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From The President

Multiple Use Must Be Widespread

By Lee Asbury

Is our "multiple use" concept valid when measured against today's facts? As is usual, there are more questions than answers, and many factors over which neither we nor the State of Tennessee have any control have bearing on the situation.

Simply stated our idea of multiple use would allow everyone to engage in his or her favorite outdoor recreation with as little official interference as possible with due regard for the integrity of the land and the plants and animals on it. Users must also recognize the principle that any particular use is improper if it creates danger to other lawful users or unnecessarily interferes with the use and enjoyment of the property by other lawful users.

In my view, adult users may take such risks as they choose to take for themselves. But all users must refrain from activity which creates danger to other users.

It appears that present trends across the Country are more and more restrictive. The U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, State parks and State forests, as well as many large private landholders, are tightening access and controls at a time when we are pushing for more unrestricted use.

One result of this trend is obvious. As more and more people are forced off areas where regulations are being tightened, overuse and overcrowding with attendant environmental damage will occur on the less restricted areas.

If there is a moral to this story, it is this: If "multiple use" is a viable concept, it must be applied to all areas of the State in order for the blessings and burdens of such use to be spread out, and not concentrated on a relatively small area.

If we are serious about "multiple use," we need to expand it to as many areas in the State as possible. Royal Blue cannot be the only unrestricted publicly owned area in the State without becoming overrun.

One final thought: Everybody agrees that demand for outdoor recreation space will keep increasing with no end in sight. Now is the time to work out reasonable solutions. If we don't, the future may be filled with areas where you drive through on the main road and only see signs which say "stay on main road." Such may happen sooner than we think if we don't plan and act wisely now.

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Fellow Four-Wheelers:

I have received the study for the Wild and Scenic River designation of the Tellico River. After reviewing it I have found, without a doubt, that this act will lead to the closure of our O.H.V. area as well as vastly affecting hunting, fishing, and all other local recreational needs. Here are some of the "concerns."

1. Designation may affect private land and the owner's ability to use the land as they choose.
2. Designation would affect public use of the river corridors, such as limiting public access to the river, compatibility of O.H.V. use, restrictions of permit numbers, and public access restrictions.

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TWRA Responds

In a couple of recent issues of your newsletter, you have printed letters from an individual who is very much dissatisfied with the way TWRA operates. His dissatisfaction centers around Norris Reservoir fishing and his inability to catch crappies there. He blames the stocking of striped bass for the decline of crappies and believes Region Four's fishery biologists should "step down" because they do not agree with him.

The statement "...every lake we have in this area is totally dead" is so ridiculous that it doesn't deserve comment.

Fortunately for sportsmen, TWRA personnel do not react to every emotion-

based complaint they receive. If we did, there would be no bass tournaments, no jet skis, no ATVs, no deer, no new roads, no hunting, etc. You get the picture. In this day and time, someone is against practically everything.

It's true that crappie fishing in Norris has been much better. So was fishing for walleye, largemouth and sauger. Striper fishing has declined also in recent years. Norris had only black crappies in the early years; white crappies were not stocked until 1948 and again in '52 and '53. After whites were stocked, the blacks practically disappeared but since 1980, the whites have been declining and the

blacks have increased again.

Norris received very light fishing pressure during the first ten years of existence, from 1936 to 1945. Those were the depression years, followed by World War II. Few had boats or the money to fish. Many men, (and women) including some of you, were away serving their country. The bottom line is that fish in Norris had a chance to live for several years without being caught. Since Norris was a new reservoir, it was more fertile than now, and the fish grew faster. Norris produced some excellent fishing and a lot of large fish were caught.

When fishing pressure increased to the point that the stockpiled fish were removed, just as it has with stripers, the quality of fishing declined. The old Tennessee Game and Fish Commission and T.V.A. cooperated in a rough fish removal project during the winters of 1959 through 1961 to try to improve sport fishing because fishermen were complaining. This was long before the first stripers were ever stocked. In fact, Norris' declining fishery was one reason stripers were stocked there.

Even though other lakes that have never had stripers in them are having similar problems with crappies, biologists are still looking for a possible connection between stripers and other game fish populations in Norris. If a detrimental link is found, recommendations will be made based on data and rationale.

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Sept 6, 1994, 7:00 p.m.
Regular meetings are 1st
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Roads And Trails

By Jack Ethridge

Well, with my new position as Chairman of the roads and trails committee, guess I'll be doing a little more riding, investigating and reporting on what's going on in these areas of Royal Blue. The ride and experience I'm about to describe, may help make you more aware of why we need to improve our image and "tar and feather" those who are tarnishing it.

