

THE ARGC NEWS

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MAY 2013

Club Dues

Initiation fee	\$54.00 Incl. tax
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MONTHLY MEETING NEWS

The next ARGC membership meeting will be Thursday, June 6th, at 7 PM. As always there will be food and beverages available. The next ARGC Board meeting will be Thursday, May 30th, at 7:00PM.

First Readings:

- None

Second Readings:

- Darren Haynes
- Adam Baum
- John Grega

Congratulations to the above new ARGC members that were voted in at the May 2013 meeting.

PROGRESSIVE RAFFLE

The progressive raffle number drawn for the May jackpot of \$25.00 was #1621, Tim O'Toole. Tim was not registered nor in attendance. The jackpot will continue to grow.

TRAP

Someone is needed to run the Trap Shoot activity on Saturday mornings. Anyone that is interested can stop by the Madden House on Saturday or call Jerry Jeffers. Jerry will be stepping down on May 18th due to health related issues.

JULY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The regularly scheduled membership meeting for July falls on the 4th this year. As most members do not wish to attend on a holiday, membership voted to cancel the July 2013 membership meeting.

2013 WORK TIME

According to the Club By-Laws, 2013 work time must be performed and submitted by December 31, 2013.

WORK PARTIES

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

Saturday	May 11	9:00AM
Saturday	May 18	9:00AM
Saturday	May 25	9:00AM
Saturday	June 1	9:00AM
Saturday	June 15	9:00AM

You can just show up on the designated date and time or contact Paul Callender for more information and/or to sign up. Grounds Committee Chairman, Carlos Fuentes will be posting, a list of work items that need to be done, to the outside clubhouse bulletin board. We are asking workers to bring gloves, rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows, chainsaws, and anything you believe may be of assistance.

MAIN GATE ENTRANCE

Beginning February 1, 2014, members will be required to use the existing combination lock box to gain access to the Club via the main gate. Your 2014 membership card will contain the combination for the lock box. Individual gate keys will no longer be issued or required.

NOTICE

Terry Berkey has submitted his resignation as ARGC Trustee and Skeet Chairman effective immediately. Time constraints and the pursuit of other interests was cited as making this action necessary. Terry will continue with his club membership.

REVERSE RAFFLE

The ARGC Reverse Raffle, our largest fundraiser of the year is scheduled for Friday October 4th. and will be held at the Perry Township Community Center, 2800 Perry Park Road, Perry Ohio. Social is 5-7:00PM with dinner at 7:00PM. Tickets are now available at \$60.00 per couple. Only 200 tickets will be sold!

Included in the ticket price is:

- \$2000 Main Board Drawing
- Buffet Dinner
- Option to buy Remington 870 raffle tickets

There will also be available:

- 50/50 raffle
- Side Boards
- Bingo Sheets
- Guns & more

A Remington 870 shotgun raffle will be offered to everyone that purchases a dinner ticket. Only 100 gun raffle tickets will be sold at \$10 each.. Winner must be in attendance for the drawing at the Reverse Raffle.

We are looking for working volunteers. This is a great way to get your work time in. Contact Dave DeGeorge for tickets and/or to volunteer.

IT'S TIME TO GET READY FOR THE ANNUAL FISHING DERBY!

This year's fishing derby will be on Saturday, June 8th at 10 AM. As always I am looking for multiple volunteers to assist with the event by being there at 8AM to help set up, rig poles, measure fish, pass out worms, assist with lunch, and/or clean up. Help for all or part of that day would be greatly appreciated.

I also need help prior to the event. The grass needs mowed, the pond needs weed whipped a few days prior to the event, the picnic tables need to be set up and washed, the leaves need to be raked out of the pavilion, etc. So please don't hesitate to assist in any way you can. Please call me or Rick Piper and let us know what you are able to do so we can plan accordingly.

Lastly, for those of you unfamiliar with our event, every kid goes home with a prize. So if you know anyone or a business who would be interested in making a donation, please ask them. I will supply thank you letters to all donors for tax purposes. Thanks for helping to make the event a big success!

