Family Day at Swift Ponds
By Larry Sanford

The 2019 Outdoor Buddies Family Day at Swift Ponds was held on Sunday, June 9th. The weather was forecast to be rain and cloudy. Thank God the weather man was wrong. Penelope Sanford greeted folks as they came in and said we had more than 180 folks come through the front gate to enjoy the absolutely beautiful day that lasted from 8:30 am till 3:00 pm.

The team of volunteers started showing up at 7:30 am to get the scheduled activities for the day ready for everyone to enjoy.

There were nine ponds to fish with four ADA fishing docks along with loaner fishing gear for those who wanted to fish.

We had an amazing new archery range to use as well! Steve Medberry offered to help folks along with some of the Colorado Youth Outdoors (CYO) helpers.

Don Reid, Dave Murtha and their crew which included Mike Smith from Westcliffe along with numerous other volunteers did a fantastic job on the trap shooting range! Gabriel Nissen and his granddad drove all the way from Missouri to enjoy the Outdoor Buddies Family Day. I think Gabe spent most of the time shooting trap and archery, oh yea; also eating pulled pork at lunch.

It was fun watching some of the folks who had never shot a gun before shooting shotguns and hitting clay targets! The volunteers like Mike, Don, Dave, and Jeff Sweeney spent considerable time teaching everyone to shoot and really have fun enjoying themselves, way to go guys!

Some folks were having so much fun that they would have fished the rest of the evening if I hadn’t had to tell them that time was up for this year!

We had fishing, archery, BB gun and trap shooting from 8:30 AM till 11:45 AM so that the lunch activities could start a noon! Jeff Sweeney roasted some pig up along with all the fixins ready for the huge group of Outdoor Buddies at high noon!

Just like in years past we had a great line up of bucket raffle items for folks to win!
Several volunteers served the awesome food that Jeff Sweeney cooked up then we started to draw the winners of the bucket raffle items. Jeff Sweeney jumped in as the raffle ticket puller and had everyone laughing with excitement as their numbers were called! The tickets were sold for $1.00 per ticket and when Terry Gleason counted the cash you guys donated $554.00. WOW! Great job!

After lunch and all of the raffle excitement everyone went back to having fun fishing, shooting the BB gun range with Steve Buttie and archery. Some folks just enjoyed helping pick up and visit with all the great folks that are a part of Outdoor Buddies!
Fishing Outing at a Private Pond at Tarryall State Wildlife Area
Tuesday, July 16th, 2019

Outdoor Buddies has been invited to bring up to 10 anglers to fish a stocked pond along Tarryall Creek, not far from the Tarryall Bunkhouse. Chuck Schwalier will buy the passes, and will lead the trip. Fishing rights for a 10 mile stretch of Tarryall Creek is covered by these passes, but access is easiest at the main pond, where we will take this group. The trout in the main pond are reported to be big ones.

- Preference will be given to those with mobility-impairments.
- Each fisherman is allowed to keep 4 fish.
- Fishermen can only use 1 pole.
- Bait, flies, and lures are allowed.

To reserve a spot and get the details, like time and rendezvous location, contact Jim Piper – 303-514-8944, or email – geopros@q.com

Announcing Camping/Fishing at Tarryall State Wildlife Area
August 24-25

Outdoor Buddies will host a camping – fishing weekend at Tarryall on August 24th and 25th.
We will have the campground available for camping for this event. Contact Jim Piper for reservations.
Group camping at this scenic campsite is available by reservation from June 1st through August 31st. Camping facilities available at the site include 4 picnic tables, 2 metal ringed fire pits, and an enclosed pit toilet.
Fishing will be open around the lake, and we will take 5-10 anglers to a private pond which is stocked with trout. We will also have shooting at the range (weather permitting).
The Tarryall bunkhouse is located at 16226 Tarryall Road, (Park County Road 77) going south out of Jefferson. The campground is off of Forest Service Road 143, above the bunkhouse.
Hiking trails found nearby in the Lost Creek Wilderness area are easily accessible from the Tarryall camp.

I want to say thank you to all of the many volunteers who helped make this event a great success!
Swift Ponds has been a fantastic place for the Outdoor Buddies families to meet for over 35 years.
Now that Colorado Youth Outdoors has developed the ponds to help even more folks build relationships through outdoor activities Swift Ponds is even more of a destination event we look forward to each year!
Thank you Colorado Youth Outdoors!
Till next time, keep your powder dry and enjoy the beautiful Colorado outdoors this summer!
Register Now!

Please Join Us for the
2019 Outdoor Buddies
Sporting Clays Shoot

Saturday, August 3rd

For the fifth consecutive year, Outdoor Buddies is honored to hold the annual Sporting Clays Tournament at Colorado Clays Shooting Park.

We are looking for volunteers to help out on the day of the event. Whether you have a disability or are able-bodied, we need your support to make the clay shoot a success. Volunteers will help run the stations and guide participants through the course. Please contact our volunteer coordinator at stevemedberry@gmail.com to sign up.

Conveniently located just 30 minutes northeast of Denver, only 6 miles from Denver International Airport, an easy drive from the entire Colorado “Front Range”, Colorado Clays Shooting Park offers the region’s most complete shooting range experience.

Please Come Join Us at Colorado Clays

We would love for you to join us for this fun-filled day in the outdoors.

Please go to the Outdoor Buddies website and register now! You can register using the form on page 10 of this newsletter or online at:

http://outdoorbuddies.org/claysbenefit/

You can email or call Jim Piper geopros@q.com, cell: 303-514-8944 for more information.

