THE ARGC NEWS

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MAY 2009

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Initiation fee \$50.00 tax inc.
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MONTHLY MEETING NEWS

The next ARGC membership meeting will be Thursday, June 4th, at 8 pm. As always there will be food and beverages available.

The next ARGC Board meeting will be Thursday, May 28th, at 7:30pm.

First Readings:

- Chris Fehring
- Russell Nelson
- Wayne Walker
- David Brickner
- Dale Brugh
- John Bedovarski
- Richard Hein

If someone knows of a reason that any of the above parties would not make an upstanding member of ARGC, please bring the matter to the attention of any Officer or Trustee of the club.

Second Readings:

- Lawrence R. LaPlaca
- John K. LaBounty
- David Lengyel
- Raymond Tanno
- Daniel Bleyhl
- Morgan Sayle
- Gary Van Norman

Congratulations to the above new ARGC members that were voted in at the May 2009 meeting.

PROGRESSIVE RAFFLE

The progressive raffle number drawn for the May jackpot of \$140.00 was #1152, William A. Scott II. William was not registered nor in attendance.

2009 WORK TIME

According to the change in Club By-Laws, 2009 work time began November 1, 2008 and must be performed and submitted by **October 31, 2009**.

WORK PARTIES

Work parties are scheduled for the purpose of general maintenance, clean-up of the grounds, and buildings at the following dates and times:

Saturday	May 9	9:00AM
Saturday	May 23	9:00AM

Contact Chuck Mitchell to sign up or you can just show up at the scheduled times. Chuck is asking workers to bring rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows, and chainsaws.

Saturday June 13 9:00AM Saturday June 27 9:00AM Contact Terry Berkey to sign up.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP AWARD

President, Dan Wyatt presented ARGC's Life Membership Award to Richard Berg during the May membership meeting. Congratulations and thanks goes out to Richard for; his years of service, being instrumental in the building of our rifle range, one of the first Hunter Safety instructors, and Rifle Range Committee Chairman.

NEIGHBORS

We do have a legal contract with our neighbor in regards to the use of club property for plowing, planting, and harvesting the field. Any concerns or questions must be directed to Club Officers or Trustees.

ARGC ANNUAL DECATHLON

The annual Decathlon will be held on the club grounds Sunday July 12, 2009 at 10:00AM. Category classes for the event are: Pro, Men, Women, Junior (13—16 yrs), and Sub Junior (12—younger).

Events include:

Casting, Tommy Hawk, Archery, Air Rifle, Skeet, Trap, 22 Pistol, 38 Pistol, 22 Rifle, & Black Powder

All shooting devices are club furnished; Pro class is contestant's option. Anyone that has previously won a Men's division will shoot Pro class.

Cost for the event is:

Pro/Men - \$10.00 Women - \$5.00, Junior - \$3.00, Sub Junior at no charge, \$20.00 - max per family

Prizes will be awarded in each class, except Pro, for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Pro class prize will be the sum of the entire fee collected from the Pro participants.

Food and Drinks will be supplied by the club. We ask those that wish; to bring a covered dish. Events to begin at 10:00 with Food and Drink at 2:00 PM.

We are looking for volunteers to work this event. This is a great opportunity to get your work time in. Please contact Jeff Furman to sign up or obtain additional information.

US SPORTSMAN ALLIANCE

Don Smith, Ohio Field Director for US Sportsman Alliance addressed members during our May meeting. As stated on their website, the U.S. Sportsmen's Alliance provides direct lobbying and grassroots coalition support to protect and advance the rights of hunters, fishermen, trappers and scientific wildlife management professionals. Their mission is To protect and advance America's heritage of hunting, fishing and trapping. They do this by uniting sportsmen to:

- protect against legal and legislative attacks by the animal rights movement.
- Win public support for outdoor sports.
- Ensure the future of this heritage in involving families in the outdoor experience
- Promote the sportsman's stewardship role in the scientific management of America's fish and wildlife.

