

Wildlife Action, Horry Chapter

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<u>Please Check our Monthly Calendar of Events@</u> http://www.wildlifeactionhorrychapter.org/calendar-of-events.html

Skeet and Trap Ranges are opened Tuesday and Thursdays 10am-2pm. Regular shooting hours are 9AM until dark thru August 31st.

Our next meeting will be on 25 August at 7PM. Please don't forget to bring your favorite dish to our monthly "potluck meal". Remember, you must have your key to enter WLAHC property except for our special event days, i.e., monthly ATA Shoots, Veterans/Ladies shoots, Pioneer Days, or leased events. Don't forget to sign in upon arrival. Folks, this is your first stop upon entry. Simply sign in at the "duck box" and use the provided envelopes to pay fees for yourself and any guests

Notes from the July Chapter Meeting: Brian called the meeting to order, and Eddie Gay gave the opening prayer. Brian then led the Pledge of Allegiance. Brian read off the names of our departed members, while Bill Jansson tolled our bell. Eddie Gay led the 21 Gun Salute, presented by members Bobby Stubbs, Rich Chiuminato, Al Cocola, Dan Tamasi, Mikey Klose, Tony Bartone and Lesley Granito followed by the playing of Taps. The meeting moved into the REC for our potluck meal. We now have a new audio system for the REC. Brian spoke regarding our upcoming events. He then stated that the Board has approved two changes to key purchases: First, the reduction of the key price will start September 1st rather than at the September meetings. Price reduces to \$25 until our January "Key Night" meeting. Also, **new** "Life Members" will receive their first-year key with their paid membership. After the first-year keys must be purchased. Hydro-seeding our pistol berms is expected to be done on 20 August. Volunteers will be needed to lay protective matting over the berms after the seed is sprayed. We will need extension ladders to get onto the berms to keep from messing up the berms. More will be forthcoming on our web and Facebook pages. Although some members were hoping for an electronic gate, the Board has decided to replace our entry gate with a wider gate and move the gate inward in order that delivery trucks will have better access. Recent storm/lightning damage to some of our electrical equipment factored into this decision as repairs to an electronic gate could be very costly and keep members from entering/leaving the facility for an extended period. Brian presented Johnny Goebel with a plaque recognizing his many years of service to WLAHC. Frank Lagasse was awarded a plaque for his WLAHC service as our past Chapter President. Mikey Klose and Aiden Tamasi spoke about their time at WLA Pioneer Camp. Mark Bara gave a followup to his June presentation regarding the importance of "Public Trust Lands Specific to Horry County". He also has spoken to the Horry County Council where public input is expected thru August. Eddie Gay asked for RSO volunteers to help with the student shoots and reminded attendees of the Friends of NRA fundraiser on 20 August.

October elections are fast approaching. Interested in becoming Chapter President or Board member? See an Election Committee member, (John Wren, Mike Ferrio and Bobby Stubbs), so that your name can be placed on the official voting ballot. What better way to let your voice be heard! Two (2) board seats will be voted upon. Ballots will be mailed to all members with October's newsletter.

We have several members that are currently having some serious health issues. For privacy concerns I won't name them but please keep our members in your prayers for their speedy recovery.

Horry Chapter will hold a CWP class Sep 10th starting at 8 AM. Cost is \$70.00. Participants will need to bring their pistol plus a minimum of 50 rounds of ammunition, safety glasses, ear protection, and a strong, side holster, belt and reading glasses (if needed). You will need to reserve your seat as there is a 20-person limit. A \$35 nonrefundable deposit is required to reserve your spot. Contact Eddie Whitner, Jr. @ (843)421-0001 for reservations and deposit.

The Big 50 ATA Registered Trap Shoot starts at 1PM on 12 August. You must be an ATA member to register your targets and pay an extra \$2.50. However, you do not have to register your target and can just shoot practice at regular Chapter prices. Contact Rodney Raines for further information @ (256) 486-1648.

Please Note: Although Sunday Trap Shooting has been suspended thru August, it will resume Sunday 11 September. The date for the Range Clean-Up Day has been changed to Saturday, 10 September from 9AM until 2PM. Please change your calendars as we need your participation.

Don't forget these important dates: Mark these on your calendar now. All Chapter activities are listed on our web site calendar. For your future planning here are a few of our other upcoming "open" events: 10 Sep - Cleanup Day 9AM - 2PM 25 Sep - Chapter Family Picnic 2-5PM 02 Oct - Pioneer Day 2-6PM 23 Oct - Ladies Day 2-6PM 06 Nov - Veterans Day 2-6PM

It's Photo time again: Time to get your photo entries into the Chapter by the September meeting. Subject matter is any form of wildlife, nature, or landscapes, etc. No zoo or studio pictures. Photos can be color or B & W either 8x10 or 16x20 in size as smaller pictures are disqualified. Max of 5 photos may be submitted per participant. Include name, contact info and identified subject matter on the back. Think anyone can beat Barbara Powell?

Please continue to support our sponsors and generous donors the next time you need their services or products. J & K Outdoors, formerly Rivertown Gun Depot on Hwy 501, South of the bridge, has guns and provides friendly, expert service for your guns. Anderson Brothers Bank is one of our long-time sponsors. They offer all types of banking services throughout Horry and Marion Counties. See them for all your financial needs. Window World sponsor sign is on the Cowboy Action on berm #4. If you are thinking about replacing windows or doors for your home you can stop by their offices at 4655-A Highway 17 South, Myrtle Beach. Let's not forget Fara, John and Bailey Fink for generously sponsoring our Rifle range, and Terry's Hardware in Conway.

Donations: We continue to look for donations of handgun ammunition and shotgun shells, which are gratefully accepted. Your donations are how we continue to support our Pioneer/Ladies and Veterans Day events. Scott DeHollander, owner of Window World donated a pick-up load of 2'x4' OSB boards, Thru member Jim Moore we received two large stacks of cut OSB, courtesy of Chancel Construction.