A small group of committee members decided to get together for an inspection tour of the IVY DALE section of ROYAL BLUE. The 4-wheeler ride was to look for and report back to CORA any trail blockages and newly installed gates. We agreed to meet around 8AM at the Perkins restaurant for breakfast. A few of us were a little late getting there, for various reasons, but all managed to have a fine breakfast and some good conversation. Just prior to leaving, Mr. Wiley McCloud, Perkins General Manager, whom we've come to know quite well, approached our table. He wanted to personally explain why the "No ATV's or Motorcycles" signs were at all the Service Station entrances. He explained that a group of "individuals" were jumping the curb and landing in the Perkins parking lot. When customers began complaining,

he went out to investigate. He approached the group and suddenly found himself very much on the defensive, these "idiots" wanted to fight. When Wiley's brother saw what was about to happen, he quickly went out to help even the odds...the group decided it was no longer a fun thing to do and quickly left the area. Mr. McCould's mind was made up, he would block the road with rocks, allowing no one to pass...even the "good" guys. The moral of the story, which cannot be over stressed..."BE AWARE OF WHAT YOU ARE DOING AND THE AFFECT IT WILL HAVE ON OTHER PEOPLE AND THE ENVIRONMENT." Motorcycling and 4-wheeling is a lot of fun for those involved but it does come with limitations and rules of common courtesy we must learn to live with, if this form of recreation is to survive.

The group complete, consisting of: Ernie Lester, Jayne Baird, Mike Reed, Johnny Thomas, Charlene and me, we took off on our 4-wheelers thru ROYAL BLUE. We were just getting started on the Sugar Limb trail, when it happened. Mike Reed, inexperienced and riding a borrowed bike, rounded a curve going too fast. He lost control, struck a tree limb...throwing him over the handle bars in front of his bike. Mike was fortunate to only have his left leg broken and no

other serious injuries. Again, fortunately, a 4-wheel drive Bronco drove up and took him to I-75, where he was taken to a hospital. Mike is doing fine, last I heard.

At this point, Johnny, Mike and Ernie dropped from the ride; with dampened spirits, we went on to Camp Want-A-Buck and met up with some friends. After a short visit we headed for home via the LaFollette reservoir trail. So much for the ride.

I know, this whole incident reeks with "I told you so." Those who don't ride and are reading this, are ready to impose all kinds of ridiculous rules to make it all safer. Yet, horseback riding, football, skiing and other sports are considerable more dangerous. In my opinion, and maybe I'm being overly sensitive, but one 4-wheeler accident is made more of, than an accident involving a horse-back rider.

Here's a list of (10) things considered more dangerous than 4-wheeling. This was taken from the June 1994 issue of *3 and 4 Wheel Action*. Floors, Tables, Walls/Ceilings, Chairs, Nails/Screws, Porches, Fences, Footwear, Fishing and Stairs...with Skiing being 65% more dangerous!!



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Archery '94

BY H. A. LaRue Jr./Sportsman's Choice

OK Bow hunters, it's just around the corner, bow hunting season!!

Let's take a pre-season quiz...

1. How many times did you hunt in the rain last year?
2. How many times, after a rainy hunt, did you clean up your bow?
3. How many shots did you make in practice and hunting with your present string and buss cables?

Well, regardless of your answers, you are still a prime candidate for "BOW FAILURE" most anytime during the upcoming season, unless you decide to act NOW!!

Bows, like guns and hunting vehicles, must be serviced each year. You need to take your valuable archery equipment to an archery shop of your choice and have your equipment inspected and tested. NOW, is the time to have it done, before you begin practice...not just before the season opens.

Did you have problems with broadhead flight last year?? A good archery dealer can solve that problem with an explanation and assistance in "Broadhead tuning."

Each year, just before the season begins, I have many customers rush in with equipment failure and problems. These are Bow hunters who failed to take care of their equipment or give it even minimal maintenance during or after the previous season. With today's modern "Hi-Tech" equipment, if you do not maintain your equipment...if you do not take it to a qualified archery shop, with manufacturer trained personnel...

you're headed for some serious trouble at some time or another.

