

KALBFUS  ***KALLS***

January 29, 2014

We are happy to welcome new members George Weaver, Meghan Stevenson, Brady Carl, Adam Shaw, Bob Hamm, Gary Johnson, Traci Chambers, Brad Gern, Tom Nowacki, Pat Corey, Tom Drennen, and Luke Gray to our Club.

The Board of Directors extends a heartfelt Thank You to all of our volunteers who consistently maintain our shotgun and rifle/pistol shooting venues. Their tireless efforts make our shooting venues the best in our region.

We also extend our Thanks to those members who volunteered their time at the Warren County Outdoor show and the Meet the Musers Spaghetti Dinner. Your help is invaluable and very much appreciated.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER

We had a great turnout for an entertaining program and a delicious meal at what has become a much anticipated event; the Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club Christmas Dinner. Special Thanks are extended to Sue Wilson for organizing and putting together a wonderful evening for Kalbfus members.

WINTER TRAP AND SPORTING CLAYS LEAGUES

Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club Winter Trap and Sporting Clays teams are doing an outstanding job of representing our Club again this year. All of our shooters are encouraged to participate in these leagues. Shooters can learn more about the leagues by contacting Jim Nowacki or Chuck Travis about the Trap league and Jack Bruce about the Sporting Clays league. Schedules for both leagues are posted on our website calendar. Shooters can shoot at any of the league clubs for Kalbfus as a league shooter or independently shoot practice rounds. All of the leagues' clubs offer interesting and challenging Trap fields and Sporting Clays courses.

WARREN BLUE SCHOLASTIC TRAP

Our Warren Blue Scholastic Trap team has been working very hard to raise money to replace the shotguns they've used for the last seven years with upgraded models. Please support our Scholastic Trap team by donating to the team or by purchasing tickets for the Ruger American rifle the team is raffling in April.

ADDITIONS AND REMODELED KITCHEN

We're happy to announce that we've added two storage rooms to our club house. The storage room added onto the kitchen provides more convenient storage for the disposable and non-disposable items we use at the Club throughout the year. The storage room added onto the smaller meeting room adjacent to the restrooms provides storage for extra tables, chairs, filing cabinets, and other furniture and stored items.

We've finally taken the leap to upgrade our kitchen. We've removed the old metal cabinets, sink, and counters and replaced them with a commercial stainless steel sink. We've also streamlined the work area in the kitchen and rearranged the kitchen appliances.

We extend a sincere Thank You to those members who spent countless hours putting the finishing touches on our storage additions and our kitchen remodeling.

OAK RESTORATION EFFORT

Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club will be a partner in a United States Forest Service (USFS) prescribed burn of 87 acres including 6.5 acres of Kalbfus property. Inclusion of Kalbfus property will allow the USFS “to reduce the amount of constructed fire line and better protect Kalbfus Club property from potential escape, or possible wildfire in the future”.

According to the agreement with the USFS additional benefits of the prescribed burn include: maintaining forest and oak ecosystems and improving forest health and providing a backdrop for Kalbfus Club to provide outdoor education to their members and families on the use and benefits of prescribed fire management.

The USFS will advise Kalbfus when the burn will take place, but it is projected that it will probably occur in April or May.

A copy of the **Prescribed Fire Plan** and the **Participation Agreement** are available upon request.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Membership fees for all of our members are due by December 1, of the year shown on your membership card. If you have not renewed your membership, please contact our treasurer, Chuck Travis. If you have renewed your membership and not received a new membership card, please be advised that new cards are posted on a bulletin board at the Club for pick up by members. Also, the new combinations for the gate to our property for Associate, Shooters, and Full members and the Club and range houses for Full members are available. Please contact Chuck Travis for the combinations.

MEETINGS

We conduct our general membership meetings on the third Thursday of every month and convene at 6:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing our members at our meetings; your input is very important to the well-being of our Club, and we hope you’ll find the time to come to our meetings to socialize with our membership and enjoy our after-meeting meals

Please take the time to visit our website at www.kalbfusrodandgun.com.

KALBFUS ROD AND GUN CLUB PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES

The Board of Directors has reviewed our by-laws and has identified Articles and Sections that it has determined need revision. The items under consideration are:

Article III, Membership, Section 3: Members’ children under eighteen (18) years of age will be allowed the privileges of the club only when accompanied by one or both parents or a suitable guardian who must be a member of the Club. **To be amended by adding following paragraph:** Children or grandchildren of active members shall be issued a Junior Membership and card upon request to the Treasurer. Said membership shall be in force until either the parent’s or grandparent’s membership lapses or until the Junior member turns eighteen years old.

