

The Duck Call

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"A monthly publication exclusively for Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Club Members"



Hello Everyone,

We hope you all had a Merry Christmas. It was certainly the warmest one we have had in many years.

January is going to be a busy month for us, starting with the Nascar party Saturday, January 20th, then the Chili cookoff Sunday, January 21st.

Elections will be held Friday, January 26th. The meeting starts at 6pm. Running for a 3-year Director spot are Tom Grady, Bill Moravec, Shawn Brewer and Scott Sutherland. You will need to vote for three out of the four running.

The Rabbit Hunt will be January 28th. You must be signed up by Saturday the 27th.

The guys will be starting to prepare for the Game Dinner on Monday, January 29th and it takes all week to be ready for the February 3rd dinner. It's a lot of work and the guys do a fabulous job.

Happy New Year

Next stop Hornell NY

Andrew R Button

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OFFICERS

Andy Button President

Dave Moravec Vice President

Dave Hartman Secretary

Terri Grady Jennifer Sutherland *Co-Treasurers*

> Andy Button Club Steward

Angela Wodarski Bell Jar Steward

DIRECTORS

<u>3 Year</u> Tim Dillon Harry Goodell Neil Searles

<u>2 Year</u> Kurt Gilbert Paul Roberts Josh Sutherland

<u>1 Year</u> Shawn Brewer Tom Grady Bill Moravec



From the Secretary

Gregory Doan, Paul Hubbard, Mathew Miller & Mark Paul

Welcome to our new Members

ELECTIONS - - Annual elections will be held at the January 26th Membership meeting. Mark your calendars and try to come to the meeting and cast your vote. three (3) open

- <u>President</u>: Andrew Button (unopposed)
- <u>Vice President</u>: Dave Moravec (unopposed)
- <u>Treasurers</u>: Terri Grady, Jennifer Sutherland (unopposed)
- <u>Secretary</u>: Dave Hartman (unopposed)
- <u>Three Year Directors</u>: Bill Moravec, Tom Grady, Shawn Brewer and Scott Sutherland (vote for three)

For those that are unable to attend the Annual Elections for reasons described within our bylaws, there is a copy of the 2024 Absentee Ballot included on page 4 of this newsletter.

2024 Chili Cook-Off - - Sunday, January 21, 2024. See page 5 for details

<u>24th Annual Cal DeWitt Rabbit Hunt</u> -- Sunday, January 28, 2024. See page 56for details Door prize donations are welcomed</u>

Sunday Euchre - - Partner drawings at 12:45 pm and games begin at 1:00 pm.

Facebook Member Page - - There is a Seneca Lake Duck Hunters "Members Only" page on FB. If you want to join, go to the group page and submit a request to join. The page provides timely updates and reminders for various events at the club.

Member meetings are held monthly at 6:00 pm on the 4th Friday of the month.

Please note that the Club is not open until 4:00 on Wednesdays and Fridays. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!!

<u>2024 DUES</u> - - If you missed the December 31st deadline, you can still renew before the club closes on Friday, January 19th and not have to wait a year before rejoining. In addition to your regular membership dues of \$40, there will be an additional \$15 late fee due when you pay by 1/19/24 for 2024.



We will host the FLAT League for the first time on Saturday and Sunday, January 13th and 14th. Breakfast will be available to anyone that wants to come up starting at 8am both days.

The First League shoot will be January 6th and 7th, with the last shoot being March 17th, so that is nine weeks in a row to shoot. That's quite a commitment and we are proud to be a part of it.

See You All in January

Andrew R Button

DONATIONS

Brad Braman Memorial (Land Fund)\$ 50
Roger Kerrick Memorial (Land Fund)\$ 50
Dan Beardsley Memorial (Land Fund)\$ 50
Jeff Hughes Memorial (Land Fund)\$ 50
Venison Donation Coalition \$ 100
AU Saxons Cheerleaders\$ 100
Operation Graduation\$ 100
YC Tuberculosis & Health Assoc\$ 100
Dresden Fire Dept\$ 100
Keuka Arts Festival\$ 100
Soldiers & Sailors Auxiliary\$ 100
Yates Co. Cornell Co-Op\$ 100

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday	Wings	5:00 - 7:30 pm
Jan. 5	5:00 - 7:00	Pizza Friday
Jan. 12	5:00 - 7:30	Fish Fry
Jan. 19	5:00 - 7:00	Pizza Friday
Jan. 22	6:00	Director Meeting
Jan. 26	6:00	Member Meeting



