

July Newsletter

Hope everyone enjoyed a safe and happy Fourth of July holiday. Summer activities continue.

The **15-target Mini Shoots** began on Wednesday, May 19th and will continue until August 25th. They've been averaging 12-13 shooters. The next **3-D, 30 Target Archery Shoots** will be August 15th and September 19th. The archery schedule is posted on the website. Contact Gary Day (330-853- 9941) or Dave Barto (330-886-5016) with questions.

Work Days are scheduled for the third Saturday of the month. The next Work Day will be July 17th, starting at 8 am. We may have a second Work Day on the 24th to take advantage of the nice weather and projects needed to complete. We will continue mowing, trimming and tree cutting. Meanwhile, please continue to work on your own, cutting down nuisance trees, underperforming trees, brush & vines to make sure we complete the terms of our Timber Management Agreement. If you prefer to work indoors, the clubhouse is always in need of cleaning as well. Thanks to all those who have been working independently. Please be sure to record your work hours.

The **Columbiana County Federation** meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm. Please show your support by attending when you are able. The Federation has been recognized by the State as one of the top 10 federations in Ohio. July's Federation meeting will be on the 27th at our club. Refreshments will be served so help will be needed for serving and cleaning of the clubhouse.

Congratulations to the **Meat Raffle** winners: Cary Hum - \$100 and Becky Zieger - \$50. Thanks to all who sold tickets. The next Meat Raffle will be Saturday, November 20th.

The next **Catfish Tournaments** will be Saturday, July 24th and Saturday, August 21st. Contact Joe Fitzwilliams (330-831-5872) for more information or to help. The tournaments times are 6pm to 12am. Cost to enter is \$15. Regulations and more details are posted on the website. Winners of the June 19th tournament were Jay Mitchell (4lb. cat) and Darrell Highley (1lb. cat). There were 19 participants. Thanks to all who helped. Unfortunately, the tournament was ended prematurely due to storms.

Jay Mitchell will be the temporary chairperson for the **Lake Committee**. He suggested looking into adding beneficial bacteria to help clear up the lake. He and Joe are considering having a carp tournament in the spring. If you would like more information or would like to help with lake issues, contact Jay at (330)429-5906.

Turkey Shoots will be this fall either on Thursday or Friday night. Raffles, 50/50 drawings and pie chart rounds improved the attendance. Club members discussed adding a pistol target to the turkey range and improving the riffle range. Estimates will be presented at the August meeting.

Congratulations to Robert Franklin who was voted in as a new member. An application was read for Raymond Wolf who will be voted on next month.

A club membership list will be available in the club house for members to add their telephone numbers. Several members suggested this would be helpful in case they would like to contact members while at the club.

We would like to submit a club apparel order soon. We have 9 items at this point and need 12 items to submit our order. Email the club or contact Jolane (330)853-5276 if you would like to purchase an item. Items are posted on the website. It was suggested that hats be included in available club apparel. She will look into that for next month's meeting.

Under **Old Business**, Dick contacted a timber surveyor to determine the quality of walnut trees for possible harvesting. The surveyor will be at the club Thursday, July 8th.

Under **New Business**, the possibility of having the Handicapped Fishing Derby was suggested. Jolane will investigate a tentative date and feasibility for the next meeting.

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).

Don't forget to send us your successful hunting or fishing pictures for the "Trophy Page." We'll share them in our gallery. E-mail them to: epsportsmensclub@gmail.com

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 2nd at 7:30 pm.