



## **ATTENTION BOARD MEMBERS**

The next Executive Board meeting will be held at the Ramada Inn in State College, Pennsylvania on Friday, January 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

The PA State Chapter Rendezvous and Banquet will be held on Saturday, January 10, 2014 at the Ramada Inn in State College, Pennsylvania. The seminars will start at 12:00 p.m. and the doors will open at 5:00 p.m. for the Banquet. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m.

The regular State Board of Directors meeting will be held on Sunday, January 11, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at the Ramada Inn at State College, Pennsylvania.

***Pennsylvania State Chapter NWTF  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Glen O. Hawbaker's, Pleasant Gap, PA  
October 6, 2013***

**Director's Present:** T. Bunty, C. Chapman, J. Drolet, R. Johnson, R. Martone, S. McCartney, H. Meyers, J. Nelson, S. Motts, J. Panaro, J. Sorber, J. Straley, D. Wade, R. Wagner, S. Wojton.

**Director's Absent:** M. Ferdinand, A. Frantz, D. Heckman, D. Horst, G. Isabella, J. Montgomery, B. Schwalm,

**NWTF Staff Present:** C. Mowry, R. Smith

**Guests:** Mary Jo Casalena, V. Ross

The Board Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman of the Board, Tom Bunty.

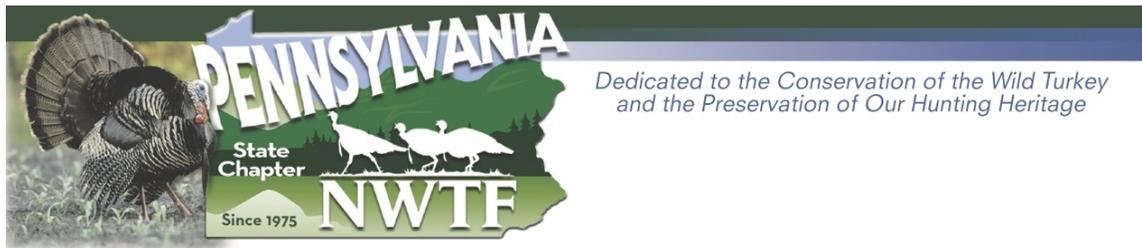
Tom welcomed the Board members, called the meeting to order, led the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, and ran through the ground rules.

### **Action Items:**

- Dennis Wade documented the action items for this meeting.

PA State Chapter Meeting Oct. 6, 2013  
ACTION ITEMS  
Recorded 10/6/2013

### **Items carried over from July 2013 meeting.**



**Bob Erikson:** Schedule the next STH2 meeting.

**Ray Smith:** Develop questions pertaining to the hen study and gobbler study to Mary Jo in order to create a hand out for members.

**All BOD:** Start getting donations for the January Rendezvous

**New items taken at the October 6, 2013 meeting.**

**Vern Ross** – Check with National about sending National meeting minutes to State Chapters

**Vern Ross** – Bring up non members attending banquets subject at National Board meeting

**Skip M** – Develop letter to Carl Roe asking for an article explaining scientific data defending turkey seasons and bag limits

**Sam M** – Check with Elk Visitors Center about displaying prints in visitors center

**Skip M** – Contact Ken Fernberg about getting last three print remaining in stock

**Cody C** – Get second “JAKES” trailer on website for scheduling

**Russ W** – get three different prices on a trailer for second “JAKES” unit and submit to the board for approval

**Jason S** – Contact Morning Call about revising contract for Turkey Talk

**Skip M** – Set up a Rendezvous committee

**Ralph M** – see about getting the Elk Presentation at the Rendezvous

**Jim P** – look into getting \$800 deposit back from Camp Soles for cancelled State WITO event

**Phil F** and **Ray S** – check into NWTF insurance policy for clarification

**Jerry N** – get information about a booth at the NRA show in Harrisburg

**Dennis W** – get extra meeting minutes to Joe D

**Finance Reports:**

**Treasurer’s Report:**

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**PA NWTF TREASURER’S REPORT**

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TO: PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER NWTF

FROM: JIM PANARO

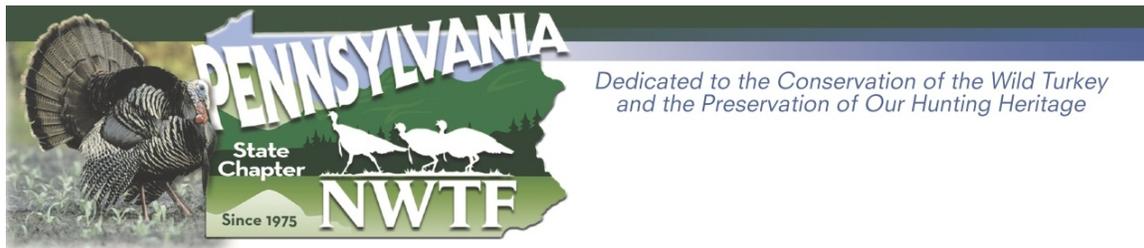
SUBJECT: REPORT FOR PERIOD JULY 26, 2013 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

DATE: 10/6/13

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**Starting Balance      \$55,558.09**

**Income                  \$15,679.25**



|   |         |
|---|---------|
| HH Fund Transfers In (corn, NLC, LCP, 2 S&E's, state scholarship) |         |
| \$8,886   |         |
| Local Chapter Presidents' Meeting                                 | \$2,716 |
| ATV Raffle Sales  | \$1,660 |
| Local Banquet Rebates   |         |
| \$1,068   |         |
| Promotional Sales   | \$ 583  |

**Expenses \$(22,186.01)**

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| HH Fund Transfers Out (1 S&E, hen study, LL Bean, Chestnut Foundation) \$8,990 |         |
| Turkey Talk Summer Issue   | \$6,162 |
| Local Chapter Presidents' Meeting  | \$5,002 |
| WITO 2014 State Event  |         |
| \$ 800   |         |
| Outreach Raffle  |         |
| \$ 599   |         |
| Insurance  | \$ 550  |

**Ending Balance \$49,051.33**

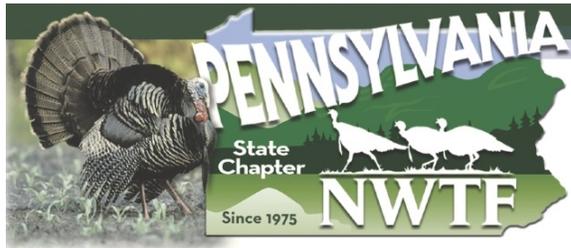
**Net Gain (Loss) \$(6,506.76)**

**General Updates**

Reports for FY 12-13 final and the first month of FY 13-14 report are attached.

- **A motion was made by Skip Motts to accept the Treasurer's Report. Tom Bunty seconded and the motion carried.**