Don requested our club's support with their 2009 fund raising campaign; the 52 gun raffle and invited ARGC members to join the Sportsman Alliance and participate in various programs. Don also provided members with an update of some of the Alliances' current activities. Upon receiving membership approval and License Fee funding, ARGC contributed \$500 to the US Sportsman Alliance.

OUTDOOR WEEKEND

The Outdoor Weekend will be held in July from Friday July 17th through Sunday July 19th.

"ALL RANGES WILL BE CLOSED"

Outdoor Weekend is an activity for boys and girls ages 11 to 16. This event is a hands on weekend learning experience. Participants learn how to shoot black powder muzzleloaders, .22 rifle, trap, skeet, and archery. For children safety, shooting events are one on one with an instructor. Ear plugs and safety glasses are furnished. Hunters education topics will include hunter safety, bow hunting, survival, trap & field care, turkey hunting, and much more fun.

Tents are set up for sleeping and food is furnished. This event begins Friday evening at 6:00PM and ends Sunday afternoon. Sunday's activities will conclude with a test, that if passed, will allow participants to get their hunting license.

If your child has previously attended a hunter safety class (recommended) he or she can still attend this event. Participants need to bring a sleeping bag, flashlight, and their personal items.

This event is open to the public, however <u>attendance</u> is by advance registration only. Application forms, medical report (if taking medicine), and parental consent forms are to be completed and returned to Skip Craine by July 9, 2009. For more information, contact Skip Crain or Paul Callender .This is also a great opportunity to get your work time in; contact Skip if interested.

The cost of ammunition used for the shooting events has skyrocketed. Donations of ammunition (No re-loads please!) or monies are welcome. We wish to thank Mr. Don Smith, Field Director, US Sportsman Alliance for the many items donated for this youth event.

NWTF

The NWTF golf outing is scheduled for 9:00AM, July 19, 2009 at Maple Ridge Golf Course, Route 45, Ashtabula, Ohio. This will be a shot gun start four man scramble. Cost is \$55.00 per person and includes wild turkey, steaks, potato, salad, hot dogs, and beverages and loads of prizes. Please contact Denny Pasqualone or Lanny Swiger for more information.

.50 CALIBER CLARIFICATION

The statement in last months newsletter that .50 caliber shooting is forbidden was intended for center fire weapons such as the M2 machine gun or Barrett 107 and **not** the .50 caliber Black Powder Muzzleloader.

GUN RAFFLE

The drawing for the Remington Model 870 Wingmaster was held at the May meeting. The winner is Barry's Auto Repair, Jefferson Ohio. The Dog Training Chairman would like to thank all the people that sold gun raffle tickets.

SKEET LEAGUE

The American Classic skeet league is off to a great start with 26 shooters. The league is calling for 1 to 4 more shooters to come out and join the league. This would field 9-10 teams. The league runs from April 22 through August 26. We will shoot two rounds per week. There is a weekly fee of \$10 (\$6 targets, \$4 league fee) to cover both rounds. For more information contact Terry Berkey or Dean Brown .

ASHTABULA COUNTY GUN SHOW

A Gun Show will be held at the Kathryn Rose Party Center, 3116 North Bend Road, Ashtabula Ohio. This show is open to the public:

Saturday, May 30 9AM - 4PM Sunday, May 31 9AM - 3PM

Modern & Antique Firearms & accessories. Sporting & Military Collectibles. Breakfast Buffet will be available.

ARGC ANNUAL FISHING DERBY

Brandy Hanusosky will again be in charge of the Kid's Fishing Derby. Please mark your calendar for Saturday June 13th, 2009. Registration begins at 9:30 AM with fishing from 10:00 AM to Noon. Followed by lunch. Fishing equipment for use that day or donations of unwanted fishing equipment would be greatly appreciated. Brandy also needs donations for prizes. Please contact Brandy or Brandy's parents Rick and Marcella Piper for further information. Anyone who can help out at this event will get credit for work time. We are hoping for a good turnout, see you all there!

