CRESSON COMMUNITY SPORTSMAN'S ASSOCIATION
18th ANNUAL COYOTE / FOX HUNT
2026 RULES AND NOTICES

$5,000.00 GUARANTEED MIN. PRIZE MONEY For Coyote

The dates: February 6,7,&8 2026 (Must be entered before 11:59pm Feb 5th)

Times: All hunts start at 12:01am Feb 6th . Coyote ends at 6:00pm on Sunday Feb 8th, 2026 and Fox ends at 4:00pm on Sunday Feb 8th, 2026

COYOTE ENTRY FEE $10 + CLUB MEMBERSHIP

(All Club Member- $25 / / Junior 12-17 - $7.50)

FOX Hunters Must Pay Coyote Hunt Fees and $10.00 Entry Fee towards FOX Prizes

$8 from each entry goes into the prize pools for each hunt.

Cresson Sportsman's Association Will Retain $2 From Each Coyote and Fox Entry.

THE CLUBHOUSE WILL BE OPEN FOR REGISTRATIONS ON THURSDAY FEBRUARY 5th, 2026 UNTIL MIDNIGHT. Enter in person at the clubhouse, by mail, or online @ www.cressonsportsmans.com check Facebook and Website for other clubhouse registration times leading up to the hunt.

Our Prize Structure for 2026 Hunt

NOW MORE WINNERS ! Prizes just for entering…

Coyote Contest Payouts:

- 1st $1000 – 2nd $750 – 3rd $500 — Smallest Male – $250 – Smallest Female – $250
- Random Drawings:
  - 3 Lucky Dogs – $250/each – Random Drawing for any coyote turned in
  - 6 Ghost Dogs – $100/each – Random Drawing for any unsuccessful registered coyote hunter
  - 2 Show Dogs – $100/each – Random Drawing of any successful coyote hunter present at time of drawings
  - 2 random drawings for dogs turned in on Friday and 2 drawings for dogs turned in on Saturday. First for $250 & second for $100 – Winners will be chosen randomly from dogs turned in by 9:00 PM on their respective days regardless of weight
- Once Number of Hunters Exceed 625 Prizes will Continue To Be Added
- Each coyote hunter may enter a maximum of 2 coyotes

Fox Contest Payouts:

- Fox Prize money collected will be distributed as follows:
  - $450 from pool for a random drawing for foxes turned in on Friday and a random drawing for foxes turned in on Saturday. The first drawing each day receives $150 and the second drawing receives $75. All foxes must be turned in by 9:00 PM to be eligible for that day's drawing. Random drawings are for all foxes (red or grey) turned in on respective days.
  - The remaining prize money will be divided evenly into two categories: Red and Grey. From those two pools the 4 heaviest foxes in each category will be paid as follows: 40% for 1st, 30% for

2nd, 20% for 3rd and 10% for 4th. Random drawing winners from Friday and Saturday are still eligible for these prizes.

- Each fox hunter may enter a maximum of 2 foxes for each category.

Additional Rules, Definitions and Notices:

