

Upper Adams Fish & Game Association, Inc.

Fall 2007

Hello Fellow Members:

It has been a rather warm summer so far. Let us hope the heat is almost over and we find some nice cool fall weather for about three months.

I hope that this newsletter finds every member and their family in good health. Over the summer we lost Marshall Kuntz, father of long time club president Dwight Kuntz. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

I want to thank all the members who have taken time out of their busy schedule to help with the repair to the deer pit roof, painting of the floor in the clubhouse, installation of the new electric service over on the hill which will run the trap, deer & elk pits and other smaller projects around the club. Also thanks to Dan Asper, Vinnie Tocco and anyone else who helped to keep the grass mowed and the weeds trimmed around the building.

We hope that the trap is finally fixed. We are still shooting clay birds on Monday evenings at 5:30 pm. Call Ike Williams to find out how long they will continue shooting.

Our fall running deer shoots are almost over; with one more shoot on the schedule. The attendance has been down this fall. We will discuss at the club meetings as well as at the remaining deer shoots to try to determine what to do for next fall.

Our block shoots and deer shoots are our primary moneymakers. It seems that the attendance is down at both shoots. Fellow members, this is where we make our money to keep the club going. Please come out and have some fun as well as practice shooting. You can also encourage your friends to come and shoot and hopefully they will have fun and come back again. With your support, we can continue to make the necessary repairs and improvements to the club and property.

We have scheduled three additional Block Shoots on Sunday afternoons through the spring. The first shoot will be a Money Block Shoot on February 10 at 1:00 pm. We will hold a second Money Shoot on April 13 at 1:00 pm. A .410 Block Shoot will be held on Sunday, March 9 at 1:00 pm. Any additional Block Shoots that may be scheduled will be announced at club meetings and our Block Shoots.

“Dues” Beginning at the October meeting, you may pay your yearly club membership dues. Your membership dues may be paid at any club function: monthly meeting, deer shoot, block shoot or you may mail your dues to the club’s mailing address at the end of the newsletter. Just remember that if you do mail your dues, you must pick them up at the club. Membership cards and badges are no longer mailed out.

With the coming of Fall, comes practice and the sighting in of your firearms. Please Obey all club rules when using the club facilities. Be courteous of your fellow club members. Always wear your club badge and have your membership card with you. Please police after yourself – clean up targets and brass and dispose of them properly. Only place targets on proper target boards. Above all, Be Safe, have fun and only shoot at the **proper** targets. Please do not shoot at bottles and cans. Do not get offended if someone asks to see your membership card and badge; instead take the time to get to know your fellow members. They are just looking out for

the good of the club. If you see someone you don't know using the club facilities, don't hesitate to ask to see their membership card and badge.

If you do not have a bylaws book, please contact the club and we will see that you get one the next time you stop by the club. Take the time to look over the rules of the club and keep it handy so you can consult it the next time you have a question.

As stated before, our shooting events have fallen off so we are always looking for new fundraising ideas. Ray Kime came up with some good raffle options that we are still considering. If we decide to pursue a raffle ticket, we will need the support of all the club members to sell raffle tickets. We are again talking with New Oxford Fire Company to hold a gun drawing with them in early 2008. This will be discussed at the club meetings, so please join us on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm to keep yourself informed of new club events that may be added to our calendar and to participate in making decisions that affect the club.

Hunting season is just around the next bend in the road. Stop by the club and bring your pictures and stories. We are always ready to listen to your stories and maybe even tell a few ourselves. As you travel to and from your hunting destination, please be safe and careful so we can see all of you at the club. Remember, if you have more than one antlerless tag, stop and think if you really need to harvest that 2nd deer or if it would be better to leave it for next year.

Enclosed you will find an updated Calendar of Events that covers the Fall of 2007 through the Spring of 2008. Please keep it handy so you know when there are events being held at the club. We have ordered Remington Calendars again this year. They should be available at the club sometime after the middle of November. Be sure to stop by the club to purchase yours before they run out.

Well, it is time to say so long and Good Luck. Remember to stop by the club to pay your dues and tell your hunting tales. May every member and their families have a safe and successful fall season.

See you at the club.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Ike Williams', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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