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From The President

By Lee Asbury

In an effort to clarify CORA's positions in the development of the RBWM the following letter was sent to those listed, April 12, 1994.

TO: CORA officers and directors
Stan Stooksbury, Area Manager
Bob Ripley, Region 4 Supervisor
Gary Myers, Director, TWRA

and

To Whom It May Concern:

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"A-Number-One" Coon Dogs

CORA, acting through its Board of Directors, has made an effort to set out and clarify its positions regarding what we refer to as a "multiple use concept" and to clarify what we envision to be our proper role in the development of Royal Blue WMA.

We sent out a letter asking every Director to list the uses which he thought should be permitted starting with #1 as the most desirable and least destructive and going on to the uses that were most damaging and most in need of regulation.

We then met, compared notes and came up with a list of what we called traditional uses that, properly done, minimize environmental damage and do not adversely affect the enjoyment by others using the area.

I. Uses

1. Hunting (done lawfully and in season).
2. Fishing (done lawfully and in season).
3. Hiking.
4. Medicinal plant and wildflower hunting (done lawfully and in season).
5. Camping.
6. Horseback riding (not a problem now; could be if large scale use came about; regulation might be needed).

We then took up the less traditional and more modern uses which include all kinds of vehicles, ATV's, motorcycles, rail buggies and similar machines. Everyone agreed that vehicles are now a part of the outdoor scene in Tennessee, but they

also present some of the greatest dangers to the environment (land, plant, and animals) as well as danger to others and do in many instances interfere with use and enjoyment by more traditional users.

Our "multiple use concept", our loyalty to vehicle user members who have supported the cause, our own personal likes and dislikes, and the entire subject of vehicles provoked a lively and productive discussion. When it was over, there was unanimous agreement upon the following propositions.

II. Vehicles

1. Vehicles are now a major part of outdoor recreation in Tennessee and their use should be permitted on Royal Blue and hopefully other areas in the State.
2. Because they present a potential danger to the environment, other users, and interfere with use and enjoyment by other people, reasonable restrictions and regulations are necessary.
3. Reasonable use of vehicles for transportation while hunting, fishing, camping or engaging in the other traditional uses should generally be permitted.

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Dear Sportsmen,

I'm writing this letter in regards to the pay increase TWRA has been asking for. TWRA has paid a lobbyist \$4,500.00 to get them a salary increase above state levels. First, I want to thank all of the state Representatives and House members and most of all the Governor for voting down such increases. If TWRA was doing something for the average hunter and fisherman it would be different.

Fishing up here in Region 4 is the worst it has been since our lakes were

backed up. Quail and grouse are about history. TWRA has employees who earn this pay and probably need a raise, but the Biologists on fish here in region 4 need to step down because they have shown us sportsmen they don't even deserve a job, let alone a raise. If they don't step down and things keep going as they are, licenses will cost you \$500.00 a year very shortly.

I knew this good friend of mine who has 3 kids: one 17, one 19 and one 20. They all go to school and don't have a

job so dad has to buy them all licenses including his wife, because they all deer hunt and fish. Folks would you like to guess how much my friend is going to have to fork out this fall for licenses?? Would you believe \$475.00 just to hunt in your own state. This is uncalled for and a disgrace. This is highway robbery. Why?

The sportsmen are being robbed and getting nothing. Somebody needs to step down. "Oh" yes I own a sporting goods store and I had to take out the fishing supplies because they would not sell. A guy came in and asked me one day for a job. I laughed and said, "You are hired. I'll pay you \$10.00 for every pack of 99 cent crappie jigs you can sell for Norris Lake." He worked 2 days and his pay was zero. This is because every lake we have in this area is totally dead.

This is why I say somebody needs to step down. I started selling Nascar now I am doing great. Folks it's a shame to live here between 3 lakes and all 3 don't have native fish because of stupidity. Douglas Lake is the only lake left even worth fishing and it is polluted so bad I'm afraid to eat anything from it, besides it is 100 miles to it one way.