**PA Chapter Budget Report:**



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## Income

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| Income:                               | FY 13-14<br>Budget | FY 12-13<br>Forecast | FY 11-12<br>Actuals | FY 10-11<br>Actuals | FY 09-10<br>Actuals | FY 08-09<br>Actuals | 5-year<br>average |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Chapter Administration</b>         |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Interest Checking                     | \$50               | \$39                 | \$66                | \$63                | \$106               | \$139               | \$83              |
| Chapter President's Meeting           | \$1,500            | \$1,500              | \$-                 | \$2,374             | \$2,659             | \$1,935             | \$1,694           |
| Regional Meetings                     | \$-                | \$750                | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$188             |
| Donations                             | \$50               | \$220                | \$-                 | \$663               | \$98                | \$1,025             | \$401             |
| <b>Membership Services</b>            |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Chapter Membership Rebates            | \$9,500            | \$9,653              | \$9,727             | \$9,012             | \$10,358            | \$11,868            | \$10,124          |
| <b>NWTF</b>                           |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Local Chapter Banquet Rebates         | \$5,600            | \$5,420              | \$6,153             | \$5,272             | \$6,109             | \$5,068             | \$5,604           |
| Women in the Outdoors                 | \$6,000            | \$8,481              | \$34                | \$2,014             | \$3,712             | \$726               | \$2,993           |
| <b>Rendezvous/ Awards Banquet</b>     | \$25,000           | \$26,524             | \$26,558            | \$25,569            | \$20,420            | \$25,701            | \$24,954          |
| <b>Promotional Items</b>              |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Promotional Items                     | \$1,500            | \$1,500              | \$1,168             | \$1,205             | \$1,017             | \$1,116             | \$1,201           |
| <b>Fundraising</b>                    |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Outreach Gun Raffle                   | \$32,000           | \$25,960             | \$35,760            | \$34,680            | \$30,060            | \$38,852            | \$33,062          |
| Upper Gun Raffle                      | \$13,000           | \$14,395             | \$12,304            | \$11,705            | \$15,600            | \$15,187            | \$13,838          |
| Additional fundraiser                 | \$-                | \$2,500              | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$10,095            | \$2,519           |
| <b>Chapter Miscellaneous</b>          |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Chapter Miscellaneous                 | \$100              | \$-                  | \$90                | \$10                | \$65                | \$17                | \$36              |
| Equipment Rental Fees                 | \$850              | \$600                | \$540               | \$800               | \$820               | \$560               | \$664             |
| Local Chapter Start-up Loans Returned | \$400              | \$-                  | \$466               | \$-                 | \$1,903             | \$1,900             | \$854             |
| <b>Turkey Talk Publications</b>       |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Turkey Talk Advertising               | \$-                | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$375               | \$90                | \$-                 | \$93              |
| <b>Total Income</b>                   | <b>\$95,550</b>    | <b>\$97,542</b>      | <b>\$92,865</b>     | <b>\$93,742</b>     | <b>\$93,017</b>     | <b>\$119,855</b>    | <b>\$99,404</b>   |

|  | FY 13-14<br>Budget | FY 12-13<br>Forecast | FY 11-12<br>Actuals | FY 10-11<br>Actuals | FY 09-10<br>Actuals | FY 08-09<br>Actuals |
|--|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Starting Checking Account Balance</b>             | \$51,879           | \$37,868             | \$38,012            | \$23,184            | \$31,207            | \$20,186            |
| <b>Plus Income</b>                                   | <u>\$95,550</u>    | <u>\$97,542</u>      | <u>\$92,865</u>     | <u>\$93,742</u>     | <u>\$93,017</u>     | <u>\$119,855</u>    |
| <b>Gross Available Funds</b>                         | \$147,429          | \$135,410            | \$130,877           | \$116,926           | \$124,224           | \$140,041           |
| <b>Less Expenses</b>                                 | \$ (98,710)        | \$ (90,905)          | \$ (84,881)         | \$ (87,830)         | \$ (91,015)         | \$ (114,036)        |
| <b>Green Sheet Transfers In</b>                      | \$-                | \$61,859             | \$37,551            | \$26,765            | \$15,634            | \$36,946            |
| <b>Green Sheet Transfers Out</b>                     | \$ (14,255)        | \$ (54,485)          | \$ (45,679)         | \$ (17,850)         | \$ (25,659)         | \$ (31,969)         |
| <b>Ending Checking Account Balance</b>               | <u>\$34,464</u>    | <u>\$51,879</u>      | <u>\$37,868</u>     | <u>\$38,012</u>     | <u>\$23,184</u>     | <u>\$30,982</u>     |
| <b>Net Gain / (Loss)</b>                             | \$ (17,415)        | \$14,011             | \$ (144)            | \$14,828            | \$ (8,023)          | \$10,796            |
| <b>Net Gain / (Loss) w/out green sheet transfers</b> | \$ (3,160)         | \$6,637              | \$7,985             | \$5,912             | \$2,002             | \$5,819             |



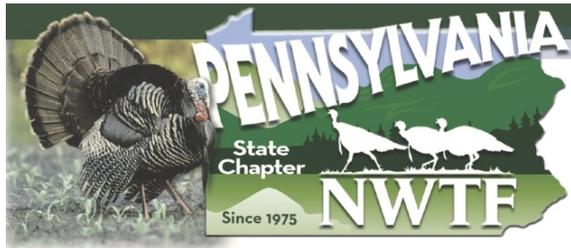
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## Expenses

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| Expenses                           | FY 13-14<br>Budget | FY 12-13<br>Forecast | FY 11-12<br>Actuals | FY 10-11<br>Actuals | FY 09-10<br>Actuals | FY 08-09<br>Actuals | 5-year<br>average |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Chapter Administration</b>      |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Accounting                         | \$650              | \$650                | \$650               | \$640               | \$630               | \$630               | \$640             |
| Advertising                        | \$-                | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-               |
| Board Meetings                     | \$1,000            | \$1,000              | \$902               | \$1,345             | \$1,562             | \$2,391             | \$1,440           |
| Chapter Presidents Travel          | \$300              | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$245               | \$231               | \$1,360             | \$367             |
| Chapter Promotions- Fees           | \$-                | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-               |
| Chapter Promotions- Shows          | \$1,500            | \$1,500              | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$1,025             | \$-                 | \$505             |
| Chapter Travel                     | \$300              | \$-                  | \$156               | \$160               | \$305               | \$37                | \$132             |
| Insurance - Board                  | \$1,500            | \$1,500              | \$1,415             | \$1,415             | \$1,415             | \$1,415             | \$1,432           |
| Legal Fees                         | \$100              | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-               |
| Local Chapter President's Meeting  | \$1,500            | \$1,500              | \$309               | \$6,747             | \$7,060             | \$6,770             | \$4,477           |
| Regional Leadership Meetings       | \$-                | \$-                  | \$1,500             | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$300             |
| NWTF memberships                   | \$60               | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-               |
| PaNWTF webpage                     | \$600              | \$600                | \$655               | \$519               | \$269               | \$209               | \$451             |
| Postage                            | \$300              | \$200                | \$115               | \$369               | \$293               | \$567               | \$309             |
| Secretary Expense                  | \$100              | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-               |
| Supplies                           | \$150              | \$42                 | \$105               | \$174               | \$76                | \$360               | \$151             |
| Supporting Member Dues             | \$1,700            | \$1,700              | \$1,700             | \$1,700             | \$1,606             | \$1,600             | \$1,661           |
| Telephone                          | \$100              | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$455               | \$387               | \$168             |
| WITO Volunteers                    | \$6,000            | \$8,444              | \$-                 | \$2,139             | \$-                 | \$1,287             | \$2,374           |
| <b>District Directors</b>          |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Postage                            | \$-                | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-               |
| Supplies                           | \$-                | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$24                | \$-                 | \$5               |
| Lodging/Meals/Travel               | \$-                | \$329                | \$-                 | \$268               | \$974               | \$891               | \$492             |
| Telephone                          | \$-                | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-               |
| <b>Public Relations Committee</b>  |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Committee Operating Expenses       | \$50               | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-               |
| PR Representative                  | \$300              | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$225               | \$300               | \$105             |
| <b>Local Chapter Startup Loans</b> |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Local Chapter Startup Loans        | \$400              | \$400                | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$80              |
| <b>Turkey Talk</b>                 |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Editor's Fee                       | \$-                | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$2,400             | \$480             |
| Printing                           | \$13,000           | \$12,584             | \$11,470            | \$11,666            | \$11,280            | \$11,305            | \$11,661          |
| Postage                            | \$12,800           | \$12,321             | \$11,840            | \$10,049            | \$10,642            | \$12,250            | \$11,420          |
| Committee Operating Expenses       | \$100              | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-               |
| <b>Legislative</b>                 |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Committee Operating Expenses       | \$100              | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-               |
| Legislative Programs/Travel        | \$500              | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$436               | \$452               | \$1,306             | \$439             |
| <b>Promotion Items</b>             |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Inventory Purchase                 | \$1,300            | \$1,177              | \$1,373             | \$20                | \$969               | \$497               | \$807             |
| Sales Tax                          | \$100              | \$-                  | \$65                | \$99                | \$11                | \$13                | \$38              |
| Operating Expenses                 | \$100              | \$-                  | \$41                | \$143               | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$37              |
| <b>Sponsor Member Hunt</b>         |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Sponsor Member Hunt of a Lifetime  | \$1,000            | \$1,000              | \$1,977             | \$668               | \$2,866             | \$950               | \$1,492           |
| <b>Art Committee</b>               |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Committee Operating Expenses       | \$100              | \$-                  | \$289               | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$58              |
| Framing                            | \$200              | \$-                  | \$163               | \$465               | \$390               | \$725               | \$349             |
| <b>Jakes / Youth</b>               |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Youth Committee Expenses           | \$1,000            | \$1,000              | \$1,000             | \$1,000             | \$1,000             | \$1,000             | \$1,000           |
| Committee Operating Expenses       | \$100              | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$118               | \$24              |
| Jakes Hunt of a Lifetime           | \$500              | \$-                  | \$506               | \$506               | \$440               | \$475               | \$385             |
| <b>Rendezvous</b>                  |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Awards                             | \$2,500            | \$2,307              | \$2,428             | \$2,692             | \$2,238             | \$2,395             | \$2,412           |
| Miscellaneous                      | \$2,000            | \$1,977              | \$846               | \$1,144             | \$104               | \$852               | \$985             |
| Room Rental                        | \$300              | \$265                | \$-                 | \$265               | \$265               | \$265               | \$212             |
| Meals                              | \$6,800            | \$6,603              | \$5,654             | \$5,407             | \$5,692             | \$7,267             | \$6,124           |
| Speaker Fees                       | \$-                | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-               |
| Core Package                       | \$10,000           | \$9,932              | \$9,988             | \$8,665             | \$8,895             | \$8,502             | \$9,197           |
| <b>Fund Raising</b>                |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| Jakes Gun Raffle                   | \$18,000           | \$11,416             | \$19,952            | \$18,868            | \$17,113            | \$22,974            | \$18,065          |
| Upper Level Gun Raffle             | \$9,800            | \$10,608             | \$9,370             | \$8,864             | \$10,614            | \$8,583             | \$9,608           |
| Additional Fundraiser              | \$-                | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$9,800             | \$1,960           |
| <b>Donations and Contributions</b> |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| NWTF Chapter Donations             | \$400              | \$368                | \$50                | \$250               | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$134             |
| Dave Burdge Medical Fund           | \$-                | \$-                  | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$-                 | \$3,360             | \$672             |
| <b>Other Operating Expenses</b>    |                    |                      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                   |
| DART System Expense                | \$800              | \$1,339              | \$271               | \$535               | \$1,681             | \$542               | \$874             |
| Equipment Repairs                  | \$500              | \$143                | \$-                 | \$304               | \$96                | \$253               | \$159             |
| Chapter Miscellaneous              | \$100              | \$-                  | \$90                | \$63                | \$118               | \$-                 | \$54              |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>              | <b>\$98,710</b>    | <b>\$90,905</b>      | <b>\$84,881</b>     | <b>\$87,830</b>     | <b>\$91,015</b>     | <b>\$114,036</b>    | <b>\$93,733</b>   |

