

# 1993 Great Lakes Deer Group Meeting

Second Notice and  
Tentative Agenda

## **Dates:**

September 7, 1993, registration begins at 5 p.m. (EDT)  
to September 10, 1993, adjourn at 10 a.m. (EDT)

## **Location:**

Best Western Porcupine Mountain Lodge,  
Silver City, *west of Ontonagon*,  
in Michigan's Upper Peninsula

***Please make your room reservations as soon as possible.***

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(EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME)

Tuesday, September 7, 1993

After 5:00 Registration and Social

Wednesday, September 8, 1993

9:00 - 9:15 Introduction

9:15 - 10:30 Harvest reports from the 1992 season, status of state deer and provincial populations, expectations for the 1993 season

Minnesota - Dave Schad, Forest Wildlife Specialist  
Ontario - Howard Smith, Senior Biologist, Large Mammals  
Wisconsin - Bill Mytton, Acting Big Game Specialist

10:30 - 10:45 Break

10:45 - 11:15 (Continuation of deer status reports)

Michigan - Ed Langenau, Big Game Specialist, DNR, Lansing  
Harry R. Hill, Biometrician, DNR, Lansing  
Lisa Dlutkowski, Wildlife Biologist, Great Lakes Indian  
Fisheries and Wildlife Commission  
Robert W. Aho, Wildlife Habitat Biologist, DNR, Baraga

11:15 - 12:00 Hunting of deer with dogs in Ontario - Peter C. Smith, Deer Study Technician, Ontario MNR, Maple

12:00 - 1:30 Lunch

1:30 - 2:00 Antler transformations - Keith R. McCaffery, Wildlife Research Biologist, Wisconsin DNR, Rhineland

2:00 - 2:30 An update on Michigan wolves - James H. Hammill, District Wildlife Supervisor, Michigan DNR, Crystal Falls, and Thomas F. Weise, Endangered Species Coordinator, Michigan DNR, Lansing

2:30 - 3:00 A controlled test of deer undernutrition and urinary urea nitrogen - Glenn D. DelGiudice, Deer Project Leader, Minnesota DNR, Grand Rapids

3:00 - 3:30 Break

- 3:30 - 4:00 Seasonal migration of white-tailed deer from Delta County, Michigan - Timothy R. VanDeelen, graduate student, and Jonathan B. Haufler, Professor, Michigan State University, East Lansing
- 4:00 - 5:00 Ontario's deer population and habitat management: current approaches - Dennis Voigt, Field Study Scientist, Ontario MNR, Maple
- 5:30 - 7:30 Dinner

**Thursday, September 9, 1993**

- 9:00 - 9:15 Announcements
- 9:15 - 10:30 State and provincial reports on habitat management
  - Minnesota - Dave Schad, Forest Wildlife Specialist
  - Ontario - Howard Smith, Senior Biologist, Large Mammals
  - Wisconsin - Bill Mytton, Acting Big Game Specialist
  - Michigan - Ed Langenau, Big Game Specialist, DNR, Lansing
- 10:30 - 10:45 Break
- 10:45 - 11:15 Mapping deer thermal cover with Landsat TM imagery - Michael L. Donovan, Wildlife Biologist, Michigan DNR, Lansing, and Gordon A. MacClearn, MacClearn and Associates, Houghton, Michigan
- 11:15 - 12:00 Ecological aspects of white-tailed deer management in central upper Michigan, Robert V. Doepker, Wildlife Habitat Biologist, Michigan DNR, Norway
- 12:00 - 1:30 Lunch
- 1:30 - 2:00 Habitat management of cedar in northern Michigan - Raymond O. Miller, Professor, Department of Forestry, Michigan State University, Escanaba
- 2:00 - 2:30 Case studies of cedar management in Ontario - Peter C. Smith, Deer Study Technician, Ontario MNR, Maple
- 2:30 - 3:00 Break
- 3:00 - 5:00 Panel discussion on cedar management - Raymond O. Miller, Moderator
  - Peter C. Smith, Deer Study Technician, Ontario MNR, Maple
  - Charles Becker, Manager, Research and Planning Operations, Mead Corporation, Escanaba
  - Mike J. Lanassa, Forester, Hiawatha National Forest, Escanaba
  - Pete Davis, Assistant Area Land Manager, Michigan DNR, Shingleton
  - Michael R. Zuidema, Silviculturalist, Michigan DNR, Escanaba
- 5:30 - 7:30 Dinner