Have a great summer and take a kid fishing.

Bobby Phillips
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(Please see article
'Fish or Cut Bait' on page 7)

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In The Spirit.....

Of co-operation, a small cadre of dedicated individuals gathered at the Eagle Bend fish Hatchery on the evening of May 19, 1994. The meeting was called by TWRA Regional Supervisor, Bob Ripley, to address a letter sent to him by CORA president, Lee Asbury. The letter contained a list of what CORA's Board of Directors unanimously agreed were traditional uses, which when properly done, minimize environmental damage and do not adversely affect the enjoyment by others using the area. It also contained a list of "less" traditional and more modern uses, including all kinds of vehicles, ATV's, motorcycles, rail buggies and similar machines.

Everyone on the Board and those at the meeting agreed, vehicles are part of our outdoor enjoyment, but present the greatest overall danger and interference to people, land, plants and animals.

As the meeting progressed, both sides appeared to begin to realize that they really did share a common ground of concern, and for many of the same things. The spirit of co-operation began to break through the veil of misunderstanding.

Roads and road closures were discussed at length, as were the vehicle problems and what might be done to control ALL of them.

Mining problems, as well as what good is done in their restoration program (food plots), were also discussed.

Plants, animals, breeding and a host of environmental and safety problems were addressed and discussed.

Mr. Ripley was very careful in his analysis of imposing (new) rules and regulations to the problem areas. He is definitely in favor of doing whatever it takes but felt some research would be needed to determine what, if any, laws are already in the books. If any are found, and are suitable, said Ripley, they could be easier and perhaps more quickly implemented. Stan Stooksbury, Royal Blue Area manager, quickly commented and all agreed..."regardless of the difficulties, if the area is to be preserved, rules and regulations must be imposed, posted and enforced."

In closing, Lee Asbury suggested that a small group of CORA personnel act as a liaison between TWRA and CORA. That one or two of the group be designated to correspond directly with Stan Stooksbury or any TWRA official spokesperson, regarding project planning, a request or suggestion and why, for ROYAL BLUE. The information will be brought back to the committee or vice versa and fully discussed before bringing it before the Board and ultimately to the members.

TWRA's, Stan Stooksbury, the local and responsible authority for ROYAL BLUE agreed, ... it would be a good way to begin. He said it would relieve him from

having to come to the meetings to announce a project "cold" to the Board and members, and often, get just that kind of reception.

Bob Ripley, in his summation, pledged to work with CORA in every way possible, especially on roads. To CORA personnel this was good to hear, since most public resentment is due to road closures.

TWRA and CORA ask that you try to understand that many of the suggested solutions to the problems are complex and need to be "worked out." To attempt to para-phrase the entire meetings' dialog at this time would be counter productive and serve no purpose. The CORA NEWSLETTER will, at the appropriate time, provide a complete description of what is officially going on as conditions evolve; and of course, you can always come to the meetings and find out sooner. You might want to come, comment, and just maybe, make a difference.

A special request to all who presently use ROYAL BLUE and those intending to use it. CORA is the only official organization communicating with TWRA. We need your help and ideas regarding where ROYAL BLUE is headed as a "multiple use" area. By joining CORA and participating we definitely will make a difference for all who follow in our footsteps.

As president, Lee Asbury said in his article, which we can perhaps use as our "pledge": "If we can be a reasonable part of the decision making process, we will help and we will take our part of the heat for decisions about proper use."

C.O.R.A. Minutes

March 1, 1994

Meeting Minutes of Feb 2, 1994.
Meeting commenced at 7:15 PM at the Campbell County Courthouse, Jacksboro, TN with 12 Board members and 31 members attending.
Invocation by Chairman Harry Burden.
Board roll call: Absent: Gene Hinds, Mike McAfee & Charles Vincent.
Excused: Lee Asbury, Hubert Rollen & Tom West.
Minutes were approved as read.
Treasurers report by Ray Wilson, approved as read.
Newsletter discussed, everyone was reminded that all articles need to be in by February 15th.

