Electronic Deer and Bear Registration Will Provide Additional Convenience to Hunters While Keeping Time-Honored Traditions Alive

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ADIRON – After a successful 2014 pilot program, deer and bear hunters in Wisconsin will be able to electronically register their harvest during the 2015 hunting season.

“We received feedback from a number of hunters, and overall, most users found both the telephone and online systems easy to use and very convenient,” said Wallenfang, DNR deer ecologist. “Any business can offer registration services if they are willing to provide a phone or computer for public use or assist a hunter with registration. We have worked with stakeholders and will continue to offer on our website a list of businesses that will offer in-person registration with the new system.”

In 2014, 14,000 hunters were selected to register deer by telephone or online and just a new electronic registration system. These hunters registered more than 10,000 deer electronically during the archery, crossbow, muzzleloader, and gun deer seasons.

We’ve used many of their suggestions to make our system even more user-friendly in 2015.”

Improvements for the 2015 deer season include a shortened and much simpler case tag confirmation number. In addition, a more efficient keypad-based phone menu will replace the voice-activated system used in 2014. With help from Wisconsin hunters, the electronic registration process has been further streamlined to allow hunters to register their deer with ease.

“While the transition to electronic registration will produce some unique challenges, we hope to make it as simple as possible for hunters,” said MacFarland. “Historically, we have seen nearly 100 percent compliance in the submission of bear samples – continued partnerships with Wisconsin’s bear hunters will help keep this track record of success going under the new registration system.”

Hunters who successfully drew a bear permit in 2015 will receive further instructions and sampling materials by mail this summer.

To register electronically, hunters will simply need to go online or call the registration system and provide the same basic harvest information as in the past. Upon successful registration, each hunter will receive a confirmation number this will need to be written on the carcass tag attached to the animal.

Both deer and bear hunters will be required to register their animal by 5 p.m. the day after harvest. Regardless of the method used, registration for both deer and bear remains mandatory for all hunters.

Weather Awareness!

What is the difference between a hurricane, a cyclone and a typhoon? Hurricanes, cyclones and typhoons are all the same weather phenomenon; we just use different names for these storms in different places. In the Northwest Pacific is called a Typhoon, and in the South Pacific or Indian Ocean. The ingredients for these storms include a pre-existing weather disturbance, warm tropical oceans, moisture, and relatively light winds. If the right conditions persist long enough, they can combine to produce the violent winds, incredible waves, devastating and shocking impact. NO PLACE on earth is safe when thunderstorms are in the area! If you hear thunder, lightning is close enough to strike you. An average of 50 people in the US die each year from lightning strikes.

Severe Thunderstorm: A thunderstorm is considered severe when it produces any of the following. Hail 1 inch (quarter size) or larger in diameter, winds which equal or exceed 58 MPH or a tornado.

Flood: A rapid rise in water that occurs with little or no advance warning. Waters in the affected area should seek safe shelter immediately. Remember that severe thunderstorms can produce tornadoes with little or no advance warning. Waters can be issued without a watch already in effect.

Be safe out there!...
**DNR Accepting Applications for Forest Fire Protection Grants**

Wisconsin fire departments and county/area fire associations can now apply for Fire Departments of County/area fire associations are able to assist the DNR forestry staff in the detection of forest fires. The grant program provides funds for the purchase of forest fire suppression equipment, including fire retardant and personal protective equipment, forest fire training, forest fire prevention, forest fire tools and equipment, communication equipment, dry hydrant installation, rural fire hydrants, and fire hydrant repair.

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J.L. Schneider Scholarship:
Alaina P. Gerrits
Hometown: Suamico, Wi.

Alaina is a junior studying Forest Management, who has maintained an average GPA of 3.4. Alaina chose to study Forest Management because forests provide us with so many important resources and ecological benefits and to keep them healthy and thriving for future generations. This summer she will participate in the Eastern Environmental Studies Seminar hoping to learn more about the importance and value of our forests. After graduation she plans on joining the Forest Service and work throughout the United States before taking a permanent position in Wisconsin.

