HUNTERS RENDEZVOUS

The 23rd Annual Hunters Rendezvous is scheduled for Saturday February 8th. The event begins at 11 AM. Trophy barn will be accepting trophies for display and/or scoring also starting at 11 AM. Any participants who bring a trophy to the barn by 2 PM will be entered in an exclusive raffle to win a gun.

There will be activities for kids, including free youth raffles every hour a turkey calling contest and more! The Potawatomi Zoo will also be present from 2:30 PM – 4:30 PM with a few small animals and a biofacts table.

As always, we will have a silent auction with a variety of items to bid on, 50/50 raffles, bucket raffles and our main raffle. Tickets are available now for the main raffle for $5 each where 1st place prize is a freezer stocked full of meat from Clearwater Meats, 2nd place is a Ruger .350 Legend with Vortex Scope & 3rd place is a KONG 70 qt. cooler.

We are still looking for donations that could be used on our silent auction or for our youth raffles. If you have a product you would like to donate, would like to sponsor a youth raffle prize, would like to purchase raffle tickets or if you would like to help with the Rendezvous this year, please contact Craig Lyons 269.876.7998 or Adam Maxey 269.340.2358.

SQUIRREL HUNT

The 7th Annual squirrel hunt will be held on Sunday February 9th. Registration is from 7 AM – 7:45 AM. Cost for a two-person team is $30. Both hunters must be present for a mandatory meeting at 7:45 AM on hunt day. Send off will be at 8 AM, with weigh in being at 3 PM. There is a 10-squirrel limit with the winner being determined by the total weight of the limit. Pre-Register for the hunt at Hale’s Hardware or the Hunter’s Rendezvous. For more information call or text Adam Maxey 269.340.2358. Cash prizes awarded based on participation and product prizes are sponsored by Hale’s Hardware.
**YOU TH FUND**

**New Ideas** - We are looking for any new ideas to help expand our youth fund offerings as we enter into the budgeting process. If you have an idea, please let us know.

**Youth Camp** – We are once again looking for youth interested in attending an overnight or day camp this summer. Applications will be accepted until Feb 10th. A random drawing will happen on Feb 10th during the scheduled member meeting. Please contact Stephanie Lyons at 269.876.6053 or stephanieklyons@hotmail.com for more information or to apply.

**BEAVER NEWS** – Two nuisance beavers weighing 56 lbs. and 30 lbs. were removed from Cook Lake, and the damn was removed …..again. Hope that is the last we see of them!

**ROAD SIGN** – A gusty wind storm a few weeks ago twisted and broke the supports to our large roadside sign and did some damage to the sign itself. We are working on a plan to replace the sign in the near future.

**DNR DEER CHECK STATION** - DNR biologists checked 13 deer at the club December 11th. That is more than last year. Thank you to those hunters who participated.

**GUN SHOW** - The Gun & Outdoor Show will be held on Saturday, March 21st from 9 AM – 3 PM. Table space will be available for purchase to anyone wishing to participate as a vendor. Event is open for anyone to attend with an entrance fee at the door. Contact Ron Hartline 269.718.4636 or Mark Smith 269.591.2067 for more details.

**MEAT SHOOT** - This winter we will once again host meat shoots on the trap range. These will be held on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Cost is $6 per round. Each round will consist of 5 shooters shooting 10 targets. Meat prizes awarded to 1st and 2nd place each round. This event is open to all ages and open to the public. Contact Gene Stockwell 269.782.4038 for more information.

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**HUNTER EDUCATION**

The DNR is in the process of instituting some changes in how they will handle the business side of hunter education, incorporating email and similar communications with local instructors and coordinators.

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**WE’RE LOOKING FOR INSTRUCTORS**

If you love what getting close to the outdoors can do for kids, consider becoming a Hunter Education Instructor, please call Annette Lyons 269.782.9478 for more information. We would enjoy seeing some new faces, and having new energy brought to the program.
JANUARY

5th  Breakfast 8-11 AM
12th Breakfast 8-11 AM
13th Membership Meeting 7:30 PM
19th Breakfast 8-11 AM
Meat Shoot 9AM -12 PM
26th Breakfast 8-11 AM
    Calcutta 9 AM

FEBRUARY

1st Membership Dues Due
2nd Breakfast 8-11 AM
6th Rental 6:30 PM
8th Hunters Rendezvous
    11AM
9th Breakfast 7-11 AM
    Squirrel Hunt
*Sign up 7 -7:45AM
*Mandatory Meeting
    7:45AM
*Weigh in- 3 PM
10th Rental 8 AM -4 PM
Annual Membership Meeting: Election of
    Officers 7:30 PM
16th Breakfast 8-11 AM
Meat Shoot 9AM – 12PM
23rd Breakfast 8-11 AM
    Calcutta 9 AM

MARCH

1st Breakfast 8-11 AM
5th Rental 6:30PM
8th Breakfast 8-11 AM
9th Membership Meeting
    7:30 PM
13th Fish Fry 4:30-7 PM
15th Breakfast 8-11 AM
Meat Shoot 9AM – 12PM
21st Gun Show 9AM – 3PM
22nd Breakfast 8-11 AM
    Calcutta 9 AM
29th Breakfast 8-11 AM

*Please check the website for up to date calendar information*

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