

Crooked Creek Conservation Club Newsletter

SPORTSMANSHIP ON THE JOB – AFIELD – 24 HOURS A DAY

March 4, 2005

CLUB DUES for 2005: If your 2005 dues have been received, your new membership cards and badge stickers should be enclosed. If your dues have not been received then, this will be your last newsletter until dues are paid. Please return your payment along with the notice as soon as possible. Delays in returning dues creates delays in getting membership cards out and causes significantly more work on the part of the club.

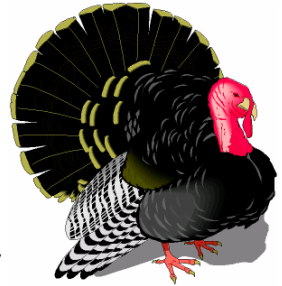
The Board of Trustees approved establishing a \$25 penalty fee on late dues for 2006. The gate combination will be changed to the new 2005 combination, printed on your card, sometime this month.

THE ANNUAL MEETING: The clubs annual membership meeting was held on February 6, 2005 in the Main clubhouse with good membership attendance. Members provided goodies to share following the formal business meeting. Ohio Senator Tim Grendell and his wife Diane, Mr. Hunter from the Ohio Parks and Recreation office, Jeff Henrick and Wade Dunlap from the ODNR were all in attendance. These folks gave us some good information on what is going on with the use of our parks and the possibility of having to pay a fee to park. We can now have informed discussions on these issues. This was a odd year so no Trustee election this year. All Trustee positions are currently filled however Rich Jacobs will be retiring soon and stepping down from the BOT. I want to thank Rich for all his years of service to the club. Also wish to Thank those club members who took the time to attend this meeting.

TRUSTEES: Bill Attamante, Don Baker, Jack Davis, Dave Buck ,Don Buck, Pat Bujnocki, Jeff Fischkorn, Glenn Gregrich, Cliff Hilltz, Walt Keene, Dennis Meinke, Joe Safranko, Glenn Saterfield, Ken Smith, Bill Sizemeore, Al Timpeiro and Jim Varsey.

CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2005 ARE:

President	Dennis Meinke
Vice-President	Pat Bujnocki
Treasury	Don Buck
Secretary	Glenn Gregrich



NEW CLUB WEB PAGE: Visit our clubs new Web page at www.crooked-creek.org

This newsletter and Trustee information will be the first thing there with plans to have a question/comment line and additional club information and details posted. Thanks to Ed Henry for providing the new web page.

RIFLE RANGES and PISTOL BAYS: We are currently working on plans for installing (4) shooting benches on the pistol ranges. The BOT has approved building a 300 yard range as part of the 200 yard range, a new mound would be built behind and left of 200 yard mound. On days when work is in progress a **Range may be CLOSED** for obvious safety reasons. However, with our current layout, work can be done on one range while allowing use of the others. Please volunteer some time and help get these ranges in good running order.

COST OF HEATING: As a reminder to all club members, the cost of electric heat is extremely high and the main clubhouse is generally not heated except during club activities. Please remember to turn off heat when exiting. There were several occasions this winter when heat was on all week instead of just Sunday. Also keeping other electric devices turned off, when not in use, will help lower our electric bills.

COMING EVENTS

Woman in the Outdoors: The Woman in the Outdoors committee is again holding their annual event using our club grounds on **April 9, 2005**. 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 four years this event has been a huge success. Any woman interested in attending, or anyone who would like to help or sponsor a woman or girl please contact Lila at 440-293-5615. 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.

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An introductory shotgun shooting clinic conducted by club members John and Pat Senz is being offered 9 a.m. to 12 noon, Saturday, June 11. This clinic will cover the basics of clay target shooting and shotgun safety. It will be restricted to club members and their immediate family members. The session will run about three hours and will include live firing of 30 to 35 rounds, using the clubs trap and skeet fields. Cost will be \$60, for instruction, targets, and refreshments. Participants must bring their own ammunition, but do not bring reloaded ammunition for safety reasons. Either 12 or 20 gauge shotguns are accepted. A minimum of three persons and maximum of 10, but if more people want to sign up, they could do an afternoon Session. Pre-registration and advance payment is required. Call the Senz's at (440) 352-7843 with checks made out to Wild Wing Shooting School.

Practical Pistol Shoots: Pistol match dates are **4/10, 5/8, 5/29, 6/12, 7/10, 8/14, 9/11, & 10/09/05**. 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.

Archery: Scheduled 3D Archery Shoots are **3/20, 4/24, 5/22, 8/21 & 9/25**. Please contact David Buck 440-257-5384. David could sure use some help setting up the day before these shoots.

Work Detail Dates: Spring 5/1, Fall 10/16 and Winter 12/10/2005. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

Steak Roast: July 9, 2005 This event has been poorly attended by club members and if it is not supported this year we will probably have to discontinue the event.. Please make an effort to attend. Last year the food was excellent and all who attended had a great time.

Jake Day: The National Wild Turkey Federation should be holding their Youth Education Day at the Club on **July 16, 2005**.

Youth Weekend: The Youth weekend will be the **July 29-31, 2005**. There is no cost for individuals age 10-15. To sign up a youth contract Cindy Rogge at 440-858-2855.

Clam Bake: Clam Bake will be held on **September 11, 2005**.

NRA Fund Raiser: To be held on **September 17 or 24, 2005**. This event is still in the early planning stages but should prove to be a fun event with some shooting sports competitions scheduled. It was a fun time last year, so keep an eye open for more information on this event in future newsletters.

Field Trials: Saturday dogs training year round and Wednesday evenings during the summer. This season Trials dates are **9/11, 10/2, 10/30, 11/20, 12/11/2005**. To sign up, please call Cindy Rogge at 440-858-2855

Sight In Day / Turkey Shoot: Schedule coming soon.

Civilian Marksmanship Program: Our next required Civilian Marksmanship program .30-caliber shoot, is set for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., **Saturday, July 16** on the 200-yard range. Cost is \$10 per person, ammunition included if caliber is .30-06, otherwise shooter must furnish factory rounds only; no reloads. Firearms are any as-issued .30-caliber military firearms including Garands, Springfields, Enfields, Lee-Enfields, Mausers, Russian or other similar firearms.

Pre-registration is required and those who complete the shoot are eligible to purchase surplus CMP firearms at Camp Perry. Contact, Jeff Frischkorn at (440) 954-7194 or outdoors@news-herald.com.

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 2:00 p.m.** Members need only attend once. A green badge will be issued and then you are welcome to use the ranges.

