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Bloomfield, Missouri – JAKES Take Aim Program presents opportunities for youth ages 17 and younger to try target shooting, learn about gun safety, participate in an archery shoot, and learn primitive survival skills. *Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics and Sportsmanship* is dedicated to informing, educating and involving youth in wildlife conservation and the wise stewardship of our natural resources.

On Saturday, June 15, 2013 at the Holly Ridge Pavilion in Bloomfield, youngsters will have the opportunity to explore their outdoor world through these fun events that help pass on the traditions of responsible hunting, habitat management, and safety. **It is FREE and lunch will be provided.**

There will also be demonstrations, turkey calling, crafts, the candy cannon will be fired, and there are also lots of prizes including a Crickett .22 Rifle. The event begins at 8:00 a.m. and concludes around 3:00 p.m.

If you would like more information, please contact Dale Kemp at 624-1283 or American Outdoors 624-5421.

The National Wild Turkey Federation state chapter is providing a fully equipped airgun trailer to use for the event along with the Missouri Department of Conservation's traveling trailer.

"It's an opportunity to get the kids outside for a day, but also to learn," according to Agent Mark Reed. Mark will be among the many volunteers who put on the event each year. The Crowley's Ridge Blackpowder Club

members will be demonstrating and offering hands-on events such as tomahawk throwing, how to build fires using flint and steel, and magnifying gasses.

The Holly Ridge conservation area provides a pavilion, an archery stand, a shooting range and plenty of trees to provide shade.

This should be a great day for the outdoors!

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