

Swamp Road Sportsmen's Club
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Spring Is Coming I want to say that's it's officially spring. As of the time I am writing this newsletter there is no measurable snowfall in the forecast. Yeah! Now the work begins. For those that have been to the club lately you noticed the downed brush, trees ruts in the road, parking lot, trap range and the rifle range. It's time to band together and get the club cleaned and groomed for the summer shooting season. No one needs to ask for permission to help get the club back to where it is ready to show our club pride to our guest and visitors from other clubs. Anyone who doesn't have access to shovels, rakes, chainsaws, ATV's and drags please give me a call and I will get you set up.

Thank You Big thanks to Alex Stone and Brad Kostka for brushing the road down to the pistol range. There was a lot of trees down over the road, but it is now passable. Thanks for the hard work, guys! There is still a lot to clean up so if you have time go cut some brush and get it off the ranges, roads, and parking lots.

Summer Trap League Sooner than you think it will be time to crush orange targets again. Get your teams lined up and ready for some good stiff competitions. The club will have 12 gage ammo for sale for league below Walmart prices. It will start Thursday June 8th and go through Thursday August 10th. Like before it will be 10 weeks and 500 birds. Shoot a head, shoot behind it's all good. I'm sure we will have one or two Saturdays for people that need to catch up. I will keep everyone posted as we get closer to league start.

Gun Board Now I have a GForce Lever Action .410. It's on a 100 square board and the price to win is 1 square for \$15 or 4 squares for \$40. The cash payout is \$700 so cash or guns they are all good. There are only a few squares left on it so give me a text asap if you want on it. Try your luck and start your winning streak with a new gun for \$15. Call, email, text or track me down. Can't win if you don't play.

Club Project Bucket List As I mentioned earlier in the newsletter there is a lot to do just to get the club summer ready. I know there will be some bigger projects that will need to be done but first we need to maintain what we have already. As you see below there is a lot to accomplish before summer. Let's focus on this short list and if we get that done we can really dig in.

1. Sweep club lawn with lawn sweeper.
2. Service lawn mower and ATV.
3. Brush pistol and rifle parking lot.
4. Brush club parking lot.
5. Brush pistol and rifle range.
6. Drag parking lot and range road.
7. Rake gravel out of lawn.
8. Fix ruts in the trap range.
9. Clean up overhang from back door.
10. Wash club windows.
11. Clean restroom and kitchen.

Range Safety It starts with you! It doesn't matter if you have done it all your life, if you teach range safety, are all alone shooting, safety and safety awareness starts with you. Think, Think, Think....it take that long and something bad takes less time than that.

Club Donations I had a few comments about this last month. I was told that all donations are good and not to be picky. I say yes but.....if it cost the club more than the donation it's no value to the club. Tires and TV's no value. Ovens, washer and dryers have scrap value. If you don't want it, why? Good rule of thumb, if you can't sell it on Market Place, probably no value.

Good Donation

- Legally obtained cash donations are the best. Don't rob a bank and give us a sack of money.
- Trade Skills. If you are a plumber, electrician, carpenter, do concrete work, excavating or a lawyer please come talk to us if you would like to help out. But please don't just start bulldozing roads just because you have a bulldozer.
- Items to raffle. We like new but a used M1 Grand would be good. Again please ask us before bringing it out.
- Office supplies. Pencils, pens, clip boards, paper, printer ink.
- Help during a work day is never refused.

Bad Donation

- Old tires.
- Used furniture.
- Used appliances in need of repair.
- Broken lawnmowers.
- Shot-up used targets.
- Random junk of no value.

Recipe of the Month *Crock Pot Wild Turkey* Spray Crockpot with nonstick cooking spray. Combine 2 pounds of browned turkey burger, cooked 2 pounds frozen corn, 2 14-ounce cans black beans 2 28-ounce cans plus 1-15-ounce can crushed tomatoes in a mixing bowl and beat with an electric mixer on medium speed for 2 minutes. Now add 3 peppers cut up (I like red and orange, but you can also use green), 1 onion cut up, 2 tablespoons minced garlic, 1 tablespoon chili powder, 1 tablespoon cumin, Salt and pepper to taste. Put in a slow cooker and cook on low for 5 hours. Serve warm with vanilla ice cream.

Crystal Ball May 1st May Day, May 5th Club Meeting, May 6th Fishing opener, May 14th Mother's Day, June 2nd Club Meeting.

Next Meeting The next meetings will be May 6th at 7 pm. This will focus on club upcoming events and spring clean-up schedule. If there is anything else that needs urgent attention, be sure to contact the board prior to the meeting.

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