

R3 NEWSLETTER

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KENTUCKY

Newsletter Date:

MARCH/APRIL

Welcome!

This is our first R3 newsletter! Our hope is to increase communication between R3 partners in Kentucky. As you scroll through you will find partners:

- Upcoming/past events
- Immediate needs
- Contact information

**Please keep in mind that some of these dates listed below may be canceled/reschedule due to COVID-19.



R3 Summit Canceled!

Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources and Kentucky State University have canceled the R3 Summit on April 14 due to COVID-19 Coronavirus. The summit will be rescheduled in the Fall of 2020. We will notify everyone when the new date of the summit is in place.

Kentucky Ducks Unlimited

For the past eight years the Kentucky Ducks Unlimited Greenwing Program has held a Legacy Greenwing Hunt at Henderson Farms in Henderson County, Kentucky.

The purpose of the hunt is to introduce young people to the incredible sport of waterfowl hunting in a mentored environment and teach them about the importance of wetlands and habitat conservation. For many youth, this has been their first opportunity to experience the excitement of waterfowling. The hunt is held during the West Kentucky youth waterfowl season which is usually the first full weekend of February.

This year there were seven youth hunters, each accompanied by a parent or guardian, who participated in the hunt. Participants learned the rules of the hunt, along with proper gun handling and safety practices expected during the hunt. Harvest Results: six ducks, one of which was banded and that hunter's first, along with one blue goose and one white fronted goose.

Steve Keister, KYDU Youth & Education Chairman

Jeff Adams jadams@twc.com





Quail Forever

Upcoming Event: September 26th Commonwealth Chapter Quail Forever Youth Day. Trap shooting, pellet rifle, 22 rifle, archery, casting/fishing, and Gun history. Open to the public and would like to incorporate a range day into that day.

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Quality Deer Management Association

Upcoming Event: Derby City QDMA is in the planning stages of implementing a Field to Fork deer hunting program now

Past Events: The Derby City QDMA hosted their banquet on March 7th at the Kosair Club on Bardstown Rd. This event helps to fund our annual Military Youth Hunt at Camp Piomingo with about 30 kids attending.

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Western Kentucky Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Upcoming Events: March 27-29, West KY FCA Outdoors Father/Son Retreat, Dawson Springs 4-H camp 50 father/sons

Past Events: Archery deer retreat Jan 7-9, Beaver Dam, KY, 12 men

NEEDS: An inflatable archery range through a grant or sponsorship and any other inflatable that we can use to take to events, schools, churches, etc. Cheap or donated arrows and bow wax to give away at events. I put a special wrap on them.

***MOBILE LAB: Sponsor logo on truck and trailer. IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A SPONSOR OR HELP PLEASE LET ME KNOW

Brad Lawson: 535defense@gmail.com



University of Kentucky– Shooting Sports



Upcoming events:

April 8-11: 4-H Shooting Sports Camp in Jabez, KY

Past events - In the fall of 2019 4-H youth in Nelson, Pendleton and Spencer county donated 15 deer through the 4-H Donate a Deer Program in partnership with Kentucky Hunters for the Hungry. These deer were processed locally and the meat was distributed to food banks within those communities. Through their donations 4-H youth were able to provide approximately 600 pounds of venison, or 3,000 servings, to people in need.

March 6-8, 2020: Completed 4-H Shooting Sports Coaches Certification in Jabez, KY

NEEDS: - none

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Backcountry Hunters and Anglers

Upcoming Events: Kentucky Backcountry Hunters and Anglers has a "Scout It Out" event scheduled for **Saturday, March 21** to provide the basics of scouting for whitetail deer. This will be a combination scouting class and hike with a public lands work day marking the boundary of Marion County WMA near Lebanon, KY.

"Talking Turkey" event scheduled for Wednesday, **March 25, 2020** from 7pm-9pm at Country Bow Brewing in Georgetown, KY. We will discuss calls, strategies and techniques for being successful this coming spring turkey season. If anyone has specific questions or topics they would like covered please send them to kentucky@backcountryhunters.org.

