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# MARCH/APRIL 2015

## ASHTABULA ROD AND GUN CLUB

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### MONTHLY MEETING NEWS

The next ARGC membership meeting will be Thursday, May 7th, at 7 PM. As always there will be food and beverages available. The next ARGC Board meeting will be Thursday May 7th, 2015 at 6 PM.

#### First Readings: - March Meeting

- Julie Shaughnessy
- April Meeting
- Adam Hatfield

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: - March Meeting

- Dennis Bulone
- Robert Lapuh
- Mike McCarthy
- April Meeting
- Julie Shaughnessy

Congratulations to the above new ARGC members that were voted in at the March/April 2015 meetings.

### PROGRESSIVE RAFFLE

The progressive raffle number drawn for the March jackpot of \$124.50 was #1683, Brian Wise. Brian was not registered nor in attendance. The jackpot will continue to grow. The progressive raffle number drawn for the April jackpot of \$144.50 was #1671 Michael Johnson. Michael was not registered nor in attendance. The jackpot will continue to grow.

### WORK PARTY

Gary Johnston is forming work parties to fill in ruts at the Rifle Range and to roof the Trap Houses. Call Gary at 440-221-3108 to sign up.

### 2015 WORK TIME

According to the Club By-Laws, 2015 work time must be performed and submitted by December 31, 2015.

### WORK POSTING

Carlos Fuentes and/or Paul Soltis will be posting work items that need done to the outside club board.

### DUES AND ASSESSMENT PAYMENTS

It was announced at the April membership meeting that the following payment structure will be in effect for the 2016 membership year:

- All dues and assessments will be due on January 1. Payments will be accepted until the March membership meeting.
- Dues payments will be accepted in November and December of the previous year.
- The Gate combination will be changed following the January meeting.
- Mail in dues and assessment payments is the preferred method of payment, mailed to the Treasurer along with a self addressed stamped envelope. Payments will also be accepted at the regular membership meetings. The Treasurer will determine the need to schedule and accept payments outside of a regular membership meeting. (i.e.: Saturday AM at the Madden House)

### MEMBERSHIP DUES ROUNDING

The Board has approved a motion to round dues up from current cost to avoid the use of change. Dues by member type are now:

Working Member	\$65.00
Social Member	\$161.00
Senior 2	\$32.00

## LAND ASSESSMENT

There was no vote at this time, but a discussion of land assessment and keeping ARGC's land fund healthy was held by the Board:

- All members continue to pay \$50.00 land assessment until enough monies are in said fund to pay off the 2011 purchase of the Ryder property.
- Land assessment money will continue to be collected from new members joining after the initial land assessment stops. This allows the land fund to continue to grow.
- All new members will be responsible for paying the same amount per year until they reach the equal amount from the land assessment purchase (5 - 10 years).

*(example: A member in 2011 has paid land assessment of \$50.00 per year for 8 years. A member joining in 2015 will be required to pay land assessment for 8 years and so on.)*

- All monies collected for the land assessments are to be strictly used for land purchase only, unless mitigating circumstances arise. The Board then must present its case before the membership for a vote.

## BIRD PRESERVE

The fifth Classic Hunt was held March 29th with 30 participants. It was a very successful hunt and a great time for all who came. This was the 2nd largest money event held on club grounds, grossing in excess of \$1500. Thanks to every one that helped, including the Venture Crew who maintained the kitchen and the Field Marshalls who maintained order in the field.

Thanks John Hadzinski

Event winners were:

- 1st Morgan Sayle
- 2nd John Hadzinski
- 3rd Dennis Bulone

A thanks for donations goes out to;

- John Hadzinski \$125.00
- Dennis Bulone \$50.00

Call John Hadzinski at 440-667-1297 to get your 2015 work time in. Help is needed planting trees.

**The Preserve fields will be closed beginning April 5, 2015.**

## SKEET

Skeet will be shooting as scheduled this Sunday April 5, 2015. A work party is being formed for Saturday April 25th at 9:00AM. Looking for someone with a log splitter, dump truck, and/or 5' rototiller for behind Tractor. Great opportunity to schedule your work time. Give Rich Moretti a call at 440-298-3480.

