

ROCK ISLAND CONSERVATION CLUB NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRESIDENT:

JAY 309-269-1226

DID YOU KNOW?

Facts about the Rock Island Conservation Club

The RI Conservation Club is an unique organization that is run solely by dedicated volunteers who's purpose is to promote, support and protect our conservation resources, protect our wildlife's natural habitat, and to enable families to enjoy the natural resources within our local community. Unlike other non profit organizations, NO ONE at our club receives a paycheck. It is ALL volunteer work. Wow! A core group of people do so much! That is why we are always looking for some people to give of their time to help relieve the load of the dedicated volunteers we have. Without them, there would be no RICC. So, if you have the time, please give us a call or email to lend us a few hours of your time as needed. Thanks for being part of our club!

- RICC's leadership is comprised of: 1. Executive board - President, 1VP, 2VP, Treasurer, Secretary. 2. 15 Board of Directors (BOD) 3. 1-3 Alternate BODs 4. 4 QCCA Representatives. Exec board serves 1 yr term. BOD serves 3 year terms QCCA reps serve 2 yr terms.
- The RICC property consists of 110 Acres managed by one caretaker 24/7 x 365 days a yr.



Cub Scout Day Camp—June 15—19 —Fishing experts needed!
Jeff.applegate@scouting.org

The Cub Scouts are having a Day Camp at the club this June and are in need of people that can come out and help the boys with learning how to fish. If you are available sometime during the day hours, please give one of the Camp Directors know so they can schedule you a time to help the boys fish. a few hours of your time! Beware of little CUBS on our grounds!



Family Fun nights! - Dan McDermott—309- 558-1407

We are going to have some Family Fun nights beginning June 19. They will be on Fridays when we do not have Euchre. Look for more information on our website or Facebook in the new few weeks. Plan for a great evening at the club!



CLUB CALENDAR

JUNE:

Club Meeting:

16th: 6:30 & 7:30

Euchre:

12th & 26th

JULY:

Club Meeting:

21st: 6:30 & 7:30

Euchre:

10th & 24th



REMEMBER:

ONE CAN IS FOR "RECYCLE"

ONE CAN IS FOR "TRASH"

CLUB RENTALS**SUE 309-269-5647**

Holiday parties? Bridal Showers, baby showers, rehearsal dinners, birthday and retirement parties. And it's not too early to think about Graduation parties for the spring time! The RICC holds up to 100 people. We have a clubhouse room, bar, large kitchen, outdoor deck, and pavilion. Perfect spot for the smaller venue. Check out our website at www.riccnews.com for pictures, pricing and contract information.

MEMBERSHIPS**ROB MEYERS: 309-644-0754**

We are close to the 600 mark for memberships and we are receiving more each day. Remember to tell your friends and family that they can obtain a membership or renew their membership by either visiting our caretaker at the club, going to our website, filling out an application and sending it to the address listed on the form. Or send an email to the club president and we can work out a time to meet up with you and get you an application. Please print legibly on the form to avoid any mailing issues. Any questions about membership can be directed to me. Rob

ALL BOATS NEED TO BE REGISTERED

Gary: 787-4770

If you currently have a boat at the club, the following **MUST** be accomplished in order to keep you boat stored on a designated boat rack. 1. Be a current 2015 member. 2. Sign a new contract. 3. ensure your name and registration numbers are on the boat. Additional racks have been built so we can now assign slots for those of you that currently have their boats located next to the pole barn. Get with Gary ASAP as he is working to ensure every boat is accounted for. Failure to comply will result in your boat being placed in lockup.

RICC Trading Post**riccpresident@aol.com**

As a RICC member, you will now have the ability to Buy, Sell, or Trade using the RICC on-line Trading Post. To post an item to our Website to Buy, Sell, or Trade you must send the following information to: **riccpresident@aol.com** your ad will be listed for 30 days and then removed. If sold sooner, please send us an email to remove.

