

THE ARGC NEWS

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JANUARY 2014

Club Dues

Initiation fee	\$54.00 Incl. tax
Working member dues	64.00 Incl. tax
Social member dues	160.00 Incl. tax

ASHTABULA ROD AND GUN CLUB

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Dan Wyatt 1yr.
Property Chairperson - Kyle Raleigh Jr.

MONTHLY MEETING NEWS

The next ARGC membership meeting will be Thursday, February 6th, at 7 PM. As always there will be food and beverages available. The next ARGC Board meeting will be Thursday January 30th, 2014 at 7:00PM

First Readings:

- John Wawrowski
- David Hurley

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:

- None

PROGRESSIVE RAFFLE

The progressive raffle number drawn for the January jackpot of \$44.00 was #1637, Pat Longano. Pat was not registered nor in attendance. The jackpot will continue to grow.

MEMBERSHIP IDENTIFICATION

Beginning with the March 2014 membership meeting, all members will be required to wear their membership card, in a manner that allows for visual recognition and identification as an ARGC member, when visiting club grounds. If needed, you will be able to pick up an ID card badge holder when you pay your dues in person. Badge holders will not be mailed.

SKEET & TRAP FEES

Effective immediately the Skeet and Trap fees will be established at \$3.00 per round for members and non-members. **The shooters card program has been discontinued and new cards are not being sold!**

2014 WORK TIME

According to the Club By-Laws, 2014 work time must be performed and submitted by December 31, 2014.

WORK PARTIES FOR 2014

One large work party will be initiated for each month of the outdoor work season. Several officers and committee chairman will be present. A monthly schedule will be announced. A list of several things to be done will be posted on the Clubhouse bulletin board by Carlos Fuentes, Grounds Chairman.

2014 DUES NOTICES

The 2014 Dues invoice notices were mailed to members during the last week of December 2013. Annual dues and land assessment payments are due by the March 2014 membership meeting. Payment can be mailed or paid in person at the February and March membership meetings.

FRONT GATE KEY

The need to issue a front gate key to each member is eliminated for 2014. New membership ID cards contain a 4 digit pass-code to a lockbox that contains the front gate key attached to a cable. Members will be required to enter the pass-code, access the key, open the lock, and return key to lockbox. Presently, the key in the lockbox is the same as the one issued to each member. A new key will be changed immediately following the March 2014 membership meeting.

DISCARDED CHRISTMAS TREES

If you still have your old Christmas Tree, please consider donating to the Bird Preserve. Please drop off on the field side of the Preserve Gate, on the left as you enter the Club Grounds.

Ashtabula Rod & Gun Club Contact List - 2014

	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TELEPHONE</u>
Officers:	President	Paul Callender	440-992-7596
	Vice President	John Kucera	
	Treasurer	Tina Kucera	
	Secretary	Dawn Johnston	
Trustees:	Trustee	Skip Craine	
	Trustee	Mike Mitchell Jr.	
	Trustee	Kevin Chandler	
	Trustee	Gib Ingwer	
	Trustee	Gary Johnston	
	Trustee	Dennis Pasqualone	
	Trustee	Dan Wyatt	
Committee Chairmen:	4H Shooting Sports	Rick Piper	
	Indoor Archery	Dan Wyatt	
	Equipment	Gerald Turner	
	County League	Paul Callender	
	Facilities	Mike Mitchell	
	Black Powder	Greg Loyd	
	CMP	Gib Ingwer	
	Bowling Pin	Len Shapiro	
	Fishing Derby	Brandy Hanusosky	
	Hunter Education	Skip Craine	
	Members Services	Kyle Raleigh Jr.	
	Political	Paul Callender	
	Action Pistol	Timothy Portik	
	NWTF	Paul Callender	
	NRA	David Brockway	
	Pond	Tina Kucera	
	Publicity	Paul Callender	
	Merchandising	John Wolf	
	Road	Jeff Carrick	
	Trap	Steve Washock	
	Skeet	Rich Moretti	
	Armorer	Larry Hanson	
	Property	Kyle Raleigh Jr.	
	Rifle Range	Gary Johnston	
	Bird Preserve/Dog Training	John Hadzinski	
	Website	Mark Hepler	
Newsletter	Bill Swickard		
Other Contact:	ODNR Officer	Jason Warren	330-245-3036

SPECIAL THANKS

A Special Thanks goes out to the following:

- Geneva VFW Post for their \$200 donation to be used for our Youth Hunt and to John Hadsinsky for procuring this donation.

INDOOR ARCHERY

The Monday night Indoor Archery "Winter 5 Spot League" will begin Monday January 20th and will run for 10 weeks to March 24, 2014. Doors open at 6:30PM, Shooting starts at 7:00 PM. For additional information, contact Kevin Chandler or Dan Wyatt.

