$50.00 (that will be used toward new fishing supplies).

Special note: A huge thank you goes out to Keith Corcoran of Lighthouse Publishing for his three separate publications of SSWA working with BB/BS kids in the fishing event held recently at the MARC. The publicity is greatly appreciated.

Stephen brought in pictures of SSWA members working the fishing events. Members present could choose any pictures they wanted and Stephen will get them made. As always, we will present a package of pictures to all four of the groups who took part. They really appreciate receiving pictures of their event, and we always include a group photo of SSWA members who took part for their particular outing. This fishing experience is the annual highlight for every group.

- **Lyme Disease Education:** There has been a full page advertisement on May 24, 2013 in the Chronicle Herald about ticks and lyme disease. This appears to be an annual publication as Eugene had saved basically the same ad from April 23, 2012. It's good to see the Provincial Gov. being proactive with this disease. This topic is starting to hit the news more frequently – someone is starting to listen.
- **Memberships:** Linda has been working hard to streamline the membership renewals so it is more manageable. She was looking for a consensus as to how long we should allow a member to receive his/her minutes after their membership expires. Members felt that if we notify them the month before the expiry date and we don't receive their dues by the month after the expiry date, they will be removed from our list. Eg. We would notify an individual in May that their expiry date is June and if no payment is received by July's mail out, they would be removed. Presently members are due annually on the same month that they joined. You should have been issued a membership card when you joined and the expiry month is recorded on the bottom of that card. If you cannot find your card, please contact Eugene or Stephen to find out your expiry date. A new card will be issued as well if requested. Please help us in this hugely time-consuming task by following up with your renewals when notice is received. Two months should be ample time to mail in or drop off dues.  
**Also, thank you to the many prompt members who never let this happen. We know who you are!**

**Correspondence/Info:** Among the topics mentioned or reviewed by Stephen and Eugene, included were:

- Moose draw to be held June 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am.
- Becoming an Outdoor Woman (BOW) runs from Sept. 13-15. Any female member who is interested in taking this exciting, fun filled weekend can apply for funding through SSWA by calling Stephen or Eugene.
- Eugene raised the question of whether or not SSWA would sponsor two youths to attend the Youth Guides Camp in Hibernia again this year. After some discussion Ron moved we sponsor two youths in 2013 if we have any interested applicants. Seconded by Gary. Passed.
- We received information that our local Canadian Tire Store is planning to stock a large selection of firearms and a wider selection of ammunition. Anyone interested in having a certain caliber of copper ammunition stocked could give their request to Ron who would in turn pass the info along to the store manager. It's gratifying to see national stores again picking up the firearms line after the devastating long gun registry forced them out of the market. Since its death and burial earlier this year gun sales have taken off. Gun owners have hopefully learned a valuable lesson that will never be forgotten. The next time this threat rears its ugly head – and there will be a next time, but not before the Federal Conservatives lose power – citizens will be much better informed and much more alert to the impending destruction.
- SSWA Michelin Health and Safety Fair booth on June 22'nd will be manned by Reg Archibald.

### **Treasury Report:**

**Eugene gave an updated report of a balance of \$2785.30**

May. 13	Deposit			\$	110.00
May. 13	Linda Joudrey BB/BS Expenses	66	\$	24.44	
May. 01	Interest			\$	0.15
May. 23	Bank service charge		\$	4.50	
Jun. 04	UPS Store	67	\$	345.00	
Jun. 10	Sheila Herman Flea Market Advertising	68	\$	26.73	

