

**New York State Wildlife Management Association  
Providing Problem Animal Solutions For Home Owners and Businesses**



There wasn't a meeting last month, so there won't be any meeting minutes this time.

This month's newsletter is focused on the upcoming meeting that is June 25<sup>th</sup> at the Baldwinsville Lions Club in Baldwinsville NY. We are having Gary DePalma, from Florida, to put on a feral hog training seminar. Gary has many years of feral pig trapping experience that may be of value to us if the feral hog problem gets any worse in central New York. They are now located in three counties, Tioga, Cortland and Onondaga. They may be a potential source of work in the future. In any event, even if they aren't; we should be able to discuss the problem and potential solutions intelligently with others.

### **Feral Hog Seminar in Central New York**

#### **Sponsored by: New York State Wildlife Management Association**

Feral hogs (wild pigs) have become established in Central and southern New York State. They have the potential to cause extensive damage to agricultural crops and spread disease to domestic animals as their numbers increase and their range expands. The New York State Wildlife Management Association (NYSWMA) has teamed with Gary DePalma, a Nuisance Wildlife Control Specialist with extensive experience with feral hog control, to present a free seminar in Baldwinsville June 25. The seminar will include a review of their biology, experiences with crop damage, and control measures that have been used

in areas where feral hogs have been established for decades.

Feral hogs are wild pigs that have escaped from captivity or in some states are European Boars that were released for sport hunting. They reproduce rapidly, are very intelligent, and are difficult to control. If present in significant numbers, they can cause extensive crop and environmental damage. They can be very aggressive and dangerous if threatened.

Cody Baciуска, NYSWMA President explained that feral hogs are expected to become an increasing threat to farmers as their numbers increase and as their range expands. We feel now is the time to get the facts out. The Agricultural, Hunting and Nuisance Wildlife Control community need to understand the threat and how to approach its control.

Mr. DePalma is a native of Central New York who has worked with feral hog control in the South for many years. He brings a wealth of practical experience.

The seminar will be held at the Baldwinsville Lions Clubhouse in the Baldwinsville Village Community Park from 1pm to 4pm. There is no charge for the Seminar but it is requested that persons pre-register with Dale Stockton at 607-648-9250 or [dstockton@stny.rr.com](mailto:dstockton@stny.rr.com), by June 20th.

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The meeting will be held in the Baldwinsville Lions Clubhouse. The address is 1 Lions Parkway, Baldwinsville NY 13027.

The Feral Hog Seminar will start at 1:00 with the monthly membership meeting to follow the presentation.

Directions to Baldwinsville Lions  
Clubhouse  
(1 Lions Parkway, Baldwinsville NY  
13027)

**From North**

From the 4 corners in downtown Baldwinsville. Take NYS Rt. 48 (Syracuse Street) south for 1 ¼ mile to Lions Parkway (Baldwinsville Community Park) on left. Take Lions Parkway to Lions Clubhouse at end near Seneca River, about 1/3 mile.

**From the South.**

Take I-81 North to I-690 West towards the State Fairgrounds, drive 8.8 miles then take the Van Buren Road exit; turn right on Van Buren Rd. and drive about one mile; turn right on Maple Rd (Rt 48); Lions parkway is the second turn on the left; Go to end of the road.

**From East or West.** Thruway to Exit 39, then north on I-690 to Van Buren Road exit. Go north on Van Buren Road 1 mile to end at NY Rt. 48. Turn right on Rt. 48 for 0.2 miles to Lions Parkway

(Baldwinsville Community Park) on left. Take Lions Parkway to Lions Clubhouse at end near Seneca River, about 1/3 mile.

**Rabid Beavers Attack Philadelphians**

Posted by Trapper Staff



The headline of this bizarre story from FoxNews.com speaks for itself: ["Wild Beavers Terrorize Philadelphia."](#)

Here are some details of the strange rash of attacks.

Pennsylvania game wardens remained stumped Sunday about a spate of "truly bizarre" rabid beaver attacks in and around Philadelphia.

Three people were bitten by a beaver last week in Pennypack Park in the city's northeastern section before the animal was killed and officials determined it had rabies, according to MyFoxPhilly.

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A married couple was fishing on Wednesday when the large beaver bit the woman's leg, then turned on her husband and bit him in both arms and on his chest, the Pennsylvania Game Commission said.

On Thursday, a child was bitten in the same park. A short time later, a park ranger located the beaver nearby. That animal was killed and tested positive for rabies at a Health Department lab. Game wardens are looking through the park for other beavers that could be infected.

As the story notes, beavers are certainly susceptible to rabies, but they aren't typically stricken with the disease in large numbers like raccoons or skunks. And it's even more unusual to experience a beaver rabies outbreak inside Philadelphia.

**Buy sell & trade**

Any buy, sell or trade items to include in the newsletter send to Dale.

**For Sale – Inventory of trapping supply business. Retiring after 38 years – over \$12,000 in inventory. I will also include show cases, shelving, book racks and bins – Take all for \$ 10,000. Call (315) 735-1902.**

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Assembly and Senate**

New York State Assembly/Senate web sites

[www.assembly.state.ny.us](http://www.assembly.state.ny.us). [www.senate.state.ny.us](http://www.senate.state.ny.us)  
[www.conservewildlife.org](http://www.conservewildlife.org)

**Sites that may be of interest about animal rights  
activists and the state of their finances**

Liability insurance; Address; Jim Pace Christian-  
Baker Co. Camp Hill PA. 17001 1-717-761-4712 or  
email him at  
[jimp@buybestins.com](mailto:jimp@buybestins.com)

We also have a NYS insurance company that will  
write policies for NWCO's in NY.  
It's the Skeele Agency, their address is:  
Skeele Agency Inc. (315) 655-  
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Send pictures you want posted on the web page  
be to [Cody@loomacres.com](mailto:Cody@loomacres.com) or  
[www.Loomacres.com](http://www.Loomacres.com) If they are acceptable he  
will put them on it.

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