



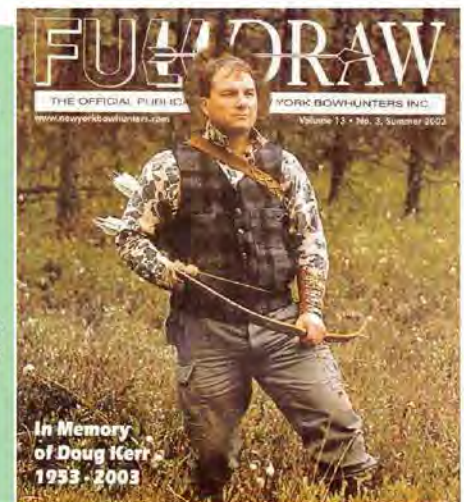
NYCOA NEWSLETTER

*This newsletter is the Official Newsletter of
NYS Conservation Police Officers.*

NYCOA DONATION IN MEMORY OF ECO DOUG KERR

At a meeting with staff members of the Wildcenter, representatives of the New York Conservation Officers Association presented a donation of \$500 to support the museum's Junior Naturalist Program. The donation was made in memory of New York State Environmental Conservation Officer Douglas C. Kerr. The Junior Naturalist Program is designed to encourage youngsters from ages three through twelve to become more knowledgeable about nature and the environment. It is fitting that our most recent donation be earmarked to support the Junior Naturalist Program as, throughout his career, Doug was always passionate about youth education in the beauty and value of our natural resources. Doug joined the DEC's Division of Law Enforcement as an ECO in 1983. While he developed a reputation as one of the best ECOs in the north country, Doug's passion as an advocate for preserving our natural resources and outdoor heritage was not confined to his work hours alone. Doug held memberships, and was active in many organizations. He was a life member of the Professional Bowhunters Society and served on the PBS council. He was also a charter member of the New York Bowhunters. In fact, Doug contributed the first hundred dollars to start that organization in his home state of New York. He also served on the board for the New York Bowhunters and was the chairman of their legislative committee. In addition to the PBS and NYB, Doug was a member of several other bowhunter associations, the National Wild Turkey Federation, The Ruffed Grouse Society, the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, the NRA, the Appalachian Mountain Club, Wilderness Society, Sierra Club, North American Wildlife Enforcement Officers Association, Nature Conservancy, Foundation for North American Wild Sheep, Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Alliance, Coral Reef Alliance, America Rivers, American Canoe Association, Florida Conservation Association, Atlantic Salmon Federation, Montana Trout Foundation, OCEANA, Center for Marine Conservation, Coastal Conservation Association, Alaska Fish and Wildlife Safeguard, Waterfowl USA, Ducks Unlimited, Trout Unlimited, Theodore Gordon Flyfishers, and Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum.

Doug loved to make all of his own archery equipment, as well as flies for fly fishing. Doug loved tying flies so much that he was teaching fly tying at two schools at the time of his passing. It was Doug who came up with the concept of NYCOA in 1984, and through his hard work and the support of a handful of fellow officers, the concept became a reality when the Association was created in 1986. Dougy, as most of us called him, will always be remembered as our close friend and source of inspiration. We are hopeful that our support of the Junior Naturalist Program in Doug's name will inspire many youngsters to appreciate nature as much as he did.



President - Scott Florence

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NYCOA Regional Representatives:

Region 1 - Don Damrath

Region 2 - Alan Brassard

Region 3 - Dave Clayton

Region 4 - Kurt Zurmuhlen

Region 5 - Steve Shaw

Region 6 - Corey Schoonover

Region 7 - Scott Sincebaugh

Region 8 - Richard Rauscher

Region 9 - James Hunt

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NYCOA Sponsored "26th Annual Saratoga County Children's Fishing Tournament"


On Saturday, May 5th, 2012, NYCOA sponsored the 26th Annual Saratoga County Children's Fishing Tournament in the Town of Milton at the 4-H Training Center. Approximately 100 children attended the event. Prizes were provided for children up to 16 years old for the largest fish and a Good Sportsman Award winner was selected by the NYS ECOs in attendance. This year's winner was Peregrine Perkins, age 4, seen in the 1st photo.




New Additions to our NYCOA Family

 ECO Brian Toth and his wife, Christina, welcomed in their first child on May 3. Kathryn Sophia was born at 10:05 pm, weighed 8lbs, 15 oz and was 21" long. The family is doing well.

 Sara and Michael Buckley welcomed baby Mason on February 15, 2012. He weighed 8 lb. and 13 oz. Congratulations to the happy family!!

 Brodie Ronson Read is the new son of proud parents Deo and Anne Marie Read. He was born on May 31, 2012 and weighed in at 9 lb. and 6 oz. He was 22.5 inches long. Best wishes to all!

 Matt and Hilary Clemens are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Quinn Ivy Clemens. She weighed 6 lbs. and 14 ounces.



We'd like to recognize ECO Steve Shaw of Region 5 as our newest NYCOA representative. Welcome aboard and thanks for volunteering! Thanks to ECO Cranker for your prior service. 

