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Upcoming Events

Monday Night Trap

3/4 Member Orientation 1pm

3/7 Board Meeting 7pm

3/12 Action Match All ranges closed

3/19 Work Detail 1pm

3/21 Open Meeting 7pm

3/25 FunShoot

4/2 Member Orientation 1pm

4/4 Board Meeting 7pm

4/18 Open Meeting 7pm

4/22 FunShoot

4/29

4/30 PA State 3GN
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From the President's Desk:

There will be a club work detail Sunday, March 19th from 1:00 until 4:00 so go to church, take the family to brunch, or catch some range time then come lend us a hand. Our main task will be preparing for spring mowing so bring gloves, chainsaws, lopping shears, trucks and trailers to move the many branches that came down this winter. We do have several other things on the list but nothing that needs specific equipment.

If you'd like to be a delegate to the state convention bring it in writing to the membership meeting.

We are still selling tickets for the May cash raffle to support the environmental projects. Tickets are \$10 and give you two chances to win either \$50 or \$100 every day in May. Sellers have a chance to win. Pick some up to sell or bring some extra cash to the meeting so you can buy one.

There will continue to be auctions to benefit the club at membership meetings as long as members donate items to be auctioned off. If you have stuff laying around hunting, fishing, shooting, archery or other outdoor activity lying around you're not using bring it and the club will benefit and someone else may enjoy it.

The rifle and pistol ranges will be closed April 9th, 29th, and 30th for matches.

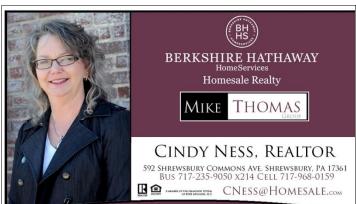
We are looking for people to run for offices and BOD positions.

Thanks, Howard

Scholarship Application:

Deadline is May 29th. All applications must be postmarked before this date. Eligibility is for York County residents only and student must be attending the fall semester of 2017. Any questions, please call Nate Ehrhart @ 870-6574. Applications can be found and printed at our club website: www.yorkiwla.org

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Juniors:

The Juniors had an activity in February called Winter Blues. We mostly worked through figuring out the best plans for Mason Bee Houses and building our signature Blue Bird Boxes. We will be selling our Blue Bird Boxes at the next open meeting and at Go Green in the City on April 22 (York City's Earth Day event). More information on Go Green will be included in next month's newsletter.

OPPORTUNITY FOR ASPIRING BEEKEEPERS. This year the Juniors plan on maintaining 4 bee hives at the club. Sometime at the end of the month we are planning to install 3 packages of bees. The plan right now is to install them over the weekend of April 1. That is also the first day of trout season, so a busy weekend. If you want to help install the new bees into their hives we'd like to try a new communications process using Text Messaging program called Remind. To be included send a text to "81010" with the message "@iwla". This will add your number to a message list that will allow Mr. Ted to send you a text message. The plan is to send text messages to the list with details of when the hives will be visited so you can have a chance to observe or maybe even help. Please remember that when working with bees you may be stung so if you want to participate you will do so at your own risk.

Opening day of Trout (April 1) the Juniors are selling food starting about 5:30am until around 1:00PM. We also plan to sell bait. We are accepting donations of baked goods. We plan to setup around 6:30 PM on March 31. If you plan to help please let me know.

We accomplished a lot on the Juniors workday last month working on the **Juniors Club House**. We were able to move the majority of the drywall and insulation for the building. Our Eagle Scout, **Dalton Orwig**, worked with **Matt Eberly** to replace the doors and siding as the floor is now complete. Great job guys! Soon we will begin work on replacing the windows and finishing the inside – another Eagle Scout project headed up by the Juniors President, David Bell. Our plans to complete this work are still in the works but we will try to keep everyone informed. If you want to help with the project let Mr. Ted know and we will be sure to let you know when the phase of work will begin.

The annual **Easter egg hunt** is approaching very fast. To prepare for the egg hunt, we will be decorating Easter eggs on Friday, April 7 at 6:00pm at the clubhouse. Donations of hard boiled eggs can be dropped at the clubhouse that afternoon and evening. The annual Easter egg hunt will be held on April 8 at 1:00pm on the club grounds. Everyone is welcome! Anyone who would like to help hide the eggs can come at noon, prior to the start of the actual hunt. Come join us and have some great family fun!

Conservation Camp is back. The week long camp is planned for mid-July. It is open to youth from ages 12 to 16. If you are interested please see Mr. Ted for an application.

Another great opportunity is the **Wildlife Leadership Academy**. This is a great opportunity for kids 14 to 17 to gain advanced knowledge in conservation. Please let Mr. Ted know if you are interested in attending as we may be able to help with tuition. For more information see their webpage at: http://piceweb.org/youth-application/

Trout Committee:

Trout are doing well. Our pre-season stocking will be Saturday, March 25th starting at 8am. 1st day will be Saturday, April 1st and we will be stocking our club grounds around 11am. Our full schedule will be out soon and we are running our annual raffle again with the drawing held at the end of the kids fishing derby. We are always looking for help during stocking.

Additional Information:

PF & BC mentored youth trout days are Saturday, March 25th in the Southeast and April 8th for rest of the state. Youth under 16 years of age may keep 2 trout and must be accompanied by a mentor over age 16 who may fish but cannot keep any trout.

York County Federation of Sportsmen's' Clubs Banquet will be held March 25, 2017 at Codorus Fire Hall in Jefferson, PA. Doors open at 5:30pm, dinner at 6:30pm, and tickets are \$14 each. For tickets or any questions contact Phil Baker 717/266-5987. Tickets must be purchased by March 10th.

New Members:

Please give a warm welcome to any new members as you see them on the grounds. Remember, with all new members and existing members, safety on our ranges is a very real concern. If you have questions regarding safety rules, please ask someone.

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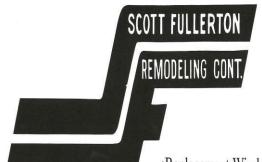
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