Distribution of the Newsletter will be up to the membership and Board members. All paid up members will receive theirs by mail.

An Ad committee chaired by Ray Wilson with the help of Lee Asbury, Jim Shetterly, Harry Burden, Ray Ivey and Perry Vincent. This select committee will be responsible for soliciting the Ads each quarter for the newsletter. The Newsletter Editors will be responsible for invoicing the advertisers. Assistance may be requested from any one of the committee to help collect the money if no response to the invoice is received.

A motion to approve payment for letterhead paper and envelopes was made and passed.

Ted Fields opened up a discussion regarding a firing range. A location was needed and information on liability was discussed. J. C. Cardon said he would take care of finding out more on liability requirements and report back at our next meeting.

Concern was expressed regarding the carrying of firearms out of season onto WMA property if they provided the location. Terry Lewis volunteered to discuss this potential problem with WMA manager, Stan Stooksbury, and report back at the March meeting. All agreed that the matter should be discussed further with Lee.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the ROYAL BLUE WMA potential tax problem. The matter was soon tabled until the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM
Frank LaGreca Secretary

April 5, 1994

Meeting minutes of March 1, 1994.
Meeting commenced at 7:15 PM at the Campbell County Courthouse, Jacksboro, TN. In attendance were: 45 members and 18 Board members.
Invocation by Tom West.
Board roll call: Absent Jim Rains.
March, 1994 minutes were approved as read.
Treasurers report was approved as read.

Newsletters were brought in by Terry Lewis. After the meeting they were given, in quantity, to those responsible for getting them to our advertisers as well as various distribution points. The carriers were asked to collect the advertising fee from each advertiser receiving the Newsletters. All agreed to do so.

Royal Blue manager, Stan Stooksbury asked to be recognized and discussed the "Donut Hole" acquisition. He commented that plans were approved for a 100 yard rifle range, also approved were plans for a pistol and skeet range. J. C. Cardon reported on our concern for liability insurance if we were to attempt to establish our own shooting range. However, since plans were well under way with TWRA, no further discussion took place regarding this problem.

Stan was asked to discuss in greater detail why so many roads were being closed with no public involvement or consideration, especially CORA. He addressed one closing, off of Stinking Creek, as an equipment parking area; and another, was due to the building of the Cellular One Tower...he also indicated that there were some food plots beyond the Tower.

Jack Ethridge and others, voiced concern about an area previously opened for riding and hunting which is now closed. The hunters complained about this particular area as being almost inaccessible without the roads. Stan said he was willing to discuss opening the lower portion of the road, but the upper elevation was considered a food plot area.

Ethridge complained about being unable to pass by some of the food plots planted by TVA and WTF. Stans' comment was "allowing activity around the plots disturbs the wildlife using the area." Ethridge commented that much of the disturbance was being done by inexperienced riders wanting to try new experiences on their ATV's.

Regardless, said Stan, many of these and other areas are prime food plot locations; funded by organizations for that purpose, and he didn't want to betray their trust by allowing these areas to be destroyed or disturbed.

Ernie Lester asked that the roughest roads in the area be left alone, since those are the ones most enjoyed by himself and other ATV'rs. Terry Lewis said, "that to him, it appeared that ATV'rs were being discriminated against in the name of wildlife preservation and it was unfair."

Stan admitted that he was having a difficult time trying to compromise with every self-interest group and knows he cannot satisfy everyone, therefore, "Best Management Practices" would ultimately prevail.

Stan was asked if their would ever be one road "in" and one road "out". Stan said, "Absolutely not."

He asked that everyone be aware and concerned with, what he considered our biggest problem...mining. They have right-of-way with no argument and that 3 companies have plans to mine. He said that much of his time is spent insuring that what they do does come under "BMP."

