

Fulton County Sportsmen's League 2012 Fall Newsletter

A timber contact to harvest hemlock trees and some hardwood trees at the sportsmenøs farm has been approved and awarded. The tree cutting will occur after the 2012 hunting seasons. All tree stands must be removed by January 12, 2013. The Fulton County Sportsmenøs League will not be responsible for loss or damage of any tree stand left on the club property.

Hunting on the Fulton County Sportsmen& League farm ground remains a privilege and not a right. Failure to follow all game laws and season bag limits will automatically be cause for you to permanently relinquish your club membership and hunting privileges. Unsportsman-like conduct, littering, destruction of property, hunters unaware of the surrounding residences and disregard of the Pennsylvania Game Laws are some of the unbelievable truths that require a closer look at who may or may not have the sportsman¢ qualities that we need to strive to protect for the future of hunting. The PA Game Commission wishes to remind members to review changes to hunting rules and regulations before their first outing. Visit the Game Commission¢s website for the latest hunting information.

Many club members reported good spring trout fishing as a result of the clubøs effort to raise and stock very nice one and two year old trout. Fingerlings arrived in June and are growing very well. Water flow at the trout nursery was low again this summer. Harold Lynch and volunteers are to be commended for their work and fund raising by promoting badge donations during the trout stocking. Repair work on the water inlets and water leaks in the fish bins is continuing. The 2013 trout-stocking schedule will be published in the 2013 spring newsletter only.

A pig roast and various foods were available during the rodeo. The spring open house and childrengs rodeo were very well attended. We had over 185 children registered to fish this year. Thank you to club members and the community for making the spring raffle and childrengs rodeo a success. Your continued interest and support is needed in order to sponsor these types of activities.

Mike Feagley reported on a proposed big buck contest for the fall of 2012. The following rules for the Big Buck Contest were unanimously approved on a Charlie Carbaugh / Harold Lynch motion. A prize of \$100 will be awarded to the adult member

for the largest buck as scored by the Boone and Crocket method. The member must be present at the December 2012 meeting. Measurements will be conducted during the December 21, 2012 meeting only. The individual must be a paid member for 2012 and the deer rack must have a properly displayed legal tag.

A \$25 prize will be awarded to the adult member with the smallest legal deer rack as defined in the Pennsylvania Game Commission Handbook (3 points on one side). The Boone and Crocket procedure will be used to measure the deer rack. The member must be present at the December 21, 2012 meeting. Measurements will be conducted during the December meeting only. The individual must be a paid member for 2012 and the deer rack must have a properly displayed legal tag. Mike Feagley will serve as judge for the event.

The sixth grade students from the Central Fulton School District attended a SMART ANGLER PROGRAM sponsored by the Fulton County Sportsmenøs League and the Pennsylvania Fish Commission. Students were taught fishing etiquette and casting. Club members shared how the fish are cared for and informed students about the history of our organization. They enjoyed an opportunity to fish in the special regulation area for children also. The club hosted disabled veterans from Martinsburg. They were able to fish and had a picnic at the nursery grounds

WINNERS for the SPRING 2012 RAFFLE WERE:

1st Place - \$500.00, Keith Mellott,

2nd Place - Henry Golden Boy Lever Action 22 Rifle, Pam McOmber

3rd Place - **\$200.00**, Dean L. Brant

4th Place - Remington 870 12 gauge Express Turkey Camo, Gary Keefer

5th Place - \$250 Gift Certificate Keystone Country Store, Bart Barnhart

6th Place - Savage 93R17 Realtree Camo, Chance Carbaugh

7th Place - \$250 Gift Certificate Keystone Country Store, Shawn Mellott

8th Place - Redington fly rod, reel, and line and Combo, Dorothy Randler

9th Place - \$100.00, Richelle Cauffield

10th Place - Shakespeare Ugly Stick Combo, Scott Mellott

11th Place - Alpen 10x25 Compact Binoculars, Stephen Steele

Special Drawing for door prizes at the open house.

Justin Guyer - Carved Walking Cane by Bruce Cunningham

Mark Dom ó Walking Stick Bob Grego

Thank you for your support,

Charles J. Carbaugh, Jr. Secretary Fulton County Sportsmenøs League

Please note that the fall raffle drawing will be held following the November 16th meeting at the trout nursery.

This year in order to continue to offer a better selection of prizes for the fall raffle we are asking that each member try to sell as many tickets as you possibly can. The prize offerings have changed and are listed on the tickets.

Members are reminded that with this year's renewals or new memberships the liability waiver on the back of the membership renewal application must be signed before your membership is renewed or application is accepted. The liability waiver must be signed in order to hunt at the farm, use the nursery facility, or participate in any club-sponsored activity. Return tickets, dues, and membership applications to:

Fulton County Sportsmen¢s League P.O. Box 467 McConnellsburg, Pa. 17233.

Please return all tickets sold and unsold to the above address.

With a new year fast approaching it will soon be time for the election of new officers. Being an officer in the club requires time and dedication to the organization in order to effectively operate the club. If you are interested in being nominated for an office please plan on attending the upcoming meetings. If you have any questions related to the future officer positions contact Dave Lippert or one of the board members. Attendance at the meetings and assistance with various projects is an important part of being a club member. Thank you to those who share their valuable time, knowledge, and experience to make the club and its projects successful.

Please try to attend the meetings held the third Friday of each month starting at 7:30 pm in the stone house at the nursery. Frequently officials from the Fish and Game Commissions attend our meetings to share information and to gather your input on various changes to the fish and game laws. Your attendance at meetings and assistance in club activities is needed and greatly appreciated.

2012 Officers and Board Members

President -------Dave Lippert
Vice President -------Allen Cover
Treasurer------Mike Feagley
Secretary------Charlie Carbaugh
Membership Secretary --- Daniel Eichelberger
Nursery Committee-------Harold Lynch
Farm Committee--------Bill Peck

Board members elected for 2012 and 2013----- Derrick Keefer and Bill Peck

Board members elected for 2012----- Glenn Bishop, Ed Henson, and Charlie Carbaugh