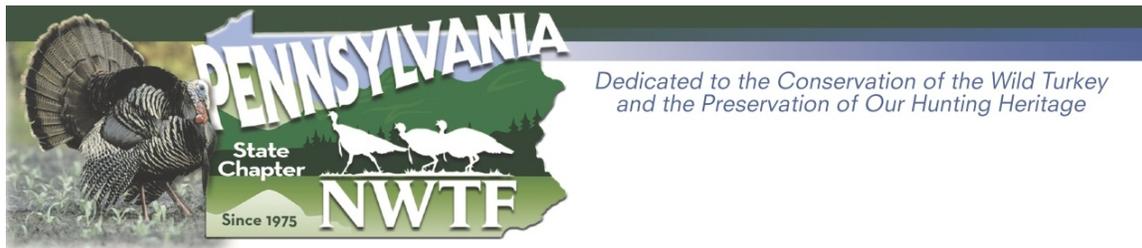


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## Hunting Heritage Budget Report:

### 2013 Hunting Heritage Fund Budget

|  | Budget             | YTD Actual<br>9/30/2013 | Forecasted<br>Remaining | YTD plus<br>Forecast | Budget vs.<br>Forecast |
|--|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Starting Balance in Hunting Heritage Superfund Reserve:</b>   | <b>\$283,711</b>   | \$275,919               | \$-                     | \$275,919            | \$(7,792)              |
| <b>Starting Balance in Outreach Fund Reserve:</b>                | <b>\$-</b>         | \$30,103                | \$-                     | \$30,103             | \$30,103               |
| <b>Starting Balance in Jakes Outreach Fund Reserve:</b>          | <b>\$-</b>         | \$245                   | \$-                     | \$245                | \$245                  |
|  | <b>\$283,711</b>   | <b>\$306,267</b>        | <b>\$-</b>              | <b>\$306,267</b>     | <b>\$22,556</b>        |
| per banquet  |                    |                         |                         |                      |                        |
| <b>\$1,972</b> Forecasted Income from 2013 Banquets: 86 Chapters | <b>\$169,600</b>   | \$194,116               | 79 \$13,805             | 7 \$207,920          | \$38,320               |
| Income from 2013 Outreach Fund: 7/23/13                          | <b>\$20,000</b>    | \$10,375                | \$-                     | \$10,375             | \$(9,625)              |
| Net from 2013 Outreach Jakes Fund: 7/23/13                       | <b>\$-</b>         | \$13,690                | \$-                     | \$13,690             | \$13,690               |
| Donations from Outside Sources                                   | <b>\$-</b>         | \$43,843                | \$-                     | \$43,843             | \$43,843               |
| <b>Total Funds Available for Projects and Programs</b>           | <b>\$523,976</b>   | <b>\$568,291</b>        | <b>79 \$13,805</b>      | <b>\$582,096</b>     | <b>\$108,785</b>       |
| <b>2013 # 5-Star 2013 Expenses projected for: 86 Chapters</b>    |                    |                         |                         |                      |                        |
| 62 Jakes Days \$500 each   | \$(31,000)         | \$(31,450)              | 62 \$-                  | \$(31,450)           | \$(450)                |
| 35 Scholarships \$250 each                                       | \$(8,750)          | \$(8,200)               | 33 \$(500)              | 2 \$(8,700)          | \$50                   |
| 20 WITO Events \$250 each  | \$(5,000)          | \$(2,250)               | 9 \$(2,750)             | 11 \$(5,000)         | \$-                    |
| 50 School Boxes \$70 each  | \$(3,500)          | \$(531)                 | 9 \$(2,870)             | 41 \$(3,401)         | \$99                   |
| 8 Wheelin' Events \$250 each                                     | \$(2,000)          | \$(1,500)               | 5 \$(750)               | 3 \$(2,250)          | \$(250)                |
| 1 PA Scholarship \$1,000 each                                    | \$(1,000)          | \$(1,000)               | 1 \$-                   | \$(1,000)            | \$-                    |
| 0 State WITO Event \$800 each                                    | \$-                | \$(222)                 | \$-                     | \$(222)              | \$(222)                |
| <b>Local Chapter 5-Star Expenses:</b>                            | <b>\$(51,250)</b>  | <b>\$(45,153)</b>       | <b>\$(6,870)</b>        | <b>\$(52,023)</b>    | <b>\$(773)</b>         |
| <b>PA Chapter Budgeted Program Expenses for 2013:</b>            |                    |                         |                         |                      |                        |
| Hen Mortality Study - Year #4                                    | \$(8,000)          | \$(8,000)               | \$-                     | \$(8,000)            | \$-                    |
| NWTF Biologist   | \$(20,000)         | \$(20,000)              | \$-                     | \$(20,000)           | \$-                    |
| WITO Coordinator   | \$(15,000)         | \$(15,000)              | \$-                     | \$(15,000)           | \$-                    |
| Chapter Membership Rebate  | \$(10,000)         | \$-                     | \$(10,000)              | \$(10,000)           | \$-                    |
| One Team One Voice Support                                       | \$(10,000)         | \$(4,950)               | \$-                     | \$(4,950)            | \$5,050                |
| Seed Subsidy   | \$(3,000)          | \$(3,400)               | \$-                     | \$(3,400)            | \$(400)                |
| Ned Smith Fund   | \$(2,500)          | \$-                     | \$(2,500)               | \$(2,500)            | \$-                    |
| Unallocated Contingency Reserve                                  | \$(1,500)          | \$-                     | \$-                     | \$-                  | \$1,500                |
| MSF Summer sighting  | \$(900)            | \$(819)                 | \$-                     | \$(819)              | \$81                   |
| Conservation Seed  | \$-                | \$-                     | \$217                   | \$217                | \$217                  |
| Local Chapter Presidents' meeting                                | \$(4,500)          | \$(1,474)               | \$(1,724)               | \$(3,198)            | \$1,302                |
| Outreach Fund Jakes Memberships                                  | \$-                | \$(3,165)               | \$-                     | \$(3,165)            | \$(3,165)              |
| <b>PA Chapter Expenses:</b>                                      | <b>\$(75,400)</b>  | <b>\$(56,807)</b>       | <b>\$(14,007)</b>       | <b>\$(70,814)</b>    | <b>\$4,586</b>         |
| <b>Total Expenses:</b>   | <b>\$(126,650)</b> | <b>\$(101,960)</b>      | <b>\$(20,877)</b>       | <b>\$(122,837)</b>   | <b>\$3,813</b>         |
| <b>Total Available for 2013 Super Fund Projects:</b>             | <b>\$(141,800)</b> | <b>\$(148,546)</b>      | <b>\$(3,320)</b>        | <b>\$(151,865)</b>   | <b>\$(10,065)</b>      |
| Allocation for 77 Habitat Projects 88%                           | \$(125,000)        | \$(128,469)             | \$-                     | \$(128,469)          | \$(3,469)              |
| Allocation for Safety & Education 7%                             | \$(10,000)         | \$(6,750)               | \$(200)                 | 1 \$(6,950)          | \$3,050                |
| Allocation for Advertising & Membership Growth 5%                | \$(6,800)          | \$(827)                 | \$(3,120)               | \$(3,947)            | \$2,854                |
| Allocation for Land Acquisition 0%                               | \$-                | \$(12,500)              | \$-                     | \$(12,500)           | \$(12,500)             |
| <b>Total</b> 100%  | <b>\$(141,800)</b> | <b>\$(148,546)</b>      | <b>\$(3,320)</b>        | <b>\$(151,865)</b>   | <b>\$(10,065)</b>      |
| <b>Ending Balance in Hunting Heritage Superfund Reserve:</b>     | <b>\$255,526</b>   | <b>\$317,785</b>        | <b>\$(10,392)</b>       | <b>\$307,393</b>     | <b>\$102,532</b>       |
|  |                    |                         |                         |                      |                        |
|  | Starting           | Expenses                | Income                  | Net                  | 9/30 Ending            |
| Outreach   | \$30,103           | \$(18,750)              | \$10,375                | \$(8,375)            | \$21,728               |
| HH   | \$275,919          | \$(228,591)             | \$194,116               | \$(34,476)           | \$241,443              |
| Jakes  | \$245              | \$(3,165)               | \$16,855                | \$13,690             | \$13,935               |
| donations  | \$-                | \$-                     | \$43,843                | \$43,843             | \$43,843               |
|  | <b>\$306,267</b>   | <b>\$(250,506)</b>      | <b>\$265,189</b>        | <b>\$14,683</b>      | <b>\$320,950</b>       |
|  |                    |                         |                         |                      |                        |
|  |                    | \$(250,506)             | \$221,346               | \$231,985            |                        |
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|  |                    | \$(250,506)             |                         |                      |                        |