President Lee Asbury suggested that we invite other Special Interest Groups to our meetings and openly discuss their concerns regarding ROYAL BLUE. This is under consideration and will be addressed at later meetings. Ray Wilson was appointed to Chair a roads committee to work with Stan. An all volunteer group joined Ray and agreed to report back as conditions warrant.

In closing, Stan said that 30 LBL & Chuck Swan turkeys were released on Braeden mountain, which will be closed this year to turkey hunting. Next year, 60 such birds will be released East of I-75;

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4. Recreational riding, done properly and at reasonable times and places, should generally be permitted with reservations.
 - A. Speed limits.
 - B. Noise limits.
 - C. Races, contests, etc. should be prohibited.
 - D. Recreational vehicle users should be willing to stay off the area, or out of certain specific locations, when the need arises and good reasons exist.
 - E. TDR stickers, user fees, out of state license fees, or other reasonable methods should be employed to prevent excessive free use by non-residents and by residents who do not have valid hunting and fishing licenses or valid area permits.
 - F. If sufficient demand exists for non-traditional vehicle use, the possibility of a designated area should be explored.
 - G. The entire subject of recreational riding should be carefully monitored and regulated as necessary to prevent environmental damage and interference with enjoyment by other users.

III. Why should CORA be a part of the decision making process?

1. CORA, its officers, directors and members invested a quarter of a million dollars, thousands of hours and all the political capital it could muster in the effort to bring Royal Blue WMA into existence. If the State of Tennessee is Royal Blue's mother, then CORA is its father.

2. CORA is the only organization in Tennessee that honestly tries to represent the best interest of every one as opposed to the many "special interest groups".
3. There is, within CORA, a vast reservoir of goodwill and assistance available to TWRA in its efforts to preserve and enhance the area. We want to help, not on a one-time, get our name in the paper deal, but long term and always in the best interest of every one.
4. Anyone doubting CORA's resolve or motives should look back at what has been done and recognize CORA's commitment to this piece of Tennessee.

This letter is being sent out to clarify our positions and hopefully to create further discussion and open up lines of communication with TWRA and other agencies. If we can be a reasonable part of the decision making process, we will try to help and take our part of the heat for decisions about proper use.

After everyone has had time to digest this letter, I will try to arrange a meeting of all concerned to discuss ways and means of setting up lines of communication and getting on with enhancing the area.

Best personal regards to everyone.

Sincerely,
Lee Asbury

A Look Ahead

By Mike McAfee

What does the future hold for CORA and the Royal Blue Wildlife Management Area? This is a critical time for CORA and Royal Blue. Why do some people think our job is over when it is really just beginning? I can see two distinct paths ahead.

Path one is smooth and easy. Do not speak up. Do not get involved in the process. Wait for someone else to take action. Someone else will surely come along and "Carry the ball". Right? This path will probably not take us where we want and need to go. Getting the right outcome is almost always based on our efforts. Not getting involved is a decision. Think about it!

Path two is not nearly as smooth and easy. This path requires time, effort, and

the basic decision to get "involved". The outcome will almost certainly be worth the effort.

What can I do as a member of CORA? The human resources in CORA are extensive. Every single member has talents they can contribute. Can I plant a tree, pick up trash left on the roadside or in the woods, organize a committee, talk to a group of kids about responsible ATV riding or sportsmanship, teach firearms safety, repair a trail, sow seed, write an article for the newsletter? The list can go on for pages.

CORA's annual membership drive is just getting underway. What if every single CORA member recruited just one more member? Think about it!

