



PARDOE SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



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Grove City College Gun Club will be using the club on 14 November from 12 noon to 5PM.

Club meeting is scheduled for November 9th at 7pm at the clubhouse.

November 11 is VETERANS DAY
Please take time to Honor them.

Hello Sportsmen and Women,

November is here and hunting season is in full swing. At the October 12th meeting it was discussed to buy hats and jackets with the club logo for those members who so decide.

Doug Pears will be burying the water line so it won't freeze up.

Signs will be put up on the dam to keep vehicles from driving across the breastworks. It is creating ruts and causing the grass to die. Ultimately this could adversely affect the dam itself.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

As you know the combinations for the locks are on the reverse side of the membership cards. This was designed to encourage everyone to have them while at the club.

Due to unauthorized people using club grounds we are asking our members to display their memberships while here. A fishing license holder works well.

Our first class of junior shooters have graduated by the time you read this, and will be shooting on Tuesday nights. If you know of any youngster, 12 and up, let Marcus Kohan (724-748-3924) know as another class will be coming.

At the Mercer County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs meeting Mark Bodamer reported about the budget cuts for DCNR and the state parks. The revenue from gas wells has been cut by \$200 million. This money has always gone to conservation. We will be the only state who has no revenue coming from gas wells to wildlife.

Discussion was also held on the pollution from wells in the Mon River, where several miles are devoid of all organisms and fish.

Governor Rendell also cut 55% of the budget for pest control. This at a time when the emerald ash borer is starting to be found in Pennsylvania. They favor ash trees and if not stopped can eradicate our ash trees in ten years.

On 17 November 2009 at Linesville High School a meeting will be held on transferring 2,000+ acres of game lands along the Allegheny River and substituting 2,000+ acres at Pymatuning run by the DCNR. The land at Pymatuning is for the most part unhuntable. Folks, your hunting license money pays to buy game lands. We would be getting nothing in return.

Remember to ASK PERMISSION to hunt on private property BEFORE you hunt. This is not only a courtesy, but you might meet a new friend.

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NON MEMBERS SHOULD BE ASKED TO LEAVE OR

PURCHASE A MEMBERSHIP!



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Archery Range has a new addition, 15 foot stand. Little more work needs to be done. Big thanks to Sam, Ollie, Rich and others.

The outdoor pistol range has a new addition. A structure with a roof was added. This will also provide lighting for night shooting. Big thanks to Sam, Ollie, Rich and others.



Thank you to all our veterans.
Support our troops.

Members, this month will begin a new addition to our newsletter. There will be a monthly article regarding the concerns and actions of the Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs contributed by the Secretary of the Mercer County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, our own Shawn Myers. This is his first article.

Notes from the Federation....

From the Federation Secretary, Shawn Myers

For all the new members and members that may not know, your sportsmen's club is a proud member of PA Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs. PFSC represents 100,000 sportsmen and women across the state. As the NRA keeps careful scrutiny on lawmakers in D.C., the PFSC keeps an eye on lawmakers in PA. PFSC has a full time legislative liaison that reads through every bill introduced each session. PFSC is broken down into the PA counties and Pardoe is a member of Mercer County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs. There is currently six clubs from Mercer County that make up MCFSC. Each club has a representative that attends the monthly meeting.

Pardoe's delegate is Dennis Anderson.

In addition to the club delegates in attendance, PA Game Commission, PA Fish & Boat, DCNR Forestry, Goddard Park, and your local elected political leaders attend the meetings. This gives our club a chance to be heard in Mercer County and Harrisburg on issues that affect our members. We need our club membership to step up and let your delegate know about your concerns. Any Pardoe member is welcomed to join the monthly MCFSC meeting. You can talk to your delegate or visit MCFSC website at <http://www.mcfsc.net> and view the calendar.

In future newsletters, you will get updates from the last MCFSC meeting and the location of the next meeting. You need to protect our right to bear arms and protect PA's natural resources. Please attend the meetings and you will learn about serious issues around the county and learn about events to promote Mercer County Sportsmen and women.

Next meeting is November 18th, 2009 at Hidden Valley Sportsmen's Club

Next Northwest Federation Division meeting is December 13th, 2009 1pm, PGC building in Franklin PA.