Article V, President and Vice-President, Section 2: A person may hold the office of President for a maximum of three (3) consecutive years. Having held and vacated the office of President, a person shall not be eligible to hold this office again for a period of three (3) years. This in no way shall prohibit an outgoing President from holding any other office in the club. Section 2 is to be deleted. **To be amended by deleting Section 2.**

Article XI, Nomination and Election, Section 1: Election of all officers shall be by ballot without nomination. The seven (7) active members receiving the highest number of votes of the active members present shall be elected as the Board of Directors for the term of one (1) year or the time specified but a special election. These seven (7) active members having been elected by the membership shall decide among themselves which of the seven (7) shall hold the office of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer for the term of one (1) year of the time specified at a special membership election. **To be amended by deleting the phrase without nomination in the first sentence.**

Article XIV, Section 1: Active members who wish to occupy or rent the clubhouse or entertain visitors shall first make application to the chairman of the house committee stating date, purpose, and period of such occupancy. **To be amended to read,** Active members who wish to occupy or rent the clubhouse or entertain visitors shall first make application to the chairman of the house committee **or a board member** stating date, purpose, and period of such occupancy.

By-law changes require one month's written notice of proposed changes. If any member wishes to review the by-laws and make any suggestions or recommendations, please contact any board member. A copy of the by-laws will be made available upon request.

POLICING OUR FACILITIES

If you witness abuse or misuse of any of our shooting venues or our facilities, please advise any Board member as soon as possible with as much information about the incident and persons involved that you can gather. We will do what we can to rectify the situation through whatever means may be dictated by the offense.

RANGE SAFETY

Please practice range and firearms safety. Be aware of what's downrange, keep firearms unloaded when you're not on the firing line, and ensure that firearms are broken open or that chambers are open when you are not shooting at a target.

KALBFUS ROD AND GUN CLUB, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2014

Michael Fadale-President	Jim Nowacki- At-large Board member
Lee McCanna-Vice President	Jack Bruce-At-large Board member
Chuck Travis-Treasurer	Carl Cromwell- At-large Board member
Tom Fadale-Secretary	

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Activity Schedule

FEBRUARY

Saturday	1	BSA Troop 9 overnight at Kalbfus
Sunday	2	Penn York Winter Trap League at Kane
Sunday	2	Tri-County Winter Sporting Clay League at Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club
Tuesday	4	Trap and Skeet Practice Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club
Thursday	6	Open Sporting Clays practice at Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club 1-Round only; 9:30 sign up
Saturday	8	BSA Troop 9 overnight at Kalbfus
Sunday	9	Penn York Winter Trap League at Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club
Sunday	9	Tri-County Winter Sporting Clay League at Kane Fish and Game Club
Tuesday	11	Trap and Skeet Practice Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club

Thursday	13	Open Sporting Clays practice at Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club 1-Round only; 9:30 sign up
Sunday	16	Penn York Winter Trap League at Sugar Grove
Sunday	16	Tri-County Winter Sporting Clay League at Fox Township
Tuesday	18	Trap and Skeet Practice Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club
Thursday	20	Open Sporting Clays practice at Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club 1-Round only; 9:30 sign up
Thursday	20	Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club Membership Meeting 6:30 PM
Sunday	23	Penn York Winter Trap League at Carroll
Sunday	23	Tri-County Winter Sporting Clay League at Bradford Gun Club
Tuesday	25	Trap and Skeet Practice Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club
Wednesday	26	Cornplanter Chapter Trout Unlimited Meeting Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club at 6:00 p.m.
Thursday	27	Open Sporting Clays practice at Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club 1-Round only; 9:30 sign up
<u>MARCH</u>		
Saturday	1	Hunter/Trapper Safety Education Course at Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saturday	1	BSA Troop 9 overnight at Kalbfus
Sunday	2	Penn York Winter Trap League at Brokenstraw
Sunday	2	Tri-County Winter Sporting Clay League at Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club
Monday	3	Warren Blue Scholastic Trap Team Practice at Kalbfus Rod & Gun Club
Tuesday	4	Trap and Skeet Practice Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club
Thursday	6	Open Sporting Clays practice at Kalbfus Rod & Gun Club 1-Round only; 9:30 sign up
Sunday	9	Penn York Winter Trap League Field Day & Banquet at Sugar Grove
Sunday	9	Tri-County Winter Sporting Clay League at Kane Fish & Game Club
Monday	10	Warren Blue Scholastic Trap Team Practice at Kalbfus Rod & Gun Club
Tuesday	11	Trap and Skeet Practice Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club
Thursday	13	Open Sporting Clays practice at Kalbfus Rod & Gun Club 1-Round only; 9:30 sign up
Monday	17	Warren Blue Scholastic Trap Team Practice at Kalbfus Rod & Gun Club
Tuesday	18	Trap and Skeet Practice Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club
Thursday	20	Open Sporting Clays practice at Kalbfus Rod & Gun Club 1-Round only; 9:30 sign up
Thursday	20	Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club Membership Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Monday	24	Warren Blue Scholastic Trap Team Practice at Kalbfus Rod & Gun Club
Tuesday	25	Trap and Skeet Practice Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club
Wednesday	26	Cornplanter Chapter Trout Unlimited Meeting Kalbfus Rod and Gun Club at 6:00 p.m.
Thursday	27	Open Sporting Clays practice at Kalbfus Rod & Gun Club 1-Round only; 9:30 sign up
Monday	31	Warren Blue Scholastic Trap Team Practice at Kalbfus Rod & Gun Club