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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Greetings to all Club Members!!

It is a great day to be outdoors and enjoy the natural wonders that we all love. I hope you are all soon able to come to the Wildlife Club on a sunny spring day and take a hike along the river banks and see the beauty of our property.

Our Club has so many great events going on all the time that it is hard to keep up with them. Please take a minute and go to the website and look at the calendar of events to find one that you would like to participate in or just observe. Did you know that you can sync our club calendar from the website to your smart phone? All you have to do is click on the Google Calendar button at the bottom of the calendar and follow the steps to add it to your smart phone. This way you always have a way to see what is going on at the club just by looking at the calendar on your smart phone.

Be sure to mark your calendar for the District 8 Hunter Safety Shoot coming up on March 19th. Many of you have already volunteered to help with this event and that is much appreciated. We will have approximately 180 young shooters at this event and it promises to be a lot of fun. Our annual Wild Game dinner is coming up on April 28th so bring your appetite for some beastly good food prepared by our wonderful kitchen volunteers.

House Keeping Items

Hey, this is a newsletter so we have a couple of housekeeping items that need to be addressed.

Members are not allowed to use the club's dumpster for their personal garbage. We had several wild animals get into the dumpster and scatter trash all over the place. Some member's personal garbage was found in the area and that just needs to stop.

All ranges are closed during scheduled Workdays. Members are not supposed to set up their gear or take firearms out of their cases during Workday hours. This has occurred recently and it is not good because we have members working on the ranges that may not be clearly visible to everybody.

Sadly, nobody has volunteered to be the chairman of the **Sportsman's Festival** for this year so it looks like we **may have to cancel**

that event. This is a great event that is well participated by members and guests but it needs a leader to manage and coordinate all the events. If we go past the middle of March without a chairman it will be too late to pull it all together in time for June 4th. If you are interested in the job please let one of the board members know as soon as possible.

If you have not paid your dues yet you will have until the end of this month to get them in before you membership lapses and you will have to reapply. Don't let this happen to you.

I hope to see you at the Club soon.

Jeff

RANGES CLOSED

All ranges will be closed March 18 and 19 for the District 8 Hunter Safety Competition

FEBRUARY MEAL

Beef stew, vegetables, dessert, and beverage

AILING CLUB MEMBERS

Please keep our ailing fellow club members in your thoughts and prayers: Steve Abernethy is recovering from heart problems, Murray Davis is battling leukemia, and Dick Lineberger is in the hospital with a ruptured appendix.



The Catawba Valley Wildlife Club was founded by local sportsmen March 8th, 1939 (as the Catawba County Rod and Gun Club) because of a recognized need for wildlife management, land and water conservation and a forum for local sportsmen. We are supportive of sportsmen and women of all races, creeds and nationalities. We support and promote organizations such as scouts, schools, 4-H, churches, and like organizations that contributes to wildlife conservations, environmental efforts, and expose young people to positive sporting ethics and models of behavior.

DINNER MEETINGS

**March 24
April 28-Wild Game Dinner
May 26**

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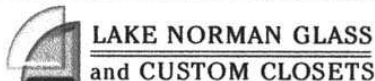


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- CANCELLATION - SPORTSMAN'S FESTIVAL

If no one volunteers to be Chairman of the Sportsman's Festival by mid-March it will have to be cancelled.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Women On Target will be held on May 21st at 7:00 AM

Details will be published as soon as they are received.