- Coyote prize winners (1st, 2nd, 3rd, smallest male and smallest female) are determined by weight.
- Coyote Contest payout winners (1st , 2nd, 3rd, smallest male and smallest female) are not eligible for random drawings on Sunday.
- A successful coyote hunter is defined as anyone who is registered for the coyote hunt before the deadline who turns in a coyote carcass by 6:00 PM Sunday. An unsuccessful coyote hunter is defined as anyone registered for the coyote hunt before the deadline who does not turn in a coyote carcass.
- All registrations must be completed prior to the start of the coyote / fox hunt. The deadline is 11:59PM Thursday, February 5, 2026. Registrations can be made and paid for online at cressonsportsmans.com or in person at the clubhouse until 11:59 PM Thursday February 5, 2026. Registrations may also be made by regular mail. Mailed entries must be postmarked by February 8, 2026.
- All Hunts start at 12:01 AM Friday, February 6th. The Coyote hunt ends at 6:00 PM Sunday, February 8th, 2026. The Fox Hunt ends at 4:00 PM Sunday February 8th.
- Coyote Registration fee is $10.00 for the hunt and an additional $10 for the Fox hunt. $8.00 of each entry fee goes into the cash prize pool of each hunt. $2.00 of each entry fee is retained by the club.
- If you wish to join the FOX hunt, you must enter the coyote hunt and pay an additional $10.00 fee. $8.00 will go into a PRIZE POOL for random drawings and the top four heaviest FOXES IN EACH (RED and GREY) CATEGORY determined by weight as described above. No FARM RAISED FOXES will be accepted, and will automatically disqualify the hunter and entire hunting party. $2.00 of the entry fee will go to the club.
- Each participant must be registered for this hunt before the deadline. When hunting in groups, each member of the group must be registered. Houndsmen see below.
- Each participant must be a current 2026 member of the Cresson Sportsman's Association. Membership applications may be made at the same time as the coyote hunt registration. Successful hunters must present a complete and intact carcass, a valid driver's license and a valid hunting/furtakers license during weigh-in.
- Houndsmen must register a minimum of 5 hunters for their hunting party, members must write on their application the name of the hunt leader(s) / houndsmen.
- The Hunt is open to hunting for the entire state of PA. Coyotes and FOX must be killed during the days and times of this hunt, and The Cresson Sportsman's Association reserves the right to inspect the site of harvest. The Cresson Sportsman's Association reserves the right to have an autopsy performed on any animal presented at the hunt. A veterinarian and a wildlife biologist will be available during weigh in times to inspect all carcasses, especially those suspected of being 'unnatural' in any way. The biologist will be removing parts from carcasses for study purposes. ALL coyotes presented are subject to this study.
- All PA Game Laws are in effect during this hunt. Violation of PA game laws or Cresson Sportsmans rules will result in disqualification for that person and / or group of persons involved in the infractions. Each hunter is responsible for the proper disposal of his/her coyote or fox carcass. No carcass is to be left on Club Property unless hunters are requested to do so by an official from The Cresson Sportsman's Association.
- The deadline for Coyote weigh-ins is 6PM on Sunday, February 8th. The deadline for Fox weigh-ins is 4PM on Sunday February 8th. Prizes will be announced upon completion of weigh in. Prize money will be mailed to winners at a later date (usually less than 2 weeks) after all validations are complete.

- Official weigh-ins will be done at the clubhouse for both coyote and fox from 2:00PM – 9:00PM, Friday February 6th and Saturday February 7th and on Sunday, February 8th from 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM for coyotes and until 4:00PM for foxes. The carcasses will be marked as to prevent reentries. A limit of 2 coyotes may be entered by each registered hunter. A limit of 2 foxes of each color may be entered by each hunter.
- The Clubhouse is located at 1224 Saint Joseph Street, Loretto PA. The mailing address is PO Box 174 Cresson, PA 16630. The Clubhouse phone number is (814) 886-7727. or Mark Behe 814-616-5518.
- Prize money shall be awarded based on weight: There is a guaranteed coyote prize pool of $5000.00. Fox prize amounts will be determined by the number of entries. In the event of non-awarded prize money, the money shall be awarded by drawing. Details of the drawing will be decided on by the Cresson Sportsman's Association Coyote Committee.
- A Gun will be chanced off on Feb 16th at Hunt Closing. Chances sold separately. Hunt registration not required.
- In the event of a tie, the prize money for the tied entries will be combined and then split between the tied entries.
- NOTICE: There may be video or live feed video onsite and you may be broadcast if you're in these areas.
- For more information contact: (814) 886-7727 –or- cressonsportsmans@gmail.com
- This document may be viewed and downloaded at www.cressonsportsmans.com.
- Mail Registration Form(s) & Payment to: 2025 Coyote & FOX Hunt, PO Box 174, Cresson, Pa, 16630