HAVE ONE ONTHE HOUSE WINNERS

Chris Christensen, Tim Gray, Andrew Jones, Brian Schmitt, Carl Stuck

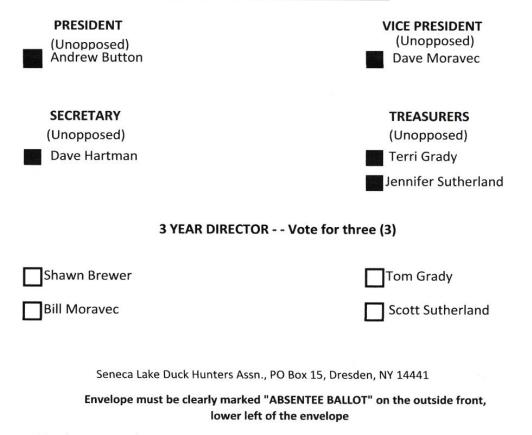
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SENECA LAKE DUCK HUNTERS ASSOCIATION, INC. 2024 ANNUAL ELECTIONS

OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT



Member name and return address MUST be included to determine voting eligibility

Absentee ballots MUST be received by January 26, 2024 (Annual Election Night)

Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Assoc., Inc. shall not be responsible for late or lost mail

BY-LAWS, Article 9, Section 2a: Annual Elections of Officers and Directors – Absentee Voting

Absentee ballots shall only be accepted from Members who are outside the State of New York at the time oif the elections or who are physically unable attend the meeting on election night. (For reasons such as, but not limited to; employment, hospitalization, or enlisted in the Armed Services).

SENECA LAKE DUCK HUNTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CHILI COOKOFF



Sunday, January 21, 2024 BEFORE NOON—Deliver Chili to Club **Sorry, entries delivered after noon will not be accepted.** 1:00 pm—Tasting/Judging begins!

- Entry fee: \$5.00 (sign-up & pay bartender—only first 20 entries will be accepted!!)
- All entries must arrive in crockpots. Please try to make sure that all entries are large enough for a second tasting in the case of a tie--keep in mind there are usually 50-75 tasters!
- Feel free to bring corn bread, biscuits, etc.
- <u>As in past years, all leftover chili will be donated to</u> <u>the club to be used at the Annual Rabbit Hunt.</u>

Any questions, call Reita Roberts 315-694-2229 or Pat Moravec 315-374-2022

Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Association 24th Annual Cal Dewitt Rabbit Hunt Application Sunday, January 28, 2024 Rabbit Hunt Rules & Regulations

- 1) The event will be known as the Cal Dewitt Memorial Rabbit Hunt, and will be held on all New York State lands on January 28, 2024. Entry fee shall be \$10.00 per participant over the age of 16, Entry fees for hunters 16 and under will be waived. Hunt applications and entry fees MUST be delivered (or received by mail) to the Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Club no later than 6:00PM on the evening prior to the Hunt. There will be no exceptions made.
- 2) The Rules and Regulations of the N.Y.S. Department of Environmental Conservation will govern the event.
- 3) Rabbits, Squirrels or Grouse from any New York State lands are eligible, and must be taken only on the day of the hunt and prior to the absolute weigh-in deadline of 3:00PM on Sunday.
- 4) Hours of operation for official weigh-in at the Club are from 11:00am to 3:00PM on Sunday. There will be no exceptions.
- 5) Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Association, Inc., and/or the Rabbit Hunt Committee will render final judgment regarding the legality of any animal being entered.
- 6) One monetary prize per contestant.
- 7) Once an animal is weighed and/or entered in the Hunt, it will become property of the Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Association, Inc. All winning entries may be cut and examined for foreign matter. Any animal found containing foreign matter will be disqualified, and the entrant will be barred from future participation in the Hunt.
- 8) The Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Association, Inc. appreciates and accepts donations of animals for the Annual Game Dinner
- 9) Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Association, Inc., the Rabbit Hunt Committee, and/or Sponsors of the Hunt will not be held liable for any accident or injury sustained during this event.
- 10) Cash Prizes will be awarded immediately following the weigh-in deadline of 3:00PM Sunday. Total prize money will be determined by the number of entrants, minus expenses: Rabbit, 1st -3rd place; Squirrel, 1st -3rd place and Grouse, 1st place only.
- 11) Each individual entrant may weigh in any number of Rabbit or Grouse and up to 2 Squirrel.
- 12) Dependent upon circumstances and at the discretion of Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Association, Inc and/or the Rabbit Hunt Committee, entrants may be required to present photo ID at weigh-in.
- 13) Questions? Contact the club @ 315-536-9889 or Scott Sutherland @ 315-759-9790

DIRECTIONS TO OUR CLUBHOUSE

2188 Rt. 14 Penn Yan NY (1.5 miles south of the intersection of Rt. 14 & 54 in Dresden) Look for LARGE SIGN at our driveway entrance.

Clip & mail w/check for entry to: SLDH RABBIT HUNT – c/o Scott Sutherland - PO BOX 15 - DRESDEN, NY. 14441

Hunters: \$10.00

Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Association, Inc.

24th ANNUAL RABBIT HUNT OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Name		Age	Date//
Address			
City	State	Zip Code	
Phone			Check this box if address has changed from last year





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Contact ducksec21@gmail.com for more info