7:30 - 9:30 Seminar and demonstration of Minnesota's deer management information system (DMIS) - Dave Schad, Forest Wildlife Specialist, Minnesota DNR

**Friday, September 10**

9:00 - 9:15 Announcements

9:15 - 10:00 Business meeting

10:00 Adjourn

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### Facilities and Transportation

The 1993 Great Lakes Deer Group Meeting will be held at the Best Western Porcupine Mountain Lodge, 120 Lincoln Street, Silver City, Ontonagon 49953. Silver City is 13 miles west of Ontonagon and 18 miles north of Bergland which is on the Lake Superior shoreline.

This facility does not provide a single charge for both room and meals. Instead, the lodging is separate, and meals are charged individually at the restaurant. Corporate rates for rooms, which is \$46 per night for a single room and \$51 per night for double occupancy (two queen size beds), were offered. The total cost, including three nights in a single room, three dinners, three breakfasts, and two lunches would be about \$205. Someone sharing a room with another would pay about \$145 for meals and lodging. If the costs will prohibit your attendance, please contact Ed Langenau (517) 373-1263 for alternatives.

Rooms at the Porcupine Mountain Lodge may be limited. It is suggested that you make reservations immediately. The toll free reservation number for the national Best Western chain is 1 (800) 528-1234. The telephone number at the Porcupine Mountain Lodge is (906) 885-5311, and the fax number is (906) 885-5847.

The meeting room will handle about 50 people. It has a public address system, lectern, slide projector, screen, overhead projector, and TV/VCR. Presenters planning to use computers for demonstrations should bring their own (BYOC).

The airline (Northwest Airlink) serving this area is in Houghton. Anyone requiring ground transportation from or to the airport should contact Rob Aho (906) 353-6651 at least one week prior to the meeting. Rental cars are also available at the airport.

7/30/93

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**CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUM**

**State of Wisconsin**

**NORTHERN WILDLIFE RESEARCH GROUP  
Rhineland Ranger Station**

Date: 4 August 1993

File Ref: 8100

TO: Jim Addis - ADM/5

FROM: Jerry Bartelt - RS/RC

SUBJECT: Out-of-State Travel Request - Keith McCaffery

Request: The Michigan Department of Natural Resources is hosting this year's meeting of the Great Lakes Deer Group, an organization of deer biologists and managers from Ontario, Minnesota, Michigan, Wisconsin and Manitoba. The 1993 meeting will be held 7-10 September near the Porcupine Mountains about 50 miles north of Hurley, WI. If authorized, he would plan to join the meeting on the evening of 8 Sep after attending a portion of our Research Bureau Conference.

Reference: A copy of the meeting announcement and agenda is attached. This year we will be especially interested in the discussions of regional deer population behavior and white-cedar management.

Justification: The GLDG meets annually on a rotational basis among the states and Ontario to discuss current issues and progress relating to deer management. Wisconsin is scheduled to host this meeting in 1994. These discussions facilitate coordinating research activities and have led to improved deer programs for all participating agencies. The annual meeting encourages candid peer review of each agency's program. Keith has been the principal liaison with this group and hosted the 1990 meeting.

Costs: This deer group has had a tradition of rustic accommodations to keep on-site costs low. However, this year the meeting will be held at the Porcupine Lodge. If able to share a room, with partial attendance, the on-site cost should be about \$120. Travel will involve about 200 miles or \$52. In any event, the total costs should not exceed \$200.

Recommended: \_\_\_\_\_  
R. T. Dumke Date

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
J. T. Addis Date