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SUMMER IS HERE!

Dear Friends,

This summer could see you taking your first proper vacation in more than a year. Proper in the sense that you may reunite with and hug a loved one. Or you may take a road trip and feel comfortable dropping in to a local restaurant, on a whim. Or you may listen to music - any kind of music should do -at a bar. Yes, a bar.

With the world upended and our priorities reordered, there's been a back-to-basics effect when it comes to travel. I've felt it on my recent trips. Every experience – conversations with strangers, smells in the air, the clarity of the stars – puts a new spring in my step. Vacations give me a boost in a way that they never did before.

This spring I traveled to Rome, Italy to visit my daughter who was studying a college semester in this incredible city. I dusted off my suitcase and journeyed there along with my husband Dan, and my 17 year-old son, Ben. I discovered I was a natural at the adventurous "sport" of eating foreign foods, along the magnificent coast of Naples and the Amalfi Coast. I fell in love with the architecture and the history. We also took a quick flight to visit Switzerland for a few days where I experienced wine tasting in an underground bunker and a thermal bath spa. While I've been fortunate enough to horseback ride in Roatan, snorkel in Dominion Republic, dune buggy on the sands of Aruba, and hike rice patty fields in the countryside of Korea...Italy was a trip of a lifetime.

Many on the staff at Crooked Foot have that same feeling of wanderlust and the yearning for self-discovery that comes with travel. Club manager Jimmy Reynolds visited family in Florida, then Florida...oh my, Florida again. Owner Tony Mazzali also frequented his 2nd home in Venice, Florida and took advantage of its coastal waters boating and learning to scuba dive.

I imagine you're feeling that same itch to hit the proverbial road if you haven't already, and I'm hopeful wherever your travels lead you, after the warm summer days have come to an end and the cool fall nights begin, you'll make your way back to visit us at Crooked Foot Hunt Club for the adventure and excitement of upland bird hunting.

I wish all of you a safe and healthy summer!

My best,

Kim

Kim Capone Crooked Foot Hunt Club Assistant



Me with my daughter Samantha along the Amalfi Coast in Italy.

6TH ANNUAL VETERANS HUNT

On Sunday, November 7, 2021, Crooked Foot Hunt Club

held their sixth annual Veterans Hunt. Crooked Foot Hunt Club, built on over 300 acres of farmland in Owosso, Michigan, became home on a beautiful sunny Sunday to the following:

11 sponsors, 15 Crooked Foot staff and workers, 12 volunteers, 14 tower handlers, 7 walk-up handlers, 24 dogs, 900 pheasants and 89 veterans and active military men and women. 55 participants attended a past veterans hunt at Crooked Foot. For 34 participants, this was their first Veterans hunt with us! The military branch numbers represented were 38 Army, 10 Navy, 10 Air Force, 16 Marine Corp, 7 Coast Guard and 8 National Guard.

This is Crooked Foot's 6th Annual Veterans Hunt and the largest to-date and these numbers say why. So again, thank youeveryone.....for making this event possible.

6 randomly selected veterans were chosen from each military branch to participate in the morning's clay shooting competition. Joe Garofalo from the Coast Guard was declared the winner and took over as the 2021 champion...taking the title away from the 2020 Air Force champions.





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6TH ANNUAL VETERANS HUNT (CONT.)



















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JOIN US FOR OUR 7th Annual Veterans hunt!



The 7th annual Veterans Hunt presented by Crooked Foot Hunt Club is scheduled to take place on Sunday, November 6, 2022. Don't miss the opportunity to be a part of the celebration of our nation's veterans in the Mid Michigan area! This pheasant hunt will be dedicated to saluting and honoring veterans, active and reserve military personnel.

This event will include different activities and initiatives that highlight and celebrate all Michigan Veterans as well as current members of the armed forces from all branches. The goal is to use this hunt as a celebration and thank veterans for the sacrifices that these men and women have made for our country.