So much has changed, especially in the new "arrow charts." How about your wheels or cams...are they properly timed? What about your "center" shot? The "center" shot is the critical time when you launch your arrow. The arrow must travel the properly adjusted path, before leaving your bow, in order to produce the correct flight path toward the target.

This article is much too short to ask or answer the many questions a good

archery dealer can provide a conscientious archer interested in insuring that his equipment is the best that it can be.

In closing, do you recall the ad on TV which said, "pay me now or pay me later"? Fellow Bow hunters and archers take heed, those words are as true as they can be. My suggestion and prediction...TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOUR EQUIPMENT AND YOU WILL BE REWARDED.

Good Hunting and Be Carefull!

Wild Turkey Populations Are Making Comeback due to TWRA Management

Wild turkey populations are enjoying an unprecedented comeback in this state, and are now found in 91 of the 95 counties in Tennessee.

In 1952 wild turkeys were present in only 18 of the counties of this state, according to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency's Strategic Plan for the 1990s.

Although many people believe that hunters are causing the decline in wildlife populations, the complete opposite is true.

In fact, the remarkable comeback of the Eastern wild turkey in this state, as well as other comparable comebacks with other species of wildlife, is

financed solely by hunting and fishing and sportsman's license holders.

The decline in this species was largely a result of disappearing habitat and diseases introduced when the settlers brought domesticated poultry into this country.

According to the TWRA, two-thirds of the forest lands in the state are now occupied by wild turkey. The TWRA also plans to continue restoration of this species, with hopes of doubling the population by the year 2,000.

The turkey harvests by hunters increases yearly, and each year the populations of this species grow, according to the TWRA.

Welcome To The CORA Annual Hog Roast

It's that time of the year again for the annual barbecue and hog roast. The event will be held this year on Oct. 15, 1994 at the Coal Town Property Pavilion located near the Royal Blue exit 141. Eating will begin at 4 PM and continue until everyone has had their fill.

This year we will be holding a bow shooting contest with prizes awarded to the best shooters. The event will be directed by the master himself—Mr. H.A. LaRue from Sportsman's Choice.

Come and test your bow and arrow speed on a chronograph (feet per second). It will be fun and everyone should attend. See you there!

Preserving Venison After The Hunt

By Kevin Howard

My dad had a strict rule when he was teaching my brother and I to hunt. If we killed something, we had to clean it and prepare it for the table or freezer. Taking care of the game is as much a part of the hunt to me as the scouting and hunting.

Preparing small game, waterfowl, and game birds for the table is a fairly simple process. A deer or other large game animal takes a lot more work and attention.

Venison can make a meal that is both tasty and healthy. To insure the deer you take ends up as excellent table fare, you need to be prepared to handle the butchering process before you go hunting.

The first step in the butchering process of a deer is field dressing. A copy of the Winchester Field Dressing Guide is included in this issue of *The Winchester Hunting Times*.

I like to field dress any deer I take immediately. If it's cool or cold outside, I prop the deer open to let the carcass cool as quickly as possible. In Missouri, where I live, all deer must be checked in at a local check station with the hide and head still attached to the deer. But, I get the deer back home and the hide off as soon as possible.

Some people I know like to let the deer hang for a few days with the hide still attached. I have done it both ways and find it a lot easier to skin the deer as soon as you can.

To skin the deer, we start by cutting the back legs off just below the knee. A slit in the hide is then cut on the inside of each back leg from the belly out to the end. This hide is then peeled off each leg.

To remove the rest of the hide we hang the deer by the back legs and start pulling the hide inside out down towards the head.

By doing it this way, the outside of the deer never touches the meat. The front legs are removed below the knees before the hide is pulled down. If the deer is to be mounted, be sure to take your time as the hide comes off the shoulders and neck.

Once the hide, legs, and head have been removed I like to let the carcass

hang for several days and maybe up to a week if it's cool enough. This is how most good beef is handled. We hang our deer in a machine shed, but a cold garage or other outbuilding would work fine. If the weather is warm, we take our deer to a local butcher to have the deer processed.

The main reason I handle my own deer is that I like to take all the meat off the bone. Most butchers use a saw to cut steaks and chops. I think this adds to the gamy taste sometimes associated with deer. Since I started boning out the meat on my deer, it's hard to tell it from beef.

If you have never been around anyone who butchers their own deer, you can get some help from one of several videos or books. A video on butchering your own deer by wildlife photographer, Leonard Lee Rue, is a good one to review.

