

# ISA On Target Irwin Sportsmen's Association Newsletter

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### **Spotlight on Spring Gobbler Season**

The approach of spring gobbler season has Pennsylvania hunters eager to get afield. That they'll be participating in the state's 50th anniversary spring-gobbler hunt further sweetens the pot. Properly licensed junior hunters and mentored youth can head afield Saturday, April 21 to participate in Pennsylvania's annual t. A week later, on April 28, all hunters can head into Penn's Woods in pursuit of

youth spring turkey hunt. A week later, on April 28, all hunters can head into Penn's Woods in pursuit of spring gobblers. The forecast for the coming season is a statewide turkey population numbering between 210,000 to 220,000 birds, said Mary Jo Casalena, the Pennsylvania Game Commission's wild turkey biologist.

"Pennsylvania's turkey population will provide plenty of excitement for those who choose to head afield for the Commonwealth's golden anniversary spring turkey hunt," Casalena said. "Make no mistake, Pennsylvania remains one of America's premier turkey-hunting destinations." Turkeys are coming through a relatively mild winter, and they again had a tremendous acorn crop last fall to help them with winter survival. A light fall harvest – preliminarily estimated at 11,780 – sparked by greater supplies of fall foods and fewer hunters afield also has helped kindle increased expectations for the spring hunt. "Last spring, hunters took 38,101 birds in the state's turkey seasons," Casalena said. "I expect a similar harvest this spring, somewhere between 36,000 and 38,000 turkeys."

Pennsylvania turkeys are coming off a trying year. Frequent spring and summer rains in 2017 hampered poult survival in some areas of the state. What has helped turkeys, though, has been recent mild winters. "The lighter fall harvests, mild winters and increased acorn crops over the past two years, however, could support increased reproduction this spring, Casalena noted. "But our spring weather will have to cooperate."

The turkey population remains below its peak of 280,000 in 2001 with substantial fluctuations every three to four years, likely due to fluctuations in recruitment, which is influenced substantially by the interaction of habitat quality, weather, predation and harvest, Casalena said. Overall, the population is slowly increasing from its most-recent low of 192,612 in 2010, with increases in the one- and two-year age classes.

Last spring, 5,049 turkeys were taken with a second spring gobbler license; 20,529 hunters purchased second gobbler licenses. Hunters should note the second spring gobbler license only is on sale prior to the start of the season. Once April 28 rolls around, it's too late to purchase one.

"So, hunters who want to ensure their best opportunity to hunt as many days of the season as they can need to buy the license soon," Casalena said. "There's promise for a great season."



NEW MEMBERS	WELCOME AND WE HOPE YOU CAN ENJOY THE CLUB ADVANTAGES AND FELLOWSHIP			
Bruce Spies	Bobbie Coddington			
Brady Sigut	Ross Welshons			
Alan Kunkle	Michael Samodouroff			
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Post 228 Junior Rifle Team Triangle Bar & Grill Hoagie Sales

~11AM until sold out Saturday May 5 Saturday June 2

#### Locations:

ISA - May and June ONLY for ISA Silhouette Shoot S & T Bank in Harrison City Sunoco Gas Station, Oak Ave, Irwin Manor Car Wash Earl's Dairy Whip on Clay Pike

The Rifle Team appreciates the support to help raise funds for their trip in July to Camp Perry, Ohio.

Any Questions Contact Dave Sargent, <u>724-</u>640-2413, dstang706@aol.com



A plugger will use paper plates so he doesn't have to run the dishwasher as much. Then he reuses the paper plates that aren't too dirty.

There is no need for anyone to work alone. Please call one of the following so that they can assist and provide additional safety. They have volunteered to be "on call" to assist.

Joe Curran 724-217-2069, Except Thursday Smokey Burdin 724-396-9627 M-F 9-5 Kevin Kennelty 724-640-0726 Rich Boehm 724-953-4778

Did you change your phone number, email account, or address? Please tell us so that we can communicate.

#### **REMAINING 2017-18 HUNTING SEASON**

COYOTES: No closed season. Outside of any big game season (deer, bear, elk and turkey), coyotes may be taken with a hunting license or a furtaker license, and without wearing orange. No limit.

OPOSSUM, STRIPED SKUNKS and WEASELS: No closed season, except Sundays. No limit.

SPRING GOBBLER - season opens April 28th, can purchase second Gobbler license before April 28th, April 28-May 12, legal hunting hours are one-half hour before sunrise until noon; from May 14-31, legal hunting hours are one-half hour before sunrise until one-half hour after sunset.

GROUNDHOGS: No closed season except on Sundays and during the regular firearms deer seasons. No limit. STARLINGS AND ENGLISH SPARROWS: No closed season, except during the antiered and antierless deer season. No limit.

