

TUSCOLA COUNTY CONSERVATION CLUB FALL NEWSLETTER 2008

How fortunate we are. Our club is doing well thanks to your support and looking good thanks to Dave and Kirk mowing and trimming. We average ten to fifteen shooters on Thursday and we throw 35 – 40 rounds of targets. The rifle and pistol ranges are quite active and are the best around here in my opinion. I think people are finding it more cost effective to do things locally. Please continue to do so and include your family and sign up a friend.

The pistol range is complete and painted. Our painters were Al, Lorna, Linda and Gary. The bowling pins are there to destroy. I have more. If you have brass please drop it in the pails. If you want to buy brass it is for sale at \$5 per hundred. Please don't pick brass out of the pails. That is low class. The money is used by our club to pay bills. The pistol range is lighted so you can shoot until 9:00pm all year long. Please turn the lights off when you leave.

We had our women's event on August 23rd. There were 25 participants. They shot rifle, pistol, skeet and trap. Our volunteers were Kelly, Chuck, Randy, Ed, and Gary. We would like to make this an annual event so make a note to invite someone. This is an excellent way to gain new members and create goodwill.

We had hunter's safety in August with 11 graduates and will have another class in September. You need to call Tim Sawyer at 673-5771 to register for his class. The cost is \$10 per person. There will be another class in the spring before turkey season for you also.

Our fall shoot is going to be a fantastic time. September 14th from 11:00am until 5:00pm, we will have red bird skeet and trap, rifle, pistol, youth rifle, women's pistol, Weis & Zeller trophy shoot, a wild game dinner, a 50/50 raffle and a gun and gear raffle. There is absolutely something for everyone to do.

Gilford's shoot is September 7th. They shoot red bird trap, pie plates, running deer, running rabbit, and a .22 rifle. Go support them.

Mrs. Weis is starting to improve slowly. She really had a close call. She thanks you for your prayers and support.

We should have our new five stand operational soon. Come out and learn a new shotgun game. Our goal is to have 8 machines throwing targets at various angles, distances, elevations, and flight paths. The object is to give you presentations that resemble hunting pheasants, quail, teal, rabbits, ducks and doves. It will be a lot of fun and we should be able to pull in shooters who want more of a challenge. We will probably run a league next year so stay tuned.

The big hall has done very well for us again this year thanks to many helpers keeping it up and keeping it rented. If you know someone having a party have them call Stephanie at 673-3614 or 670-5807. It is only \$375 for Friday and Saturday and \$250 the rest of the week. It is a great facility at a great price.

The crow shoot is September 15th. We have information in the clubhouse or you can call Craig Johnson at 989-280-1558. Go shoot a murder of crows and be proud of it. Who knows, you may end up rich with the cash you win or the oil from their feathers. Teams of four are \$100 and cash prizes are awarded based on participation.

We will be having a concealed pistol class in September. Please call Jim Compo at 673-8256 for details.

The VFW is conducting a flag burning ceremony at the club on September 15th in the evening. You are welcome to attend and if you have a flag that should be respectfully destroyed please bring it out that night or drop it off beforehand.

If you have any suggestions for improvements or are willing to volunteer to help with a project please feel free to call me at 673-7938.

Sincerely,
Doug Kline
President