Once the deer has hung to age for a few days, I begin the butchering process by removing the loins of the deer which line on either side of the backbone. The loins are the filet mignon of the deer and make some of the best steaks. To remove the loins, I take a seven-inch filet knife and make a cut on both sides of the backbone. The loins are then cut out by turning the knife sideways and trimming the strips of meat from the bone. Depending on the size of the deer, you should end up with a piece of meat about four inches in diameter and two foot long. Steaks or loin sections can then be cut to desired thickness.

Once the loins are taken care of, we remove the legs from the carcass. This is done by cutting through the joints at the hip for the hind legs and the shoulder for the front legs. The meat on each leg is then trimmed from the bone by taking the filet knife and making a single cut lengthwise down to the bone. The bone is removed by slowly trimming it from the meat.

I cut steaks and roast from the back legs. Because we like summer sausage, snack sticks and other items, the meat from the shoulder is put into the trimming pile. The rest of the meat on the carcass is trimmed off and packed to be taken to a local butcher. The trimmings are ground and used for a variety of

items. There are several meat processors in our area who make deer burger, breakfast sausage, summer sausage, bratwurst, bologna, snack sticks, jerky and other items out of the venison.

The steaks, roast and chops are rinsed with cold water to remove any excess blood and then allowed to drain. This also helps reduce the gamy taste. Each piece of meat is wrapped individually in plastic wrap and then frozen in plastic freezer bags.

Properly handled, venison makes a great meal. A dinner of grilled deer steaks with all the trimmings is the perfect way to reflect upon a successful hunting season.

Reprinted from *The Winchester Hunting Times*

Putting It All Together

When you are out and looking for deer sign, remember to take a small tape measure with you. Doing so will eliminate guesswork, letting you accurately measure the size of droppings, the height and width of rubs, the size of beds and, later, the inside spread of your buck's rack! They're a useful tool for the hunter who reads sign.

Deer sign allows a hunter to eliminate a majority of the guesswork and to place himself at the right place at the right time. Luck now takes a backseat to knowledge and skill. So, by taking the advice of that old Adirondack guide and learning to correctly "read the water," you, too, can become a better deer hunter.

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C.O.R.A. Minutes

CORA June 7, 1994

Meeting minutes of May 3, 1994.

Meeting commenced at 7:40 PM at the Campbell County City Hall, Jacksboro, TN with 13 Board members and 17 members attending.

Invocation by Rev. Tom West.

Board roll call—Absent: Gene Hinds

Excused absence: Tom Conner, Ray Ivey, Jim Rains.

April Minutes were approved as read.

Treasurers report—approved as read.

Newsletter treasury report by Terry Lewis approved as presented.

A request for information, articles and Ads for the NEWSLETTER was presented to the group...promises and commitments were made and accepted.

Chairman Burden requested committee reports...no reports filed or presented.

Member Clarence Ward, reported that his brother-in-laws vehicle was confiscated by the Law on top of Massengil mountain on TWRA property, apparently by mistake. President Asbury said he would take it up with TWRA at the upcoming meeting.

Subject meeting was called by TWRA to discuss the letter sent to them by President Lee Asbury. The letter contained the conclusions drawn by the Board on the need to regulate some of the activities on Royal Blue, before they get too far out of hand. The following persons agreed to represent CORA at the meeting: Lee Asbury, Ray Wilson, Frank LaGreca, J. C. Cardon, Jack Ethridge, Ernie Lester & Terry Lewis.

President Asburys' letter was read in its entirety to the attending Board and Members. Member Jack Ethridge asked for and received a copy of the letter. The Letter was authorized for release to the public by President Asbury, and will be published in the June issue of the NEWSLETTER, under the Presidents Corner.

Ray Wilson suggestion his ROAD committee get together to discuss a road tour and inspection of some of the areas under stress or concern and the results presented for discussion at the TWRA meeting.

Mike McAfee commented that many of the roads on Bradon Mountain had been naturally closed by the bad weather

we had during the early part of Spring and would need to be re-opened with machinery and a lot of manual labor. Many agreed that it would have to be up to TWRA to inspect and determine what needed to be done to open these once active roads.

Clarence Ward suggested a few roads which could be closed and not missed. Lee then suggested that the Roads committee meet at the Tower, on May 6th and inspect the area.

A discussion on, how much property a mining company needed for a "safety zone" from the point actually being mined. Most agreed that 500 yards was more than ample. Presently, they are controlling 2 to 3 thousand acres with locked gates. The keys to these locks are in the possession of company personnel and a privileged few, who are allowed to trespass and hunt this "protected" property.