## Officers' Reports:

### President's Report:

#### PA NWTF Presidents Report

Skip Motts

July-Sept 2013

- Processed and approved Superfund requests from July-Sept 2013
- Attended Local Pocono Mountains chapter meetings July-Sept
- Updated PA NWTF Board committee's list
- Set up a NWTF booth at my local hunting clubs annual archery shoot and cookout.
- Invited Our newest PGC commissioner Mr. Layton to our Oct. board meeting.

### Vice- President's Report:

- No Report

### Secretary's Report:

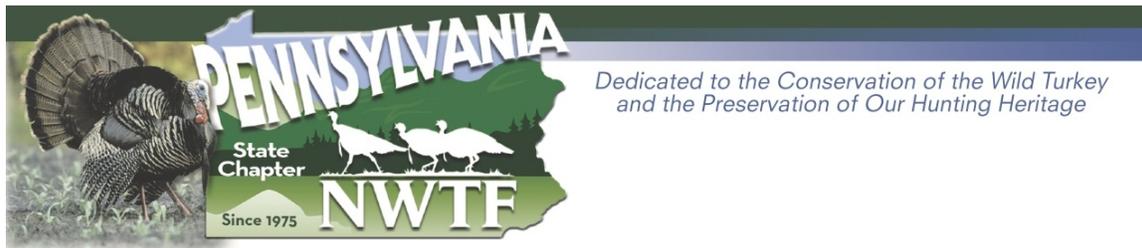
- Joe Drolet presented the prior meeting's minutes.
- A motion was made by Sam McCartney to accept the March & June minutes. Dennis Wade seconded and the motion carried.

### Chairman's Report:

## **Executive Officer Report October 2013**

Submitted By: Scott Wojton

- Attended Local chapter and Outreach meetings throughout August & September.
- Communicated suggestions, thoughts and ideas via email and phone regarding a multiple of subjects that were brought to our attention.
- Attended the President's Leadership Workshop in State College.
- Presented information at the President's Leadership Conference regarding BOD recruitment, Turkey Talk Schedules and the ATV raffle tickets using the patches and license plates as incentives.
- Sold a bunch of PANWTF shirts at the workshop and the JZ JAKES Event.



- Participated in Nominating Committee and Merchandising Committee activities. Please reference those reports for details.
- Assisted Phil F with obtaining Outreach \$\$\$ to pay for JAKES memberships for one of his local chapters.
- Submitted 72 JAKES memberships from the JZ Event in August which was half of our attendees. We submitted an additional 71 JAKES/Xtremes memberships this week. All kids that attended will receive a membership.

**Executive Officer Report– Tom Bunty:  
Exec Officer Report 6 October 2013**

I Attended Mason Dixon Chapter Meetings August and September.

I currently have only 211 Stubs for the Drawing.

Anyone who has sold ticket stubs and money, Please bring along to Meeting to turn it in.

I went to B&B Yamaha for their event with Walt.

I also attended the Carlisle Event with Jerry Nelson.

Tom Bunty

**Executive Officer Report– Dwayne Horst:**

- No Report

**Assistant Secretary’s Report – Dennis Wade:**

Assistant Secretary Report

Attended the July exec meeting at Sam’s camp  
Recorded the minutes for the July BOD meeting  
Attended and participated at the President’s weekend at the end of July.

**NWTF Reports**

**Ray Smith:**

- Ray reported on the staff changes at national including the fact that Mike Cleary was no longer with the Federation.



**Carl Mowry:**

- Carl noted that Bob Eriksen was at home recovering from surgery. We all wish the very best for Bob who is a very valuable member of the team.

**Bob Eriksen:**

**Regional Biologist Report  
Bob Eriksen, NWTF Regional Biologist  
July 28, 2013- September 30, 2013**

**Meetings, Banquets and Presentations**

- Conducted the Save the Habitat, Save the Hunt Strategic Planning meeting on July 30 in Delaware
- Attended the July Pennsylvania Chapter Executive Committee and Board of Directors meetings
- Presented power points on Save the Habitat, Save the Hunt, the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation and 2013 Super Fund projects at the Pennsylvania Chapter presidents' leadership workshop
- Presented three sessions on careers in the wildlife field at Bradford/Sullivan County Schools Green Career Day held at Mt. Pisgah State Park in Troy
- Worked with New Jersey Chapter volunteers and the JAKES Take Aim BB gun range at New Jersey Wild Outdoors Expo and had over 400 shooters
- Prepared a continuous loop power point on Pennsylvania projects, a summary of State Chapter accomplishments and a summary of energy partner contribution accomplishments for the October 2nd "Energizing Conservation" dinner

**Special Projects**

- Arranged for photos of Pennsylvania Game Commission officers using turkey decoys to be sent to Edgefield for use in a "Turkey Country" article
- Handled the extreme paperwork involved in bringing the JAKES Take Aim BB guns and pellet rifles into New Jersey and picked sixteen guns up at a local FFL
- Conducted a literature review of information on hen turkey nest abandonment for New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife
- Participated in a conference call developing plans for an "Energizing Conservation" dinner in Pennsylvania with Pennsylvania staff and representatives of the natural gas industry
- Provided information on spring gobbler hunting impacts to the US Fish and Wildlife Service Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge staff in New Jersey
- Secured judges and tabulators for the New Jersey Open Wild Turkey Calling Contest and served as a judge for the contest
- Conducted an oak mast survey on State Game Lands 35 for the Pennsylvania Game Commission
- Completed Save the Habitat, Save the Hunt SWOT analyses for Delaware and New Jersey Chapters
- Prepared bills for payment of bait purchases and travel associated with the current hen study

