

August 2024 Newsletter

We have a few summer activities scheduled. Check the calendar posted on the website, in the clubhouse or emailed to you of monthly events and rentals. We encourage all members to support these activities. Work hours can be earned by helping with events, selling raffle tickets, attending Work Days or working independently. Club renovations, mowing, weed whacking and tree trimming are on-going jobs. Take time to enjoy our club's beautiful natural resources as well!

A **Work Day** is scheduled for Saturday, August 17th beginning at 8:00am. Plans are to finish the roof and work on the siding. We will need help to get this done before the weather turns cold.

The **Columbiana County Federation** is actively involved in supporting outdoor activities and preservation of our natural resources. They provide scholarships and sponsor many activities for area youth. Show your support of the Federation by attending meetings and activities when you are able. The next Federation meeting is Tuesday, August 27th at 7:00 pm at the Beaver Creek Wildlife Center.

Forestry Committee Chairman Don Hauenstein and crew have been cutting and clearing the pine trees on top of the hill. Contact Don (863-280-0054) with questions or to help.

Lake & Pond Committee chairman Jay Mitchell has purchased feed and will continue to add chemicals throughout the summer & fall. Contact Jay with questions. (330-429-5906)

Archery Committee co-chairman Gary Day reported that the next Outdoor 3-D Shoots are Sunday, August 18th and September 15th. Mini Shoots continue on Wednesdays through August 28th. Mini Shoots begin at 6:00pm. New targets and inserts have been purchased. Contact Gary (330-853-9941) or Dave Barto (330-301-3559) with questions.

The club is currently holding a **10 Gun Raffle**. Tickets are \$20 each and winners will be drawn when all tickets are sold. Currently we have enough funds to cover the cost of the guns. Sale of tickets and money turned in is profit from this point forward. Thanks to all for the continued support.

Contact Ray (903-517-1692) for tickets or questions. Information on the guns is posted on the website. Flyers are also available.

The **Members Only Gun Raffle** is still going on. Currently, 23 tickets have been sold for the FM 9mm pistol. Tickets will only be available at meetings or club activities. There is a 5-ticket limit for each raffle. Tickets are \$10 and only 50 are being sold. Contact Jay Mitchell (330-429-5906) with questions.

Ray will head the **Turkey Shoots** which will begin on Thursday, September 5th at 7:00pm and continue for 10 weeks. Contact Ray for more information. Help is always appreciated!

.22 Shoots will begin around the 3rd week in January. Contact Steve Cresanto (330-716-6392) for information.

Congratulations to new members Brad Anderson and Dave Scheufele who were voted in at the meeting.

Under **Old Business**, work on the addition will continue as the weather and scheduling allows. The next **Work Day** is August 17th. Some finishing needs to be done on the roof and the siding needs to be repaired and added to the new addition. Work on the parking lot has been completed. Check it out. It's awesome! Jay has material to cover the tables in the pavilion. Contact Ray (903-517-1692) or Jay (330-429-5906) with questions. The club will go forward with filing for restitution for the Train Derailment, due to loss of revenue from membership dues and event attendance. The meeting is scheduled for August 9th.

A "Night at the Lake" event has been scheduled for Saturday, September 7th. This will be a family & friends picnic and fishing activity. More details to come soon.

Under **New Business**, Bob Richey read the suggested changes to the constitution regarding hunting and use of the shooting ranges. A discussion was held after which the club agreed to have Ray read it again as the first reading of formal change to expedite the process. Basically, the range will be open between the hours of 10am and 2pm during hunting season. Hunters must close the range while hunting and reopen it when done. Special circumstances such as tracking a deer, must be recorded on a dry-erase

board which is posted on the gun range. Post should include the hunter's name, number & circumstance for the special condition.

Congratulations to Cindy Fletcher for winning the **50/50 Drawing**.

Please keep up with the club news by reading this newsletter and checking out the following: our website (www.epsportsmensclub.org) or Facebook (www.facebook.com/epsportsmensclub)

Due to the Labor Day holiday, our next meeting will be Monday, **September 9**, at 7:00 pm.