For questions about fishing please email or call Dan Brown kl5pts@yahoo.com, cell: 843-816-0901. Dan can give advice about what type of bait to pick up prior to coming to the lake.

Jim Piper shows off his catch!

Map showing location of bunkhouse and campground.
What is Outdoor Buddies?

Outdoor Buddies is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization founded in 1984 by representatives of Craig Hospital and the Colorado Division of Wildlife.

Outdoor Buddies mission is to provide opportunities, through a volunteer organization, for those who have been deprived of enjoying outdoor experiences.

The focus is on those who are mobility-disabled (including disabled military veterans), at-risk youth, and youth groups. Outdoor experiences include hunting, fishing, boating, camping, and education in the use of the outdoors for recreational activities. The opportunities are available to all, with no cost (other than personal expenses) and no discrimination due to race, color, creed, religion, sex, or family status. We endorse the principle that wildlife and the environment are to be protected, preserved and managed for the benefit of all people.

Outdoor Buddies is Open to All

Outdoor Buddies is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization. None of the Outdoor Buddies officers or board members is a paid employee. Under those conditions, Outdoor Buddies is seeking qualified persons who are willing to serve on the Outdoor Buddies Board of Directors. The board of directors is the governing body of Outdoor Buddies. Individuals who sit on the board are responsible for overseeing the organization's activities.

The following is a general description of responsibilities associated with members of the Outdoor Buddies Board of Directors.

1. Attend regular meetings of the Board. The board meets eleven (11) times per year. Meetings are generally held in the Denver area and are usually about two and half hours in duration.
2. Be accessible for occasional personal contact between board meetings.
3. Provide leadership to committees. Each board member is expected to serve as an active member of at least one committee.
4. Participate in the development of financial resources for Outdoor Buddies by engaging in fundraising activities.
5. Prepare in advance for decision-making and policy formation at board meetings; take responsibility for self-education on the major issues before the board.
6. Responsibly review and act upon committee recommendations brought to the board for action.
7. Participate in the annual board of director’s self-review process.
8. In general, utilize personal and professional skills, relationships and knowledge for the advancement of Outdoor Buddies.

All Outdoor Buddies Board meetings are open to anyone who would like to attend. Please see the Upcoming Events Calendar in this newsletter for the dates and locations of the meetings. Please feel free to contact any of the current board members shown at the left for additional information.
OUTDOOR BUDDIES FUNDRAISER SHOOT
HOSTED BY COLORADO CLAYS SHOOTING PARK

Outdoor Buddies is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization, relying on able bodied volunteers to help disabled individuals and disadvantaged youths enjoy the best of what Colorado natural resources have to offer.

Awards will be given for highest scoring teams

First time shooters are welcome and encouraged to participate!!!!

The event will be held at Colorado Clays Shooting Park
Saturday, August 3, 2019
Registration 9 am - Shoot at 10:00 am - Lunch at 1:00 pm
Practice targets available at the Trap range at 9:00am.

$75 per shooter or $300 per team of 4

Registration fees include targets and lunch – Golf cart rentals available.
Address: 13600 Lanewood Street, Brighton, CO 80603 (303) 659-7117

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

GOLD SPONSOR: $1,500 entitles the sponsor to a team of 4 shooters, shells for four shooters, golf carts for four shooters, and signage and recognition at the Sporting Clays Event.

SILVER SPONSOR: $1,000 entitles the sponsor to a team of 4 shooters, golf carts for four shooters and signage and recognition at the Sporting Clays Event.

BRONZE SPONSOR: $750 entitles the sponsor to a team of 4 shooters and signage and recognition at the Sporting Clays Event.

To register please fill in and mail the Registration Form on the back of this page
Or go to www.outdoorbuddies.org to register online.
REGISTRATION FORM

Outdoor Buddies
Sporting Clays Event
Colorado Clays Shooting Park
13600 Lanewood Street, Brighton, CO 80603, (303) 659-7117
August 3, 2019

Make checks Payable to: Outdoor Buddies, Inc.
Please submit individual, team, and sponsorship registrations no later than July 31, 2019.

Yes, I would like to sponsor and participate:

_____ Gold Sponsor $1,500
_____ Bronze Sponsor $750
_____ Silver Sponsor $1,000
_____ Team of Four Shooters $300

# _____ Individual Shooter(s) at $75 each

LIST ALL TEAM SHOOTERS:
(Teams are made up of 4 shooters each, groups of less than 4 will be paired with other shooters.)

Team Name (if any): ______________________________________________________

Sponsor Name (if purchasing sponsorship): __________________________________

1st Shooter Name: ___________________________________ Telephone: __________________
2nd Shooter Name: ___________________________________ Telephone: __________________
3rd Shooter Name: ___________________________________ Telephone: __________________
4th Shooter Name: ___________________________________ Telephone: __________________

To pay via credit card enter information below.

Credit Card No: _____________________________ Expiration Date: ___________ Code: _________

AMEX   MC   VISA   DC

Name on Card: ____________________________
Billing Address: __________________________________________________________

Please Mail your registration and check to:
Outdoor Buddies, Inc.
555 Highlands Road
Westcliffe, CO 81252

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# Upcoming Events Calendar

Shown below are currently scheduled events. Other activities will be scheduled as appropriate.

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<td>Bill Gowdy (303) 489-9411</td>
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