



SASKATCHEWAN
WILDLIFE
FEDERATION

CONVENTION IS WEEKS AWAY!

THE 94TH ANNUAL
CONVENTION WILL BE HELD
ON FEBRUARY 23-25, 2023,
AT THE ESTEVAN
COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL

Make sure you are registered,
and feel free to send the reg-
istration form to your mem-
bers: [https://swf.sk.ca/wp-
content/uploads/2022/10/94th-
Annual-Convention-
Registration-Form.pdf](https://swf.sk.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/94th-Annual-Convention-Registration-Form.pdf)

DOOR PRIZES, AUCTIONS,
PROGRAM UPDATES, AND
SO MUCH MORE!

We look forward to seeing
you all in-person this year
in Estevan!

BRANCH MONTH END



Photo by: Brenda Crosswell, Valley View Wildlife Federation

IMPORTANT HIGHLIGHTS

- ⇒ Convention Agenda can be [found here](#), or on Page 3.
- ⇒ Final chance - review the Convention Checklist. [Click here to download.](#)
- ⇒ Convention Delegates **must have a 2023 Membership to attend.**
- ⇒ The deadline for fundraising donations has been extended to Feb 15, 2023. We are asking all branches to please donate an item worth \$50 or more to the convention's annual fundraising evening. If you could please let Central Office know what your branch will be donating before Feb 15, 2023, it would be greatly appreciated! Even if your branch can't attend the convention, we are asking you to support this annual fundraising effort - the proceeds from the raffle tables go to the Habitat Trust Fund, and the auction proceeds go to SWF programming. Thanks for your support! [Fundraising forms can be found here.](#)
- ⇒ The Provincial Angling & Henry Kelsey Big Game Awards is approaching quickly! For tickets, contact Central Office at 306.692.8812. Awards Poster can be [downloaded here](#), or on Page 6 for distribution.
- ⇒ **IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Any sold memberships must be sent in to Central Office at least on a monthly basis, as per the constitution. If you have any questions or issues, please let us know.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◇ **Feb 4:** Wapella Pipestone Wildlife Federation 34th Annual Banquet, at the Moosomin Armoury
- ◇ **Feb 10:** Melville Fish & Game League AGM and Awards, at the German Heritage Hall
- ◇ **Feb 11:** St. Walburg & District Wildlife Federation Banquet & Awards Ceremony
- ◇ **Feb 12:** Tisdale Wildlife Federation Fish Fry
- ◇ **Feb 13:** Save-A-Goose Wildlife Federation Branch Meeting
- ◇ **Feb 23-25:** 94th Annual Convention in Estevan, SK
- ◇ **March 4:** Melville Fish & Game League Annual Banquet & Fundraiser, at the Horizon Credit Union Centre
- ◇ **March 5:** Weyburn Wildlife Federation's 2nd Annual Mainprize Fish Derby, from 1-4pm
- ◇ **March 11:** Moose Jaw Wildlife Federation Youth & Family Ice Tournament @ Buffalo Pound Lake
- ◇ **March 11:** Souris Moose Creek Wildlife Federation 5th Annual Ice Fishing Derby
- ◇ **March 13:** Save-A-Goose Wildlife Federation Branch Meeting
- ◇ **March 16-18:** Moose Jaw Wildlife Federation Fish Fry
- ◇ **March 18:** Rocanville & District Wildlife Federation Annual Awards, Supper, and Fundraiser
- ◇ **March 25:** Tisdale Wildlife Federation Supper
- ◇ **April 15:** Moose Jaw Wildlife Federation Fundraising Supper, @ the Heritage Inn
- ◇ **April 15:** Annual Fred Garner Memorial Banquet and Trophy Night, McKenna Hall, Weyburn, SK
- ◇ **April 15:** Save-A-Goose Wildlife Federation 2023 Trophy Night
- ◇ **April 22:** Fort Qu'Appelle & District Wildlife Federation Hunter Raffle Draw, Annual Awards Night & Banquet @ the Balcarres Lions Hall
- ◇ **April 22:** Souris Moose Creek Wildlife Federation 31st Annual Fundraiser Dinner & Auction



Remember to submit your branch events to be posted on the SWF website! Email Dianne at sask.wildlife@swf.sk.ca, and be sure to visit the calendar of events page on our website for further event details.



