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A monthly insight into whats happening at Nettleton Fox Hunting and Fishing Association



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Project Update: Old River Run

The old river run (lake behind clubhouse) has been very low and not of much use for the past several years. Recently, the board, fish and game committee, and other members put together a plan to revitalize the lake and make it more useful for members. The project broke ground on November 6, 2023. Pictured below is Mike Loden as work began building the dam near the old river. More info on Pg. 5.

Upcoming Events:

- *November 6: Antlerless Primitive Weapon*
- *November 18: Gun (with dogs)*
- *December 2: Primitive Weapon*

New Club Hats are in



**New Hats are \$25
See Russell Taylor to purchase**



Safety Reminders >>>

Now that hunting season is upon us, we would like to remind you of Weyerhaeuser's guidelines around logging and other forestry activities, as well as firearm safety.

While driving forest roads -

- Always yield right of way to all forestry machinery.
- Never drive past trailers that are being loaded or tended in a roadway.
- Pull your vehicle onto the road shoulder and park; remain inside.
- Wait for an operator to motion you that it's safe to pass.
- "Honk" your vehicle horn before moving to recognize the "proceed signal" and to warn bystanders that you are advancing.

When outside your vehicle -

- Never touch or climb onto any forestry equipment.
- Always stay at least 300 feet away from all operating machinery.
- Always stay at least 100 feet away from log piles and parked/loaded trailers.

******* NEVER SHOOT TOWARD LOGGING OPERATIONS *******

Firearm Safety



1. Treat every gun as if it were loaded.
2. Watch your muzzle.
3. Keep guns unloaded unless in use.
4. Be sure the barrel is clear of obstructions.
5. Be sure of your target and what is behind the target before you pull the trigger.
6. Never point a gun at anything you do not want to shoot.
7. Never climb a tree or fence or jump a ditch with a loaded gun. Never pull a gun toward you by the muzzle.
8. Never shoot a bullet at a flat, hard surface or at water.
9. Store guns and ammunition separately and beyond the reach of children.
10. Do not hunt or shoot when under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.

Youth weekend kicks off gun season with a bang!

Youth weekend is always an exciting time, this year was no exception!



The future of what this club was established for (hunting and fishing) rest on the shoulders of our older generations creating opportunities for youth to experience and enjoy the outdoors we all love so much.

When it comes to hunting, one of the best opportunities to get youth involved is youth gun season for deer. After a slow youth season in 2022 due to excessive rain, we had a great youth weekend this year. Several youth hunters took to the woods on the club November 4 and 5. There were 4 deer harvested over the course of these two days, which ranks among one of the best years in the last decade for youth weekend.

Congrats to all those who were successful! Pictured to the right is Rylan Rhudy with a 5 point buck and Hannah Sparks is shown below with a spike, both harvested on November 5th.



Other News >>>

Lake Thomas Drawdown



Beginning November 13, 2023, the club will begin a draw down on Lake Thomas to try and kill grass in the upper portion of the lake. This project is part of ongoing efforts to improve fishing at the club. Enough water will remain in lake to allow fishing through the winter months just be mindful that it will be shallower.



*We want your
feedback!*

*If you have any feedback
for the Fish and Game
Committee, please scan
the QR Code above or
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Keith Horton's dog Tux on a late night coon hunt. Submitted by Russell Taylor.

Old River Run Project, Continued

This project came to life as a result of feedback from members to enhance fishing opportunities on the club.

The River Run Project consisted of two primary tasks:

1. Build dam to hold water on the southwest end of run
2. Create better channel to connect two sides of run for water to run freely across entire area

Water from a natural spring already flows into a portion of the run but was emptying directly into river. By damming up the end of the run, water will back up and fill the run back up. A pipe was installed for overflow into the river. Be on the watch this winter as you will start to notice this old run look more like it did 20 years ago.

A special thanks to Mike Loden, Russell Taylor, Board of Directors, and all other members who helped make this project happen!



Final thoughts...

If you have any recommendations for the website, newsletter, or for anything related to the improvement of the club or it's resources, please contact Russell Taylor at 662-507-8161.

Below are a few pictures submitted by club members recently.



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