Les Woerpel Scholarship:
Joseph P. Salm
Hometown: Bloomer, Wi.

Joseph’s major is Forest Management with a GPA of 3.48 and he is working on raising it. His particular interest is in habitat research and for a career he would like to work with land owners to improve wildlife habitats and health. He also developed an Outdoors Educational idea at the Gordon Bubolz Nature Preserve in Appleton.

Allan & Carol Kube Scholarship:
Carol Rose Kube Memorial Scholarship
Hometown: Appleton, Wi.

This scholarship is dedicated to the memory of the late Carol Rose Kube and her husband Allan, they restored and enhanced the fields, forests and its critters. Carol was recognized for her significant contributions to the State and National Wildlife Federation for over 20 years. Carol received the State Waterfowl Quality Leadership Award. This scholarship is dedicated to the memory of the late Carol Rose Kube. Carol was a dedicated steward of our Natural Resources. This scholarship is dedicated to the memory of the late Carol Rose Kube.

New WWF Scholarship
W.W.F. Scholarship Recipients

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WISCONSERVATION “Conversation”!

A "Shout Out" Message from the Editor!

The 2015 Annual Meeting was once again a huge success. From the reports written by the various officers of the federation, the various sections of local conservation groups, and the reports from the fish clubs throughout the state, it is clear that the federation is doing an excellent job of speaking to each and every member. The reports from the state fish clubs provide a great deal of information about the state of the fish clubs, and the reports from the local conservation groups provide a great deal of information about the state of the conservation groups. The reports from the various officers of the federation provide a great deal of information about the state of the federation.

To all members of the federation, I would like to say that I am truly impressed with the work that you all are doing. The reports that you have written are a testament to the hard work that you are doing, and I am truly grateful for all that you have done.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Editor, WISCONSERVATION

WISCONSERVATION 2015 Annual Meeting Meeting Reports

WFW Endangered Resources/Non-Game Species Committee Annual Report

The Committee, currently chaired by Ryan Herr, has continued to meet throughout the year and has been working on several projects. The Committee has been working on several projects, including the development of a new Endangered Resources/Non-Game Species Committee Annual Report. The Committee has been working on this report for several months, and it is expected to be completed within the next few weeks.

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## Blaze Area Sportsman’s Club Pancake Brunch & 4 Wheeler Raffle

**Sunday July 12, 2015 7:30am-12:30pm**

**Brill Community Park – Brill, WI**

**All You Can Eat ! ! !**

Pancakes, French Toast, Eggs, Sausage, Applesauce, Milk & Coffee

#1 Prize Arctic Cat 450 EFi Auto 4x4 4 Wheeler

**Many Other Prizes ! ! !**

All Proceeds Will Aid Club Projects

“PUBLIC WELCOME”

## Rio Conservation Club Merchandise Trap Shoot

**Sunday June 14, 2015**

**Sunday Sept. 13, 2015**

**50 Bird Individual Lewis Class Shoot**

**10 Bird Events**

Flurry Shoot

Food and Refreshments Available

Need Directions?

Visit Rio Conservation Club’s Website

## “Wanted” Affiliate Club Activities Information:

Club Activity Advertisements – WWF Membership Affiliates are entitled to a “FREE” Club Event Advertisement Annually in Wisconservation - (Fund Raising – Specialized Training – Hunter Ed, Atv, Firearms, Snowmobile, Public awareness topics etc.) Event photographs welcomed prior to, or after the event. Timetable: Allow for a 45 day lead time for publication before the event. Pre-designed poster designs welcome but not required.

Let’s keep your Club in the “NEWS”Together!

Information: wwfedt@gmail.com – Editor Dan Gries 920-725-4092

## Individual Membership Application

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Forward your application & fee to: W.W.F., 1540 W. James Street, Suite 500, Columbus, WI 53925

Name: ____________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________

City: ___________ State: ______ Zip Code: ___________

$25 fee enclosed _________Master Card/Visa available – 1-800-897-4161

Membership strength increases our voice strength!