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Notice

To all Members Of Delaware County Field and Stream Association

As of July 6, 2009 DCFS is now under control of Delaware County Courts and in receivership until the next elections are consummated and a new Board of Directors, and President take office in January 2010.

The Executive and Board of Directors are no longer intact under this temporary arrangement. The text of the Court Order follows below.

As of this time, the club will be represented by Stacy Poulathas and Harry Feindt representing the elected BOD and Dottie Berry and Dave Layden representing the impeached president. Mediating between the two sides is Court appointed attorney Michael P. Dignazio. For a full time line of events leading to this current arrangement use the time-line link.

Events Leading to DCF&S Court Ordered Receivership

On April 7, 2009 the board of directors acted to remove Dottie Berry from office of president for actions they felt were prejudicial to the corporation. This action was taken only after several notifications were sent by certified mail requesting her presence at special Board of Directors Meetings to negotiate an equitable resolution of issues.

On April 29th 2009 a full vote of the Executive Committee was taken and Ms. Berry was again removed and Impeached from office by a vote of 11-2. Full minutes of the vote and meeting are available at the club office.

As a result of these actions, 1st Vice President Stacy Poulathas assumed the Office of President and 2nd Vice President Robert Bowles assumed the office of 1st Vice President in accordance with our Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

Due to interference and actions prejudicial to the operations of our organization, "Complaints in Equity" and "Injunctions" against impeached president Dottie Berry were successfully submitted and accepted by the Courts of Delaware County, Media on June 16, 2009. Ms. Berry was served notice by the courts of said legal actions and ordered to appear in Court.

In response of these actions Dottie Berry and her attorneys filed counter actions in the Courts. Dottie Berry, David Layden, and Don Taylor managed to close all DCFS bank accounts crippling the organization financially between June 13th and June 15th. So severe and prejudicial to the operations of DCF&S, the Court granted an emergency hearing date set for Wednesday June 24th in Delaware County Courts for immediate action.

Rather than a lengthy and protracted battle, which would cost the club over \$100,000, both side agreed to the current receivership.

Club Standing/ Editorial

This year started off as a milestone of a year. The club elected its first women President, and serving together were the clubs first President and Vice President women team. This in its self showed our membership how far the club has come over the years. As we all know DCF&S has always been associated as a guys club, a gun club and over the past few years we as the Board of Directors and Executive Committee has tried to get past those antiquated ideas in order to better the clubs future and to stay in existence not only for us and our children but for our children's children. A sportsmen's club that would attract all people, young, old, male and female. To be a place where the family can come and be together. A sportsmen's club that is not just known for just guns but also for conservation, fishing, hunters education and of course a sportsmen's club that will help our children to grow up and be fellow sportsmen and keep our heritage of hunting and your right to own a firearm to stay in existence. For if you truly have the club at heart you would want it to grow and be a strong club, a club that our founding fathers some seventy years ago had in mind when they joined together and gave birth to what we have now. This year was to be a year of celebration since it was our 70th birthday. Unfortunately the year has not been so joyous. There have been a lot of arguments and disagreements. A test of our not so clear By Laws with which we now know that there needs to be a new set of re-written. As a member, Range officer, member of the Board of Directors and

Meetings for September

General Membership Meeting
Wednesday the 2nd
8:00 PM

Government Body Meetings
Held on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month
September 8th & September 22nd

Range Meeting
Wednesday the 9th
8:00 PM

Archery Meeting
Last Tuesday of Every Month

All meetings are held in the Club House.
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Executive Committee I feel very upset with the way this year has progressed. I am a true believer that gossip is pure poison and if you here some kind of story around the club or someone says "did you know that" and tells you a bit of information that they heard from someone else, then you should not pass it to another. The Board Of Directors, Executive Committee and your Stewards are the people that you need to talk to. I've also learned that the bad/false rumors spread the fastest. We all know the people that spread the most rumors and sometimes its hard not to believe what these people are saying but for the good of the club, we need to stop this bad habit now. If you haven't heard or maybe you have, the club is now being run by what is now being call "The Governing Body". This consists of five individuals Stacy Poulathas, Bud Fiendt, Dottie Berry, David Laden and Mr. D'Agnazio. Mr. D'Agnazio is a court appointed attorney that was appointed to us from a decision by Judge Joseph P. Cronin Jr. Mr. D'Agnazio is being paid by the club at a price of \$200 per hour of his time. We also have a court stenographer who will be taking the minutes of the meetings and yes the club is paying her also. It is possible that by the end of the year that the club will have paid out roughly \$20,000 to lawyers. There is no Executive Committee or Board of Directors. No President, no Vice President. Until the elections in November these five people will be deciding how the club is being run. The Range committee is still intact and John Henry is our acting Chief Of Ranges. Only after the election and the swearing in of next years elected eleven will everything go back to its normal state. Other positions have been filled again in order for the club to hold its annual events and to run as smoothly as possible. This years nomination for elections will be held at the General Membership meeting on October, 7th and the elections looks to be changed from the first Wednesday in November to the weekend of the 7th & 8th of November. More information about the elections will be coming. A copy of the court papers is printed in this issue for you to read. This editorial is my own, my feelings and my opinions. I always try to see both sides of the story before I make a decision. This is just a thought and you may want to site back and think about it but what would our founding fathers think of all that has happened this year??

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Halloween Party

Saturday, October 24th at 6:30pm. Come out and play games, story telling and meet the witch stirring the brew. Prizes will be given out. Food will be served at no charge. Come in costume or not.