94th ANNUAL CONVENTION
Estevan, SK - February 23, 24, 25, 2023

THEME: OUR RESOURCES – OUR INVESTMENT

TENTATIVE AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, February 22, 2023

6:30 p.m. Registration: Western Star All Suites Hotel

THURSDAY, February 23, 2023

11:00 a.m. Registration: Estevan Comprehensive School

11:00 a.m. New Delegates Luncheon @ Western Star All Suites Hotel

1:00 p.m. Opening of 94th Annual Convention – David Yorke, President, SWF
Piper
O Canada
One-minute silence in remembrance of SWF members & CAF who have passed away during the last year
Welcome from the Province of Saskatchewan
Welcome from the City of Estevan
Welcome & Directions – Wanda Michel, President, Estevan Wildlife Federation
Introduction of Guests and Board of Directors – David Yorke, President, SWF

Convention Procedures Chair – Dwayne Davison
Chairpersons of the Day – Murray Freistadt & Trent Empey

1:15 p.m. Keynote Speaker – Randy Nelson

1:45 p.m. Adoption of Minutes of 2022 Convention

1:50 p.m. SWF President's Opening Remarks – David Yorke

2:00 p.m. SWF Executive Director's Report – Darrell Crabbe
SWF Finances – Approval of the 2022 Audited Statements - Motion to accept as circulated

2:25 p.m. SWF Communications & Marketing – Courtney Devins, Director

2:40 p.m. Habitat Trust Report – Darren Newberry, SWF Director of Habitat Lands

3:10 p.m. Coffee

3:25 p.m. SWF Education Report – Doug Gibson, Director
- National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP)
- Hannin Creek Education & Applied Research Centre (HCEARC)

3:45 p.m. Open Question Period

3:55 p.m. Resolutions: Chairpersons – Travis Schaeffer & Todd Smith

4:30 p.m. Adjourn for the day

6:00 p.m. Reception

6:30 p.m. Contributions Awards Banquet: MC – Doug Gibson
Piper

Branch & Individual Recognition Awards – Presenters: Darren Newberry, Blaine Olfert
Tailender Award Presentation – Arden Curts

Hospitality Room at the Western Star All Suites Hotel following the evening's program.

FRIDAY, February 24, 2023

- 8:25 a.m. Call to Order: Chairpersons – Clark Schultz & Kevin Guttormson
- 8:30 a.m. SK Ministry of Corrections, Policing & Public Safety, Provincial Protective Services Branch
- Sgt. James Mcleod
 - Sgt. Brad Johns
 - Insp. Sean Federspiel
 - K-9 Sgt. Jamie Chartrand & K-9 Cpl. Mitch Hatzenbuhler
- 9:45 a.m. Open Question Period
- 10:15 a.m. Coffee
- 10:30 a.m. University of Regina – Dr. Chris Somers, Professor of Biology
- Boundary Dam Reservoir Fishery
 - Winter Catch and Release of Northern Pike
 - Great Horned Owls in SW Saskatchewan
- 11:00 a.m. Saskatchewan Association of Firearm Education (SAFE) – Todd Smith
- 11:15 a.m. Henry Kelsey Big Game Records – Heath Dreger, HK Chair
- 11:30 a.m. Saskatchewan Master Angler Program – James Villeneuve
- 11:45 a.m. Open Question Period
- 12:00 noon Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. Call to Order: Chairpersons – Ken Somogyi & Dolphyn Boschman
- 1:00 p.m. Fisheries
- SWF Fisheries – James Villeneuve, SWF Director
 - Provincial Fish Hatchery – Nelson Bergh, Manager
 - SK Ministry of Environment, Fisheries Unit – Matt Tyree, Director
 - Water Security Agency Sturgeon Project – Iain Phillips
- 2:45 p.m. Open Question Period
- 3:00 p.m. Coffee
- 3:15 p.m. Troutreach Saskatchewan – Iain Phillips
- 3:30 p.m. Branch Project Presentations
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn for the day
- 5:00 p.m. Reception
- 6:00 p.m. Fundraising Banquet: MC – Darren Newberry
Piper
- 8:00 p.m. SWF Fundraising Evening
Auctioneers –

Hospitality Room at the Western Star All Suites Hotel following the evening's program.

Guidelines for Question Periods

- **Delegate/Guest allowed 2 minutes to present a question or make a statement**
- **3 minutes allowed for reply**
- **Timing at the discretion of the Day Chairs and/or Procedures Chairman**