## WORK TIME ASSIGNMENTS

It was announced at the April membership meeting that the following will occur during 2015:

- Work time will be assigned to all ARGC working members.
- Alphabetical order of working members will be used for assignment of work time.
- All work parties are open to all members if they choose (This includes social, senior, senior2, life-time and honorary members)
- Work time assignments will be spread out starting in the spring and ending in the fall.
- All working members will be assigned 4 work parties to get their 8 hours. There will be 2 scheduled work parties per month.
- If any working member cannot make their assigned time, they will need to notify the event chairman.
- Working members have an opportunity to work scheduled events (Decathlon, Fishing Derby, OEW, etc.) to get their work time in.
- Working members will be given opportunities to work evenings and weekdays if they cannot make their assigned time.
- Accommodations will be made for all working members regardless of physical abilities.
- As always, all work parties will be held based on weather permitting.

## SPRING TRAP LEAGUE

The Ashtabula County Spring Trap League began on March 7, 2015 at the Geneva Gun Club. The remaining schedule is as follows:

Rock Creek	April 11, 2015
Orwell	April 18, 2015

Gary Ray Memorial Shoot\*

Monroe	April 25, 2015
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\*Must shoot min. of 2 league shoots to be eligible

50 Targets at the 16 yard line. Price is \$8.00 for adult shooters and \$6.00 for junior shooters (16 and under). Sign ups are from 9:00AM to 3:00PM, Schedule is subject to change. For additional information see or contact Jerry Jeffers at 440-536-2457

## CMP

The regularly scheduled CMP soot for April has been moved to Sunday April 19. To celebrate the original Patriots Day we will hold a High Power Match. Come on out and join in the fun, we will have a pot-luck cook-out. Contact Gib Ingwer at 440-862-0424 for additional info.

### **ANNUAL FISHING DERBY!**

This year's fishing derby will be on Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup> registration beginning at 8:00a.m. Fishing will be from 9:00-11:00a.m. with lunch to follow. We found the fishing often slows down after 11:00 especially if it's hot. As always I am looking for multiple volunteers to assist with the event by being there at 7:30a.m. to help set up, rig poles, and work a Passport to Fishing station. During the event we have to measure fish, pass out worms, assist with lunch, and then 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 440-254-4235

Rick Piper 440-812-4834

### **SMALLBORE SILHOUETTE**

Smallbore Silhouette will begin the 2015 season on Sunday April 26 at 8:30AM. Cost is \$5.00 first match. \$2.00 for additional matches. Juniors first match \$3.00. \$2.00 for additional matches.

Any safe .22 Rimfire Chambered for Short, Long, or Long Rifle. Scopes are the preferred choice but open sights are permitted. NO STINGERS, MAGNUMS, OR .17 CAL. For questions or additional info, contact Greg Keefer 440-813-4963 or greg.keefe@yahoo.com

### **RIMFIRE BENCHREST MATCHES**

Rimfire Benchrest Matches will begin the 2015 season on Sunday April 26 at 12:00PM. Cost is \$3.00 per match. Competitors fire from a bench with their rifle either on a front rest and rear sand bag or on a bipod and rear bag. One piece front/rear rests are also allowed (lead sleds). Prone shooting from a mat is permitted. Any safe .22 Rimfire Chambered for Short, Long, or Long Rifle. Scopes are the preferred choice. For questions or additional info, contact Greg Keefer 440-813-4963 or greg.keefe@yahoo.com

### **HUNTER'S EDUCATION CLASSES**

The next Hunter's Safety Class scheduled for:

Wednesday April 8 - 6:00PM

Saturday April 11 - 9:00AM

Registration for this certification course is done by either calling 1-800-WILDLIFE or go online at [www.dnr.state.oh.us](http://www.dnr.state.oh.us). The course is free and will be held at the ARGC clubhouse.

The ODNR website provides tips on what to expect and how to prepare.

### **SKEET LEAGUE**

A 10 week Skeet league will be shooting at ARGC in 2015.

**When:** April 29 - July 8

**Time:** Wednesdays at 6:00 PM

**Where:** Ashtabula Rod and Gun Club

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

Contact Ken Schreiber at 440-946-9285, or Rich Moretti at 440-298-3480 with any questions. There will be a warm-up shoot on Wednesday April 29.

