



The Hoosier Sportsman

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The purpose for which Lake County Fish and Game Protective Assn. was formed is as follows: "To protect and encourage all measures designed to conserve fish, game, forest and all natural resources in the State of Indiana. And to foster, among its members, a spirit of true sportsmanship."

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COMING EVENTS

July 1 - General Membership Meeting

July 7 - Lakes Committee Meeting

July 11 - 12 - Hunter Safety Education Class @ Cablela's

July 21 - Board of Directors' Meeting

July 25 - LCF&G Family Picnic

July 26 - August 1 - Izaak Walton League Youth Summer Camp

August 7 - August 16 - Lake County Fair

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JULY GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Brian Neuntrep, Regional Manager for Pheasants Forever, will be our guest speaker this month. He will be discussing conservation efforts for game birds in the State of Indiana and Pheasants Forever's programs and progress in this regard.

LITTERBUGS ARE AMONG US!

We are seeing an increasing amount of litter on our grounds. Keep in mind we have no trash cans or garbage service. Take out what you bring in. Littering is a rules violation and we have zero tolerance for violators. If you're caught...you're out! Period.

We are very proud of what we have here at Lake County Fish & Game. We also work very hard to create a quality experience for our members. The least you could do is pick up your trash and take it with you.

FISH ARE BEING WASTED

We are finding dead fish on the banks of our ponds and this practice is unacceptable. If you're not going to keep fish release them! No culling! We also found a 30"+ Grass Carp on the bank of one of our ponds. These fish are sterile herbivores and are there to help control aquatic vegetation. Don't kill, or take, these fish!

TRASH AND URINATING ON GROUNDS

We have recently received complaints about trash left and guys urinating in public. Some are offended by the latter and both are rules violations. Use the washrooms in the clubhouse and take out what you bring in. We have zero tolerance for violators. If caught you could be brought up on charges and your membership revoked. Our grounds (including parking lot) are meant to be family oriented. Please respect that, or get out.

LCF&G's WEBSITE

For those of you who are new to LCF&G, there are some things you should know about our website.

For one there are downloadable forms for our members only yearly contests (Big Bird (Pheasant, Turkey & Goose), Big Fish and Whitetail (Big Deer and Most Impressive Rack)).

There are also helpful links to INDNR, ILDNR and an all state listing of DNRs.

The calendar will tell all that's currently going on in the way of contests, events and the like.

If you haven't already, visit www.lakecountyfishandgame.org to see what's new. You can simply click on the banner at the top of this newsletter to go to our website.

LCF&G ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC

Save the date! July 25th is the date of this year's family picnic. Free to all members, and their immediate family. The festivities begin at 11:00 AM and continue until 6:00 PM. There will be food, beverages, tableware and fun.

The menu will include Ribeye Steak Sandwiches, Fried Chicken, Buffalo Burgers, Hot Dogs and Corn on the Cob. Bring a dish to share, if you like, but this is not required for attendance. Each year we are blessed with a bevy of sumptuous salads and a veritable plethora of delicious desserts.

There will also be prizes for the kids, horseshoes to pitch and bean bags to throw.

You are asked to please sign-up at any meeting or call a board member with the number of attendees, with childrens' ages, so we can come up with as accurate a head count as possible.

Come out and enjoy the day with fellow Lake County Fish and Game members. Meet old friends or, perhaps, make some new ones.

LAKE COUNTY FAIR

The Lake County Fair will be held August 7 through August 16 this year at the Lake County Fairgrounds. As always Lake County Fish and Game will have a booth . We will be manning the fish pond behind the Conservation Building the first two days it is open(Saturday, August 8 & Sunday, August 9). As usual, we could really use your help those two days. Also, if you can spare an hour, or two, to help man the booth during the week that would be greatly appreciated. Call Don Jones to volunteer.

HUNTER SAFETY EDUCATION

The next Hunter Safety Education Class is scheduled for July 11th and 12th at Cablela's in Hammond.

This two day course is intended for anyone who enjoys the outdoors or has an interest in conservation. It's not just for hunters anymore. However, it is required for anyone born after December 31, 1986 who wants to purchase a hunting license.

The class meets from 9 AM - 4 PM Saturday and 10 AM - 4 PM Sunday. You must attend both sessions, and pass a written test in order to gain your certification.

Registration is required, and limited. Register online at: www.register-ed.com/events/view/56603.

PLEASE DON'T FEED THE WILDLIFE

It has come to our attention that some members are feeding gulls at the club. This practice must stop. Gulls are not the most desirable of waterfowl and we don't want to have to make a special rule for this.

IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE SUMMER CAMP

LCF&G, again, is sponsoring member youths who wish to attend the Izaak Walton League Summer Youth Camp. We have 3 openings for anyone (age 9-15: must be 9 by September 1) who would like to attend this camp which is July 26-August 1 at Ross Camp in W. Lafayette. Contact Don Jones for an application. Parents must sign a permission slip & provide a T-shirt size & transportation to and from the camp.

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