NEEDS: additional volunteer help, equipment and funding for our events. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Pete Ralston: christopher.ralston151@gmail.com



Long Run Sportsman's Club

Upcoming Event: June 27: Long Run Sportsmen Club's in Middletown, KY

"Fishing for Friends" at Long Run Park Lake DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES MAY 31. Event time is 8:00 a.m. - Noon. No cost but donations are gladly accepted . Fishing for Friends is a fishing event for children 16 and under .

NEEDS: donations for door prizes and the goodie bags that we hand out to all participants. We can always use a few more kids.

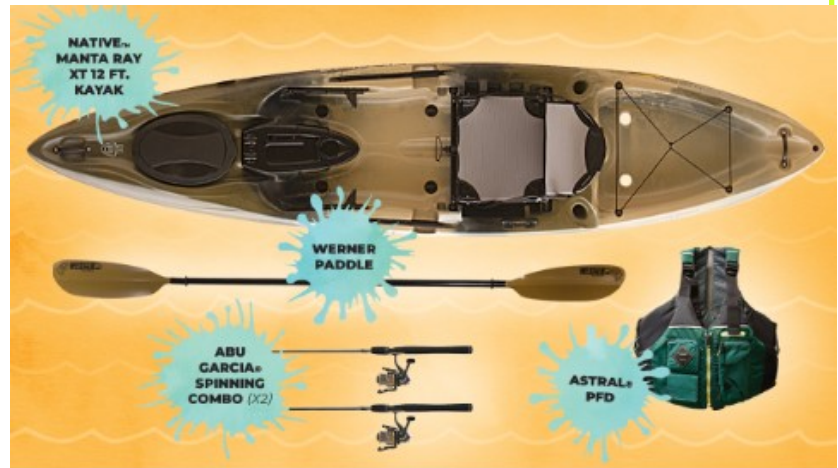
Contact Jeff: jefffitzpatrick@twc.com

KENTUCKY DEPT. OF FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES

Starting Wednesday, March 18, conservation educators with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources will be hosting special Facebook Live sessions at 1 p.m. (Eastern) on weekdays. These sessions will live stream on the Salato Wildlife Education Center's Facebook page (@SalatoWildlifeEducationCenter) and continue approximately 30 minutes.

Mentor-to-Win a \$1,000 Kayak Fishing Prize Package...
<https://app.fw.ky.gov/specialdrawing/default.aspx>

Buy an annual Kentucky fishing license and sign up someone else age 16+ and you could win!

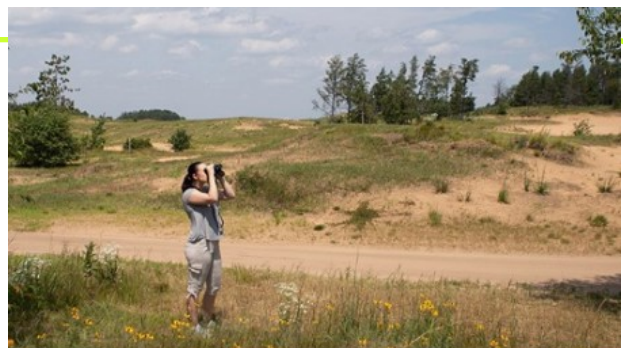


Trout Unlimited—Louisville

APRIL

Friday 3 – Sun 5th	TU Southeast Regional Rendezvous	-----	<u>Hendersonville, NC</u>
Saturday 11 th	Otter Creek Cleanup & Fishing Day	10:00 AM	<u>Garnettsville Picnic Area</u>
	<i>April 18th is our Backup Creek Cleaning day if we cancel due to Rain!</i>		
Tuesday 14 th	Board Meeting	6:30 PM	<u>Commonwealth Bank</u>
Saturday 25 th	Earth Day Event – TU Booth	9:00 AM-1:00 CST	<u>Wolf Creek Hatchery</u>
<u>NEEDS:</u>	Volunteers Needed/Welcome – Call - Paul Vitello (502) 425-1427		

HELP! Please continue inspiring others to opt outside (with social distancing) during this time instead of staying in the house. Help us as we are promoting healthy activities in the outdoors like hiking, fishing, hunting, boating and wildlife watching during this time. Be an advocate both on your organizational social media and your own!



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Birding Is the Perfect Activity While Practicing Social Distancing