**Golden-winged Warbler Initiative**

- Participated in numerous conference calls and email strings regarding golden-winged warbler initiative work requirements



- Conducted 4 site visits in Pennsylvania and 4 in New Jersey and prepared 8 WHEGs (habitat evaluation forms)
- Worked with New Jersey NRCS biologist and New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife zoologist to develop the basics of golden-wing plans for landowners
- Completed 9 CAP 142 golden-winged warbler habitat plans with the assistance of three other biologists
- Ordered seed for golden-winged warbler habitat work on New Jersey Audubon Society property

### **Supervisory Responsibilities**

- Participated in numerous conference calls providing updates on projects in the region and discussing major initiatives for FY 2013

### **Writing Projects**

- Completed fall hunting forecasts for Pennsylvania, Maryland and New Jersey for an upcoming issue of "Turkey Country"
- Completed an article on diseases affecting wild turkeys for "Turkey Country"
- Developed articles on fall turkey hunting safety and Save the Habitat, Save the Hunt for "Pennsylvania Turkey Talk"
- Provided information and photographs on the New Jersey Pine Barrens to a free lance writer preparing an article for "Turkey Country"
- Provided information and photographs to a free lance writer working on an article concerning poaching for "Turkey Country"
- Prepared letters on fox and coyote trapping regulation changes for the Delaware Board of Directors
- Prepared an article on Golden-winged Warbler Habitat opportunities for the Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs publication, "On Target"
- Prepared the Pennsylvania State Chapter comments for the September Pennsylvania Game Commission meeting

### **Hunting Heritage Super Fund and Outreach Fund Activity**

- Processed 32 Super Fund request forms for the Pennsylvania Chapter, 4 for the Delaware Chapter and 9 for the New Jersey Chapter
- Processed 2 Outreach Fund requests for the Pennsylvania Chapter

### **Information Requests**

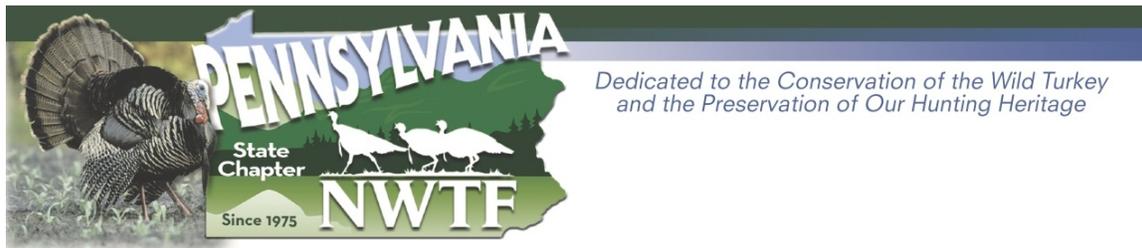
- **Provided information to 38 individuals on wild turkey nesting, gobbling activity, wild turkey behavior, hybridization, natural history, habitat requirements and hunting**

### **Mary Jo Casalena:**

- Scott Wojton made a suggestion for a outdoor News article on the turkey population, the second tag, and all-day spring hunting.

## **NWTF Technical Committee Representatives' Report - PA Chapter NWTF**

**Board of Directors Meeting, Oct. 6, 2013**

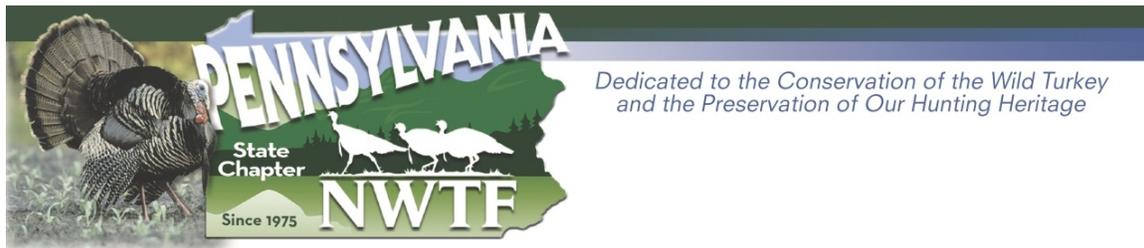


**Submitted by: Mary Jo Casalena, Wildlife Biologist II, Game Bird Section,  
Bureau of Wildlife Management, PA Game Commission**

**Harvest Management**

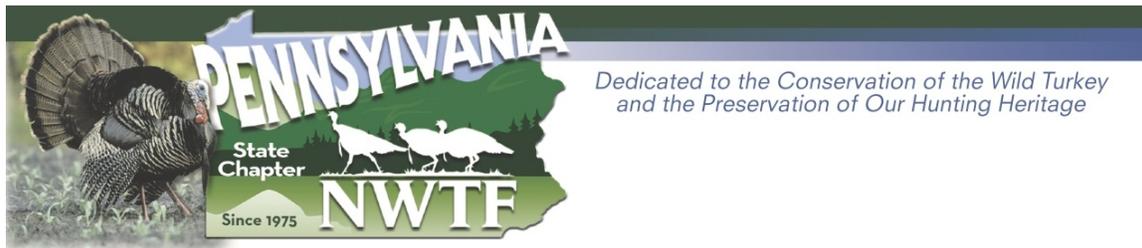
- Preliminary 2013 spring season results (from annual spring turkey hunter survey):
  - Harvest: 34,158 (1,153 youth season + 31,449 regular season + 1,556 2nd tag)
    - 4% lower than 2012 harvest (35,392) & 11% lower than average since 2nd tag has been available (38,384)
  - Hunters: 214,222 (10,302 youth season + 203,920 regular season)
    - Similar to 2012 (216,511), but 6% lower than previous 7-yr average (227,645)
  - Success, for first bird: 15%
    - Similar to 2012, 8% lower than previous 7-year average (16%)
- 2nd tags sold, 2013: 16,505
  - Increased 26% from 13,142 in 2012
  - Increased 50% from previous average (2006-2012): 11,006
- Gamebird Section sent 2014-15 season/bag limit recommendations (below) to Bureau of Wildlife Management, which will discuss recommendations with Senior Staff later this month, who then will provide Staff recommendations to Commissioners in January. Final Staff recommendations **could differ** from Gamebird Section recommendations.
  - Statewide, 2013 index of summer wild turkey populations increased 23% from previous 10-yr average, probably due primarily to favorable weather conditions during early June.
  - Previous 4 consecutive years saw below-average summer reproduction.
  - Not all individual WMUs demonstrated improvement and longer-term trends warrant season reductions in 3 WMUs and season liberalization in 1 WMU.

| <b>WILD TURKEY</b>                     |                               |   |
|--|-------------------------------|---|
| <b>Seasons</b>                         | <b>2013-2014 Seasons</b>      | <b>2014-2015 Seasons Recommendation</b> |
| Fall – WMU 2B<br>(shotgun & bow/arrow) | Nov. 2-22 & Nov. 28-30, 2013  | Nov. 1-21 & Nov. 27-29, 2014            |
| Fall – WMU 1B                          | Nov. 2-9 & Nov. 28-30, 2013   | Nov. 1-8 & Nov. 27-29, 2014             |
| Fall – WMUs 1A, 2A, 2D, 2F, 2G, 2H     | Nov. 2 -16 & Nov. 28-30, 2013 | Nov. 1-15 & Nov. 27-29, 2014            |

