

Crooked Creek Conservation Club Newsletter

SPORTSMANSHIP ON THE JOB – AFIELD – 24 HOURS A DAY

March 22, 2008

CLUB DUES for 2008: If your club dues were received, included in this mailing is your new membership card and stickers. If we have not received your dues remember the Board of Trustees approved a \$25 penalty fee on late dues for 2008. If your dues were not received by February 29, 2008 the \$25.00 penalty will be imposed.

THE ANNUAL MEETING: The club's annual membership meeting was held on February 10, 2008 in the main clubhouse with membership attendance down due to the terrible weather. Committee reports were given as well as plans for future projects in mind for 2008. Board elections were held with 3 changes to the Board of Trustees. Added Don Helwick, Terry Reckart & Brett Sloan replaced Don Baker, Glenn Gregrich & Bill Sizemore. Thank you, parting Trustees for your help in running the club.

CURRENT TRUSTEES: Dave Buck, Don Buck, Pat Bujnocki, Bud Connolly, Jeff Frischkorn, Don Helwick, Ed Henry, Cliff Hiltz, Walt Keene, Dennis Meinke, Bruce Molnar, Terry Reckart, Joe Safranko, Glenn Satterfield, John Senz, Brett Sloan, Ken Smith and Al Timpeiro.

CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2008 ARE: President Dennis Meinke Treasurer Don Buck
Vice-President Pat Bujnocki Secretary Joe Safranko

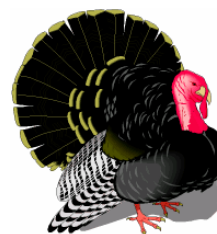
THE 5-STAND RANGE We anticipate re-opening for general shooting on April 20th. We will need volunteers to run this facility. 5-stand is a variation of Sporting Clays shooting. Each round consists of 25 targets being shot from 5 different shooting stations. We have seven traps to throw a variety of different types of target presentations. The Board of Trustees has also approved purchasing this spring a Rabbit trap and sheds to enclose the traps.

Volunteers, please call John Senz @ 440-352-7843 if you would like to volunteer your time in the clay target shooting area. We need folks to open the courses and collect fees. Currently we are open year round on Sunday from 10 AM till 4 PM. May through September, we plan to open on Fridays from 4 PM till dusk. We would be delighted to open on other days of the week. We simply need you to volunteer!

Board of Trustees: The BOT has approved funds to rebuild the club's 2 outhouses and build an additional outhouse across from the Short Range shooting bays. Work will begin as the weather permits. The BOT also has approved funds to build a shooting shelter at the short range bays. Plans are to work on building this shelter on Tuesdays evenings. Help will be needed.

FISHING The Board of Trustees would like to continue to encourage members to practice “**Catch and Release**” when fishing at the pond. We would like to keep the numbers of Bass and Bluegills high enough for kids to have a easy and fun time catching fish and this appears to be working. We will be looking at doing more to control the weeds in the pond this year.

Reloading supplies can be ordered twice a year. Order forms will be available in the main clubhouse in April, for May 6 delivery, and September, for October 14 delivery. Alex Thomas leads this activity.



COMING EVENTS

Woman in the Outdoors: The Woman in the Outdoors committee is again holding their annual event using our club grounds on Saturday, **April 12, 2008**. This event introduces women to many outdoor activities such as Hunting, Fishing, Camping, Archery and other Shooting sports to list just a few. For the last six years this event has been a huge success. Any woman interested in attending please contact Leesa Lafferre-Thomas at 440-968-0150 or Leesa@gotoadventure.com or Terri Herbert at 440-298-1636 or Terriherbert@hotmail.com.

The cost of attendance is \$50.00 with proceeds going to the Wild Turkey Federation. Sponsorships will be available for women without the means to otherwise attend.

Rifle Range Program: New programs and shoots were conducted in 2007 and will continue in 2008. Don Helwick will be the Chairman and contact point for this activity. Planned events include: CMP Shoots **4/19, 5/17, 6/21, 7/19, 8/16, 9/20 & 10/18**. For more information on these activities contact Don Helwick at 440-354-9984 or e-mail dhelwick4@mailbag.net.

Practical Pistol Shoots: Pistol match dates are **3/30, 4/27, 5/25, 6/22, 7/13, 8/24, 9/28 & 10/26**. Come join in and make use of our pistol bays. The rifle range will be open on these dates for use by green badged club members only. Contact Ed Henry 440-221-4306 or hen3ry@practicalpistol.net

Falling Steel Shoots: Shoots are scheduled for **5/3, 6/7, 7/5, 8/2, 9/6, 10/4 & 11/1**. Contact Ed Henry 440-221-4306 or hen3ry@practicalpistol.net

Archery: Shoots are scheduled for **3/30, 4/20, 5/4, 5/25, 6/29, 8/9&10, 8/24, 9/7, 9/21** David Buck could sure use some help setting up the course and targets the day before these shoots. Contact David at 440-257-5384.

Work Detail Dates: Spring - Sunday, May 4, Fall – Sunday, October 19 and Winter – Saturday, December 13, 2008. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS. The ranges are CLOSED during the work detail.

Steak Roast: Saturday, July 12, 2008 The food was excellent again last year and all who attended had a great time. Please make an effort to attend.

Youth Weekend: The Youth weekend will be **July 25-27, 2008**. There is no cost for individuals age 10-15. To sign up a youth, contact Cindy Rogge at 440-858-2855.

Clam Bake: Clam Bake will be held on **Saturday September 13, 2008**.

Field Trials: Saturday morning dog training continues year round. This season Trials dates are **9/14, 10/5, 10/26, 11/23, 12/14**. To sign up, please call Cindy Rogge at 440-858-2855

Sight In Day & Slug/ Turkey Shoot: November 9th with an additional **Turkey shoot** on December 7th.

Rifle Range Safety Course: The range safety course, required for all members who wish to use the rifle and pistol ranges, is conducted on the **Second Sunday of every month at 12:00 noon** in the main clubhouse. Members need only attend once. A green badge will be issued and then you are welcome to use the ranges.

CHL Class: The dates of August 9 & 16 have been tentatively scheduled to hold the class. Contact Bud Connolly at 440-259-3512 or budc@ncweb.com to reserve your seat or ask questions.

For additional information visit our Club web page at <http://www.crooked-creek.org>