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Pope Lake Hunt Club

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Looking Forward

As we look back at last season duck and goose season we say to ourselves what could we have done better. Shoot better, better decoy set up, different crop to attract the birds, better cover for the blinds. But the overwhelming fact is there was just not the birds as we have seen in the past. As always we are thinking about these items and planning for next year. Some changes. We are changing the crops. Thanks to the research of Dale and Gary and a few others we



are going to change the crops this coming year. This could make a difference along with maybe going back to the decoy setups we use to use when we were harvesting 1,200 to 1,800 birds per season. But the bottle line is we need the birds. So as always mother nature will play the biggest part. WE NEED BIRDS.

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Wind Damage to Trees



Wind Damage at the Front fence.



I have asked Gary Kish to step in and help manage the planting of the crop with Rob Prince this Year.

WORK PARTIES THAT WILL BE SCHEDULING

Proposed Project for the Summer of 2026:

- 1). Re-install the drain valve in North Lake.
- 2). Clean out old bedrooms upstairs, set up storage shelves for All records.
- 3). House Repair. Repair batter board on Eastside of Eves and Paint. It did not get done last summer.
- 4). Clean out Inside locker room and put on burn pile or haul to dump. Some volunteers. (Throughout old boots, clothes, and move clays).
- 5). Repair Fertilizer bins on seeder.
- 6). Add Gravel to area behind blind 7.
- 7). Repair damage to Front Fence.
- 8). Trim limes on patio trees.
- 9). Paint, Restrung & Weights, to oversize decoys.
- 10). Repair Pit blinds North end.
- 11). Repair South Blind next to Pump. (Roof, Floor, Front).
- 12). Decoy painting and repair.
- 13). Camouflage paint small boat.
- 14). Finish repairing Trap Trower.
- 15). Install new system to bring water to club house (Contracted)

Coming this Spring and Summer
Trap Shoot Again
1st Trap Shoot of the year, Saturday June 20, 2026