WORKDAY LIST FOR FEBRUARY

Abernethy, Andrew	1	Lygren, Ken	1
Ball, Eric	1	Lynch, Karl	1
Bertalot, Ernest	2	McCaleb, Jerry	4
Bishop, Doug	4	McDonald, Claire	1
Bowman, Ed	4	McDonald, George	1
Burgess, Alan	1	McGibbon, Mike	1
Burgin, Larry	1	Meek, Bob	2
Callahan, Ken	3	Meek, Nancy	1
Carswell, David	1	Morrow, Todd	1
Childers, Robert	2	Parham, David	1
Dyer, Hunter	1	Parkhurst, Steve	2
Dyer, Mark	1	Perkins, Russ	2
Easley, Jeff	1	Phillips, David	3
Eckard, Blake	1	Procaccini, Bill	1
Eckard, Doug	1	Proctor, Dean	4
Eckard, Mike	2	Rudisill, Don	10
Franklin, Ethan	2	Ryder, Tom	2
Freeman, Kent	1	Secrest, Johnny	4
Hammond, Sid	2	Simmons, Doug	2
Head, JR	2	Stafford, Greg	1
Herman, Bill	1	Starnes, Ron	2
Hodges, Ken	1	Stone, Bob	1
Honeycutt, Andrew	4	Taylor, Clay	1
Honeycutt, Kim	3	Thomas, Johnnie	6
Honeycutt, Robin	5	Thurman, Ken	1
Honeycutt, Ron	5	Travis, Melinda	1
Honeycutt, Tina	3	Trost, Robert	1
Isenhour, Jerry	3	Walker, William	2
Johnston, Fred	1	Ward, Kirk	3
Jones, Robert	1	Ward, Rick	7
Joyner, Aaron	2	White, Jerry	2
Klinger, Bob	2	Willis, Frank	2
Lail, Alan	4	Yoder, Ben	1
Long, Bill	8	Yoder, Nick	1
Lore, Ken	3		

**Sporting Clays
Trappers for March 19
ALL RANGES CLOSED**

WILD GAME DINNER

The Club still needs more wild game donations for the April 28 meeting. To donate, contact Bruce Sweezy at 828-324-8003, or any officer, board member, or member of the kitchen staff.

UPCOMING WORKDAYS

March 26
April 30
May 28

A board with workday tasks is in the foyer of the clubhouse. If you are looking for something to do for workdays and cannot attend regular workdays check the board. Please erase any task you complete.

HUNTER EDUCATION

April 16
8:00 AM to 3:00 PM at CVWC
May 14
8:00 AM to 3:00 PM at CVWC
June 11
8:00 AM to 3:00 PM at CVWC

Any club members who are Hunter Education Instructors and would like to help with the classes, please contact Bill Long or any BOD member.

SHOTGUN RAFFLE

We are raffling off a Benelli 12 ga, Tactical Pump Shotgun for \$5 per ticket. The winner's name will be drawn at the Wild Game Dinner on April 28th. You can buy tickets at the March and April meetings or call Jerry McCaleb at: 678-699-2863 if you would like to buy or sell tickets.

NRA RANGE SAFETY OFFICER GRADUATES

I would like to congratulate the following club members for completing the NRA Range Safety Officer course given at the clubhouse on January 30. Having trained RSOs can do nothing but enhance safety for our club. I also want to give a big thank you out to Bob Blankenship for teaching the course. The only charge was for the cost of the book so Bob taught a course for free that some instructors charge over a \$100 per pupil to teach. What a great asset Bob is to the club and I really appreciate him doing this for us.
Bob Meek.

Students completing the course:

Robert Cumming
Jan Dreher
Glenn Greer
Jim Hutchinson
Ken Lore
Jerry McCaleb
Nancy Meek
David Murphy
Scott Nealan

TARGET MISSING

Someone has borrowed our ELK Archery Target from the Sporting Clays Building and we need it back. This is a LARGE bull elk made of foam and rubber and it is an important part of the 3D Archery Courses we use. The borrower is requested to return the target by calling Ron Honeycutt at 828-455-3227. This ELK Target is very expensive and we really need it back.

DISTRICT 8 HIGH SCHOOL HUNTER SAFETY SHOOT

The District 8 Hunter Safety Shooting Match will take place on March 19th with a rain date of March 26th. The competition will consist of shotgun, 22 rifle, archery and orienteering. Winning teams will advance to Camp Millstone in Ellerbee.

**ALL RANGES WILL BE CLOSED
MARCH 18 FOR SET-UP AND
MARCH 19 FOR THE COMPETITION**

Sporting Clays

Trappers for April 2

Dick Lineberger, Ethan Franklin
Russ Perkins, Glenn Franklin,
David Carswell

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Trappers for April 16

Dick Lineberger, David Carswell,
Glenn Franklin, Vernon Tarlton,
Tom Rider

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Trappers for May 16

Dick Lineberger, Todd Morrow,
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