### **New Business:**

- ☆ Eugene prepared a newspaper ad for the Giant Flea Market scheduled for July 20. It was run in two papers in June and will run again the week before the market in July.
- ☆ Stephen handed out flyers of the flea market to members for posting.
- ☆ Burt moved we spend \$80 to have four permanent signs made up instead of the paper ones that take a lot of time to make by hand and have to be replaced every couple of years. Seconded by Annette. Passed. Stephen will see our sign guru about getting them made. These will be for the two sandwich style frames that we place in two busy locations in town several days prior to the market. Flea Market set up will be Friday night July 19<sup>th</sup> after 5:00. These signs will be put out no later than Tues.
- ☆ Do we want to enter a parade float in the various parades in the county? There wasn't much interest expressed by those in attendance, but Jeremy came up with an interesting concept for a possible joint venture with another business. He will investigate this idea.
- ☆ Ron suggested that instead of waiting until October and then rushing to get resolutions prepared for the end of December, that we should have them tabled for discussion as early as our July meeting. Therefore if anyone has anything they would like to see submitted by our club, please forward the info to Eugene or Stephen whenever it is ready, or simply come to one of our next four meetings to discuss it. (July – Oct). Resolutions can center around any hunting or fishing concerns, land issues, the environment, birds and mammals, or any number of miscellaneous topics affecting our interests in the great outdoors. If any one is unsure of a concern and would like to discuss it for clarification, please get in contact with Stephen or Eugene or Gary/Annette Mader. If valid, your suggestion will be constructed in the resolution format and discussed at a meeting. Should we pass it, it will be forwarded from our club in December to be included in the 2014 Convention book. Our reps will then defend it and try to get it passed at the round table discussions. Success there puts it in the hands of the proper gov. dept. for assessment, and possible implementation in new regulations. Imagine an idea from one single member making a change in one of our laws – how cool would that be?? It is that simple, and it starts with an idea!
- ☆ Stephen inquired as to whether or not we should offer a fall outing for BB/BS. We attempted to make this an annual event, but after the first one a couple of years ago, BB/BS were never able to fit another one into their busy schedule. As there was little interest at this time we shelved the idea and will discuss it at next meeting.

### **Dates to Remember:**

Michelin Health & Safety Fair	10:00 – 2:00 Sat. June 22
SSWA Flea Market setup	5:00 pm Friday July 19
SSWA Giant Flea Market	8:00 – 12:00 Sat July 20
Outdoor Show in Truro	Friday Sept. 6 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday Sept. 8 <sup>th</sup>

### **NEXT MEETING**

**July 15<sup>th</sup> –7:00pm** in Sobey's Store meeting room – back left corner by the washrooms and up the steps, or use the elevator (key required from front desk). Meetings are open to all members and friends. Dates for the rest of 2013 meetings are Aug. 12, Sept. 16, Oct. 21 and Dec. 09<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

## **Did You Know?**

1. Coyote harvest was up 25.3 % from 2699 in 2010-2011 to 3381 in 2011-2012, while the prices dropped slightly from \$27.39 to \$26.94 on average.
2. Bobcat harvest was down 15% but average value was up 37% from \$147.45 to \$197.42
3. Beaver harvest up 25.3% to 5,155 animals. Pelts increased 57.1% from \$22.56 to \$35.45
4. The 2012 Deer harvest in Lunenburg County was the lowest in 10 years - basically because the kill rate had declined 4 consecutive years, plus the extra tag disappeared in 2012. For: 2008-3248 killed, 2009-3104, 2010-2505, 2011-2314 and in 2012-1510 (with one tag only). Don't expect zone 102 to go back to two tags anytime soon.
5. One more thing: Deer licenses sold has declined in the last 10 years from 42,260 in 2003 to 35,732 in 2012. That's 6528 fewer hunters in the woods! How much of this can we blame on the gun registry? Will the numbers start to pick back up now? Will more young people take to the woods? We must do our part to teach our children and grand children to understand, appreciate, promote and preserve our outdoor resources!
6. **"Breaking News"** Bow hunting season is going to open Sept. 14 this year, two weeks earlier than before. Crossbow and primitive muzzle-loader (smooth bore only) will run the month of October until the general open season for deer opens.

**Smile of the Day:** What's the difference between the Pope and your boss? The Pope only expects you to kiss his ring.

Some minds work like lightening – one flash and it's gone!

The greatest Super Bowl ever would be a self cleaning toilet.

**Thought of the Day:** Sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.

Ignoring the facts will never change the facts.

Opportunities are never lost. Someone will always take the ones you miss.

**I Believe:** - that a nation trying to tax itself into prosperity is like a man standing in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle.

- That no matter how serious your life requires you to be, everyone needs a friend to act goofy with.

- That it's those small daily happenings that make life so special.