"This must be stopped, the entire safety zone program needs to be addressed and made practical," said Asbury. This too, would be discussed at the meeting.

Ernie Lester reported that on one of his rides, he found that the roads he traveled had been torn up, mostly by motorcycles, but still in fairly good shape.

In response to this and in closing, Lee commented..."in all honesty and unfortunately, the property definitely needs regulations for those who do not know how to handle complete and unregulated freedom on this property. We, CORA, are now committed to help see that it's done."

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM

Respectfully submitted and recorded,
Frank LaGreca Sec.

CORA July 5, 1994

Meeting minutes of June 7, 1994.

Meeting commenced at 7:30 PM at the Campbell County Court House, Jacksboro, TN with 15 Board members and 21 members attending.

Invocation by Tom West

Board roll call—Absent: Gene Hinds & Ray Wilson

Excused absence: Mike McAfee & Charles Vincent

May Minutes were read and corrected.

Correction: previous meeting place was City Hall & Fred Walker was present and not absent. Minutes were then approved as read with corrections.

Treasurers report—accepted as read.

Newsletter Treasury report by Terry Lewis—approved as read.

Tom West announced a County wide trash pickup day was scheduled for a day in September and suggested we get involved. All agreed to discuss our involvement at a later date, but it was unanimous that CORA should participate.

CORA secretary, Frank LaGreca, reported to the Board and attending members, on the CORA/TWRA STRATEGIC PLANNING meeting called by TWRA. President Lee Asbury followed with additional comments. He suggested we all be patient and allow TWRA to digest and research the information, problems and possible solutions discussed at the meeting.

Board and Members briefly discussed areas in Royal Blue which should be considered good food plots. Jim Rains, (planting co-ordinator) took note for future consideration and discussion with Stan Stooksbury.

President Asbury in a move to more easily facilitate and implement a Board election, suggested we adopt a resolution requiring that 15% of the membership be present or submit written proxy. The prepared resolution was read by Lee, in its legal terminology, and discussed. A motion was made and approved by the Board to accept the Resolution as read. It was signed by the attending Officers and entered as an amendment to the CORA By-Laws. Briefly, it said: by deleting the words "100 members present" and inserting in its place "15% of enrolled membership," "a quorum shall be 15% of enrolled membership present, either in person or by written proxy."

The Board unanimously agreed to hold our annual election at the July meeting, allowing those not present an opportunity to become aware of the change.

President Asbury suggested that the Board take a 10 minute break to discuss, among themselves, whether to reduce its

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Tips for Tree Stand Safety

The following tips for tree stand safety were compiled from readers, manufacturers and hunter education instructors.

1) After buying a stand or safety equipment, **READ THE INSTRUCTIONS.**

2) Wear a safety belt or harness every possible moment that you're off the ground, including ascending and descending. When in the stand with the belt attached, allow just enough slack in the strap between yourself and the tree so you can sit down and stand up comfortably.

3) Practice with your stand and safety gear before using it in the woods, and understand how your stand works. Almost all stands hold by leverage. The farther your weight is from the tree, the more leverage that is applied. However, the farther out you go, the more torque you apply, which can cause the stand to twist. Practice will show you each stand's limitations.

4) Before buying a stand or safety gear, do your homework and shop carefully. Scour magazine articles and advertisements. Write to manufacturers. Visit archery and gun shops, and test the equipment whenever possible.

5) Maintain your stands and safety gear, and inspect them before each use for flaws and weaknesses. If steps or the stand get muddy or wet, clean them before using them again.

6) Double your precautions when using permanent stands or homemade portables, even if you made them yourself.

7) When choosing a tree for your stand, first check it in daylight for straightness, and irregular shapes, knots and angles. Your first climb should never be made in darkness.

8) Be especially careful when using portable stands on smooth-barked trees - such as aspen, maple or hickory. Don't rely on branches for climbing, especially those on "self-pruning" trees, such as aspen and oak.

9) Be especially wary any time there is rain, snow or ice.

10) With screw-in steps, make sure they're cranked straight into live, solid wood, all the way to the end. The back of the step should rest parallel against the tree trunk when properly seated.

11) Employ the manufacturers' safety pins or fastening straps when reaching your desired height in climbing stands. Don't rely on leverage alone to secure the stand.

12) Use a rope to raise and lower equipment, such as your bow or gun.

