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Dear Fellow Members and Friends,

Look around, enjoy the company of your friends. We were able to do this in grand style last year. We did, however see too many of our number leave us, never to return. That is my melancholy thought for the year. Now it's time to move on.

At our most recent Board of Directors meeting it was agreed that we worked hard last year to make the 50th anniversary of our Interstate Shoot a huge success. We also felt that it is necessary to continue on with our traditions and events but not work as hard at it. So this year we will carry on, smell the roses, and do what we do best.

Here is our schedule of events for the upcoming year;

CORPS SANCTIONED EVENTS,

1. April 27, 2013 Spring Interstate Shoot. Altoona Pennsylvania. We need at least 5 shooters to travel up and defend our honor. The corps will put up \$1000.00 to help defray travel and lodging expenses. If you want to participate call me @ 859-361-1055 so that we can coordinate getting there and rooms.
2. May 3,4,5, 2013 Spring Rendezvouz. The event will again be held at the Morehead range. This is a required event for new member candidates. We will do our normal spring thing minus the auction this year. I have not checked but will assume that Mr. Weasel will be providing another wonderful meal on Saturday night.
3. June T.B.A, Conley/Montgomery Memorial. To be held at my place on the Stoner Creek in Paris. Bring your fishing gear and your flintlock. I will have the dates and more particulars for you in our next newsletter. This will be a good opportunity for you to shoot that second tryout.
4. July 13, 2013 Kentucky Cup Match. As always, this event will be held at Morehead. Brochure to follow. If you have never participated in this shoot, gather up a good 5 person team and join in the fun.
5. October 5, 2013 Fall Interstate Shoot at Boonesborough. This will be the 51st renewal of what has become a fall classic event in our sport.
6. October 26, 27, 2013 Fall Rendezvouz. This year the good folks at Bucksnot Longhunters will host us. This is a beautiful location and the guys really work hard to make us welcome.

EVENTS OF INTEREST – NOT CORPS SANCTIONED

1. February 1,2, 2013 Bucksnot Trade Fair. Pritchard Community Center, Elizabethtown Ky..
2. March 30, 2013, Randy Russell Hammer-In, 446 Levy Rd. Paris, Ky. Ph. 859-362-4106, or 859-749-2549. More eatin' than heatin' and beatin' but always a fun day!

3. May 17, 18, 19, 2013 NMLRA Territorials, Morehead Ky.. For more info call Charlie Burton @ 606-780-7709.
4. May 24, 25, 26, Bucksnot Rifle Frolic, Elizabethtown Ky..

Pocket Knives. We had 85 Case XX knives made up to commemorate the 50th Interstate Shoot. By all indications this was a popular idea. I have 6 knives left. They are 4 1/8 inch trappers with a special blade etch and serial numbered. If you want one act now. They are \$45.00 each. Call me @ 859-361-1055 and I will reserve one for you. We will be placing another order for the 2013 Interstate Shoot using a different handle material and blade etch later on in the year.

New Blood. Welcome new probationary member Bill Moore. He is the son of longtime member Harold Moore.

Thanks to the old timers. Ronnie Fuller (3), John Meisenheimer (39), and Marshall Love (51) have all made some significant contributions to the Corps from their donations of photographs, news articles, and other material. Without all of this, our history is lost. THANK YOU GUYS!!!!

Back in the forefront! Did you get the chance to read Tom Schiffer's article in the January 2013 Muzzle Blasts? If not, find a copy and check it out. He did a wonderful job reviewing the history both then and now of our premier Corps event, the Fall Interstate Shoot at Boonesborough.

Support a good cause. Log on your computer (or someone else's computer) and look up the Fort Boonesborough Foundation's website. There you will learn about a raffle that they are holding to generate funds for an upcoming archaeological project at the original fort site. Please buy some tickets! They are raffling off a fine 1760's period iron mounted 50 caliber flinter. The more tickets they sell, the happier my wife is.

Mentors. I picked up the black powder bug back in the late 1970s and became exposed to a lot of characters who would shape the way's and how's that I enjoy the sport. I still enjoy the companionship of many of these people to this day. Jim Dixon was a giant to me and a number of ways. He was always friendly and willing to give good and practical advice. He was quick witted with that big booming voice we all remember and rare to harsh criticism. He was a fellow from whom a compliment really had meaning. And on top of all of that, he was a hell of a good shot. Jim was everybody's buddy. We shall miss you Jim. Too many good-byes.

I look forward to seeing all of you soon!

Wayne