



2013 Youth Managed Turkey Hunt at Stockton Lake

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Cedar County National Wild Turkey Federation chapter held its 1st annual youth turkey hunt on Stockton Lake on April 6 and 7. The Corps of Engineers identified Orleans Trail, Hawker Point, and Crabtree Cove campgrounds as areas of focus for the youth hunters. Eight youth hunters took to the field with their mentors in tow. Several turkeys were harvested with most hunters getting the opportunity at birds. The large bird for the event weighed in at 23.5 pounds!

The Stockton Lions club provided an excellent lunch and snacks for hunters throughout the weekend and was a big help in making the event a success.

The Cedar County NWTF chapter provided all hunters a turkey vest, flashlight, multi-tool, box call, and hat to help get the young hunters started in the sport.

The hunt is geared toward providing young hunters a safe, quality hunt to help local youth get introduced to the sport in a safe and ethical manner. Each guide was asked to make the hunt as fun as possible and pass on their experience and knowledge to the kids. Aside from being a bit windy, everyone had a great time and was already asking for the opportunity to participate next year. The Corps of Engineers would again like to thank the Cedar County NWTF, and Lions club for their involvement and support.