

# Crooked Creek Conservation Club Newsletter

SPORTSMANSHIP ON THE JOB – AFIELD – 24 HOURS A DAY

March, 12, 2009

**CLUB DUES for 2009:** If your club dues were received, included in this mailing is your new membership card and stickers. Remember, the Board of Trustees approved a \$25 Late Fee if your dues were not received by February 28, 2009.

**THE ANNUAL MEETING:** The club's annual membership meeting was held on February 8, 2009. There was good attendance by club members. The ODNR gave an update on proposed changes to hunting seasons and licensing requirements. Committee reports were given. President, Dennis Meinke, reviewed all the progress made on improving club facilities and grounds in 2008 as well as plans for future projects in mind for 2009.

**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, Brett Sloan, Ken Smith, Al Timpeiro and Bill Vandever.

**CLUB OFFICERS:** President Dennis Meinke Treasurer Don Buck  
Vice-President Pat Bujnocki Secretary Bud Connolly

**CLAY TARGET SHOOTING SPORTS:** Trap, Skeet and 5-Stand ranges are available to members and non-members at nominal shooting fees.

- Trap, Skeet & 5-Stand is open Sundays 10:00 am to 4:00 PM. Enjoy a round or more at one of our first class clay target facilities.
- Trap & Skeet open Fridays, beginning in April, through September 4:00PM, until dusk.
- Clay target ranges will be open from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM Saturdays) of the Steak Roast and the Clam bake. Check the newsletter calendar of events for dates. Come out early and shoot a few rounds of clay targets then enjoy a great meal and visit with your friends.
- 5-Stand –currently open Sundays only.
- All ranges will be closed on the following dates: Work party's (**May 3, October 18 and December 12**) and Youth Weekend, **July 24-26, 2009**. Check the news letter calendar of events for dates. **The clay target ranges will also be closed on Easter Sunday (April 12).**
- For updated shooting news throughout the year please check our website.

**Help Wanted!!!!** Volunteers are still needed to run the desk and the shooting facilities on Sundays at Trap, Skeet and 5-Stand. Please consider volunteering some time to help out, reminder many hands make for light work. If you would like to volunteer please sign your name on any open dates on the sheets) located on the front desk in the clubhouse. You may also contact any of the following individuals and they will get you signed up. Bill Vandever @440-974-0857, Jim Majoris @440-354-6358, Chip Snow @440-275-1278 or Jerry Palfy @440-275-5177.

Note: As many of you know John Senz has stepped down as a trustee and will no longer be running the clay target program at Crooked Creek. During his tenure as a trustee John has done much to improve the shooting facilities that we all greatly enjoy. When you see John at the club please thank him for all his efforts and for his years of service to Crooked Creek.

We look forward to seeing you out at the club. Remember, you the clay target shooters are our greatest advertisement to guests and potential new members.

**Friends of the NRA:** Western Reserve Friends of NRA is looking for members from our club to become committee members in their organization. This committee would work to raise funds and conduct a banquet and auction. They would also report back to our club, this association will benefit both organizations and help Crooked Creek get available grant money. If you are interested please contact Rich Rozman at 440-951-5677.

**FIREWOOD:** Firewood that has been cut, split and stacked by clubhouses is **off limits for any use other than heating clubhouses**. This wood is not to be moved or used by campers. Any misuse of wood, that others have prepared for clubhouses, will be considered theft of club property and result in loss of membership. This has been an on-going problem and will not be tolerated in the future.

**Reloading supplies** can be ordered twice a year. Order forms will be available in the main clubhouse in April and September. This service is for club members only. The only contact for the ordering of reloading components is Alex Thomas @ 440-285-2523.

**Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) Rifle Matches:**

**CMP Rimfire Sporter matches: 4/18, 5/16, 6/20, 7/18, 8/15, 9/19, 10/17.**

**CMP Rimfire Sporter Competition Clinic (includes match): 5/16, 9/19**

**CMP Garand/Service Rifle matches: 4/18, 5/16, 6/20, 7/18, 8/15, 10/17.**

**CMP Garand-Springfield-Military Rifle Clinic (includes match): 7/20**

**Fun shoot afternoon of the Steak Fry: 7/11**

**Hunters match: 9/19**

Anyone interested in volunteering to help plan, organize, and run rifle events is welcome to join the Crooked Creek Rifles. Contact, Don Helwick at [dhelwick4@att.net](mailto:dhelwick4@att.net) or (440-354-9984).

**Practical Pistol Shoots:** USPSA Pistol match dates are **3/29, 4/26, 5/24, 6/28, 7/19, 8/23, 9/27 & 10/25**. See our web page at <http://www.practicalpistol.net/> for more information. Come join in and make use of our pistol bays. The rifle ranges will be open on these dates for green badge member use.

**Falling Steel:** matches are scheduled for **4/4, 5/2, 6/6, 7/4, 8/1, 9/5, 10/3**.

**Concealed Carry Course:** Plans are to offer this course on **May 2 & 9** those who wish to attend must attend both days. If you are interested contact Bud Connolly at 440-259-3512.

**Archery:** Scheduled 3D Archery Shoots will be in the next newsletter. Please contact David Buck 440-257-5384. David could sure use some help setting up targets the day before these shoots.

**Work Detail Dates: Spring 5/3, Fall 10/18 and Winter 12/12/2009. MARK YOUR CALENDARS.**

**Steak Roast: Saturday, July 11, 2009.** This event, done by club members, is a good opportunity to share experiences with fellow club members. The food is excellent and all who attended have a great time. Please make an effort to attend.

**Youth Weekend:** The Youth weekend will be the **July 24-26, 2009**. 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 12, 2009**.

**Field Trials:** Saturday morning dog training year round. This years Trial dates are **9/13, 10/4, 10/25, 11/22, 12/13/2009**. To sign up, please call Cindy Rogge at 440-858-2855.

**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 p.m.** Members need only attend once. A green badge will be issued and then you are welcome to use the ranges.

Visit our Club web page at <http://www.crooked-creek.org>