13) Buy comfortable stands. If a stand isn't comfortable, you will fidget and shift your weight, which can lead to trouble.

14) Take your time and move slowly every moment you're off the ground. This is especially true at the end of the hunt, when you might be cramped and cold from hours of sitting.

15) Use your stand for its intended purpose: hunting. It is not meant for use

in trimming trees with a chainsaw.

16) Hunt with a partner who knows your location. If this isn't possible, leave a map and detailed directions with people you trust, and let them know when to expect your return.

17) Never modify a commercially manufactured stand or safety device.

18) Never leave the ground when tired or on medication.

19) Dress carefully. Some clothing - whether bulky, loose or tight - restricts movements.

20) Treat tree stands as you would loaded guns: The minute you stop fearing and respecting them, they'll kill you.

Taken from *Deer & Deer Hunting Magazine*

The Recipe Exchange

Mississippi Mallard Stewed in Red Wine

5 lb. duck
1 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon pepper
2 large onions
3 sprigs fresh parsley-tied with
3 sprigs celery tops and
1 large bay leaf
1/8 teaspoon thyme leaves
1/4 cup good brandy
1 pint red wine
1 small carrot *thinly sliced*
2 slices fat salt pork, *chopped*
1 Tablespoon olive oil
1 clove garlic *minced*
1/2 lb. fresh mushrooms *thinly sliced*

Cut the duck into portions. Place in a large mixing bowl and add all but the last four ingredients. Blend, and allow them to marinate at least four hours, stirring occasionally. Drain thoroughly, reserving the marinade. Heat the pork and olive oil in a casserole and brown the drained duck pieces on all sides. Add the entire marinade, garlic and mushrooms and let simmer very gently for one hour. Serve from the casserole with rice.

Makes 6 servings.

Roast Goose With Baked Apples

8 lb. goose
2 quarts bread crumbs
2 onions *chopped*
2 Tablespoons fat
1 Tablespoon sage
2 teaspoons salt
dash pepper
6-8 apples
1/4 cup brown sugar
3 cooked mashed sweet potatoes

Cook the giblets (gizzard, heart and liver) until tender, chop and mix with bread crumbs, onion, fat, sage, salt and pepper. Clean and wash goose thoroughly, but do not stuff. Prick into skin through fat layer around legs and wings. Heat in moderate oven 375° for 15 minutes. Cool to room temperature and repeat two more times. Drain off fat. Rub inside of goose with salt, stuff and truss. Place in roaster and roast uncovered in slow oven - 325° until tender about 25 minutes per pound. Wash and core apples, sprinkle with brown sugar. Stuff with seasoned sweet potatoes and place in pan with goose 1 hour before goose is done. Serve hot with goose.

Makes 6 servings.

The above recipes were reprinted from *The Winchester Hunting Times*.

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BOARD members or retain its present representation. Upon reconvening, a motion was made and approved that we maintain the present number.

Board member & planting co-ordinator, Jim Rains, announced that because of his job he would gladly relinquish his position to anyone interested in replacing him. Therefore, anyone wishing to apply for his position must make it known at the July meeting when nominations are requested.

Terry Lewis discussed the problems which surround the distribution of the NEWSLETTER to our advertisers and the general public. A remedial discussion with the Board and attending members ensued. Pledges to assist in its distribution were made and accepted. The Newsletter, along with specific invoices, was handed out to those volunteering to help. We sincerely hope that they were all timely delivered to their designated locations. Terry and I wish to sincerely thank all who helped in the distribution.

In an effort to legally hold our June election in July, this meeting is in recess at 8:50 PM, and will reconvene on Aug. 2, 1994 at approx. 7:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank LaGreca Sec.

CORA AUG 2, 1994

JULY 1994 MINUTES

The recessed meeting of June 7, 1994 was reconvened on July 5, 1994 at 7:15 PM at the Campbell County Court House, Jacksboro, TN with 8 members and 13 Board members attending.

Invocation by Rev. Tom West.

Board roll call—Absent: Ray Ivey, Don Shelton, Jim Shetterly & Hubert Rollen.

Excused absence: Jim Rains

June Minutes were approved as read.
Treasurers report by Lee Asbury, approved as read.

Newsletter treasury report by Terry Lewis approved as read.

