

Crooked Creek Conservation Club

SPORTSMANSHIP ON THE JOB – AFIELD – 24 HOURS A DAY

December 16, 2017

CLUB DUES for 2018: Included in this mailing is your dues statement. Please return the entire statement (DO NOT CUT) with your payment as soon as possible, but no later than **February 28, 2018**. Check all of the information on your statement to ensure that it is still correct. Mark any changes (red ink helps!) on your statement and return the entire statement with your check. Also, please check or add your current e-mail address so that we can better communicate upcoming events and activities. Being able to send club mailings via email reduces *your* costs of running the club. Delays in returning dues, creates delays in getting membership cards out and causes significantly more work on the part of the club. Please remember, there is a \$25 late fee on dues not received by **February 28, 2018**. If you were not able to fulfill your work obligation and have a valid medical reason for not doing so, please include a note from your doctor stating why you should be exempted from the work party requirement. This must be done Annually.

Also, if you are age 70 or older, you may be exempted from the work requirement by showing proof of age to the club secretary.

THE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING will be held on **Sunday, February 11, 2018** in the Main clubhouse starting at 1:00 PM. There will be Trustee elections this year. Please bring treats to share with your fellow members at the meeting.

All Ranges: There are minimum distances on the ranges where you may place your targets. The minimums are: 200 yards on the 300 yard range, 125 yards on the 200 yard range and 25 yards on the 100 yard range. If your target on the 100 yard or 50 yard bays doesn't result in the bullet striking the back berm, then set your target so that you are shooting into a side berm. This is acceptable and perfectly safe.

Battle for the North Coast presented by Champion Precision Firearms: Crooked Creek will be hosting the Inaugural Ohio North Section USPSA Championship the weekend of September 14-16, 2018. This will involve the closure of some ranges the week of the match. The new Pistol Bays will be closed starting Monday, September 10. The two 50-Yard bays will be closed starting on Thursday, September 13. All ranges will reopen on Monday, September 17. Access to the 100 yard, 200/300 Yard ranges and the 5-Stand will be maintained. But, please drive slowly through the parking area during the match as competitors will be travelling back and forth from the new pistol bays to the 50-Yard bays. Please park directly in front of the range that you are using.

We will need to feed the competitors and staff all three days (Friday—Sunday) of the match. This is an opportunity for some club members to get their work hours in. We'll need 1 to 3 members to coordinate food service for the match. You will be responsible for coming up with a menu, getting the supplies and preparing/serving the meals. You will also coordinate getting a staff together for each day. This is critical to the success of the match. Once you commit to doing this, then we are counting on you to deliver.

We'll need a member each day of the match to coordinate the traffic into the main parking lot. Only staff will be allowed to park in the large lot next to the new pistol bays. Your job will be making sure that the competitors are directed to the parking lot in front of the clubhouse.

We may also want to have members working on each stage to patch targets and reset the steel and activators. We will need 3 members for each of the 9 stages for a half day on Saturday and Sunday. That's 108 members to cover all shifts. But it's a fairly easy way to get your work hours in.

If you are interested in any of these jobs, please see Bud Connolly at the Annual meeting.

2018 Event Schedule

Women in the Outdoors: Saturday, May 12, 2018. The entire club is closed during this event. *Only* Permanent Campers are exempted. Contact Julie Schwarzman at jbouffar64@yahoo.com if you would like to help.

Club Dinners: Jamboree/Steak Roast - July 7, Pig Roast - August 11 and Clam Bake - September 8.

Youth Weekend July 27-29: This is open to girls and boys age 10 to 15 that want to get their hunter education certificate (needed to get a hunting license). Pick up an application in the main clubhouse or see the club web page. But act quickly, the first 50 kids get in and the slots fill up fast. Please call Cindy Rogge at 440-858-2855 for more information. Early reminder – the entire club is closed from 5PM on Friday until 3PM on Sunday during this event. *Only* Permanent Campers are exempted.

Crooked Creek Rifles 2018 Schedule (East 50 Yard bay closed)

CMP matches (CMP Rimfire Sporter & Vintage Military Rifle) 5/26, 6/23, 7/14, 8/25, 9/22 & 10/13.

Fun Shoots before Jamboree/Steak Roast on July 7, the Pig Roast on August 11 and the Clam Bake on September 8 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Contact Don Helwick at ccrifles2012@gmail.com or 440-354-9984.

USPSA (Practical Pistol) matches (New Pistol Bays closed): 3/24-25, 4/14-15, 5/19-20, 6/16-17, 7/14-15, 8/18-19, 9/14-16 (Battle for the North Coast—Inaugural Ohio North Section Championship) & 10/20-21.

Steel matches (New Pistol Bays closed): 4/28, 6/9, 7/7, 8/11, 9/8, 10/13 & 11/10 (Saturday). Contact Bud Connolly @ 440-259-3512 or www.practicalpistol.net for more info on the USPSA or Steel matches.

Air Gun Field Target 2018 Match Dates: 5/20, 6/17, 7/15, 8/19, 9/16, 10/21. (Sunday)

Field Trials: Saturday morning dog training year round. Tentative Trial dates for 2018 are 9/9, 10/7, 10/28, 11/18 & 12/9 (Jack Davis Memorial). To sign up, please call Tim Daily @ 440-350-0805.

Gun Show and Outdoor Equipment Swap Meet: Saturday, October 6, 2018.

SIGHT-IN & TURKEY SHOOT with SLUGS: Sunday, November 11, 2018 Sight-in 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon, non-members welcome. Turkey Shoot with Slugs starts at Noon – bring your own gun or borrow one of ours. Stop and have a fun day. Ken Smith 440-286-3028.

Clays: We have brought back pop and ammunition sales to the club and there is more to come. Shotgun shell prices are \$7 a box for 12 or 20 gauge and Pop/snacks are \$1. Youth price to shoot has been reduced to \$2! Bring your sons and daughters out.

Contact David Nofziger 440-392-4757 for more information or to volunteer to run the Trap & Skeet desk or the 5-Stand. There are very few volunteers signed up through the end 2018!

Range Safety Course: The range safety course, required for all members who wish to use the rifle and pistol ranges, are conducted on the 2nd Sunday of every month at 12:00 Noon. Members need attend only once. Upon completion of this course, a green badge will be issued and then you may use the ranges.

Work Party dates for 2018: Sunday, May 6th, Sunday October 7th and Saturday, December 8th.
Mark your calendars!

TRUSTEES ARE: Don Baker, Dave Buck, Pat Bujnocki, Dave Conger Jr., Bud Connolly, Glenn Gregrich, Don Helwick, Ed Henry, Walt Keene, Dennis Meinke, Dave Nofziger, Cindy Rogge, Joe Safranko, Julie Schwarzman, Brett Sloan, Ken Smith, Matt Sironen and Al Timpeiro.

CLUB OFFICERS ARE:

President	Brett Sloan	Treasurer	Don Helwick
Vice-President	Dave Buck	Secretary	Bud Connolly

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