TWRA In Action

Enforcement Report for Campbell County (including Royal Blue & Cove Creek WMA's)

By Jim Arnold
Campbell County Wildlife Officer

During the fiscal year 1992-93 that runs from July 1st through June 30th of the following year, there were 2217 violations prosecuted by TWRA officers in East Tennessee's Region 4. Region 4 contains 21 counties and 3 Enforcement Areas. In Campbell County and the borders of surrounding counties, Campbell County Enforcement Personnel issued and/or prosecuted over 200 of these violations or approximately 10%. The average of violations per county (2217 divided by 21) is 105, so Campbell County personnel have done their share and then some. The estimated figure of over 200 is based on Campbell County cases and also violations issues and/or prosecuted in border counties like Scott, Claiborne, Anderson, and Union. In the normal scope of patrol work and answering violation calls, the commissioned personnel assigned to Campbell County cross the line into these border counties on a regular basis to assist officers in those counties and also to patrol in areas of Campbell that are only accessible by traveling through another county to come back into Campbell. The Montgom-

ery fork of Royal Blue WMA is a prime example since officers have to travel several miles on HWY 63 in Scott County and then detour through Norma to reach this section. The Clairfield/Tackett Creek areas of Claiborne County are on the 784 Jellico phone exchange and Campbell County officers receive 99.9% of the information and violation calls to that area and therefore must work it along with Cumberland Mountain and Little Tackett in their own county.

Here is a breakdown of violations prosecuted and warning citations issued in Campbell County alone

	Prosecuted Warnings	
Hunting	46	0
Fishing	47	10
Boating	36	19
Litter	13	0
Other	21	6
<i>(includes alcohol, DUI and access area cases)</i>		
Total	163	35
Combined total	198	

Prosecuted cases and warning citations issued in the border counties by Campbell County personnel are not

reflected by individual totals but in the totals for those counties and an accurate number was not available at this time, but a rough estimate by Campbell County officers would put it in the neighborhood of 35-40 violation cases.

Several articles (guns, lights & other hunting & fishing paraphernalia) have been confiscated by Judges in Campbell, Claiborne, and Scott counties. At the present time approximately 17 people are serving a suspended period for Hunting or Fishing due to being caught by Campbell County personnel. This type of Law Enforcement effort is critical to this area and has had a vast impact on Raccoon and Deer populations. This was obvious this year as we set a new record for Campbell Co. deer harvested with a total of 587 for Campbell/Royal Blue and 221 for Cove Creek WMA. This adds to a grand total of 608. I, along with many others, can remember back to the late 70's & early 80's when 608 was an unimaginable number and we were averaging 89 - 125 deer harvested.



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however, finding an area acceptable to close...is the biggest problem.

Also of interest was the increase reported gamed violators to TWRA, and a greater number of illegal dumping citations issued. Public concern and reporting was the primary reason for the increases in both areas, said Stooksbury.

A volunteer tree planting group was invited to meet with Stan everyday that he was available, until all the trees are gone. Anyone interested was to meet with him at Perkins, on March 12 at 8:30 AM, or everyday during the week of March 1st, same time and place.

CORA trash detail to meet March 19 at 9 AM at Perkins.

Lastly, a Bear survey is being taken by Region 3 TWRA for the prospective stocking of Bear in South Fork, call Region 3 to get involved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank LaGreca, Secretary

May 2, 1994

Meeting minutes of April 5, 1994.

Meeting commenced at 7:15 PM at the Campbell County Courthouse, Jacksboro, TN with 17 Board members and 22 members attending.

Invocation by Tom West

Board roll call - Absent: Tom Connor and Ray Ivey.

April Minutes were approved as read.

Treasurers report approved as read.

Guest speakers from the Forestry Service, Forestry Technicians Steve Roark and Frank McCullah showed the group a video on "Logging" using "Best Management Practices." A brief discussion and a Q & A period followed. Much of the discussion centered around the Champion Paper acquisition and their eventual treatment of the property when logging. Both men agreed that Champion Paper forestry personnel were well aware of TN's Best Management Practices program, and were well equipped to do it "right and proper." Once again, they both agreed that Champion, because of the bad press they've received, would want to go out of their way to do it right. "However," said Mr. Roark, "since Tennessee has no law stating that a Logger must use BMP, a Logger can do just about what he wants...provided he

does not violate "EPA" laws." He further stated that Loggers are being taught throughout the State, how to properly log and treat the property. President Lee Asbury thanked our guests for coming and for their fine presentation.

