

Crooked Creek Conservation Club Newsletter

SPORTSMANSHIP ON THE JOB – AFIELD – 24 HOURS A DAY

September 12, 2012

Pig Roast

The Pig Roast will be held Saturday, **October 6, 2012** with Dinner served at 5:00 PM

Cost: Advanced purchase Adults \$10.00 per person

Children 14 & under - \$8.00 per person

Reservations must be in by October 3, 2012. Cost at gate on the day of the Pig Roast will be \$12.00 per person for adults or children without reservations..

Club will provide: Roast pig, pulled pork, along with mac salad, potato salad and coleslaw. Please bring a dish to share along with your own plates/utensils and whatever they want to drink. A rimfire fun shoot will be held from 2-4. The TRAP & SKEET fields will be open until 4:00 p.m. as will the RIFLE & PISTOL ranges. We hope to see you all there.

For Reservations call: Jim Majoros at 440-354-6358 evenings or 440-352-4867 days. E-mail majoros6366@sbcglobal.net

NOTE ON DINNERS: Due to a continuing problem of members signing up for dinners and then not showing up, our club policy will be; **If you sign up for a dinner and do not show and do not cancel in advance you will be accessed on the following years dues statement.** These dinners are put on at no profit to the club when people do not show the club and fellow members take the loss.

FALL WORK DETAIL: Please come join other club member on October 21 and help make club improvements and get us ready for winter. We have painting projects which need completing, tables to be stacked for winter, gutters which need to be cleaned and many other small tasks. This is a good opportunity to meet fellow members as well as getting in your work obligation if not already met.

CLAY TARGET SHOOTING SPORTS: Volunteers are needed to man the front desk and five-stand! New members: This is a great opportunity for you to meet other members, and get your required work hours in! Manning the front desk and five-stand are non-taxing activities that are fun, and easy to learn. Orientation to the front desk takes approximately 10 minutes, and for the five-stand, it takes approximately 20 minutes.

Plans are progressing for the new trap field. We are considering adding a second skeet field in the near future.

Fee Increase for Clay Targets

As of June 1, clay target fees have increased to \$4.00 for members, and \$5.00 for non-members, due to the current and projected increases in costs of clay targets. The decision to raise the fees was not taken lightly! We researched costs prior to making this decision. Most clubs in the area are charging fees which equal or exceed our new fees, and it's reasonable to expect that all clubs will increase their fees as prices for clay targets rise.

We are sensitive to the impact of increased costs. To help us to control our overall costs, a handful of volunteers have continued their commitment to perform all maintenance on the club's machines. Again: we need volunteers! We want members to be able to shoot when they come out to the club. Please join the faithful volunteers who help to keep shooting sports available for members! Don't forget to sign up in the clubhouse for front desk or five-stand duty!

Contact Jim Majoros at 440-354-6358

Here is a heartfelt thank you to all of you who faithfully volunteer your services on behalf of Crooked Creek's organization! You know who you are. THANKS!

New Pistol/Short Range Bays: Due to high usage and popularity of matches and shoots, the Board of Trustees (BOT) has approved funding to build 5 additional Pistol bays just south of the 100 yard range. Construction should begin in late September or early October. Soil required to build these bays will come from east of the 200 yard mound in a portion of the area clear cut last year. This will leave us an additional small pond when complete.

Reminder to Club Members: Hunting seasons are upon us and due to the fact that we are a multifunction club, please be aware of your surroundings while involved with club activities. If using trails or hunting be aware that others may be in the woods. Watch out for fellow members. Wearing of Hunter orange is recommended whenever practical.

Additional Water for Campers: The BOT approved funding for additional water hydrants to be installed around the camping area. This work has been completed and hydrants are in service. All labor was done by club members. A big thank you to all who were involved in this project.

Woods & Trails Committee: We have established a Committee to develop plans to improve access to our woods by improving or building trails in selected areas of our property. Work began with a trail on the Shaughnessy Woods property and one from the camping area to the rear (west edge) of our property. These trails are now ready for your use. We can use additional volunteers/workers for this committee. Work will continue on these and additional trails as time goes on. Additional help and input is always welcome. Contact Bob Allen 440-975-1046 or Tim Daily 440-350-0805.

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 or removed from club grounds. **Firewood for campers has been split and stacked in several areas in the camping area for use by campers.**

Civilian Marksmanship Program. For information, event reservations, or to join the Crooked Creek Rifles, contact Don Helwick a dhelwick4@att.net or (440)354-9984.

CMP Garand/Service Rifle Matches (9 am - 1 pm): 10/6.

CMP Rimfire Sporter Matches (9 am - 1 pm): , 10/6.

Fun Shoots (2 - 4 pm): 10/6.

Anyone willing to help run our rifle events is welcome to join the Crooked Creek Rifles. Volunteers shoot free and earn credit toward their Club labor hours.

Practical Pistol Shoots: Pistol match dates are **9/23 & 10/28/12.** .

Steel matches are scheduled for **2012. 10/13/12** from 9-12 Noon.

Come join in and make use of our pistol bays. The rifle ranges will be open on these dates for green badge members use. Visit <http://www.practicalpistol.net> for more information.

Work Detail Dates: **Fall 10/21 and Winter 12/8/2012. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Field Trials: Saturday morning dog training year round. This years Trial dates are **9/30, 10/28, 11/18, 12/9/12** . To sign up, please call Cindy Rogge at 440-858-2855

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Slug/Turkey Shoot: We will have the annual slug/turkey shoot on **November 11, 2012.** For more information contact Ken Smith at 440-286-3028.

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>