

Prairie Rod & Gun Club

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

Feb 26, 2018

Meeting Announcement 7 p.m. Tues. March 6, 2018 at Crawford County Sheriff's Dept. upstairs

The **Deer Show** was a success in that we made some money, but we could have done better. We need to rethink what we could do to bring more people into the show, sell more raffle tickets, and thus make more money.

That being said, a very big **thank you** goes out to all who helped with the Deer Show. Set up and take down went very well and quickly. Paid attendance was 151 down from 193. We only brought in \$1200 in the gun raffle, down from \$2000 last year. Dave Walz was again the big seller with over \$300 in tickets sold. The Cabela's raffle netted \$605 up from \$525. We had 6 vendors this year, up one. The silent auction netted \$288 for the club and \$420 for members involved in the auction. After all the bills are in we should have a profit slightly lower than last year's.

Think about the show so we can discuss any **problems, solutions, and changes** for the 2019 show at the March meeting. This may sound early but some of these items may take a while to fix or develop.

Everyone put in a **great effort** with set up, take down, scoring racks, registering racks, placing racks on display boards, running the raffle and auction table, and taking admissions and memberships. Thanks for your effort.

Eli Randall provided some older **Pope and Young record books**. We sold one on the silent auction. If you are interested in any of these books contact Denny.

Now is a good time to check out and clean your Wood Duck and Blue Bird houses. Spring is coming.

"Dancing with the Timberdoodle" at La Riviere Park will begin in mid-March and continue til the end of April. For a guided tour of this woodcock courtship display contact Denny at 326-2718 for further info on dates.

There is still some minor clearing work to be done at the La Riviere Park **archery range**. The loggers have removed the large oaks over the trail but there is a need to clear some downed wood and trim around the targets. We also need to put up new targets. If you are an archer who uses the range or someone who wants to help out give Pete Adkins 412-2087 or Denny 326-2718 a call for further info.

Anyone needing firewood should get involved in the **free firewood** program at La Riviere Park. The logging operation is done and there is a lot of wood available for removal. Much of it has easy access with minimal cleanup. Most of the wood is walnut, oak or elm. Some is fresh cut, cut last Feb, or blown down last July.

Range schedule

April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14, & 21, 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., Dept of Corrections Dates to be set, but probably Mondays in April and May, 3 p.m. Prairie du Chien High School Trap League April 7, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Learn to hunt turkeys, Bluff Country Long Spurs Nov 10,11, 14, 15, 16, noon to 4 p.m., pre-deer season sight-in Nov 17 & 18, Range closed, opening weekend of deer season