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NEWSLETTER

*A SOUTH CAROLINA FAMILY ORIENTED HUNT CLUB
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Youth Fishing Rodeo May 13th Wayne Archie – President

The third annual Draper Wildlife Management Area Youth Fishing Rodeo is being held on May 13, 2006 in McConnells, SC at 8 AM. This event is put on by the SCDNR and is supported by several large organizations including the PHC, which is a participating sponsor. This will be a great fun event for both the youth as well as for the parents. Each year this event has grown in popularity. There will be 2,500 pounds of catfish brought in (sizes between 1 pound and 8 pounds) and stocked in the lakes prior to the event. All kids will receive a free rod and reel, a 1 year jakes membership, free lunch. There will be hot air balloon rides, hay rides, skeet shooting, rock climbing wall, BB and bow range, virtual shooting and demonstrations. Drawings for many prizes including big and small fish trophy will take place. We would like for as many of our youth to attend as possible. This is a great outing to spend time with your kids/family, opportunity to get them involved in a variety of outdoor activities. By being a sponsor and helping out in this event sends a positive message to both the SCDNR and fellow sportsmen that our club is sincere about our dedication in promoting youth/family into the outdoors. It would be great to have our members, wives and girlfriends etc. to come out and support/help out in this event. If you would like to participate please call me or Curtis Piper for more details.

Remember: Take a youth hunting and in this case.....fishing!

PHC Tours Scheduled for New Member Prospects Wayne Archie – President

As a result of our booth at the Palmetto Sportsmen's Classic, we had a overwhelming interest in individuals interested in attaining memberships in the PHC. Therefore we have scheduled three tours at our Fairfield Hunt Camp during the month of May as follows:

Saturday May 6 at 1:00 PM
Saturday May 20 at 9:00 AM
Saturday May 27 at 9:00 AM

An invitation letter (see attached letter for details) has been sent to these individuals. Please invite others that are interested in joining our club. Members who are available and can help out on these tours will be appreciated. Please call me and let me know which days you can participate.

2006 Member Dues Paul Wittfeld – Treasurer

A reminder that Dues must be paid by **Monday May 1st**. Thanks to all the members who have already paid their dues. **Please make checks out to Piedmont Hunt Club, Inc. and send along with the attached Liability Release Form to:**

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We are already receiving Land leases from the Land Management companies. They are accelerating the due dates and expect the leases to be paid on time. One lease stated in their cover letter "**We will enforce this starting this year.**" As members, you expect the Club leadership to keep our current land and add new land. To do so we need you to pay your dues by May 1st so we can meet our lease commitments.

At the May 6th leadership meeting I will be presenting the list of active members and budget status. Any member who has not paid their membership dues in full will be removed from the active Membership List. **Call or email me if you know your dues will not be paid this coming week.**

Abandoned Stands/Campers, etc. Wayne Archie – President

We are experiencing problems with former members leaving property on the club. This creates a liability issue for the club and in some cases negatively impacts the appearance of our hunt camp grounds as well as limits the availability of our camp sites. **If you do not plan to renew your membership**, please remove all stands, campers, buildings, etc. by **June 17th**. We have a number of members requesting campsites and will need all available campsites as soon as possible. **Any property left on PHC's campsites and leased land will be regarded as abandoned property and will become PHC property after June 17th. Disposition of this abandoned property will be dealt with accordingly.**

Turkey Season Status Wayne Archie – President

As of Sunday April 23rd there has been 18 gobblers taken in Fairfield and according to information received from Jimmy Bradley there has been 21 gobblers taken in Kershaw for a total of 39 gobblers for the entire club. This is slightly below where we were this time last season as we took 55 gobblers total last year. In Fairfield there has been more long beards taken with few jakes and in Kershaw just the opposite with more jakes taken than long beards. We have had several first time kills by both the youths and older hunters. Good Luck to everyone hunting the remainder of the season.

New Work Leaders Wayne Archie – President

Bill Crot has accepted the Work Leader position for the **Food Plots Kershaw** and **Steve Lea** has accepted the Work Leader position for **Stands**. Let's support these new Work Leaders as well as the existing Work Leaders as we go forward in making improvements on our club. Thanking these guys and all Work Leaders in advance for their extra work efforts.

From the Chaplain's Stand Dick Pope – Chaplain/Counselor/Bereavement

Ephesians 4: 32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God in Christ also forgave us.
Thought: At some point in our life we get very upset with a Christian brother for something he did or did not do. It could be something big or small but in some cases relationships are never mended due to our pride, stubbornness and sinful nature. God teaches us to be kind, tenderhearted and to forgive our Christian brother as he forgives us of our sins. In **Matthew 18: 21& 22** Jesus told Peter that he should forgive his brother for sinning against him seventy times seven. We should forgive daily those who have sinned against us, allow God's forgiving nature to be a guide for us in forgiving others. If someone has wronged you, pray for them and forgive them as God in Christ forgave you for your sin. As Christian brothers we should humble ourselves and forgive each other as Christ forgives us each day for our sins. Keep this in mind next time someone wrongs you.