6.1 **Purpose:** This chapter discusses some of the training events provided by the program for public participants and specialty training provided for Huntmasters and Volunteers...

6.2. **Seminars and Clinics.** The program provides a variety of seminars and clinics each year for hunters and their families. Seminars are considered those teaching events which are held in a class room environment with students seated at tables. A clinic is a more hands on experience using an outdoor setting, equipment and teaching skill set by active participation.

Example seminars are:

- Hunting 101 classes such as Elk hunting 101, Deer Hunting 101, etc.
- How to apply Big Game Licenses

Example Clinics are:

- Waterfowl Day
- Archery Clinics
- Cast and Blast Clinics
- Bang and Twang Clinics

Huntmasters are encouraged to contact their Regional Coordinator if they have specific expertise in an area and wish to provide public instruction. The Coordinator will determine if the seminar or clinic would be supportive of their outreach efforts in the region. The Coordinator can assist with presentation slides and support equipment.

6.3 **Range Training for Huntmasters.** Shooting skills are an important part of our profession as Huntmasters. As was discussed in Chapter 8, each hunter must
show shooting proficiency prior to a big game hunt. All Huntmasters are encouraged to participate in personal practice and training sessions as provided by the program. The program conducts a Wing Shooting Instructor course on a biannual basis to certify Huntmasters as shotgun instructors. The training is typically one day in length and conducted at a local shooting club or range.

6.4 Workshops. As a part of the continuing education requirement for Huntmasters, the program provides Workshops which are required for attendance every two years by Huntmasters. These workshops provide education in specific skills deemed necessary by the Coordinator to enhance Huntmaster skills and proficiency. Workshops are announced as a part of the annual training schedule published by the State or Regional Coordinator.

EXAMPLE WORKSHOP AGENDA

Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Hunter Outreach Program
Workshop Agenda
Saturday, Aug 7th 2010

0900  Registration/Social time

0930  Program Update and Overview
       - 2009 Lessons Learned
       - 2010 Goals and Objectives
         - Elk Hunting University
         - Partnerships
       - Forms and Admin documents

1045  Round table Discussion
       - Standards of Conduct
         - Verbal Miscues
         - Hands off
       - Policy on Firearms
       - Working to develop Partnerships
       - Huntmaster Ideas

1200  Lunch

1245  Skills Seminar
       - Marksmanship 101
EXAMPLE SKILLS CLINIC: WATERFOWL DAY

Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Hunter Outreach Program
Hunt Plan

PLAN NAME: Hunter Outreach and Women Afield Waterfowl day
Date of Hunt: Saturday, August 11th, 2007
Number of students: 50
Total # people expected: 120
Lead Huntmaster: Mark Strachan
Instructors & Volunteers needed:
2 Skeet instructors
7 General volunteer
4 Cooks
2 Photographers
1 Hunter Safety Instructor
2 DWM or AWM

Hunt Location: Banner Lakes SWA, Hudson Colorado.

General plan: Introduce and educate youth and ladies about waterfowl hunting, waterfowl habitat, conservation, and safety.

Concept of Events: Split attendee’s into 5 groups. Each group will have 50 minutes at each event with a 50 minute lunch, and dinner served after all events are completed. The events are as follows.

Events
Duck and goose calling. 10 attendee’s split into two groups of 5. Each group of 5 will participate in 30 minutes of Goose calling instruction, and 30 minutes of Duck calling for a total of 1 hour for each group of attendee’s. Requires 1 duck calling instructor and 1 goose-calling instructor.

Decoy and waterfowl hunting strategies. 10 attendees. 1 instructor, and 1 helper. Discuss decoy and blind set up. Hunting strategies and use of camouflage and natural cover. Shot size choices. Question and answer time at end.

Trap shooting. 2 instructors and 3 – 4 volunteers. 2 stations. 1 standard, and 1 duck blind set up with 3 traps required. Up to 15 rounds per student (10 with instruction and 5 at the duck blind).
Habitat walk. Walk through the ponds with a DWM/biologist and learn about waterfowl biology and conservation.

Hunter safety trail. Standard hunter safety field drills. Fence climbing, respecting land owners (gates, trash, laws), gun hold practices. Shoot don’t shoot drills, dead bird marking, waterfowl ID books, and hunting with dogs, etc.

**Event Schedule:**

0745 Volunteers and Huntmasters arrive  
0800 Coordination and safety meeting  
0810 Disperse and set up for event  
0900 Attendees arrival and registration  
0940 Event speech and attendee coordination  
1000 Start events  
1200 – 1300 Lunch.: Hot dogs, chips, pop, and water  
1630-1800 BBQ dinner at  
1800 clean up, and go home

* NOTE: Groups will need to start rotation to new section 10 minutes before start of new event.

**Logistic Support:** See equipment list supplement.

**Volunteer assignments:**  
Trap shooting:  
Group Guides:  
Habitat Trail:  
Hunter Safety Trail:  
Photographers:  
Cooks:  
Duck and Goose Calling:  
Duck and goose hunting strategies:

**Directions to Banner Lakes SWA:**  
Take I-76 East from Denver towards Ft. Morgan to the HWY 52 (Hudson) exit. Turn east and follow HWY 52 - 4 Miles to the Banner Lakes SWA. Event day will be marked with signs.

**Emergency medical plan:** Cell phone service in the area is good. Emergency 911 response personnel will handle ALL incidents that require medical attention.

**Weather delays:** 5 days prior to the event the weather will be evaluated (as best we can here in Colorado). Any adverse weather other than heat will delay the event to the following weekend. If volunteer help is not available to support the move to the following weekend, than a cancellation plan will go into effect.
Cancellation plan: If the event is canceled, 5 previously designated volunteers will contact the participants to inform them of the cancellation.

EXAMPLE SKILLS CLINIC: WOMEN ARCHERY CLINIC

Women Afield
Archery 101
August 11th, 2010
6:30 – 9:00 PM

Agenda

6:30  Registration and Welcome  Jim
6:45  Archery for Women – the new competition  Tammy  7:00

- Equipment Overview  Jim and Tammy Lead
  - Basically a panel discussion with Instructors
  - Matching the equipment to the sport
    - Target Bows
    - 3D Bows
    - Hunting Bows
  - Discussion of Arrows and points
    - Carbon
    - Aluminum
    - Cedar
  - Gear and Accessories
    - Sights
    - Rests
    - Releases

7:25  Break

7:35  Move to range
  - Range Safety Brief  Jim
  - 11 Steps of Archery
    - Demo with Lisa/Tammy  Lisa
    - Whistle Commands (Modified)
  - String Bow  Jim
    - Tools for perfect Practice

7:50  Split to two groups of 10 shooters and shoot

Tammy
Lisa and 2 helpers run range
Jim
Tim run the String bow set
Group A: Shoot on Whistle Commands Groups of 5 arrows
Group B: Work on String Bow, 11 Steps
Groups will switch at 15 min intervals (Play it by ear)

8:25  Break

8:30  Set up 3D shoot
Groups shoot 3Ds, 3 arrows per archer, Try to get 3 full rotations done

8:50  Wrap up discussion on the range

9:00  Ladies Depart (Team cleans range and loads trailer)