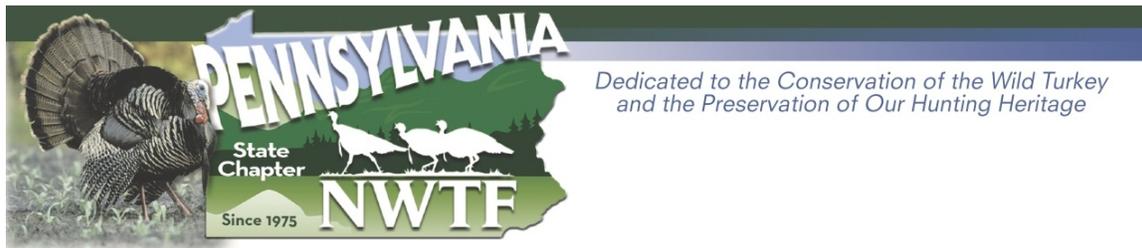


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| Fall – WMUs 2C, 2E, 3D, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D & 4E   | Nov. 2-22 & Nov. 28-30, 2013 | Nov. 1-21 & Nov. 27-29, 2014 |
| Fall - WMUs 3A, 3B, 3C                        | Nov. 2-22 & Nov. 28-30, 2013 | Nov. 1-15 & Nov. 27-29, 2014 |
| Fall – WMU 5A                                 | Nov. 5-7, 2013               | Nov. 6-8, 2014 (Thur – Sat)  |
| Fall – WMUs 5B, 5C & 5D                       | Closed                       | Closed                       |
| Spring – Youth Hunt (statewide; bearded bird) | April 26, 2014               | April 25, 2015               |
| Spring – Statewide (bearded birds)            | May 3-31, 2014               | May 2-30, 2015               |

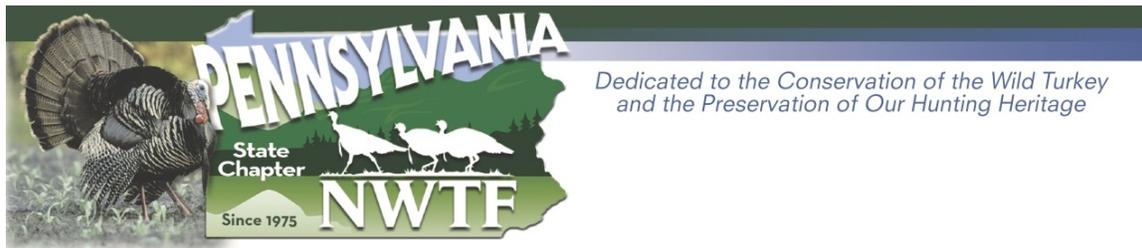
- **WMU 1B:** Maintain 1-week season + 3-day Thanksgiving season for 2nd year. Even though spring harvest density doubled since last year, harvest densities continue to be well below average.
- **WMU 3A, 3B & 3C:** Shorten fall seasons from 3 weeks (+ 3 days) to 2 weeks (+ 3 days). One-week reduction in first season segment is advised over elimination of the 3-day Thanksgiving season segment because it is likely to achieve a greater reduction in harvest.
- **WMU 3A:**
  - 2013 spring harvest density was lowest on record and 50% below 10-year average.
  - 2013 summer sightings were 2nd lowest on record (1998 was lowest) and have been below 10-year average for last 6 years.
  - Poults recruitment, as measured by number of poults seen per all hens seen during summer sighting surveys, has decreased since 2008 (3.7 poults/hen) to 2013 (1.0 poults/hen).
  - Although the WTMP specifies to shorten fall season after 3-year decreases in both population indices and spring harvest index has not yet declined for 3 consecutive years, the precipitous decline in this year’s spring harvest density accompanied with the 6-year decline in summer sightings reflect an unprecedented decline in the wild turkey population in this WMU and suggest that immediate action is warranted.
- **WMU 3B:**
  - We noted last year that in accordance with the WTMP, we would propose shortening the 2014 fall season if population trend indices did not improve in 2013.
  - Indices have been showing decreasing trends for the past 5 years.



- 2013 spring harvest density was lowest on record, was 40% below 10-year average, and has been below the 10-year average for the past 4 years.
    - 2013 summer sightings were 2nd lowest on record (1996 was lowest), were 53% below 10-year average, and have been below the 10-year average for the last 2 years.
    - Poults recruitment has shown a declining trend from 1998 (2.9 poults/hen) to 2013 (0.4), which is well below the level needed to maintain population size.
  - **WMU 3C:**
    - We noted last year that in accordance with the WTMP, we would propose shortening the 2014 fall season if population trend indices did not improve in 2013.
    - Indices have been showing decreasing trends for the past 4 years.
    - 2013 spring harvest density was 22% below 10-year average, and has been below the 10-year average for 2 of the past 4 years.
    - 2013 summer sightings were lowest on record, were 62% below 10-year average, and have been below the 10-year average for the last 5 years.
    - Poults recruitment has shown a declining trend from 1998 (1.7 poults/hen) to 2013 (0.5), which is well below the level needed to maintain population size.
  - **WMU 3D:** Maintain the traditional 3-week season + 3-day season.
    - As with WMUs 3B and 3C, we noted last year that in accordance with the WTMP, we would propose shortening 2014 fall season if population trend indices did not improve.
    - Unlike 3B and 3C, improvement was observed.
    - Spring harvest densities, which had been 38-59% below 10-year average from 2010-2012, were within 18% of (though still below) average.
    - Summer sighting indices increased to 29% above 10-year average.
    - Poults recruitment increased to 2.3 poults/hen from 1.4 in 2012.
    - We remain concerned about this turkey population where 2012 spring harvest density was 59% below 10-year average. If indices do not continue to improve in 2014, WTMP criteria will likely lead to a recommendation to decrease the 2015 fall season by one week.
  - **WMU 5A:** Maintain 3-day season, but shift format from Tuesday-Thursday to Thursday-Saturday.
    - Several indices indicate the need for continued caution with fall seasons:



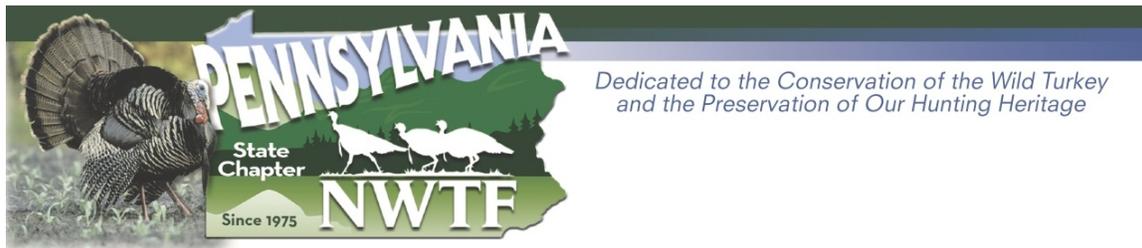
- Although spring harvest densities are similar to 10-year average, they are  $< 0.5$  bird/sq. mile;
- WCO summer sightings have not shown a consistently increasing trend since the most recent season change (closed season to 3-day midweek season in 2010);
- 2013 poult recruitment was slightly below long-term average.
- However, the more detailed weekly population surveys show the population on Michaux State Forest, where most hunting still occurs, has continued to increase, and fall harvests have been minimal.
- Current population is substantially higher than it was prior to season closure and flocks are well-distributed throughout the Michaux State Forest and the surrounding valleys.
- Including a Saturday in the 3-day season was requested by the WMU 5A Wild Turkey Task Force, should increase hunter opportunity and satisfaction and we believe the turkey population has recovered sufficiently to absorb the minor increase in harvest.
- **2015 Spring Season:**
  - As with the May 3 opening in 2014, some hunters might perceive a May 2 opening as “late”, but adherence to WTMP specification of opening the regular season the Saturday closest to May 1 (rather than some earlier date) remains vitally important to minimize hen disturbance and mortality prior to peak of incubation.
  - Total Saturdays in 2014 & 2015 proposal remain same as in seasons (2012 & 2013) opening late April.
  - We recommend against any expansion of all-day / afternoon hunting to the earlier portion of the regular season and / or youth spring gobbler season. During early portion of the season hunter participation is high and hens are still somewhat prone to disturbance and mortality, though the risk is less than prior to May 1. Wild turkey populations have generally been trending downward and remain below average across much of the Commonwealth; we recommend against any season changes with potential negative effects on breeding hens.
- **2nd (special) spring license:**
  - Although sales have been increasing, the number of second gobblers actually harvested has not changed substantially (i.e. success rates on second tag have decreased).