1. RICC Members Name and current Membership number
2. Description of what you are selling, buying, or swapping, price, telephone number, etc.

The RICC is only responsible for posting your ad to our website. Nothing else. You must be a RICC member to post an ad! Our intent is to get more website views, and to provide a perk for our members.

**CARETAKER'S REPORT:**

Gary 309-787-4770

Busy time of the season is upon us. Jody and I have been busy taking new memberships and meeting our new members. I have noticed that some of our members are using our fire pits as garbage cans. I am not happy with having to clean out the fire rings so that the next member camping has a clean pit. SO, for now I will be writing down each members name and campsite location. When you depart, I will be checking your campsite area, and IF your site is not left clean for the next camper, your name will be placed on a list, and the next time you come out, you will receive a warning. Second offense and your name will be turned over to the RICC Board of Directors and you will not be allowed on club grounds until you have pleaded your case. It will be the BODs decision if you are allowed back on club grounds. This will also be the process for any members who do not follow the RICC established rules. Members must be respectful of others and it is my job to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience when our members are on club grounds. My rule is pretty simple: Obey club rules, be respectful of others, be safe, and have fun!

Gary



RICC Picnic Saturday August 22

Note: The Big Island BBQ Throwdown has been cancelled and the RICC will move forward with celebrating our Annual Picnic as we have for many years.

Due to limited time, and to ensure our picnic is a success, we are asking our members to help us out and come join the Picnic committee. We need your ideas, and we need members that will actively take part of the process and run with it. What a great way to meet new people and to make the picnic a success. Here is what we have so far:

DATE: Saturday August 22

PICNIC TIME: 11:00 - 3:00

LUNCH SERVED: 11:00 - 1:00

LUNCH: ?

RAFFLE BAR WILL BE OPEN

SILENT AUCTION MUSIC CASTING CONTEST (KIDS and ADULTS)

If you would like to be part of our team, please email riccpresident@aol.com with your name and phone no. Or you can call Jay at 309-269-1226 We are also in need of Silent Auction items, Raffle prizes! Please call if you have a donation for the silent auction or raffle table.

The picnic is only as good as the volunteers willing to put in a little time to make it special. Please plan to share your ideas with our picnic staff.

Lake Vegetation Planting—Matt McDermott - 309-781-6602

8 AM Saturday June 13—Rain Date June 14

Calling all RICC Members! We need your help!

We need volunteers to help us with our lake vegetation planting. This is very important not only for our fish in our lakes, but also for the wildlife that call the RICC their home.

We are also in need of donations of T-Posts and chicken wire/welded wire fence.

Volunteers are welcome to assist and/or observe

Areas of assistance are:

People helping assemble enclosures for the plants.

People in the water helping with the planting.

Please plan to help with this event! 8 am till we are done!

(2015) ROCK ISLAND CONSERVATION CLUB (2015)
MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL APPLICATION (PRINT CLEARLY)

MEMBER NAME _____

Signature _____

I have read and acknowledge the rules of the RI Conservation Club and release of all liability.

ADDRESS _____ TELEPHONE _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

GENERAL Membership: (Member, Legally Recognized Partner, Children under 18yrs), 1 Voting Right:
\$65.00 _____

SENIOR Membership: Member 65 +, Legally Recognized Partner, Grd Children under 18yrs, 1 Voting
Right:\$50.00 _____

Extra Sticker: \$3.00 _____ (1 Extra allowed)

You will receive one membership sticker with payment. (1) ONE additional car sticker can be purchased at a cost of \$3.00. You must have the sticker affixed to your windshield directly behind the rear view mirror and your membership card must be in your possession when on Club property.

Memberships valid: JAN 1, 2015– DEC 31, 2015

Circle the events that you would be willing to help out with. Call me to help out with the following events:

Club Events _____ QCCA events _____ Hunter Safety Clinics _____ Call Me _____ Blood Drive(Give/help) _____

WE'RE ON THE WEB! WWW.RICCNEWS.COM (LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!)