Brandy Hanusosky

Rick Piper

POND

The pond has been stocked with 50 small bluegill, 200 large bluegill, and 1 bass. A new aerator will be installed prior to the Fishing Derby.

2013 LAND ASSESSMENT

This is just a reminder, the 2013 Land Assessment of \$50.00 is due by the June 6, 2013 membership meeting.

SKEET LEAGUE

American Classic Skeet will again be shooting at ARGC in 2013.

When: April 17 - August 28

Time: Wednesdays at 6:00 PM

Where: Ashtabula Rod and Gun Club

Weekly Dirty Bird prizes and end of season cookout and shooting events.

This is a handicap league and all level shooters are welcome and encouraged to participate.

Contact John Knollmaier or Dean Brown with any questions.

GREAT LAKES OUTDOOR SUPPLY

Great Lakes Outdoor Supply in Madison is extending a 3% discount on regular price items to all ARGC Members. You will need to present your membership card to receive discount. Their address is 6595 North Ridge Rd (Rt. 20), next door to Peebles. In appreciation for your support and business, Great Lakes Outdoor Supply will be holding a raffle for a Browning gun safe. Tickets will be limited and sold exclusively to ARGC members for \$10.00 each. This is a 30 gun safe with an electronic lock and can be viewed at the Great Lakes store in Madison. It is on the right side as you enter the store.

SKEET

Rich Moretti has been appointed Skeet Chairman effective immediately.

ACWCL

Two tree stands were left on ACWCL property beyond the published date for removal. One stand was donated to the Outdoor Weekend program held at ARGC and one stand will be raffled off.

SATURDAY NIGHT SKEET & TRAP SHOOT

There will be a Skeet & Trap Shoot on Saturday May 25, 2013 at the ARGC range. Doors open at 5:30PM. This event is open to the public. Beginners are Welcome! Cost is \$5.00 per round, members-plus card-plus \$1.50. Contact Rich with questions or for additional info. We are planning to continue this shoot with frequency dependant on shooter turnout.

OUTDOOR WEEKEND

The Outdoor Weekend will be held in July from Friday July 12th through Sunday July 14th.

“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 **attendance 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 5, 2013. 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, .22cal and 20ga, (No re-loads please!), kids door prize items, or monies are welcome.**

ACWCL ANNUAL SPRING BANQUET

The ACWCL Spring Banquet will be held on June 1, 2013 at the Lenox Community Center, 2509 Lenox-New Lyme Rd, Jefferson, OH 44047. Social Hour begins at 5:00 PM with Dinner at 6:00PM, The Dinner ticket giveaway is a CVA .50CAL Muzzleloader. Several raffle and silent auction items will be available as well as many exciting door prizes. For tickets and/or more info, contact Paul Callender.

ABSENTEE VOTING

Absentee voting will be available for the 2013 November election. The dates are scheduled for Friday October 18th, 6-8 PM and Saturday October 19th, 5-7 PM. Nominations are held during the October membership meeting with regular voting at the November membership meeting. Absentee Voting was approved by the ARGC membership in November 2012.

ARGC ANNUAL DECATHLON

The annual Decathlon will be held on the club grounds Sunday July 7, 2013 at 10:00AM.

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Category classes for the event are: Pro, Men, Women, Junior (13—16 yrs), and Sub Junior (12—younger).

Events include:

Casting, Tomahawk, 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.

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, work starts at 8:00AM. This is a great opportunity to get your work time in. Please contact John Kucera to sign up or obtain additional information.

BIRD PRESERVE

The End of Season Hunt netted \$1500 back to the club. Thanks goes out to John Hadzinsky, John Kucera, and all that helped make this happen.

RIFLE RANGE - PISTOL RANGE BARRIER

Mark Hepler reported a potential safety concern between the Rifle and Pistol ranges. Mark advised that you can see people on the pistol range while shooting on the rifle range, hence the safety concern. Mark proposed that this be alleviated by adding dirt and raising the berm between the ranges. Mike Mitchell to review with Carlos Fuentes and figure out a workable solution.