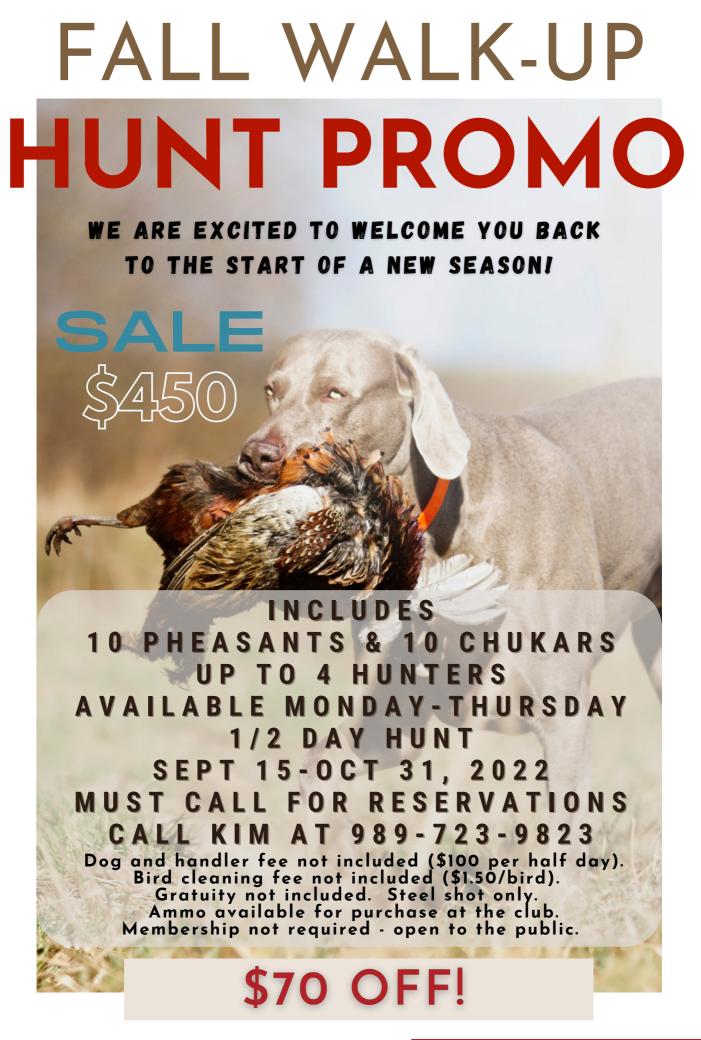
Online registration will begin October 1st. Visit our web page for more information and registration. Don't forget to register early...only 90 spots available!

We are always thrilled when we receive help from organizations and individuals who want to give back to our vets. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a sponsor or would like to make a donation, please contact Kim at the number below.

Call 989-723-9823!



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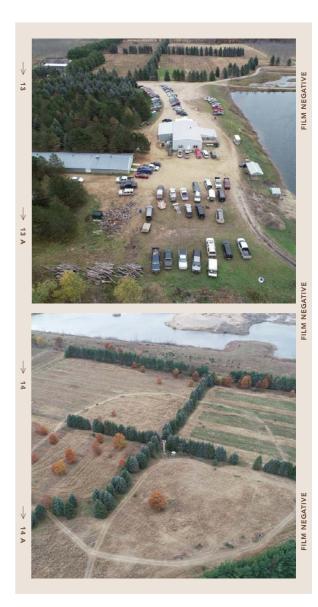
We believe that Crooked Foot Hunt Club

is both a unique place and a special experience; we encourage you to be a part of it as a member of Crooked Foot. Individual and group memberships are available and entitles you access to the Club's Private Property (nearly 360 acres of hunting land), ponds, 5 stand shooting range, scratch bird hunting, membership-only bird prices, discount off merchandise. Members are also able to rent the lodge for private parties, approved overnight lodging in our Club House and access to our kitchen facilities and outdoor grills.

Memberships are run on a 6 month or yearly basis from September 1 to August 31 of the following year. Starting in June until mid-September, members are encouraged to run and train their dogs in the Club's fields. Members may also fish on one of our ponds – no fishing license is required.

2022-2023 Membership Fees:





- \$1,500 Individual 6 Month Membership
- \$1,750 Individual 12 Month Membership
- \$2,500 Group 6 Month Membership
- \$3,000 Group 12 Month Membership

With a Crooked Foot Membership you will be invited to exclusive events throughout the bird hunting season that is only available to our members!

If you are interested in Membership at our Hunt Club, please contact us at **989-723-9823** and see how you can become one of our very own Crooked Sportsman!



As most know, the male pheasant is called a rooster or a cock and the female is known as the hen. But here are a few facts that may not be as well known.

A rooster will accumulate a harem of 3–7 hens.

The annual survival rate of a • pheasant is 30%. Only 2–3% will live as long as 3 years.

Pheasants have extreme eyesight and hearing.

Pheasants can run at a speed of 8-10 miles and can fly 35-45 miles per hour.

E. Pheasants are not native to North America. They were brought into the U.S. in 1881. Did you know?

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SLOW COOKER PHEASANT IN MUSHROOM SAUCE



Prep Time 20 mins	
Cook Time 6 hrs	
Servings 8 people	

Ingredients

- 2 pheasants, cut into fourths
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 can (4 ounce size) sliced mushroom, drained
- 1/2 cup chicken broth
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 clove garlic, finely chopped
- 1 can (10.75 ounce size) cream of chicken soup
- paprikia

Instructions

- 1. Place the pheasant pieces in the crock pot.
- 2. Sprinkle with the onion and mushrooms.
- 3. In a bowl, combine the broth and flour until the flour is dissolved. Stir in the Worcestershire sauce, salt, garlic, and cream of chicken soup. Mix well. Pour over the pheasant.
- 4. Sprinkle everything with paprika then cover the crock pot and cook on low heat for 6 hours or until the pheasant is cooked.
- 5. Serve the pheasant with the gravy over noodles, rice or mashed potatoes.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Member & Volunteer Cookout

6:00 pm • Thursday, August 11, 2022



Season Premier Hunt

8:00 am • Thursday or Friday, Sept. 29 or Sept. 30, 2022\$270 per person (includes tower shoot, walk-up and lunch)



7th Annual Veterals Hunt 8:00 am • Sunday, November 6, 2022

Contact Kim Capone at Crooked Foot Hunt Club for more information on scheduled or future hunts at 989-723-9823.