

It's now mid May and we have a few items to update you on since our last letter.

Our web site is currently being built and should be up and running by the end of the month. We are hoping to have our current events posted. If you have any ideas for the web site please pass them on to me and we can see if they will work. The web site will be www.wheatlandconservation.com

There has been a petition started by the Red Deer Fish and Game Assoc. to lobby the Alberta Government for a long term contract with Pheasant hatcheries and also to propose an increase in pheasant licence fees (only if the fees were to go to improving the pheasant population). The long term contract would enable hatcheries to come up with a better business plan for raising the birds for release currently they are just funding the projects on a one year basis, what the hatcheries are looking for is a 3 year commitment. The petition will be at Olies Quick Lube in Strathmore if you are interested in the future of pheasant hunting in Alberta, I urge you to stop by and sign the petition.

We are stocking Carlson's fish pond with 5 to 7 inch fish any members that are looking for a fresh feed of Trout are welcome to give the pond a try.

Our annual Seniors & Kids fishing derby will be coming up on Saturday June 22nd followed by our farmer appreciation day to be held on Sunday June 23rd.

The fishing derby will be held at Kinsmen Park in Strathmore. Registration is \$1:00 and will start at 9:00am with fishing from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Prizes will be awarded right after the fishing has been completed. There will be burgers, hotdogs, & refreshments for sale during the event. We will need a few volunteers to help out with this event if interested please give me a call or come to the next meeting on June 13th.

If you have hunted on any of the farm land in the county I urge you to invite the landowner out to the clubhouse on June 23rd anytime between 11:00am & 3:00pm for a burger and pop on us. There will be door prizes drawn for landowners who attend. If you want I have made an attachment that you can print off and give to your landowner's as an invite.

We are currently shooting trap every Wednesday at the club house starting at 7:00pm all current members including juniors are welcome cost is \$3.00 per round you bring your own shells.

We will also be hosting the annual zone 2 camp out and cook off August 2nd to the 5th. I will be sending out more details on this event next month.

