

WPPC-IL 2017 Fall Picnic Sunday, September 10th, 2:00-5:00 p.m. Aurora Sportsmen's Club in Waterman, IL

For this year's annual parent's club fall picnic we are going to mix it up and venture west to the Aurora Sportsmen's Club in Waterman, IL. http://www.aurorasc.org/

Please RSVP on the Club's Facebook page Events tab. If you don't use Facebook, send me an email.

This will be a blast and there will be something for everyone.

In addition to the usual pot luck picnic and fellowship, we are going to add in some ballistic activities for all those interested. We will have static displays of the various firearms that your Cadets have used, or will use soon enough, for those who just want to learn more and pick them up and work the mechanisms, but who do not want to do any shooting.

And we will set up multiple shooting lanes with various types of firearms for all who want to give it a go. Whether you shoot one round, or empty the clip of an AR-15, or just pose for a cool Bonnie and Clyde photo, your street cred with your Cadet will go off the charts. And that will make this year's Christmas card a no brainer.

We will kick off the event with a safety brief for the entire group from an NRA instructor (our host, Nancy Donaldson) and then those who choose to do so can go weapons free (in a very safe and controlled manner, with everyone firing in the same direction).

Please join us on September 10th for this big event. Again, no shooting required and everyone is guaranteed an interesting and very fun afternoon.

Logistics and Requests:

Please plan to arrive by 2:00 p.m. as we will start our safety brief shortly thereafter. There is a gate to transition so we will station someone at the entrance and send through cars in small groups starting at about 1:45.

Please plan to bring a dish to share (your call-fruit, salad, fruit salad, arugula salad, potato salad, potato chips, tortillas and dip, cookies, and the like). We will let the free market clear that aspect of the meal and it will be fun and interesting to see what we end up with. And please let me know if you would like to substitute a cooler of soft drinks and water for your dish to share. Soft drinks only.

Please bring folding chairs for sure, and popup sun shelters and camp tables, if you have any.

We are looking for a few volunteers who can each pack in a barbecue grill for brats and burgers. Please contact me separately if you can help with that project.

For anyone who would like to bring along firearms and gear for the shoot around, please contact me separately to coordinate that portion of the event. We can definitely use your help.

Please RSVP on the FB page when able and please call with any questions.

Sincerely,

Bill Ratzer 847-383-6574 wbr333@att.net

Directions to the Aurora Sportsman's Club:

The Aurora Sportsmen's Club is located about 60 miles due west of Chicago, just southwest of Waterman, Illinois. The main office is at 7858 Preserve Rd., Waterman, IL 60556.

To get to the club, take I-88 West to Exit 113. Follow IL-56 West about 4 miles and stay straight to go on to US 30 West (Lincoln Hwy). Follow US 30 approximately 19 miles to the traffic light at route 30 and Elm St in Waterman.

To get to the Rifle/Pistol ranges, go one mile west of Elm St. in Waterman to Leland Rd (Look for the HOKA Turkey sign) and head south approx 1 mile to the second road, Rueff Rd and turn left heading east. Each range area has a separate gate (Sporting Clays, Rifle/Pistol and Shotgun/Archery.)

Location using Google Maps:

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