

THE ARGC NEWS

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Club Dues

Initiation fee	\$50.00 tax inc.
Working member dues	60.00 tax inc.
Social member dues	150.00 tax inc.

JANUARY 2009

ASHTABULA ROD AND GUN CLUB

P. O. Box 164, Ashtabula, Ohio 44005
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Officers

President	Dan Wyatt	487-7188
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Treasurer	Bill Wisnor	
Secretary	Gayle Avallone	

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Kevin Chandler	3yr.
Denny Pasqualone	3yr.
Paul Callender	2 yr.
Jerry Jeffers	2 yr.
Terry Berkey	1 yr.
Skip Craine	1 yr.
Chuck Mitchell	1 yr.

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MONTHLY MEETING NEWS

The next ARGC membership meeting will be Thursday, February 5th, at 8 pm. As always there will be food and beverages available.

The next ARGC Board meeting will be Thursday, January 29th, at 7:30pm.

First Readings:

- Roger Raines Jr.

If someone knows of a reason that the above party 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:

- None

PROGRESSIVE RAFFLE

The progressive raffle number drawn for the January jackpot of \$62.00 was #1280, Helmer Krans. Helmer was not registered nor in attendance.

2009 ANNUAL DUES PAYMENT

The Treasurer will be available at the ARGC Madden House to receive your dues payment at the following dates & times:

Saturday - February 7, 2009 10:00 to 12:00 PM

Sunday - February 8, 2009 10:00 to 12:00 PM

Your 2009 Annual Dues payment must be received by the March membership meeting.

HUNTING & FISHING LICENSES

Lanny Swiger reminded members that their 2008 licenses are valid only through the last day of February 2009. 2009 licenses will be available February 15.

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**.

2009 PROJECTS

All Committee Chairmen are asked to submit their 2009 Project funding requests to the Board prior to the March membership meeting. Please include project detail with your request. (purpose, cost, and club benefit) Priorities and budgets need to be established.

ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Beginning January 1, 2009, all Committee Chairmen with income and/or expenses are required to file a quarterly financial report. The quarterly reports are to be submitted to the Club Treasurer by the 3rd., 6th, 9th & 12th monthly board meeting of calendar 2009. The skeet and trap chairman will continue to file their financial reports monthly.

GENEVA WINTERFEST

ARGC will again have a display table and parade float at the Geneva Winterfest on Saturday, February 7, 2009. This is a great opportunity to present the many benefits of club membership and to communicate a positive image to the community. We are asking for as many members as possible to participate. To volunteer or provide input, please contact Paul Callender or Dan Wyatt at 440-487-7188.

PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN

Paul Callender has been appointed Publicity Chairman for 2009. Vince Grippe announced his resignation from this position during the December meeting.

Ashtabula Rod & Gun Club Contact List - 2009

	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TELEPHONE</u>
Officers:	President	Dan Wyatt	440-487-7188
	Vice President	Jeff Furman	
	Treasurer	William Wisnor	
	Secretary	Gayle Avallone	
Trustees:	Trustee	Chuck Mitchell	
	Trustee	Paul Callender	
	Trustee	Kevin Chandler	
	Trustee	Jerry Jeffers	
	Trustee	Denny Pasqualone	
	Trustee	Terry Berkey	
	Trustee	Skip Craine	
Committee Chairmen:	4H Shooting Sports	Rick Piper	
	Indoor Archery	Gerald Turner	
	Equipment	Gerald Turner	
	County League	Paul Callender	
	Facilities	Joe Slocum	
	Black Powder	William Allison	
	CMP	Gib Ingwer	
	Bowling Pin	Len Shapiro	
	Fishing Derby	Brandy Hanusosky	
	Hunter Education	Skip Craine	
	Members Services	Kyle Raleigh Jr.	
	License Agent	Lanny Swiger	
	Political	Paul Callender	
	Action Pistol	Timothy Portik	
	NWTF	Scott Clark	
	NRA	David Brockway	
	Pond	Michael Schubert	
	Publicity	Paul Callender	
	Merchandising	John Wolf	
	Road	Earl Carley	
	Trap	Gary Ray	
	Skeet	Terry Berkey	
	Armorer	Larry Hanson	
	Property	Kyle Raleigh Jr.	
	Rifle Range	Richard Berg	
	Dog Training	Jeff Furman	
	Website	Mark Hepler	
	Newsletter	Bill Swickard	
Other Contact:	ODNR Officer	Wade Dunlop	

SKEET LEAGUE

American Classic Skeet will again be holding their Wednesday night Skeet League at ARGC. We invite all American Classic Skeet League members and ARGC members who are interested in joining the league to come out and do so. It's a great way to improve your shooting skills, strengthen bonds, or just have a good time. The league will run 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 at.

CELOTEX SHEETING

We have an excess number of Celotex 4 x 8 sheets that was purchased for the Indoor Archery range. They are for sale at \$3.00 per sheet. If interested, please contact Joe Slocum.

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, January 17 9AM - 4PM

Sunday, January 18 9AM - 3PM

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

BUILDING

The following items require your attention when using the clubhouse for your function:

- Safety - The bars on the auxiliary doors must be removed during all functions held in the clubhouse.
- Security - The bars must be placed back prior to leaving as part of the lock-up procedure.
- Clean-Up Please clean up after each use. If you need help, please contact Facilities Chairman, Joe Slocum.

U. S. SPORTSMAN ALLIANCE

ARGC received a certificate of recognition for our 2008 sustaining membership to the U. S. Sportsman Alliance. It is critical that we, as members of a shooting sports Club, support these types of organizations that are lobbying to promote shooting sports and protect our gun ownership, hunting, & fishing rights.