### **ACWCL ANNUAL SPRING BANQUET**

The ACWCL Spring Banquet will be held on June 6, 2015 at the Lenox Community Center, 2509 Lenox-New Lyme Rd, Jefferson, OH 44047. Social Hour begins at 5:00 PM with Dinner (catered by Briquettes Smoke House) at 6:00PM. Dinner ticket cost is \$20.00, the Dinner ticket giveaway is a .45-70 rifle. Several firearm raffle and silent auction items will be available as well as many exciting door prizes. Firearm winners need not be present. For Dinner and/or raffle tickets, contact Paul Callender at 440-261-9104.

### **ACWCL**

Dale Sunderlin, President, Ashtabula County Wildlife and Conservation League stopped by to give ARGC members an update of County League accomplishments for 2014. Items discussed included:

- ACWCL By-laws change; added Lake County Gun Club as ACWCL member.
- ACWCL newsletter published by John Kucera
- Started land acquisition fund
- Purchased banner for display at events
- Trying to obtain tax abatement
- Will continue support of Outdoor Weekend
- Whitetails Unlimited Banquet
- County League doing well
- OEW shirts

### UNAUTHORIZED LETTER

In response to the letter that was mailed out, (Re: Nov 2014 newsletter) Dave Joyce stated that no mail fraud has been committed. It does not fall under intellectual properties either as suggested by Mr. Joyce. Membership voted not to continue pursuing action for this letter since there was no violation of the law according to officials at the postal service and it has been addressed by the ARGC Board with steps being implemented to prevent it from happening again.

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# ARGC CALENDAR

## APRIL

Sunday 5 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -Action Pistol - 10:00AM  
 -Venture Crew - 2:00PM

Monday 6 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 7 -Trap - 6:00PM

Wednesday 8 -Trap 10:00AM  
 - **Hunter's Education - 6:00PM**

Friday 10 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 11 -Trap - 9:00AM  
 - **Hunter's Education - 9:00AM**

Sunday 12 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -Bowling Pin - 10:00AM

Monday 13 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 14 -Trap - 6:00PM

Wednesday 15 -Trap 10:00AM

Friday 17 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 18 -Trap - 9:00AM

Sunday 19 -Black Powder - 9:30AM  
 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -CMP—10:00AM  
 -Venture Crew - 2:00PM

Monday 20 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 21 -Trap - 6:00PM

Wednesday 22 -Trap 10:00AM

Friday 24 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 25 -Trap - 9:00AM

Sunday 26 -Small-bore Silhouette - 8:30AM  
 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -Rimfire Benchrest Match - 12.00PM

Monday 27 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 28 -Trap - 6:00PM

Wednesday 29 -Trap 10:00AM  
 -Skeet League - 6:00PM

## MAY

Friday 1 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 2 -Trap - 9:00AM

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Sunday 3 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -Action Pistol - 10:00AM  
 -Venture Crew - 2:00PM

Monday 4 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 5 -Trap - 6:00PM

Wednesday 6 -Trap 10:00AM  
 -Skeet League - 6:00PM

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

Friday 8 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 9 -Trap - 9:00AM

Sunday 10 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -CMP 10:00AM  
 -Bowling Pin - 10:00AM

Monday 11 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 12 -Trap - 6:00PM

Wednesday 13 -Trap 10:00AM  
 -Skeet League - 6:00PM

Friday 15 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 16 -Trap - 9:00AM

Sunday 17 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -Black Powder - 9:30AM  
 -Venture Crew - 2:00PM  
 -Indoor Youth Archery - 4:00PM

Monday 18 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 19 -Trap - 6:00PM

Wednesday 20 -Trap 10:00AM  
 -Skeet League - 6:00PM

Friday 22 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 23 -Trap - 9:00AM

Sunday 24 -Small-bore Silhouette - 8:30AM  
 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -Rimfire Benchrest Match - 12.00PM

Monday 25 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 26 -Trap - 6:00PM

Wednesday 27 -Trap 10:00AM  
 -Skeet League - 6:00PM

Friday 29 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 30 -Trap - 9:00AM

Sunday 31 -Skeet - 10:00AM