President Asbury ordered the membership and the Board to hold our annual election and asked for nominations. Frank LaGreca nominated Terry Lewis to fill the vacancy of Treasurer, left by Ray Wilson. The nomination carried. With no further nominations the request was closed and a motion to approve Terry Lewis as Treasurer was made and seconded. The vote to approve carried. A Motion to retain all existing Officers and Board members was made, seconded and approved. A separate motion by President Lee Asbury was seconded and approved to retain Harry Burden as Board Chairman.

Terry Lewis asked if we had any kind of membership or membership drive program in place. He was informed that we didn't have one, that this might be a good time to discuss it.

Member Leonard Hooks suggested we reduce our membership dues from \$15 to \$10 as an incentive to join.

Terry Lewis suggested we offer an incentive to members signing up the most new members.

Tom Conner suggested a free flow of applications via hand-outs and a short letter telling what CORA has done and needs to do.

Tom West volunteered to contact the local Cable TV owner and attempt to convince him to get our message on the air.

At this time made and approved to drop the dues from \$15 to \$10 and give each attending member 5 membership cards to sell by the next meeting. Names and cards were noted by Treasurer Terry Lewis.

Mike McAfee suggested we follow thru on the Cable TV contact, mailing, local newspaper article and free flow of application handouts.

The meeting then turned to TWRA and the gates problem. Lee explained that there are definitely some differences of opinion between TWRA and CORA on this point. Since there are few, if any, official patrols of the property, violations will persist and for that reason TWRA will continue to put up gates to defend the area against unauthorized trespassers.

Asked if any contact was made since the special CORA/TWRA meeting? Lee's answer was, no.

However, he said he would attempt to contact Region 4 area supervisor, Bob Ripley & report back at the August meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.
Respectfully submitted and recorded,
Frank LaGreca, Sec. July 5, 1994

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Resolution

WHEREAS, There are times in the affairs of an area when an individual performs public service so far beyond the call of duty, that special recognition and appreciation is called for; and

WHEREAS, The special circumstances surrounding the need to create CORA, the super effort required to keep it going and its ultimate unqualified success are clearly one of those times; and

WHEREAS, Ray Wilson rose to the occasion and performed far beyond the call of duty as an organizer, spokesman, lobbyist, officer and goodwill ambassador for CORA; and

WHEREAS, Ray spent freely of his time, effort and money in aid of the cause because he loved the area and his fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Such special effort merits special recognition and appreciation;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution recognizing Ray's invaluable contributions to CORA and expressing our deep and heartfelt gratitude be unanimously adopted and made a part of the permanent minutes of CORA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Ray be awarded an honorary lifetime membership in CORA.

THIS 4th day of August, 1994.

CAMPBELL OUTDOOR RECREATION ASSOCIATION

By: LEE ASBURY, PRESIDENT

CORA Membership Drive Underway

Campbell Outdoor Recreation Association (CORA) has attained the first goal of the association. That is moving the "Koppers property from private to public hands. Tennesseans now have our newest wildlife management area, the "Royal Blue Wildlife Management Area."

What is CORA working on now? The association, from the beginning, has advocated "multiple use rights" on Royal Blue and other lands in public ownership. Multiple use is defined as management and utilization of public lands for a wide range of users. CORA has recently been looking at the wide range of users on Royal Blue and the effects of multiple use. Board and general members have participated in a number of document reviews and discussions with the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) regarding land use, roads, study areas, regulations, hunting seasons, and other

topics. Input from a variety of sources is critical to the proper management of our public lands.

Are you interested in Royal Blue and other public property? Are you a hunter, fisherman, hiker, ATV rider or any outdoor enthusiast? If so, become a member of CORA. Our diverse efforts are actively pursuing the interests of the outdoor enthusiast.

CORA's yearly membership drive is currently underway. A one year membership is \$10. Monthly meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at the Campbell County Courthouse in Jacksboro. Additional information regarding CORA or membership can be obtained by writing CORA, P.O. Box 66, Jacksboro, Tennessee 37757, or by calling Lee Asbury 562-5886 or Harry Burden 562-2171.

If you wish to join the C.O.R.A. Group, please cut out this form, Fill out and Mail along with \$10.00 for 1 Year Membership to the Address Below.

**Campbell Outdoors Recreation Association
PO Box 66, Jacksboro, TN 37757**

C.O.R.A. Membership

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Address _____

Phone _____

Date Submitted _____







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A reward of up to \$300 is offered by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency to anyone giving information and/or testimony leading to the arrest and conviction of any poacher of a wild turkey in the state of Tennessee. An additional \$300 is offered by the Tennessee Chapter of the Wild Turkey Federation. Contact a TWRA office or the nearest chapter of the Wild Turkey Federation for details. All calls are kept in strictest confidence!