FRIENDS OF NRA

Greg Fadorsen, a representative from the Western Reserve chapter of Friends of the NRA addressed ARGC members at the January meeting. According to Greg, and as listed on their website; "Friends of NRA is an exciting grassroots fund-raising program that fosters community involvement, raises money and gives 100% of the net proceeds to qualified local, state and national programs. Thanks to dedicated individuals across America, Friends of NRA is making a difference. Working with NRA's Field Staff, thousands of volunteers nationwide are participating in the program by organizing committees and planning events in their communities."

Greg invited ARGC members to become involved with the Friends of NRA by attending meetings and events. All net proceeds benefit The NRA Foundation. Greg also invited all members to the upcoming Friends of NRA Banquet and Auction to be held Friday May 29th 2009 at the EOUV Hall, Pekin Rd., Novelty, OH 44072. Order forms and information flyers were left at the clubhouse for interested members. For additional information or if interested in joining and/or volunteering, please contact Rich Rozman at 888-752-9119.

Greg concluded his presentation with the raffle drawing for a Henry rifle. Raffle tickets had been made available to ARGC members before and during the meeting. This type of activity is representative of the type of fundraising programs by Friends of the NRA. The lucky ARGC member that won the Henry rifle is the editor of this newsletter, Bill Swickard.

INDOOR ARCHERY

League shooting will begin Tuesday February 3rd. and run for 6 weeks. The 3-D animals are up, cash prizes available, and lots of fun. So come on out and/or call Denny Pasqualone for more info. The committee is also investigating the feasibility of Thursday open shoots during this time period. More to come on this.

HUNTER SAFETY

The next class will be held prior to Turkey season; the end of March or beginning of April. We will post the exact date when scheduled. If you have a need to attend a course sooner, please call 1-800-Wildlife and ask for Sonya Wolf. She will be able to advise the location of other Hunter Safety courses.

SPECIAL THANKS

A special thanks goes out to the following:

- Jerry Kollhoff, KollHoff Insurance Agency for a \$50.00 donation to ARGC.

TURKEY SHOOTS

We want to begin scheduling the Turkey Shoots and are in need of a Chairman. This is a great opportunity to become more involved with your club, get your work time in, and have fun doing it. Please contact Dan Wyatt at 440-487-7188 or Jeff Furman with your interest and or questions.

HUNTER TRIALS

The 2008 Hunter (Dog) Trials began Sunday, October 12th, 2008 and consist of Flushing and Pointing. The remaining season schedule is as follows:

March 8, 2009

April 5, 2008

Entry fee is \$35.00 per dog.

Registration is at 8:00AM and the first dog will run between 8:30 and 9:00AM. Times will be set by drawing on the morning of the trial to determine your time slot. Pups may enter but will follow the same rules and guidelines as all other dogs. For registration and/or more information call Jeff Furman.

This is a great opportunity to get your 2009 work time in. If interested just show up or give Jeff a call.

HUNTER TRIALS DECEMBER RESULTS

1.Mike Losik	Lady	12Pts.	4:49
2.John Hadzinski	Jones	12Pts	5:44
3.Jim Beitel	Onyx	12Pts.	8:36

13 Dogs were entered.

THIS CAN BE YOUR SPACE

Club members can advertise here for \$3.00 per month per classified ad. Any member who has a business can place their business card in the newsletter for the cost of \$5.00 per month to reach approximately 400 members and families. You can either mail advertisement with payment to the Club address listed on Page 1 of the newsletter, e-mail to argcnews@gmail.com and send payment to club, or submit to newsletter editor at the general membership meetings.

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ARGC CALENDAR

JANUARY

Friday 16 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 17 -Trap - 9:00AM
 Sunday 18 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -Blackpowder - 9:30AM
 Monday 19 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 20 -Trap - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 21 -Trap - 10:00AM
 Friday 23 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 24 -Trap - 9:00AM
 Sunday 25 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Monday 26 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 27 -Trap - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 28 -Trap - 10:00AM
 Thursday 29 **-Board Meeting - 7:30PM**
 Friday 30 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 31 -Trap - 9:00AM

FEBRUARY

Sunday 1 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -Action Pistol - 10:00AM
 Monday 2 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 3 -Trap - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 4 -Trap - 10:00AM

FEBRUARY

Thursday 5 **-Membership Meeting - 8:00PM**
 Friday 6 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 7 -Trap - 9:00AM
 -Geneva Winterfest - ARGC Display
 Sunday 8 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -CMP - 10:00AM
 -Bowling Pin - 10:00AM
 Monday 9 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 10 -Trap - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 11 -Trap - 10:00AM
 Friday 13 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 14 -Trap - 9:00AM
 Sunday 15 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -Blackpowder - 9:30AM
 Monday 16 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 17 -Trap - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 18 -Trap - 10:00AM
 Friday 20 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 21 -Trap - 9:00AM
 Sunday 22 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Monday 23 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 24 -Trap - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 25 -Trap - 10:00AM
 Thursday 26 **-Board Meeting - 7:30PM**
 Friday 27 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 28 -Trap - 9:00AM

NEW MEMBER DRIVE

We will continue our "New Member Incentive Program" during 2009. This program provides you, our member, with an incentive to bring in "New Members". Each member that brings us a new member during calendar 2009 will receive a \$20.00 credit toward your 2010 annual dues. You can receive multiple credits; the total amount is not to exceed your annual dues. Only the 1st proposer on the new member application will receive the credit. In addition, new 2009 members will receive the option to either pay their land assessment of \$100 in full with their 2009 dues or pay 50% now and 50% with their 2010 dues.