BORROWING CLUB PROPERTY

One of several benefits available to our members is the ability to borrow tables and/or chairs for that special event; graduations, birthdays, reunions, etc. However, all requests to borrow any club property must be approved in advance by our Property Chairperson, Kyle Raleigh Jr. Power equipment and tools are not to leave the club property except for authorized repairs and/or maintenance.

RIFLE RANGE

Gary Johnston installed a trench to drain the standing water on the Rifle Range 25 yard line.

AREA GUN SHOWS

May 18th & 19th Eastwood Expo Ctr, Niles OH
May 18th & 19th Kathryn Rose Party Ctr. Ashtabula, OH
June 22nd & 23rd Medina Co. Fairgrounds Medina OH
July 13th & 14th Cuyahoga Co. Fairgrounds Berea, OH
Shows begin each day at 9:00AM.

SPECIAL THANKS

A Special Thanks goes out to the following:

- Rick Alderman and Joe Webb, on behalf of the Concealed Carry Class, for their \$725 donation to ARGC youth activities and programs.
- Mark Hepler for his donation of .22 cal. Ammunition for the Outdoor Weekend

CHRIS W. COX'S MESSAGE TO GUN OWNERS ON THEIR VICTORY IN THE SENATE

"While both sides in the gun control debate regroup after our victory in the Senate earlier this week, I want to give credit where credit is due. The credit for Wednesday's defeat of gun control goes to the countless gun owners and other Americans who drew a line in the sand--who sent emails and letters and made phone calls to their U.S. senators, urging them to protect private firearm transfers, semi-automatic firearms, and the magazines that millions of Americans own for self-defense." - From NRA's Chris Cox as reported by our Political Chairman, Paul Callender.

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Member FFL Transfers: \$25 hand gun & \$30 long guns

As of the date we submitted this we have Springfield XDS compact 45ACP in black or bitone; FNS in 9MM and 40SW; FNX-40; Ruger SP101 357 Mag; Arsenal AK47 Milled 762x39; Romanian AK 74 5.45x39; plenty of others.

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ARGC CALENDAR

MAY

Friday 10 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 11 -Work Party 9:00AM
 -Trap - 10:00AM
 Sunday 12 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -CMP - 10:00AM
 -Bowling Pin 10:00AM
 Monday 13 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 14 -Trap - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 15 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM
 Friday 17 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 18 -Work Party 9:00AM
 -Trap - 10:00AM
 Sunday 19 -Black Powder - 9:30AM
 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Monday 20 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 21 -Trap - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 22 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM
 Friday 24 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 25 -Work Party 9:00AM
 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -**Evening Trap & Skeet - 5:30PM**
 Sunday 26 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Monday 27 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 28 -Trap - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 29 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM
 Thursday 30 -**Board Meeting - 7:00PM**
 Friday 31 -Skeet - 10:00AM

JUNE

Saturday 1 -Work Party 9:00AM
 -Trap - 10:00AM
 Sunday 2 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -Action Pistol -10:00AM

JUNE

Monday 3 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 4 -Trap - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 5 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM
 Thursday 6 -**Membership Meeting - 7:00PM**
 Friday 7 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 8 -**Fishing Derby—10:00AM**
 -Trap - 10:00AM
 Sunday 9 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -CMP - 10:00AM
 -Bowling Pin 10:00AM
 Monday 10 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 11 -Trap - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 12 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM
 Friday 14 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 15 -Work Party 9:00AM
 -Trap - 10:00AM
 Sunday 16 -Black Powder - 9:30AM
 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Monday 17 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 18 -Trap - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 19 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM
 Friday 21 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 22 -Work Party 9:00AM
 -Trap - 10:00AM
 Sunday 23 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Monday 24 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 Tuesday 25 -Trap - 6:00PM
 Wednesday 26 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM
 Thursday 27 -**Board Meeting - 7:00PM**
 Friday 28 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 Saturday 29 -Work Party 9:00AM
 -Trap - 10:00AM
 Sunday 30 -Skeet - 10:00AM