If you bring a friend PLEASE pick up a coupon at the office starting October 1st so I can have a count on how many will be attending. Contact Trish tcaba@rcn.com. Helpers will be greatly appreciated.

National Hunting and Fishing Day

On September 26th enjoy the day shooting at all the ranges at no charge. Vendors will be on site to sell their merchandise. Door prizes will be given out at 3pm. Food will be available to purchase. Fun begins at 9am.

Ladies Day/Jr. Field Day

This is a reminder Ladies. Get out of the house for a day. Leave your cooking and cleaning behind. Come out for a fun day at the Club. All ranges will be open, luncheon at 12pm and so many door prizes will be given out at 3pm. Bring a friend. No charge for this event. See you there.

Any questions: Trish tcaba@rcn.com

SHOOT SCHEDULE FOR SEPT./OCT.

Air Pistol Sept. 27th 25 yd paper bull's eye
Air Rifle Silhouette Sept. 27th
Air Rifle Sept. 20th 10m paper bull's eye
Archery Fita Sept. 26th 10am
Archery 3D Sept. 13th
Muzzle Loader Championship Sept. 13th
Cowboy Action Sept. 16th
B.P. Cartridge Sept. 27th
High Power Cowboy Lever Rifle Match Sept. 13th
Skeet Registered Sept. 12th Last Chance
Open 20/12ga.
Trap Registered shoot Sept. 26th
Air Pistol Oct. 25th 20 NRA Silhouettes
Air Rifle Silhouettes Oct. 25th
Air Rifle Oct. 18th 20m Silhouettes
Muzzle Loader Championship Oct. 18th
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Trap Club Championship Oct. 24th

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF DELAWARE COUNTY PA
 CIVIL ACTION - IN EQUITY

Board of Directors - Delaware County Field and Stream Association, Inc. <p style="text-align: center;">Plaintiff</p>	:	
v.	:	Equity Action
Dottie Berry	:	No.: 09-7817
Defendant	:	

ORDER

AND NOW, this 6th day of ~~June~~ ^{July}, 2009, upon stipulation and agreement of the parties hereto, through and upon advice of their respective counsel, it is hereby ORDERED and DECREED that:

1. All proceedings in this matter are hereby stayed until further Order of this Court;
2. All currently elected and appointed Directors, Officers and/or members of the Executive Committee are hereby removed from their respective positions, offices and/or boards with all power and authority revoked and/or relinquished, effective immediately;
3. In substitution of those individuals removed above, the following named individuals, listed in alphabetical order and no preference shall be assigned to the order of listing, are hereby

appointed as the Temporary Governing Body of the Delaware County Field and Stream Association, Inc., (DCFS):

1. Dottie Berry;
2. Harry Fiendt
3. David Laden; and,
4. Stacy Poulathas.

4. In addition to those individuals named above, the Court hereby appoints Michael P. Dignazio, Esquire to serve as the fifth (5th) member of the Temporary Governing Body of the Delaware County Field and Stream Association, Inc., who shall be compensated by and through DCFS at the hourly rate of \$ 200.00, payable monthly and within ten (10) days of the date of invoice;

5. The Temporary Governing Body of the Delaware County Field and Stream Association, Inc., shall have the sole voting authority and decision making power to manage, operate, govern and perform all aspects of the business and operations of DCFS;

6. The Temporary Governing Body of the Delaware County Field and Stream Association, Inc., shall serve in their Court ordered positions until and up to the time of the installation of the duly elected new officers/directors for 2010 in accordance with and pursuant to the DCFS electoral process;

7. All decisions made by the Temporary Governing Body of the Delaware County Field and Stream Association, Inc., under this Order and during the time it shall serve as specified herein, shall be determined by a quorum of five (5) votes made by all members of the Temporary Governing Body of the Delaware County Field and Stream Association, Inc., and approved by majority vote;

8. The Temporary Governing Body of the Delaware County Field and Stream Association, Inc., shall pay the attorney fees and costs incurred by the Plaintiff, Defendant and

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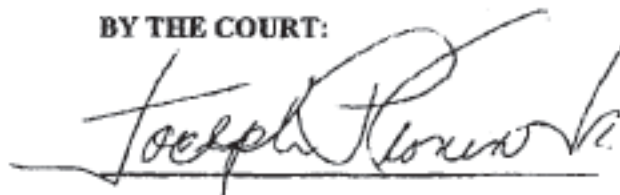
9. In the event that any individual removed, took possession of, or secured any DCFS computers, records, accounts, checkbooks, signature cards, keys, documents, or any other property of DCFS (and no wrongdoing is alleged or implied as a result thereof), said items are to be returned to the Temporary Governing Body of the Delaware County Field and Stream Association, Inc., within three (3) days of the date of this Order;

10. All financial institutions holding, securing and/or maintaining any DCFS bank accounts of any kind or nature are hereby ordered to release all holds, if any, placed on said accounts and are to make said funds and accounts immediately available to DCFS, subject to the terms and conditions of this Order;

12. All DCFS bank accounts of any kind or nature that are held or maintained in any financial institution shall be changed or modified to authorize those individuals as determined by the Temporary Governing Body as signatories on the account; and,

13. Jurisdiction is retained by this Court to enforce the terms hereof and/or modify this Order as necessary.

BY THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph Cronin", written over a horizontal line.

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