

Powerline Hunt Club

(June 1, 2011 to May 31, 2012)

Club Rules and Regulations

The Club President is Trey Givens.

The Club Vice President is Chuck Campbell.

Membership Rules

The objective and purpose of Powerline Hunt Club is safety, fellowship, and quality deer management.

All club rules are intended to ensure quality deer management, safety and enjoyment for all club members. All club guidelines are meant to reinforce the club's philosophy and goals.

The Powerline Hunt Club 2011-2012 member annual dues are \$2,500.00. For existing members half of the dues are due April 1st with the remaining half due May 1st.

Beginning after April 1st any initial payment not received that member's membership will be sold. The reason for this date is to allow the club time to find members to replace members who choose at the last minute not to renew. Lease money is due to Rayonier by May 15th.

This club and its membership will be governed by the president and vice president.

- Membership in this club requires adherence to all rules and regulations set forth by the Powerline Hunt Club.

Membership may be revoked for violations to the rules and regulations at any time. Club dues are not refundable. Membership in Powerline Hunt Club provides, but is not limited to the following;

- access to the land specified on the club map for hunting purposes
- hunting all game in seasons specified by the GA DNR
- fishing as specified by the DNR

Annual dues will be determined by a budget of the following costs;

- lease land and insurance
- food plots
- feed stations
- other miscellaneous costs associated with running the club

Please see the club budget for the 2011-2012 season.

Powerline Hunt Club officers reserve the right to change or enhance the rules as needed.

Harvest Rules

- **Buck allowance will be 3 bucks. This includes 2 member bucks and 1 guest buck.**
- **Bucks will be of good quality, meaning 3.5 years or older, have at least 4 points on one side, a width of 15 inches outside spread, have long main beams, and be mountable. A buck you SHOOT should be a buck you are willing to pay a taxidermist fee and put on your wall. A good measure of width is that the inside of the antlers are “outside, or wider” than the ears.**
- **Doe allowance will be 3 does.**
- **Turkey allowance will be 3 mature gobblers per member. A mature gobbler is a gobbler who has a full circular fan or a 7” or greater length beard.**
- **All other game may be harvested according to GA DNR regulation.**
- **When an animal is harvested, the president or vice president must be contacted and informed of your kill by text, phone, or e-mail.**
- **Contact the club president or vice president if you have questions regarding these harvest rules.**

Guest Rules

- **All game harvested by any guest counts toward the members harvest allowance.**
- **No more than 2 guests per member per day.**
- **Guests will give way to members in regard to all aspects of membership. i.e. Guests must allow any member first priority in stand selection.**
- **Guests are the responsibility of the member.** Therefore, the member is responsible for the actions of their guest, and could lose their membership due to the actions of their guest. While it is the intent of the club that a member may bring a guest, please realize that this club was created for the paying members, not their guests.
- **Guests must be 16 years of age and possess a hunter safety card before they may hunt alone.**
- **Family members are considered to be a guest of the member.**
- **Guests are not allowed on the property without the member being present.**

Stand Rules

- **There are designated feed stations placed strategically around the club. Check with the official club map to determine these locations. The club has budgeted to run feed all these stations throughout the year. Corn, feed, or bait for game may not be placed outside of these areas from September 1st until January 16th and from March 10th to**

May 16th. This includes corn, feed, or bait use for cameras during this time period.

- **Certain roads and portions there of will be closed to vehicle traffic during hunting season. Do not drive past posted signs except to retrieve your game without the club president or treasurer's permission.**
- **There will be no "private areas".** A private area is defined as a stand area that a member does not want anyone else to enter or hunt. Please be courteous and respectful to someone's stand location. We have enough land for everyone to spread out.
- **Do not drive around gates.** This includes any type of personal transportation device including 4-wheelers or golf carts.
- **Members may place there own stands around the club as they see fit with exception:**
 - **Members have no right to any specified area while they are not present**
 - **Members may not place a stand within 50 feet of any exterior Rayonier property line**
- **Hunting areas will be first come first serve without exceptions. All members and guest must use the Virtual Sign In Board. This system is outline in the Virtual Sign In Board documentation.**
 - **Guests do not take precedent over members.**

Safety Rules

- **Safety is the responsibility of every member and guest.**
- **No hunting within 50 feet of any exterior Rayonier property line.**
- **Every person must sign the liability waiver before entering the property.**
- **All hunters must sign onto and off the property described in the previous Stand Rules section.**
- **There is no designated shooting range and there will be no target practicing on the club, please prepare your firearm before arrival to hunt.** There is a shooting range in the Ocmulgee Wildlife Refuge. Ask the club president or vice president for directions.
- **Familiarize your self with housing surrounding the property and know your backdrop so as not to shoot across property lines.**
 - **Be sure not to shoot down the power line. People and live stock are found in both directions. Only shoot across the power line with a good back stop. i.e. know your target before shooting.**
- **Hunter orange is required by the GA DNR during Deer firearms seasons.**
- **No Joy Riding on the hunting club**
- **No illegal drugs or substances allowed**
- **No alcoholic beverages allowed on the Club**
- **No camp fires on Rayonier Property**

Other Rules

- **No littering**
 - (Cigarette butts, Water bottles, etc.... Carry it in, carry it out!)
- **Keep all gates locked at all times!!!**
- **Once deer season starts, please limit all vehicle traffic to a minimum.**
 - All scouting should be done by foot and kept to a minimum.
- **Do not drive around gates! (all vehicles)**
 - If you forget your key walk in, or go back and get it

Management Guidelines and Suggestions

As stated in the rules the purpose of this Club is quality deer management. This philosophy is described in our 2011 – 2012 Powerline Hunt Club Wildlife Management Plan. Listed below are some guidelines and suggestions that the club would like its members to follow:

Mature Bucks: The club wants to harvest only mature bucks and let immature bucks live until they develop into mature bucks. If the subject deer you are about to shoot is not a deer you plan on full shoulder mount then let him walk until next year. If you do not understand what a mature buck is then talk it over with other club members. Remember a good buck will be a great buck if you let him live another year.

Doe Harvest: The club wants to try not to harvest does that are not considered “breeder does”. A breeder does is defined as a doe that is 3.5 years old or older, approximately 110 pounds or greater, and normally has fawns during the season. The club would rather shoot yearling does, does that do not have any fawns, or old does. This is highly suggestive to all members but if this guideline is followed it would help the overall herd health for our club and possibly increase the deer density.

Turkey Harvest: This is the same rule as the buck. Let the jakes grow up into mature gobblers. Once again this is just good management practice.

Excessive Scouting: All scouting should be kept to a minimum during the hunting season. There should be no need to walk the club during the hunting season. This will pressure deer and will cause them to move off the club which defeats our year long management program and could decrease the success rates of other members. If you want to scout the club, try to do all scouting before season begins. You can also ask other members for advice about the club and where are good spots to hunt.

Other Comments

Please feel free to make comments or suggestions to the club president. The goal is to continually improve the club and the hunting. Any comment or suggestion will be taken seriously, but there will be no guarantees.