



Hunter-Trapper Education Class a Success

Irwin Sportsmen's Association held another successful Hunter-Trapper Education class at the Club on April 6, 2014.

Forty hunters took the course and all passed.

Anyone interested in taking the course can contact the Club for future offerings or visit the PA Game Commission website at

www.pgc.state.pa.us.

(Just select "Education," then "Hunter Education," then "Hunter-Trapper.")



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BB Shoot – April 27

Top left - Donna Ceol (front) and Dakota Toughlian register BB shoot participants.

Bottom – Rachel Sementuh takes aim as Cory Sementuh (front) and Lee Joyce look on.

Applications Being Accepted for Junior Conservation School

Irwin Sportsmen's Association will sponsor two youth for summer Junior Conservation School. The school will be held during the week of July 21 at Keystone Park.

Founded in 1965, the school gives students the chance to learn about wildlife, fisheries, boating, camping,

hunting and tree identification.

The annual event is sponsored by the Westmoreland County Sportsmen's League (WCSL). Eligible youth are between the ages of 13 and 15.

Applications are due by June 15. Acceptance for sponsorship by ISA is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Thus, if you are interested in applying, please do so as soon as possible. You may get more information and obtain an application by contacting Deb Harmison, WCSL President, at debbiewucw@yahoo.com.



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Free Fishing Derbies

Westmoreland County Parks and Recreation

Free events for fishermen of all ages from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Trophies and prizes will be awarded to both adults and youth for the following categories: longest fish of legal size, longest trout and longest carp.

First and second places in each category will receive a trophy plus merchandise. A cash prize and trophy will be awarded to each a youth (15 and under) and adult for "Catch of the Day."

All entrants will be eligible for door prizes to be drawn following the awards ceremony. More than 50 door prizes are available.

Northmoreland Park

Sunday May 18, 2014

8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Registration at the Activity Center

Twin Lakes Park

Sunday June 15, 2014

8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Registration at the Boat House

For more information, visit www.co.westmoreland.pa.us/parks or call 724-830-3950.

NRA NOTES

NRA membership comes with a free \$2,500 insurance policy on your guns and bows and \$5,000 for injury claims while taking part in the shooting sports. Members must activate their insurance upon receiving their credentials packet in order to be eligible.

Club Rental - \$50 per Event

Looking for a place to hold your graduation party or other celebration? If you would like to rent the Club house (includes pavilion), please call John Reed at 724-864-2488. (Note that ranges remain open during rental.)



Kim Kardashian's Got Nothing on this Pittsburgh Mom

This mother eagle has proven that wildlife makes for good reality TV. Before her little darlings hatched, Mom battled off a raccoon during an 11 p.m. nest raid, stretching out her 7-foot wingspan and readying her talons. It wasn't an even match, though, said a

PA Game Commission representative after the incident. If the raccoon hadn't retreated, "...he would have ended up on the dinner menu."

Mom and her mate are raising a family for a second year in a row on a steep bluff above the Monongahela River in Hays near Pittsburgh's South Side. Tune in to see them live anytime at <http://www.pixcontroller.com/eagles>. (If the link doesn't work for you, just search for "Pittsburgh eagle cam.")

After 150 years, the bald eagles, once endangered, are back and growing in numbers.

Work Parties

You're Invited! (And don't forget to sign the guest book.)

Spring is a great time to get your work party in! If you are looking to fill your work party obligation, remember that regular work parties are conducted each week on the following days and times (rain or shine):

- Every Wednesday, between 5 and 7 p.m.
- Every 2nd Wednesday, between 9 and 11 a.m.

If one of these time slots doesn't work for you, let us know how else you might like to get involved. We can match a need to almost any talent, trade or skill. For more information, call John Reed (724-864-2488) or Jack Ruffner (724-744-2514).

When you do come to a work party, please don't forget to sign the work-party book and include your member number so that you are sure to get credit for your contribution.

Note that all ranges are closed during work parties.

Monthly Public Shoot Schedule

Ladies League

First and Third
Tuesdays
6:30 p.m.
Cost \$5

Action Pistol

First and Third
Thursdays at 4 p.m.
Cost \$3 per 3 rounds

NRA Silhouette

First Saturdays
9:30 a.m.
Cost \$7 per gun

Pistol Pins

Second and Fourth
Thursdays 5:30 p.m.
Cost \$3

You need not register in advance for any of the public shoots.

Each event is come-as-you-please, so there is no weekly commitment.

For more information on the shoots, visit the ISA website at www.irwinsportsmen.com

Select "Competitive Shoots" or "Women's Pistol Classes."



New Policy on Returned Checks

Please note that the Club will charge \$25 for any check returned for insufficient funds.

Drop us a Line!

Do you have a picture or story to share? Would you like to see more stories on a certain topic? Let us know! Email us at myISANews@gmail.com or call Susan at 412-638-3063.

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- Email and address changes
- News item submission
- Photo submission
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Membership Information

Dues

- Annual - \$30 Fee plus three work parties (One work party mandatory, \$10 may be paid in exchange for each remaining party missed.)
- One-time - \$30 Initiation Fee
- Family membership only for children under 18
- Membership includes spouse (accompanied)

Meeting Schedule

- Officers – Monthly, Second Thurs, 7 p.m.
- General Membership – Monthly, Last Thurs, 7:30 p.m.

(Note: November and December meeting dates announced in fall.)

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