#### ISA Newsletter Changes



The club is paying about \$3500 each year to print and mail the monthly newsletter to some of our members. Members present at our March membership meeting voted to charge for this so

that we can use that money towards improving our facility. When our 2019 dues payments start September 2018, member choices will be as follows:

Dues payments of \$30 plus any work party charges and an extra charge of \$20 to receive a mailed copy of our newsletter, OR

Dues payments of \$30 plus any work party charges and receive a newsletter via email at no additional cost. If you are presently receiving the newsletter via email, you will continue to do so. If you are presently receiving a mailed newsletter or no newsletter at all and desire to receive an emailed newsletter, please verify we have your correct email address by sending us an email. If we do not have an email or an extra charge, you will not receive a newsletter.

Existing life memberships remain as they are now. New life memberships (65 and over and 10 years continuous membership) can choose to pay \$20 to have the newsletter printed and mailed to them or receive an emailed newsletter without charge.

Note that our monthly newsletter is posted on our web site at <a href="http://irwinsportsmen.com/">http://irwinsportsmen.com/</a>, and can be downloaded and viewed and/or printed from there. Several back issues are listed, so you can look back if desired. If you would like us to email you a copy of the newsletter for you to review to make your decision, please request that by emailing us at <a href="mailto:ourisanews@gmail.com">ourisanews@gmail.com</a>. The newsletter will be attached to an email and will be in PDF format, allowing you to view and/or print. If you have any questions or need help to be able to view and/or print the newsletter, email us.

#### ITEMS FOR SALE, FOUND, LOST OR WANTED

Please inform me if you desire to add/remove an item from this site. Ron at ourisanews@gmail.com or 724-396-4971.

FOR SALE: Nikon M-223 2-8x32 scope, ballistics matched for AR15, complete with Picatinny rail mounts, \$150, contact Ron at 724-396-4971.

FOR SALE: Caldwell Lead Sled, heavy duty with many screw adjustments for alignment, \$50, contact Ron at 724-396-4971.

FOR SALE: Browning Lever Rifle Model 81, Steel Receiver (no longer made), Like New. Spotless bluing, beautiful wood, Caliber 308, 2 flush fitting mags. \$825. Call Lou @ 724.744.4562

FOR SALE: Harrington & Richardson Arms Breaktop revolver chambered in .32 S&W. Overall nice condition with light surface rust in 2 places. Multiple patent dates are marked on the revolver, with the most recent one being 1896. \$80. Contact Bill at 724-880-5832.

FOR SALE: Sig Sauer P238, Purple Pearl, No Case, \$550, Call Rich at 412-610-2388

FOR SALE: Hydraulic lift, needs some work, \$100 or best offer. Call Jack at 724-744-2514.

FOR SALE: Simplicity Regent tractor, 18HP, 38" Mower deck, Kohler engine, Craftsman 42" High Speed Lawnsweeper, Craftsman 32" Spiker Spreader, Simplicity 42" Snow Blade, mower serviced annually, new seat and foot pan, manuals, all items firm at \$1500 (valued new over \$3000), pick up at location in Blairsville, Call Ron at 724-396-4971.

FOR SALE: Springfield Model 67 series E20, 3" chamber, \$200...Winchester model 1300 turkey special edition 3 chokes used very little, \$350...Remington model 7600 pump 3 1/2x10 scopes, \$450...Smith & Wesson 4006 40, \$425... Rossi .223 varmint rifle 6x24 scope, \$250...Haven by Mossberg 12 gauge, 2 3/4" and 3" chamber, \$200...Remington Speedmaster 22, Model 552, \$275....Call 724-516-1443 with questions or if interested.

FOR SALE: 10 gauge Remington wads SP10, 1 5/8 to 2 oz loading, bag of approx 250 \$5.00...21 cartridges 303 British round nose new Winchester Super Speed ammo appears to be 175 or 200 grain.\$20.00...Contact Jim 724-863-3764

FOR SALE: 5 boxes (100 count each) of Winchester 380 ammo. 15 dollars a box. Call Royce at 724-382-4401.

FOR SALE: 1963 corvette convertible, 327 four speed. Silver with black interior. All Original and matching numbers. \$54,000 Call Glenn at 724 237 3490

FOR SALE: all fishing rods and reels in good condition - Sportfisher graphite composite medium action 6' rod and Ryobi SX3M reel asking \$15...Procaster Tournment Daiwa 5'6" medium action rod and Daiwa PS705 reel asking \$20...Eagle Claw 6' medium action rod and Shimano reel asking \$20...Daiwa 4.5' medium action rod and Daiwa 100C reel asking \$15...call Rich at 412-849-5205.

FOR SALE: 2016 Polaris Sportsman 570 with or without trailer, 0 miles, value \$7099.00 + trailer. Leave message for Pat at 724-863-4109.

FOR SALE: 22 Caliber rifle, single shot bolt action, Sears, Roebuck & Company Model 41-103, 1977, \$150 Neg., Call Rich



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"The only thing that stops a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun." Please observe that the outdoor shooting ranges are closed at dusk. One member was caught shooting very late without regard to the rule. If the neighbors sign a petition to close us down, they might be successful. Anyone caught shooting after dusk might have their membership card taken and will have to report their reasoning to the board. Ejection from the club is a real possibility. Please observe the rules.

On June 16th the clubhouse and outdoor picnic area is rented....all ranges will be open.

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