

From
Plymouth DNR Service Center
"The Woodchucks"



To
Sheboygan County Conservation Association
November 16, 2016

From the Front Line: Cheryl

- Check to be sure you have your printed deer carcass tags. Keep them dry and legible by putting them in a ziplock bag. You will need a pencil/pen to validate the paper tag while in the field. More on tagging your deer at <http://dnr.wi.gov/GoWild/documents/GoWildTagProtectlt.pdf>
- Upcoming Deadlines: 2017 Spring Turkey Application and 2017 Bear Application are due on **Saturday, December 10, 2016.**

From Fish Management: Travis, Tanya, Danyelle

- Fisheries completed a number of fall electrofishing surveys on area lakes. Fall electrofishing is intended to assess walleye and musky young of the year recruitment. Pike Lake, Washington County had another strong year of natural reproduction where we saw a catch rate of 7 fish/mile. We were on Random Lake 3 nights assessing short term survival of the recently stocked musky. We saw 1 fish each night so indications are this fall's stocking probably won't have significant contribution to the population. However we did see a number of adult musky and walleye indicating those populations still offer quality angling opportunity. We were also on Kettle Moraine and Long Lakes, Fond du Lac County. We didn't find any natural reproduction but didn't really expect to. We did see about 6 adult fish each night indicating previous stockings have contributed to fishable populations.
- For more Fisheries hot topics visit: dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/

From Wildlife Management: Ed, Andrew, Steve

- 9-day gun season starts on Saturday
 - Remember to register deer through online system or by phone
- If anyone has ideas where we could get our aging data from this year it would be helpful. We usually collect it from Meisfelds, but they are not accepting whole deer this year because of remodeling. If anyone has a lead on where to get a number of deer heads/jaws to age, please let us know.
- Sheboygan Marsh cattail cleanout happened 3 days this past month. That will be the last cleanout effort of the year as the county is over budget to clean out the dam. Drawdown proposed for next year starting in spring.
- Pheasant stocking will continue through the 1st half of December.