- We will continue to monitor harvest totals and harvest composition from these licenses to ensure they do not result in unacceptably high harvest rates on adult gobblers.
  - At this time there does not appear to be a need for any restrictions on these licenses.
  - Purchasers of this license are required to report regardless of whether or not they used the tag. From 2006-2010 we sent reminders to non-reporters and consistently only 5% of non-reporters harvested a second turkey. Our next mailing to non-reporters is scheduled for 2015. However, with installment of the Automated Licensing System, sales have doubled. As per a discussion item during the July PANWTF Board meeting, the PGC will send reminder postcards to non-reporters in 2014, instead of waiting until 2015, to determine if the harvest from non-reporters has changed significantly. Thank you for your input.
  
- Gamebird Section attended annual meeting - Northeast Upland Game Bird Technical Committee held in Massachusetts.
  - 12 states.
  - All state biologists provided oral and written reports regarding their state's upland gamebird management and research.
  - Continuing to investigate the need to develop a Northeastern (multi-state) consortium to examine large-scale trends in turkey populations (via examining each state's brood data), and causative factors. Southeastern and Midwestern states each already have a regional consortium.
  - Working on recommendations for each state to evaluate the impacts of all-day spring wild turkey hunting on turkey populations, particularly if disturbance to hens is an issue given that all-day hunting begins well into nest incubation and after hunter participation has significantly decreased.
  - Investigating emerging infectious diseases in game birds, if they are affecting populations, and working with the NE Disease Cooperative and SE Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study to identify sampling and surveillance techniques, especially for Lymphoproliferative disease (LPDV).

**Wild Turkey Hen Harvest Rates and Annual Survival Rates Study**

- Study Area 1: WMUs 2C, 2E, 4A, 4B and 4D; Study Area 2: WMUs 2F, 2G and 2H.
- Late summer turkey trapping mid-Aug to Oct.31 to leg band an additional 150 hens (75 per Study Area; 460 total per year), for brood flocks to estimate fall harvest rates by age.



- Satellite transmitters recovered from mortalities being re-deployed (30 total per Study Area).
- Males incidentally trapped receive non-reward leg bands.
- Trapping success this fall excellent (71% of goal) compared to last fall (37% of goal).
- Total banded to date: 1,616 females (256 also received transmitters), 388 males.
- 54 transmitters active (25 in SA1, 29 in SA2).
- Hen mortality rates during summer brood-rearing decreased from nest incubation in spring.
- Since end of July, 1 transmitter recovery (SA2), unknown cause + 3 censored because they died within 1 week of trapping (1 in SA1, 2 in SA 2), 3 stopped transmitting for unknown reasons (1 in SA1, 2 in SA2).
- 1 transmitter found by interested sportsman via a metal detector after he called in leg band and learned the hen also had a transmitter, but we had lost contact with it last December. Due to proximity to road and condition of transmitter, we believe hen likely was hit by a vehicle and later died..
- 7 transmitted hens have moved toward wintering grounds away from summer nesting/brooding areas; one traveled 9.4 miles.
- Submitted abstract, “Timing of spring wild turkey hunting in relation to nest incubation” for inclusion into 11th National Wild Turkey Symposium (to be held Dec. 2016).

#### **WMU 5A Wild Turkey Task Force**

- Sept. 30, 2013 was the annual cooperative meeting among PGC, Bureau of Forestry, NWTF and local chapters NWTF.
- Discussed WMU 5A wild turkey population trends, harvests and habitat management on Michaux State Forest.
- Long-term population monitoring on Michaux State Forest show population increase with minimal fall harvests since the 3-day season was initiated.
- Michaux State Forest is actively managing and improving wild turkey habitat across the SF.
- Road closures in Michaux SF during spring hunting season remain and one additional road was closed for the spring 2013 season. No negative comments, so this road closure will occur each spring.
- Due to expanding turkey populations in valleys east and west of Michaux SF, in 2012 two turkey survey routes were added to closely monitor populations off the SF. Broods sighted in both valleys this year.
- Given current population trend and continued habitat management, group agreed to recommend the 2015 fall season remain 3 days, but include a Saturday to provide more hunting opportunity; Thursday – Saturday instead of current Tuesday - Thursday.



### **2014 National Convention**

- PGC attendees:
  - Board of Commissioners R. Schlemmer, B. Hoover, J. Delaney and R. Martone.
  - PGC Gamebird Section Supervisor, Ian Gregg.
  - PGC Award winners, TBA; WCO of the Year & Joe Kurz Award.
  - Possibly PGC Bureau of Wildlife Habitat Management representative.

### **Information and Education**

- Updated WTMP appendix is being posted on our wild turkey web page.
- Game News article, October 2013, “Why Fall Turkey Seasons Have Changed”.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Art – J. Montgomery/J. Nelson: Art Committee Report for October 2013**

I spoke to Ken Fernburg on March 2, 2013 concerning artwork on hand and the Workings of the committee. He reported then that there were only 3 unframed “Apprentice” prints in his possession. With the coming of the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary Should we look into more artwork for this occasion?

Respectfully,

Jay Montgomery

#### **Awards – T. Bunty/D. Horst: Awards Report 27 July 2013**

Award Nomination emails will go out in August to Board and Chapter Presidents

Awards to be decided at Oct Exec Meeting.

Tom Bunty

#### **By-Laws – R. Johnson/J. Straley:**

- No Report

#### **Conservation Seed – S. McCartney/R. Johnson:**

- No Report



**Dart – T. Bunty/J. Drolet:**



### **Dart Report 6 October 2103**

I looked over the East system after the E-Town event and put the audio plug in the correct socket and that got the sound working again.

East system's last event is mid September, same for West system. Then, storage for the Winter.

Tom Bunty

#### **DCNR/PA Wilds – R. Johnson/R. Wagner:**

- No Report

#### **Drilling Reclamation – S. McCartney/B. Eriksen:**

- No Report

#### **Habitat – S. McCartney/R. Johnson:**

- No Report

#### **Hunting Heritage – S. McCartney/R. Johnson:**

- **Joe Drolet made a motion to accept the 2013 – 2014 Hunting Heritage Budget. Sam McCartney seconded and the motion passed.**

#### **Internet – S. Letterman/J. Drolet**

- No Report

#### **Jakes – B. Schwalm/S. Letterman:**

#### **Jakes Trailer – R. Wagner/ S. Letterman:**

- **Sam McCartney made a motion to spend \$3000 for a second AIM trailer. Russ Wagner seconded and the motion passed.**

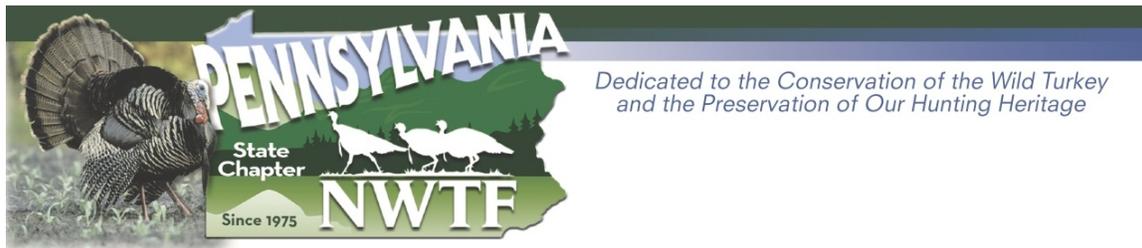
#### **Land Acquisition – M. Ferdinand/J. Nelson:**

- No Report

#### **Legislative – B. Schwalm/J. Nelson:**

### **[House Committees To Hold 2nd Hearing On Endangered Species Bill Sept. 17](#)**

The House Game and Fisheries and Environmental Resources and Energy Committees will hold a second hearing September 17 in Indiana, Pa on **[House Bill 1576](#)** (Pyle-R-Armstrong) which



fundamentally changes the way threatened and endangered species are listed and changes the designation process for waters as wild trout streams.

Letters of opposition to the bill were submitted by the Game Commission, Fish and Boat Commission, PA Council of Trout Unlimited and the PA Environmental Council at the first hearing. [Click Here](#) for more information of the opposition of the Commissions and Trout Unlimited. [Click Here](#) for PEC's letter of opposition. [Click Here](#) for a summary of the first hearing.

The hearing will be held at Indiana University- Northpointe, 167 Northpointe Blvd., Building 167, Room 129, Indiana, Pa starting at 10:00.

PFSC will be testifying in opposition to the bill.