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3. Specific concerns are: O.H.V. use, increased fishing pressure, and future needs for municipal water supply.

In this plan they have three Alternative plans;

Alternative A—NO ACTION. This is the only one that is good as it states not to change anything. This is only right because the way it works now has been very successful for years and doesn't need to be changed.

Alternative B—Public use may be regulated and distributed where necessary to protect and enhance the resource values of the river. *(This means it's scenic but you can't see it).* **Dave's note*

Alternative C—(The state's preferred alternative). Basically the same as Alternative B except the Protective measures under the National Wild and Scenic Rivers would apply. *(See Dave's note above).*

No matter what you hear this is the truth: "Wild and Scenic River Designation is Bad For Everyone That Uses The River." Choose Alternative A!

Written comments are now being accepted for the public to voice their concerns on this issue. The address is;

Forest Supervisor
Cherokee National Forest
P.O. Box 2010
Cleveland, TN 37320
615-263-5486

For additional information contact Amy Fore at 615-263-5486.

The comments must be received by Monday, September 26, 1994.

In your letters tell or question them:

1. That you strongly oppose this designation.
2. What is the cost and where will the money come from.
3. Will we be able to withstand the pressures and new demands caused by this designation.
4. How will the Forest Service deal with the pressure to change present uses and change policies even to the extent of no vehicles.
5. Tell them that local and regional needs will be lost due to strong groups such as the Sierra Club, Wilderness Society, and Earth First Clubs.

6. Tell them to include your letter in the public report.

Write your letters now, no-one else can do it for you. If you don't remember until you go to ride or do any form of recreation and find that you can't....Then it's too late!

Take this letter and pass it on. I'm sending it to all the club Presidents to get their clubs involved but don't stop there get as many people to write as you can.

The public meeting to voice your concerns in person will be held:

**Wednesday September 14, 1994,
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Holiday Inn—North Cleveland, TN

Be there if you possibly can and still send your letters.

Together we can win!

David Borum
Director of Legislative Affairs S.F.W.D.A.
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Annual Trail Ride

By Terry Lewis

Its that time again for our annual trail ride. This year we are going to go on a very nice long ride from Oliver Springs to Highway 63 and back. Everyone who wants to join us for a great ride through some of the area's most beautiful back country should be at Sue's Restaurant in Oliver Springs at 6:30 AM on Oct. 15th.

Bring your sleeping bag as we will camp out Saturday night around the Royal Blue area at Highway 63 and I 75. We will eat breakfast at Perkins Restaurant on Sunday morning and begin the ride back to Oliver Springs. Its about 65 miles one way, and we always have the best time as the trees and mountains are at their most colorful and the weather is cool enough to really enjoy the ride. For more information please contact Jack Ethridge at 435-7486 or Alfred Freels at 435-6688. So everyone come on out and join us for this years ride, we guarantee you'll have a great time.

Hunting is Safer Than Most People Think!

According to the National Safety Council (NSC), hunting remains the safest outdoor recreation-related activity. Far safer to the participants than football, baseball, soccer, bicycling, skateboarding, horseback riding, ice skating and even fishing, golf, tennis, and swimming!

When it comes to hunting, the NFC reports only eight injuries per 100,000 participants. This is based on 1991 statistics, the most recent year for which numbers are available.

That number pales by comparison to swimming, the next lowest injury-related activity, which accounts for slightly over 93 injuries per 100,000 participants. Fishing is even more hazardous. Over 141 out of every 100,000 anglers report injuries. Football? You may be among the 2,171 players out of every 100,000 who gets injured.

How about baseball? It's the second most hazardous recreational activity, according to the NSC's statistics. Out of every 100,000 baseball players, 2,089 report injuries.

And what about fatalities? You're still safer walking through the woods with a gun than you are staying around the house. Less than one in every 100,000 hunters was killed in 1991, according to these statistics. Just over eight out of every 100,000 deaths are attributed to home accidents. Get in a car, and your odds of dying are considerably increased. The death rate is 18.6 for every 100,000 people.

In fact, you're more likely to die from poisoning, falls, fires or suffocation than from a firearms accident during the hunting season. Thanks for this newsy tidbit to the *Hunter Education Instructor*.



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