The meeting was then opened for business, with Lee asking the Board to begin discussion on the letter he sent to each Board member, requesting a list of activities they considered least, to most damaging, to the ROYAL BLUE property. After a lively discussion the following list was approved. Least damaging: hunting, fishing, hiking, gathering (nuts, roots etc.), camping and horseback riding.

Most damaging: Off Road Vehicles, Motorcycles and ATV's.

Generally agreed, was the need for speed and noise restriction regulations. Also, regulations requiring wide, low pressure tires on specified vehicles. In addition, all vehicles must possess an annual use permit and a TDR sticker or license.

The Board requested that TWRA be contacted and made aware of our recommendations for vehicle restrictions, and that they be imposed as soon as possible. Regulating these unrestricted vehicles now will help control the damaging environmental effects and, in some cases, endangerment to the lives and safety of the innocent on the ROYAL BLUE property.

President Asbury agreed to send a letter to local and region TWRA management and to Director Gary Meyers; informing them of our positions regarding the "multiple use concept," and the development of the property. CORA Officers and Directors will also receive a copy.

Trash pick up Chairman, Tom West, reported a very disappointed show of help at the last "gathering." Only Tom, Jim Shetterly, Harry Vincent and Stan Stooksbury, appeared for the event. He commented that if the pick up program is to work, he really needs a lot more responsibly committed help. Most agreed and begged off until the next time.

Ray Wilson volunteered some seed he was hoarding to anyone wanting it...I believe somebody took him up on it. Ray asked all those on the Road Committee to stay after the meeting to help decide what needed to be done and how, on the upcoming road inspection tour.

NEWSLETTER Treasurer, Terry Lewis, gave his report and asked that all articles and advertiser information be in as quickly as possible...the June Edition will need this input.

Lee Asbury gave a brief report on the TCL meeting and announced that CHAMPION PAPER received the 1993 CONSERVATION AWARD. This was worth mentioning because of their possible neighboring involvement to ROYAL BLUE. He also, while having dinner with Gov. McWherter, thanked him for his assistance in procuring the ROYAL BLUE property. The Governor's comment to Lee went unrecorded for these minutes.

Jack Ethridge voiced condemnation on how Windrock mountain was being timbered. He felt they were using "poor" management practices on the mountain not "Best Management Practices."

He also announced the Camp Commissary Hollow ATV ride on April 30th. Anyone interested, see Jack.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM
Frank LaGreca Secretary

Fish or Cut Bait

If you're a Tennessee angler unhappy with the way the state manages its reservoirs, here's your chance to act, rather than complain.

The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) is preparing its five-year strategic plan for managing the state's reservoirs, and it has issued a survey to get input from fishermen.

Answers to the following survey should be sent to Tim Broadbent, TWRA-Region 1, Dept. FS, 224 M.L. King Dr., Box 55, Jackson, TN 38301. Broadbent asks that anglers who do not fish in Tennessee's reservoirs please do not complete the survey.

1. How many times did you fish in Tennessee reservoirs during 1993?
2. What species do you most often seek?
3. What do you think is the most important problem facing reservoir anglers?
4. What new activity would you like to see the TWRA undertake on reservoirs?

-B.M.

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Royal Blue Clean Up Day

By Blake Avery
(Tennessee Valley Four Wheelers)

For our club's March trail ride, the Tennessee Valley Four Wheelers decided to organize a trash pick up day at Royal Blue. Benny Parks was in charge of making the appropriate contacts, including contacting the Knoxville News-Sentinel (who ran a brief but effective article a week before) and Stan Stooksbury of the TWRA (Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency). The rest of the club did it's bit to "spread the word".