**[More Articles on HB 1576:](#)**

**[PA May Lose \\$19M Over Endangered Species Legislation](#)**

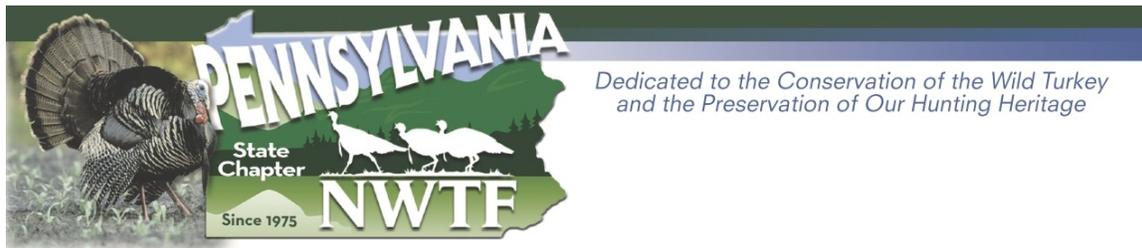
**[Battle On The Horizon Over Endangered Species Changes To PA Endangered Species Laws Proposed](#)**

**[Endangered Species Bill Threatens Federal Funds](#)**

**[Letter: Changing Endangered Species System, Rep. Causer](#)**

**Liaison – J. Montgomery/S. Letterman:  
Liaison Committee report for October 2013**

I have received no data changes or corrections for the current database, however The summer is our traditionally slow period. As banquet committees start up again I expect to start receiving changes soon. I also noticed several changes to the board



And it seems that Cody is on top of those. If anyone has any corrections they can Send them to me and I will update everything.

Respectfully,

Jay Montgomery

**Membership – J. Nelson/D. Horst:**

- No Report

**Nominating – S. Wojton /T. Bunty:**

**Nominating Committee Report—October 2013**

Submitted By: Scott Wojton

--Currently the BOD is fully staffed (21 BOD) with the addition of Ralph Martone, Howard Meyers, Greg Isabella & Jack Sorber. All 4 were voted in unanimously at the July board meeting.

--There is one individual that has expressed interest in joining the board and his name is Heath Nace from the Sherman Valley Strutters chapter.

--If anyone is aware of an individual that has an interest in becoming part of PANWTF, BOD.....please forward their contact info to me and I will be happy to contact them. There will be 3 openings in January that I am aware of.

--The article/ad was placed in the Fall edition of TT with a couple of additions, specifically contact info....for those who are interested in getting more info and/or applying.

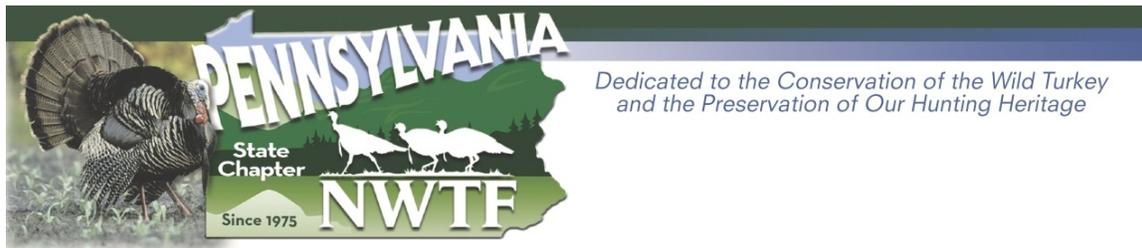
**Outreach Gun Raffle – B. Schwalm/S. Letterman:**

- No Report

**PFSC – J. Nelson/R. Johnson:**

PFSC Delegate Report

HB1576 Opposition – completed memo on behalf of State Board in support of PFSC spokesperson proposed testimony – see attached – note: copy already forwarded to all our Board Members.



Additional notes regarding PFSC Testimony with link to copy of testimony:  
PFSC Opposes HB 1576

PFSC, the Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs\*, spoke out loud and clear at the 9/17 hearing on HB 1576 (a bill which takes power and funding away from PGC and PFBC regarding Threatened & Endangered species).

Melody Zullinger expressed our dismay at the misconceptions and misinformation touted by politicians. She clearly demonstrated how the Commissioners of our two independent wildlife agencies perform the best oversight to strike the right balance between the science and social concerns as regards our T&E species. The Commissions are the defenders of our most imperiled species.

She concluded by recognizing the need for responsible development and resource extraction, but stated that because development and resource extraction will have an impact on our environment, we must work to minimize the damage to Penn's Woods.

Melody summed it all up by stating that sportsmen and women are stewards of our resources and our environment and asked the legislators to do their duty to protect our interests, our resources and the environment, and oppose this legislation (HB 1576).

Read the entire testimony at

<https://docs.google.com/file/d/0B4Y3VOLxjkkOek9sSHIHSTB1djk/edit>

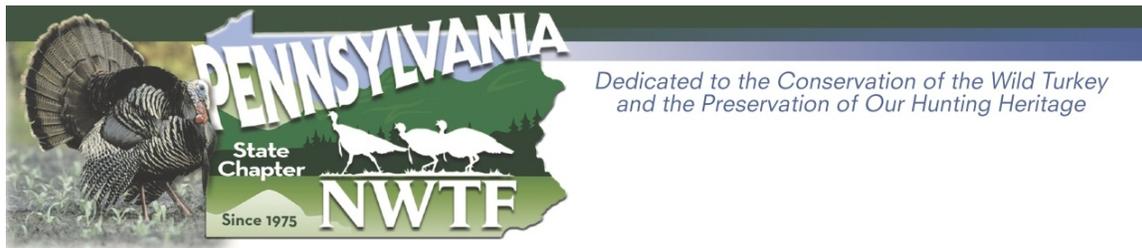
PFSC Fall Convention – Sept 20-22 – myself and Reed un-able to attend. No minutes provided to date – as soon as they are received I will provide to Board for addition to Oct minutes.

Submitted by: Jerry Nelson NWTF PFSC Delegate  
2 Oct 13

**Promotion – S. Wojton /S. Letterman:  
Promotion Committee Report—October 2013  
Submitted By: Scott Wojton**

--The additional 50 shirts that were ordered for the President's Leadership Workshop sold well. All of the left over shirts were then sold at the JZ chapter JAKES/Xtremes event the very next weekend. We are currently sold out of all shirts.

--Window stickers that were obtained by Dennis Wade also sold well. We do have extra stickers in stock.



--All of the old PANWTF license plates and patches were liquidated. Various chapters took them to use them as an incentive to sell more ATV/Outreach raffle tickets.

--Reminder now is the time to start thinking about ideas for a promotional item to celebrate our (PANWTF) 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary which I believe is 2014. I am all ears for ideas/suggestions.

**PR/Adv/Comm – J. Straley/J. Drolet:**

- No Report

**Pub./Turkey Talk – J. Straley/S. Wojton:**

- No Report

**Rendezvous – S. McCartney:**

- No Report

**Safety & Education – D. Wade/M. Ferdinand:**

Safety and Education Report

The committee approved one greensheet .

Kit-Han-Ne Chapter requested \$600.00 for the Dayton District 4-H Shooting Team  
The committee also reviewed two other greensheets that weren't approved do to one securing other funding and the other was funded through the JAKE's program

**Save the Habitat/Save the Hunt – M. Ferdinand/S. Motts:**

- No Report

**Strategic Plan – T. Bunty/S. McCartney:**

**Strategic Planning Report 6 October 2013**

No updates.

Tom Bunty

**Upper Gun Raffle – J. Panaro/Jason Straley:**

- No Report

**Wheelin' Sportsmen – S. Letterman/R. Wagner:**

- There will be a 11/12/13 Vet Hunt



**Wild Turkey Management – D. Horst/J. Panaro:**

- No Report

**WITO – C. Chapman/D. Wade:**

- Cody Chapman is the new WITO Chairman

**YHEC – B. Schwalm/ S. Letterman:**

- No Report

**Communications**

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**A motion was made by H. Meyers to rename the Corporate Conservation Award the Donald Heckman Corporate Conservation Award. R. Johnson seconded and the motion carried.**

**For the Good of the Order**

**Motion made for the PA NWTF State Board of Directors meeting to adjourn. Seconded. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Drolet  
PA State Chapter Secretary