

Crooked Creek Conservation Club Newsletter

SPORTSMANSHIP ON THE JOB – AFIELD – 24 HOURS A DAY

August 25, 2006

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND CALL TODAY FOR SEPT. 10

“**ANNUAL CLAM BAKE**”, **SEPTEMBER 10th** is the date for the Clambake Dinner with all the extras at a cost of \$17.00, extra Dozen Clams \$6.00. Serving will be from 5:00-6:30p.m. Come join your friends and make new ones. Guests are welcome, same cost. Reservations must be made in advance, no later than September 5th by 10:00 p.m. Tickets will be paid for and picked up at the dinner. **Call Pat Bujnocki 216-486-4943 To reserve Dinners.**

The Board of Trustees has approved funding to build a new parking lot in front of the short range shoot bays (pistol bays) to be used for those bays and parking for the new 5-Stand range being built between the skeet range and the pistol bays.

The BOT has also approved funds to improve drainage on club property by digging a ditch from the swale to RT 534 along the tree line at the back of the Field trial field.

The Board of Trustees would like to again 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. We will be looking at doing more to control the weeds in the pond next year.

HUNTING ON CLUB GROUNDS: Please remember the following rules while hunting on club grounds. Only members and family members can hunt, NO guests. Anyone hunting must follow all Ohio game laws and possession limits. No Sunday hunting is allowed East of the swale and old duck pond. No waterfowl hunting is allowed on the main pond.

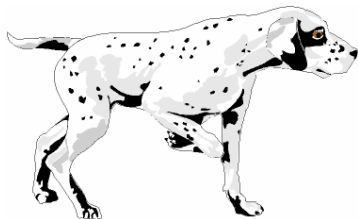
SPECIAL THANKS FROM THE CLUB PRESIDENT: I would like to extend my thanks to all those members who have contributed to the success of another great Youth Weekend. All 43 youth passed the hunters test which speaks well for the instructors. I have received many compliments, from members and non-members, on how nice the club grounds looked and how well everything was run. Considering all the rain we received the day before the club looked great. All this work has been done by members, volunteering their personal time, it is very satisfying to have such dedicated members and I greatly appreciate your efforts. **THANKS AGAIN!**

Please keep your vehicles off the grass, use drives and parking lots. Also please clean up after your use of facilities including taking trash to the dumpster and picking up your used brass and shotgun shells on ranges.

ADDITIONAL WORK DETAILS PLANNED FOR THIS FALL

Special Work Detail Day: We are planning to replace the shingles on the main clubhouse addition and will be looking for volunteers to help remove and replace these shingles and clean up the old material. We have not yet selected a day, but you can contact Don Buck if interested.

Special Work Detail Day: We are planning to repair and improve the Outhouse near the camping area. We will need some carpentry skills as well as general labor.



COMING EVENTS

Concealed Carry Course: The Club is considering holding another 2-day Concealed Carry Course on October 21 and October 28 if there is enough interest. Need a minimum of 10 students. This course will be limited to club members on a first come first served basis. The cost of the course is \$75, to cover materials and lunch. Must be paid in advance with check made out to Crooked Creek and sent to Jeff. A late fee \$25 will be charged to signup after September 15. If interested call Jeff Frischkorn at (440) 954-7194 (work), (440) 257-2483 (home) or if you need additional information on course call Bud Connolly at 440-259-3512.

Practical Pistol Shoots: Pistol match dates are 9/10, 10/8 & 10/29. Come join in and make use of our pistol bays. Visit www.practicalpistol.net for more information. The rifle range will be open on these dates for use by green badged club members only. **Steel target shoots** 9/23 and 10/21 Pistol calibers ammo only, timed and man vs. man competitions 9:00 AM till 1:30 PM. Contact Ed Henry 440 256-1783 Eves, 440-954-7500 Days.

Archery: Archery Shoots will be delayed this year due to building of a new course on the additional 20 acres we purchased a few years ago, south of the club drive. David Buck has set up the course, with help from volunteers. Some additional work needs to be done clearing target sites. David could use some help contact him at 440-257-5384.

Work Detail Dates: Fall – Sunday, October 15 and Winter – Saturday, December 9.

Clam Bake: Clam Bake will be held on **Sunday, September 10, 2006.**

Field Trials: Saturday morning dog training year round and Wednesday evenings during the summer. This season Trials dates are **Sundays; 9/10, 10/1, 10/29, 11/19, 12/10/2006.** To sign up, please call Cindy Rogge at 440-858-2855

Sight In Day / Slug Shoot / Turkey Shoot: 11/19/06

Civilian Marksmanship Program: The club will host a modified John C. Garand Match beginning at 10 a.m., Saturday, Sept.16. The 200 and 300 yard ranges will be used for this activity. The match will require firing at supplied targets at 200 yards and will consist of three stages. This course is a modified version to allow for the use of service rifles such as AR15s. Those shooters participating with a service rifle will be scored in a different category but will fire at the same targets. Shooters must supply their own ammunition and will consist of 35 rounds, including five sight-in rounds.

The cost is \$20 per shooter. For further information, contact Jeff Frischkorn at (440) 257-2483 home or (440) 954-7194 work. Completion of this course will allow participants to buy rifles from the Civilian Marksmanship Program.

Clay Target Shooting clinic conducted by club members John and Pat Senz. An offering of this course is being considered for October 14, 9-12 A.M. and 1-4 P.M.. 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 club 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 acceptable. Pre-registration and advance payment will be required. If you are interested, call the Senz's at (440) 352-7843 for more information.

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.