SATURDAY, February 25, 2023

- 8:40 a.m. Call to Order: Chairpersons – Clark Schultz & Josh Michel
- 8:45 a.m. SK Ministry of Environment, Wildlife Unit – Joann Skilnick, Director
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- 10:15 a.m. Coffee
- 10:30 a.m. Open Question Period
- 11:00 a.m. Enforcement Dogs – K-9 Sgt. Jamie Chartrand & K-9 Cpl. Mitch Hatzenbuhler
- 12:00 noon Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. Call to Order: Chairpersons – Travis Schaeffer & Todd Smith
- 1:00 p.m. Donations to SWF Programs – Darren Newberry
- 1:40 p.m. Presentations for the site of the 2025 Convention (2024 Convention – Saskatoon)
- 2:00 p.m. Land Access Workshop
- 2:30 p.m. Firearms Legislation – Gil White, SWF Firearms Chair
- 2:45 p.m. Open Question Period
- 3:00 p.m. Coffee
- 3:15 p.m. Visitors' Remarks
- 3:30 p.m. New & Unfinished Business: Resolution Results / Site of the 2025 Convention
- 3:45 p.m. Acclamation of SWF President
SWF President's Closing Remarks – David Yorke
- 4:00 p.m. Adjournment of the 94th Annual SWF Convention
- 6:00 p.m. Reception
- 6:30 p.m. Awards Banquet: MC – Darrell Crabbe
Guest Speaker: The Honourable Dana Skoropad, Minister of Environment
Piper
- 7:45 p.m. SWF Awards & Presentations
- Photography: Wildlife & Scenery
- Bill McDonald Youth Conservationist of the Year Award
- Clayton Young Memorial Awards
- Ed Begin Conservation Project Award
- Lorne Topley Memorial Stewardship Award
- Resource Management Conservation Award
- Gordon Lund Memorial Conservation Award
- 9:00 p.m. Band

SASKATCHEWAN WILDLIFE FEDERATION



2022 PROVINCIAL ANGLING & HENRY KELSEY BIG GAME AWARDS BANQUET

Conexus Convention Centre, Moosomin, SK

Hosted by: Wapella Pipestone Wildlife Federation

APRIL 1, 2023



TICKETS: 5 & under: Free
6 - 14 years: \$20
15 years & older: \$40

HOTEL INFORMATION

Canalta Hotel Moosomin

306-435-3034

\$149 + taxes

Hotel block under "Henry Kelsey"

Best Western Plus Moosomin Hotel

306-435-4700

\$139 + taxes

Hotel block under "Henry Kelsey"

Motel 6

306-435-3666

\$119 + taxes

Hotel block under "Henry Kelsey"

**For tickets, contact the SWF Central Office at
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JANUARY 2023 MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Check your totals to this sheet every month. If there are discrepancies, please contact Central Office.

Active Since	REGION ONE (27)	2023	2023	2023	2023	Active Since	REGION TWO (16)	2023	2023	2023	2023
TargetRegularAffiliateActual						TargetRegularAffiliateActual					
1954	Basin Lake	42			0	1939	Battlefords	333			0
1971	Bruno	283	108	132	240	1987	Beaver River	107			0
1951	Carrot River	258	11	4	15	2012	Cater Lake	216			0
1961	Creighton	156			0	1979	Cut Knife	90			0
1989	Cub Hills	306	124	132	256	1992	Dorintosh	104	1	1	2
1967	Cudworth	217			0	1954	Fielding	154	38	60	98
1947	Humboldt	435	136	83	219	1947	Lloydminster	1581	415	232	647
1968	La Ronge	134			0	1983	Macklin	288			0
1952	Lake Country	623	104	126	230	1947	Meadow Lake	163			0
1970	Lake Lenore	232			0	1980	Redberry	73	29	30	59
1957	Lucien Lake	196	36	33	69	1973	St. Walburg	280	26	19	45
1975	Mallard	229	45	50	95	1981	Thickwood Hills	314	37	47	84
1958	Marcelin Leask	292	134	119	253	1980	Turtle River	149			0
1955	Melfort	359	56	49	105	1951	Unity	219	40	76	116
1980	Mistatim	112			0	1947	Wilkie	48			0
	Naiverdale	179			0	1972	Witchekan	411	106	62	168
1944	Nipawin	238	61	32	93		Regional	4530	692	527	1219
1980	Park View	133			0	SUMMARY					
2010	Porcupine	164			0	OTHER BRANCHES		2023	2023	2023	2023
1947	Prince Albert	529	119	91	210			Target	Regular	Affiliate	Actual
1977	St. Peters	170	18	15	33	SK Falconry Association		22	8	4	12
1994	Stony Rapids	44	15	14	29	SAFTA (SK Amateur Field Trial Assoc)		26			0
1966	Struthers Lake	325	89	94	183	GBHT (SK Game Bird Habitat Trust)		38	2	2	4
1945	TISDALE***	773	343	462	805						
1982	Valley Trails	700	115	93	208	Branches exceeding their 2023 target		1			
1985	Wakaw	42			0	Regions exceeding their 2023 target		0			
1976	Weldon	153	13	16	29	Regular Members		5147			
	Regional	7324	1527	1545	3072	Affiliate Members		4953			
						Provincial Members		164			
						Corporate Members		3			
						2023 Memberships to January 31, 2023		10,266			
						2022 Memberships to January 31, 2022		9,543			
						INCREASE		723			

*** Indicates Branches that have met or exceeded their Membership targets. Congratulations!