TRAP

The Scheduled Trap Shoots on Saturday, and Wednesday has been temporarily suspended until we can find members that are willing to run these shoots. Anyone that is interested can contact John Kucera or Paul Callender.

Former Chairman Jerry Jeffers has offered to provide training to someone that would volunteer to Chair this activity. **This is an important revenue raising activity for ARGC and really needs your support.**

TRAP LEAGUE

The Spring 2014 County Trap League which runs for 7 weeks, typically from March to May is now in the planning stages. If you are interested in participating, please contact Jerry Jeffers or Steve Washock. You are also invited to attend the Tuesday night Trap Shoot event. We have individuals available that are willing to assist new shooters.

AREA GUN SHOWS

Jan. 18 & 19 Ashtabula Co. Fairgrounds Jefferson, OH
Feb 1st. & 2nd. Cuyahoga Co. Fairgrounds Berea, OH
Feb. 8th. & 9th. Eastwood Mall Expo Ctr. Niles OH
Feb. 15th & 16th Medina Co. Fairgrounds Medina OH

Shows begin each day at 9:00AM.

CMP

CMP (Civilian Marksmanship Program) shoots the 2nd Sunday of each month. All ARGC members are invited to come out and participate. The event schedule is listed:

- Jan. 12 - .22rimfire sporter
- Feb. 9 - High Power Match
- Mar. 9 - Garand Match
- Apr. 13 - Silhouette Shoot & Pot Luck

Ammo is available. Contact Gib Ingwer to sign up or for additional info.

BIRD PRESERVE

The 2014 Hunt schedule is as listed and is posted to the ARGC website:

January 12	January 26
February 9	February 23
March 1	March 2
March 29	March 30

April - Open Dates

Anyone that wishes to schedule a hunt, obtain info, and/or volunteer to get their work time in, please contact John Hadzinski or John Kucera.

Anyone wishing to use any of the fields to train dogs must purchase new bird tags for the 2014 season at \$10.00 each. Contact John Hadzinski or any Preserve committee member to purchase. Pheasant pricing for members and non-members will be published on the ARGC website at <http://www.argconline.org>

PHEASANT HUNT RAFFLE - ARGC

The Preserve committee is raffling a 28 Bird Hunt with guide provided for 2 Hunters. Open date available. Proceeds to benefit Preserve area. 100 tickets will be sold at \$10.00 each. Contact John Hadsinsky, John Kucera, Paul Callender, or Dennis Pasqualone for raffle tickets.

DUES STRUCTURE - DISCUSSION

In an effort to increase membership retention and promote membership growth, Paul Callender presented the following ideas to think about and discuss at our next membership meeting:

Dues Restructure -

- Today a new member pays between \$218 and \$314, depending on membership class, for 1st year dues and land assessment. It is proposed that we change to initiation fee plus land assessment for year one. This is currently \$104 including tax. New member would choose membership class for second year and pay the rate in effect.
- Working members that do not complete their work time are billed the difference between the working member dues and the Social member dues plus they have to continue the next year of renewal membership as a Social member. It is Proposed that we change By-laws to permit renewal as a working member if member pays the dues difference for the previous year.

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JANUARY

Sunday 12 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -CMP - 10:00AM
 -Bowling Pin 10:00AM
 -Classic Hunt - 10:00AM
 -Archery Youth Shoot - 4:00PM

Monday 13 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 14 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 -Trap - 6:00PM

Friday 17 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Sunday 19 -Black Powder - 9:30AM
 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Monday 20 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery League - 6:30PM

Tuesday 21 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 -Trap - 6:00PM

Friday 24 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Sunday 26 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -Classic Hunt - 10:00AM
 -Archery Youth Shoot - 4:00PM

Monday 27 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery League - 6:30PM

Tuesday 28 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 -Trap - 6:00PM

Thursday 30 **-Board Meeting - 7:00PM**

Friday 31 -Skeet - 10:00AM

FEBRUARY

Sunday 2 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -Action Pistol - 10:00AM

Monday 3 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery League - 6:30PM

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 4 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 -Trap - 6:00PM

Thursday 6 **-Membership Meeting - 7:00PM**

Friday 7 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Sunday 9 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -CMP - 10:00AM
 -Bowling Pin 10:00AM
 -Classic Hunt - 10:00AM
 -Archery Youth Shoot - 4:00PM

Monday 10 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery League - 6:30PM

Tuesday 11 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 -Trap - 6:00PM

Friday 14 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Sunday 16 -Black Powder - 9:30AM
 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Monday 17 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery League - 6:30PM

Tuesday 18 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 -Trap - 6:00PM

Friday 21 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Sunday 23 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -Classic Hunt - 10:00AM
 -Archery Youth Shoot - 4:00PM

Monday 24 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery League - 6:30PM

Tuesday 25 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM
 -Trap - 6:00PM

Thursday 27 **-Board Meeting - 7:00PM**

Friday 28 -Skeet - 10:00AM