NYCOA Sponsors Fishing Outreach Program in Region 3

This is an annual event made possible through NYCOA sponsorship. Approximately 100 participants received a hat visor (courtesy of Ulster TRAPPERS Association) and a key chain. Tom Carpenter from Toms Bait and Tackle supplied the bait. Our own Fisheries Outreach specialist Ryan Coulter provided the poles and volunteers from the Ulster Sportsmens Federation were on hand to assist. Thank you to the Town of Wawarsing for allowing us the use of their Lippman Park facility. Thanks to everyone who makes this possible. The ECOs hope to see everyone again next year!!



Participants included ECOs Shepherd, Whalen, Stephens, Schillinger, BECI Investigator Harcher, Lt. Lindsley, and retirees, Canfield, Wendler, Bello, and Hoffman as well as retired Wildlife Biologist Dick Henry.





NEW YORK
CONSERVATION OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Deadline July 15th
2012 NYCOA Convention
July 30th to August 1st
Watkins Glenn, New York

- 1. Attendees Names: _____
- 2. Address: _____
- 3. Phone Number: _____ Cell# _____
- 4. E-mail Address: _____

Important Note: There is a **\$5.00** registration fee for each family member (over 10 years old) attending the Convention. This fee will help cover refreshments for all events and other miscellaneous items....

Registration Fee per person (over 10 years old) ----- \$ 5.00x = \$

Monday, July 30th - starting at 3:00pm
Watkins Glen State park - main pavilion

3:00pm-5:00pm - **Beer, Wine & Cheese**
5:00pm-8:00pm - **Barbeque/Warden & Jr. Warden games**

Hamburgers, hot dogs, BBQ chicken, sausage, pulled pork, salt potatoes, fresh corn, pasta salad, fresh cut fruit, cookies, beer, wine and soda.

Number of adults attending:----- \$ 20.00x = \$

Number of children 5yrs-10yrs attending. :----- \$ 10.00x = \$

Children under 5 – Free

Tuesday July 31st starting at 6:00pm
Cruise on Seneca Lake aboard the Seneca Legacy

Banquet/Auction

6:00pm, Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar
7:00pm-11:00pm boat departs at 7:00 p.m. for a three hour dinner cruise.
We have the boat until 11:00PM with bar service available.
Dinner Selections include: *Seafood Bisque, Fresh Garden Salad with choice of Dressing, Dinner Rolls & Butter* **Entree Choices:** *Prime Rib of Beef au jus, Stuffed Cornish Game Hen, Surf & Turf—Scallop & Crab stuffed Flounder with a Pork Strip Steak topped with Applejack Butter Sauce, Scallops in a Wine & Mushroom Sauce, or Vegetable Lasagna.* All entrees served with *Baked Potato, Sour Cream & Butter, Vegetable, Soft Drinks, Coffee and Hot Tea.* **Dessert:** *New York Style Cheesecake topped with Strawberries*

Number attending Banquet:----- \$ 55.00x = \$



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Dinner selection(s): - one choice per attendee, indicate how many of each choice

Prime Rib of Beef au jus

Stuffed Cornish Game Hen

Scallop & Crab stuffed Flounder and Pork Strip Steak topped with Applejack Butter Sauce

Scallops in a Wine & Mushroom Sauce

Vegetable Lasagna.

PIZZA PARTY for the kids *runs concurrent with Banquet at the Seneca Lodge Restaurant* Child care will be provided, includes kids games and raffles tickets for prizes.

Number of Kids attending \$ 5.00x =\$

Ages of Kids attending

EXTRAS:

Monday, July 30th - registration at 7:30am - Shotgun start 8:00am

Soaring Eagles Golf Course – located at 201 Middle Road, Horseheads

Golf - registration @ 7:30am

\$ 55.00x =\$

Ph# [607-739-0034](tel:607-739-0034) Includes 18 holes, cart and full lunch

4 man Best Ball Tournament. Shotgun starts at 8:00 am

Monday, July 30th - starting at 8:00am

3-D Archery Shoot

\$5 .00x =\$

Tuesday, July 31st - starting at 1:00pm

Lunch & local winery tours on your own

\$ 13.00x =\$

The \$13.00 will cover a group buffet lunch where a list of wineries will be provided that you can visit at your leisure on the way back to town

TOTAL = \$

Back by Popular Demand

Please remember to bring a bottle for the wheelbarrow full of cheer raffle!!!

