



LUCKETTS RURITAN CLUB, INC.
42361 LUCKETTS ROAD, P. O. BOX 1291
LEESBURG, VA 20177-1291

Next Meeting
November 13, 2012
at SkillsUSA

2012 BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Past President **Doug Kemp**, President **Peter Baker**, Vice President **Mark Karsetter**, Treasurer **Steve Scheibelhofer**, Secretary **Gretchen Burgin**, Director 20012-14 **Steve Hillebrand**, Director 2010-12 **Matt Quitter**, Director 2011-13 **Stan Sorrell**

TRASH DUTY

REMEMBER: You or your partner must pick up the table, chairs, and donation box and traffic cones from the firehouse and take to school before 8:00 AM. After noon, Buddy collects cash from donation box; you (or your partner) then **return cones, donation box, chairs and table to the firehouse. Please make sure you and your partner clean up the area around the trash truck and the recycle bins.**

We ask that partners share details in advance.

11/03 Hillebrand 703-777-8010 & **Kenny** 703-443-8219
11/10 Baker 703-615-2221 & **Meyerhofer** 703-779-2712
11/17 Fabblioli 703-771-1197 & **Hart** 703-777-5080
11/24 Fauber 703-777-8491 & **Sorrell** 703-777-1860

12/01 Henning 703-729-4245 & **Adams** 703-777-7814
12/08 Cleland 703-779-7564 & **Gustafson** 703-777-6368
12/15 Wiseman 703-777-2168 & **Burgin** 703-443-8219
12/22 Moffett 703-431-7159 & **Dee** 703-777-6559
12/29 Kemp 703-771-8917 & **Howder** 540-822-5967

01/05 Ernst 571-246-3884 & **Small** 703-777-9056
01/12 Crooks 703-203-9692 & **Presgraves** 703-777-1640
01/19 Falk 703-777-5027 & **McKenzie** 703-669-0169
01/26 Scheibelhofer 703-443-6859 & **Karstetter** 703-737-6561

**MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 09, 2012
MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

ATTENDING: 20 Active members: Adams, Baker, Burgin, Crooks, Fabblioli, Falk, Frankenfield, Gustafson, Hart, Hillebrand, Howder, Kemp, Kenna, McKenzie, Quitter, Siebentritt, Sorrell, Small, Snidow, and Wiseman

LVFD Liaison: Hobbie

Guest: Fred Nassauer, Ranger James McGlone

John Adams gave the invocation and the Club had dinner.

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 pm by President Baker.

The Club thanked the ladies from Furnace Mountain Church for the wonderful meal prepared for this month's meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

A motion was made and approved to accept the September minutes.

Lucketts Fair - Dick Snooks still has no status on the Club's profit from the Lucketts Fair BBQ tent.

PRESENTATION:

James McGlone PH. D. Urban Forest Conservationist

Ranger McGlone spoke about the many budget cuts the Forestry has had to face the past few years. He also spoke about the different counties his force team covers and the many jobs that they do. Ranger McGlone talked about wildfires and the time when 16 thousand acres had burned in Virginia in just one day. He reminded all of us that the fall wildfire season is October 15 . November 30 and the spring season is February 15 . April 30 and that during this time the 4 pm burn law is in effect. He then spoke about the timber harvest that they regulate and informed the members about the conservation usage and how it benefits to the homeowner.

Ranger McGlone then took questions and comments from the members.

For more information go to:

<http://www.dof.virginia.gov/county/central/lud-index.htm>

Here are some tidbits I learned off their web site:

The Virginia Department of Forestry:

- protects 15.8 million acres of forest land from fire, insects and disease.
- manages 22 State Forest lands totaling 67,920 acres for timber, recreation, water, research, wildlife and biodiversity.

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- Read a factsheet that covers the basic metrics that describe forest resources in Virginia. (English; PDF format)

More than 300,000 forest landowners in Virginia control 77% of forest land, which:

- Enhances the quality of life in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- Supports the forest industry, a significant contributor to the state's economy.

The Department has an operational budget of approximately \$25 million and employs 240 salaried staff.

History:

The VDOF was established in 1914 to prevent and suppress forest fires and reforest bare lands. Since our inception, we have grown and evolved to encompass other protection and management duties:

- Protecting Virginia's Forests from Wildfire
- Managing the Forest Resource
- Protecting Virginia's Waters
- Conservation of Virginia's Forests
- Manage the State Lands and Nurseries
- Regulated Incentive Programs for Forest Landowners

NEW BUSINESS:

Steve Hillebrand spoke to the members about the parking events and about the one we lost. Steve asked for volunteers for the upcoming bike parking event and for a small event that fellow member Mike Dunn is having. Three members were needed and three members volunteered.

President Baker reminded the members that the club will hold elections at the November meeting. President Baker thanked the nominating committee which consist of Dick Snooks, Tom Howder and Stan Sorrell for all their hard work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Matt Quitter announced that the Boy Scouts are having their annual fruit sales. Anyone interested in ordering please contact Matt.

REMINDER The Ruritan Christmas Party will be held December 1st at SkillsUSA.

REMEMBER Please take the time to review the clubs web site.

<http://luckettsruritan.org/>

If you have any comments or need the password to the site please contact David.

Club recited the pledge of allegiance and the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 06, 2012 BOARD MEETING

**Minutes recorded by Doug Kemp (Thanks Doug!)
Attending: Hillebrand, Sorrell, Kemp, Baker, Quitter,
and Scheibhofer**

October meeting was held November 6 at 7 pm.

Regularly scheduled meeting on October 30 was cancelled due to %superstorm+Sandy.

Board voted and recommended Fred Nassauer for membership.

Report from nominating committee: VP nominee identified. Still need nominees for other open positions. Report from treasurer Scheibhofer that club members are behind in dues by ~\$850. President Baker will send out notice to delinquent members requesting they bring their due payments current.

Board reviewed finances and lookahead for remainder of year provided by Treasurer. Forecast shows potential that receipts will not cover all planned expenses and donations. The board recommended that Finance Committee meet to assess situation in more detail. Report from Treasurer also indicated that several payments to the club are delinquent: rib tent concessionaire and soccer tournament.

Discussion was held on the ratio of funding for donations vs. scholarships. General trend has seen the ratio of funds allocated to scholarships vs. funds allocated for donations to local groups increasing. The board recommended that the Finance Committee further evaluate and consider in planning for the 2013 club budget. Further discussion focused on how and for what donated funds are being utilized by receiving organizations. In support of this assessment, President Baker requested Stan Sorrell to inquire with schools receiving donations how the received donations are being utilized. Matt Quitter was requested to inquire with the Lucketts Fire Department how donations provided to the fire and rescue groups are being utilized and on what needs are in the future given transition to a mostly professional personnel organization.

The board discussed the current arrangement with concessionaire for BBQ rib tent. The board is concerned that the financials of the concessionaire in the current arrangement are not auditable to confirm actual income or expenses. President Baker would like to create an ad hoc committee with a champion to look into creating a



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business plan for the BBQ/rib concession in future years.
The consensus of the board is that the current arrangement is untenable.
Banquet committee has secured Skills USA and caterer for holiday dinner. Pianist has also been reserved.
Matt Quitter advised that Lucketts Community Center will most likely be reopening on January 1, 2013.