HUNTER TRIALS

Dog Training completed their Hunter Trials season this past April with an 18 dog turnout. The results were:

1.	Terry Freidl	Allie	11Pts.
2.	Roger Miller	Clay	10Pts.
3.	Terry Freidl	Cash	9Pts.

The 2009/2010 season schedule will be released in the July/August time frame. Contact Jeff Furman for additional info.

SPECIAL THANKS

A special thanks goes out to:

- Michelle Branham for funding the Skeet Range wireless remote control in Memory of Mick Branham, "Mr. 410". A plaque will be mounted at the range.
- To Scott Clark for his service to our country and a welcome back from duty in Afghanistan.
- To Concealed Carry Instructors, Rick Alderman and Joe Webb for their donation of \$550 to our club.

RIFLE RANGE

Two or three volunteers are needed to cut the grass at the rifle range. This is a good opportunity to get your work time in. Please contact Richard Berg . Richard also advised that a sign prohibiting automatic and .50 caliber center fire weapons will be posted at the range.

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ARGC CALENDAR

MAY		JUNE	
Friday	15 -Skeet - 10:00AM	Saturday	6 -Trap - 9:00AM
Saturday	16 -Concealed Carry Class - 8:00AM	Sunday	7 -Skeet - 10:00AM
	-Trap - 9:00AM	·	-Action Pistol - 10:00AM
Sunday	17 -Concealed Carry Class - 9:00AM	Monday	8 -Skeet - 6:00PM
	-Blackpowder - 9:30AM	Tuesday	9 -Trap - 6:00PM
	-Skeet - 10:00AM	Wednesday	10 -Trap -10:00AM
Monday	18 -Skeet - 6:00PM	·	-Skeet League 5:30PM
Tuesday	19 -Trap - 6:00PM	Friday	12 -Skeet - 10:00AM
Wednesday	20 -Trap - 10:00AM	Saturday	13 -Trap - 9:00AM
	-Skeet League - 5:30PM		-Work Party - 9:00A
Friday	22 -Skeet - 10:00AM		-Fishing Derby - 9:30AM
Saturday	23 -Trap - 9:00AM	Sunday	14 -Skeet - 10:00AM
	-Work Party - 9:00AM		-CMP - 10:00AM
Sunday	24 -Skeet - 10:00AM		-Bowling Pin - 10:00AM
Monday	25 -Skeet - 6:00PM	Monday	15 -Skeet - 6:00PM
Tuesday	26 -Trap - 6:00PM	Tuesday	16 -Trap - 6:00PM
Wednesday	27 -Trap - 10:00AM	Wednesday	17 -Trap - 10:00AM
	-Skeet League - 5:30PM		-Skeet League - 5:30PM
Thursday	28 -Board Meeting - 7:30PM	Friday	19 -Skeet - 10:00AM
Friday	29 -Skeet - 10:00AM	Saturday	20 -Trap - 9:00AM
Saturday	30 -Trap - 9:00AM	Sunday	21 -Skeet - 10:00AM
Sunday	31 -Skeet - 10:00AM		-Blackpowder - 9:30AM
		Monday	22 -Skeet - 6:00PM
		Tuesday	23 -Trap - 6:00PM
		Wednesday	24 -Trap - 10:00AM -Skeet League - 5:30PM
JUNE		Thursday	25 -Board Meeting - 7:30PM
Monday	1 -Skeet - 6:00PM	Friday	26 -Skeet - 10:00AM
Tuesday	2 -Trap - 6:00PM	Saturday	27 -Trap - 9:00AM
Wednesday	3 -Trap - 10:00AM	·	-Work Party - 9:00AM
ĺ	-Skeet League 5:30PM	Sunday	28 -Skeet - 10:00AM
Thursday	4 -Membership Meeting - 8:00PM	Monday	29 -Skeet - 6:00PM
Friday	5 -Skeet - 10:00AM	Tuesday	30 -Trap - 6:00PM
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