**** Print and mail this form with your check **payable to Steve Gerould** to: ****

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Any questions please call Steve Gerould @ 585-991-3580(H) or 585-233-2098(C)



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Accommodations:

- **Seneca Lodge** – Directly across the street from the Park entrance, easy walking distance to the pavilion where the picnic will be held, also the location of the business meeting. The rooming options include standard motel rooms, A-frame cabins and log cabins. Prices range from \$55.00 for a single bed A-frame, up to \$155.00 per night for a 4 bedroom cabin. To make your reservations call **1-607-535-2014** <http://senecalodge.com>

- **Harbor Hotel** – For anyone looking to do a romantic getaway, this new luxury hotel which overlooks Seneca Lake is located only 2 miles from the State Park. It features all the amenities you would expect from a 5 star hotel. Guest rooms feature Harwood floors, granite fixtures, Jacuzzi tubs and more. Main Street of Watkins Glen is walking distance. **Be sure to ask for the Government rate** \$159.00-\$179.00 per night. Make your reservations on line at <https://reservations.ihotelier.com/istay.cfm?hotelid=15211&languageid=1> or by calling the hotel directly at **(607) 535-6116**

- **Clute Memorial Park & Campground** – Campsites with full sewer, water, electric and cable hookup, this campground is located 2 miles from the State Park and right across the street from the lake. It is walking distance from where the dinner cruise will depart and downtown Watkins Glen. We currently have two sections of the campground blocked for our use. C-5 through C-11 and F-3 through F-15. Rates are \$43.00 per day with Electric, Water & Sewer hookups. Make your reservations early by calling the Park directly at **(607) 535-4438**.

- **Watkins Glen State Park** – For anyone looking for a more primitive campground experience, these campsites are located in the woods near the location where the picnic will be held and right across the street from the Seneca Lodge. It offers only a limited number of electric sites. Shared water is available near all sites, no sewer hookups are available. Sites are \$25.00 per night with electric. Reservations must be made through Reserve America so we cannot hold a group of sites together. The Electric sites are #50-#100 in the Mohawk Village. We suggest trying to stay together in the #65 through #85 loop. Make your reservations using Reserve America at: <http://newyorkstateparks.reserveamerica.com>



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NYCOA President Scott Florence is coming to the end of his term and we will be seeking candidates who are interested in taking over this very important role. Interested parties should contact Vice President Robert Peinkofer via email at rjpeinko@gw.dec.state.ny.us. Under the leadership of Major Florence, NYCOA has enjoyed great success and growth. We want to express our sincere thanks for his many years of service and dedication.

Memo Regarding Retiree Qualification Shoot

To DLE Retired members: We have been working for some time to provide you with the opportunity to participate in an annual firearms qualification in order to meet the provisions of United States Code, Title 18, Part I, Chapter 44, Section §926C which allows carrying of concealed firearms by qualified retired law enforcement officers.

We are offering this opportunity at the NYCOA summer conventions in which the location will rotate around the state. This year you have an opportunity to qualify at the NYCOA convention being held at Watkins Glen. It will be held on Wednesday, August 1st, 2012. Range number and location to be announced.

Qualifications will begin at 9:00 AM and you will be required to shoot one qualifying score of the En-Con PPC with a semi automatic pistol, revolver (or both if you choose). The cost to participate is \$10.00 and you will need a check or money order made out to "NYS DEC Training Center." Upon successful completion of the qualification, you will receive a new replacement retired ID card which will indicate you have met the qualification requirements. If you wish to participate in the 08/01/12 qualification, please contact:
Lt. Pete Barton - Region 8 Avon 585-226-6706
Lt. Paul Adam - DLE Training Academy 315-298-8271

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ENCON PRACTICAL PISTOL COURSE: Required Equipment that must be provided by retired Members:

1. A safe functional Pistol or Revolver (or both), Holster and at least 30 rounds of ammo for each handgun.
 2. Eye and ear protection.
 3. Valid NYS Pistol Permit
 4. Signed Affidavit
 5. Check /money order for \$10.00 to "NYS DEC Training Center"
- Passing Score:** 150 Possible Points - 113 to Pass (75%). Count points according to scoring rings on the B21XFS target. **Right Side Target Should Have 14 Hits 5 Points Off For Each Extra Hit on Right Side Target.**

Course of Fire Description:

STAGE 1: 10 yard line - On Command:

- 2 Rds, Left Target, In 4 Seconds, Scan, Holster
- 2 Rds, Right Target, In 4 Seconds, Scan, Holster
- 2 Rds, One Rd E-ach Target, In 6 Seconds, Scan Holster
- 2 Rds, One Rd Each Target, In 5 Seconds, Scan Holster

STAGE 2: 12 yard line - On Command:

- 2 Rds, One Rd Each Target, In 6 Seconds, Scan, Holster
- 2 Rds, One Round Each Target, In 5 Seconds, Scan Holster

STAGE 3: 15 Yard Line - On Command:

- 2 Rds, Left Target, In 5 Seconds, Scan, Holster
- 2 Rds, Right Target, In 5 Seconds, Scan, Holster
- 4 Rds, 2 Rds Each Target, In 8 Seconds, Scan, Holster

STAGE 4: 25 Yard Barricade, From Holster

On the Command to fire, 10 Rounds total in 45 Seconds:

- 3 Rds, Standing/No Cover - 2 Rds, Left Target
- 1 Rd, Right Target - Take Cover
- 3 Rds, Standing, Strong Side Cover - 2 Rds, Left Target, 1 Rd, Right Target - Reload Behind Cover
- 2 Rds, Kneeling, Strong Side Cover - Strong Side Target
- 2 Rds, Kneeling, Reaction Side Cover - Weak Side Target

NOTE: Revolver shooters will be allowed to reload more frequently as needed.