

On Target with the Popodickon Bowmen

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April 2009

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Popodickon Bowmen will be held on Monday April 6th at 8:00PM.

New Members

There were no new members at the March meeting.

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Our e-mail address is now active:

info@popodickonbowmen.com

Visit the site often to catch the latest updates.

Upcoming Shoots

Popodickon Bowmen 3-D Shoot Schedule

**April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19,
August 16 (40 targets), September 20**

Come on out and support the club!

Registration 7am – 12 Noon

Kids Under 12 Free

Age 12 to 16 - \$5

Adult - \$10

Berks Conference Field Archery Schedule

Check www.PopodickonBowmen.com for the latest info on the Berks Conference shoot schedule and news.

**April 18 – 24
April 25 – May 1
May 2 – May 8**

Stowe	Field Round
Popodickon	Hunter Round
Chestnut Hill	Field Round

Shoot any time Saturday through Friday
Registration Sat & Sun 8am – 12pm
Use lock box any other time
Kids under 16 - \$3.00
Adults - \$6.00

Pennsylvania Game Commission News

GAME COMMISSION RELEASES 2008-09 DEER HARVEST ESTIMATES

HARRISBURG – The Pennsylvania Game Commission today reported that hunters harvested an estimated 335,850 deer in the state's 2008-09 seasons. That's up four percent from the previous seasons' harvest of 323,070.

Hunters took 122,410 antlered deer in the 2008-09 seasons, up from the previous license year's harvest of 109,200. Also, hunters harvested 213,440 antlerless deer in 2008-09, which is almost the same as the 213,870 antlerless deer taken in 2007-08.

"This year's antlered harvest is on average with the harvest for the last five years," said Dr. Christopher Rosenberry, Game Commission Deer and Elk Supervisor. "As for the antlerless deer harvest, about one quarter of all antlerless deer licenses issued were used to harvest an antlerless deer, which also is on average with the harvest success rate for the past five years.

"It is important to note that in 2008-09 there was a shorter antlerless deer season for firearms deer hunters in WMUs 2D, 2G, 3C and 4B. As a result, in three of the four WMUs, the antlerless harvest dropped. In WMU 2G, the antlerless harvest was similar to last year."

Rosenberry noted that the agency has launched a study to evaluate the impact of this split-season. (For more information, please see [News Release #012-09](#) in the "News Release" section of the agency's website – www.pgc.state.pa.us.)

Bureau of Wildlife Management personnel currently are working to develop 2009 antlerless deer license allocation recommendations for the April Board meeting. Calvin W. DuBrock, Game Commission Bureau of Wildlife Management director, said that in addition to harvest data, the staff will be looking at population trend data, deer reproduction data, forest regeneration data, and input from new Citizen Advisory Committees.

Harvest estimates for 2008-09 seasons are based on 127,351 usable harvest report cards (44,995 antlered; 82,356 antlerless) returned by hunters to the Commission and 26,057 deer (8,791 antlered; 17,266 antlerless) examined by Game Commission personnel in the field and at processors.