Sunday morning, March 13th, vehicles started rolling in at the LaFollette exit. There was a bit of confusion about where we were supposed to park, since the old parking has been closed off (we were promised more parking in the future). As 9:00 (when everyone was to meet) approached, it was obvious that we had "spread the word" quite well, we had more than 60 people! The road we met on was starting to look like the start of the Baja 1000, with ATVs, buggies, and four wheel drives.

Stan Stooksbury and Benny Parks began the task of dividing this anxious band of volunteers into smaller groups and directing them to the trails that needed attention. This was no small feat, since the turn out was much better than expected.

One group's assignment was to haul out an old truck that had been a "rusting eye sore" for many years. Dennis

Caspelich brought his 4x4 Kabuta tractor for this purpose (perhaps to test it's trail worthiness too). Dennis said later that it was quite a ride with the old 1953 GMC in tow behind him. The old chassy would catch a root or rock and the front of the tractor would nose up while Dennis did his best impression of a rodeo star.

Several other groups went out to clean up the trash along the trails and the last two groups to go out followed Stan Stooksbury to a couple of dirt roads that had been used for illegal dumps. I was in on cleaning up some of this. We pulled 90 automobile gas tanks UP a bank by hand! In fact, 60 of them were all in a small area and 4 and 5 deep. They were mixed in with tires and trash. We pulled several tires up the bank, but got smart and used a winch cable to pull 4 or 5 up at a time using my truck.

The total for the day's work was 90 gas tanks, about 300 tires, 1 '53 GMC 2 ton truck, 10 pick up loads and 5 trailer loads of trash.

There are many rewards to a day like this, such as the positive publicity for off road vehicles and the clubs involved, proof of our commitment to do what's necessary to keep areas like this open to us, and of course just the satisfaction of helping keep the beauty of the mountains that God has blessed us with.

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I would like to thank Stan Stooksbury and Ken Cutsinger, both with TWRA, for giving up their Sunday, Benny Parks, for doing an outstanding job of organizing things, and all the clubs and people who came out to help.



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"A-Number-One" Coon Dogs

By Jim Shetterly

Somebody once said a man's hunting dog can cause a man to bend the truth a little. I remember going coon hunting one night with my son and a friend of ours.

As we let the dogs out of the truck and began the hunt, it wasn't long before they started to bark. Now I figured those dogs were **A-Number-One coon dogs**, for the man they belonged to said that they wouldn't run no trash whatsoever.

After about an hour or two I started to wonder what was going on, as the dogs should have treed by this time. We were all standing there looking at each other, when about that time the dogs started off the side of the mountain right down from us and into the creek.

Now we could hear them down there and they were growling and barking like I never heard before. We stood there a few minutes before we decided we

should go down and find out what was going on. As we moved in for a closer look and not knowing what to expect, I heard somebody say "Buck Deer." Sure enough the dogs had a Buck Deer down there and it was fighting the dogs." As I looked, the deer was right out in the middle of the creek, still fighting with the dogs, but it had gone about as far as it could go.

We finally got the dogs away from the deer, and our friend decided that they needed a little discipline. But the dogs didn't think so.

Hunting incidents like this show you a man can sometimes trust his hunting dogs a little too much.

The Recipe Exchange

by Mitzi W. Jones

Wilderness Cake

- 1 can pie filling (any flavor)
- 2 cups flour
- 1 3/4 cup sugar
- 2/3 cup vegetable oil
- 2 eggs (beaten)
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda
- 3/4 cup chopped nuts
- 1 1/2 tablespoons melted butter

• Combine 1 cup sugar, oil, eggs, vanilla; beat well. Add pie filling, flour, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, soda and nuts. Pour into 9" x 13" cake pan. Top with remaining 3/4 cup sugar, 1 tsp. cinnamon, and the melted butter. Bake at 350° for 40 minutes.