

# THE ARGC NEWS

## NRA

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## CLUB MEMBERSHIPS

Ashtabula Co. Wildlife Conservation League  
League of Ohio Sportsman  
US Sportsman Alliance

## DECEMBER 2015

### ASHTABULA ROD AND GUN CLUB

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### MONTHLY MEETING NEWS

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

#### First Readings:

- Orlando Montalvo
- Bill Kennelly
- Billy Ketron
- Steven G. Shoureas

If someone knows of a reason that 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:

- Leo J. Sackett
- Dale McCurry

Congratulations to the above new ARGC members that were voted in at the December 2015 meeting.

### PROGRESSIVE RAFFLE

The progressive raffle number drawn for the December jackpot of \$80.00 was #1682, James Nagy. James was not registered nor in attendance. The jackpot will continue to grow.

### SNOW REMOVAL

Three bids were received for the 2015/2016 snow removal season. The Board approved the contract award to the lowest bidder, Brobst Landscaping.

### VENTURE CREW

The Venture Crew will hold their annual "Adopt A Family" event and camping activity at the ARGC clubhouse on Saturday December 19.

### 2015 WORK TIME

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

#### WORK PARTY

The following Committee Chairman may have work projects that needs to be done. If you still have to get your work time in for 2015; please contact them for details and scheduling if required:

John Hadzinsky  
Rich Moretti  
Gib Ingwer/Gary Johnston  
Dave Sulecki

#### BUILDING REPAIR

Need a member with drywall and painting skills to do some repairs in the Ladies and Men's restrooms in the main club house. Please contact Ed Crosby or Ken Schreiber for details. This is an excellent opportunity to get your work time in.

#### TRAP

As we move into the winter weather season, turnout for our Saturday AM shoot is greatly affected by the weather condition. On days that the temperature is below 20 degrees, with heavy snow and wind, the Trap Shoot will be cancelled. Contact Dawn Johnston for additional information.

#### NRA LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

NRA membership rates will increase in 2016. Now is the time to join at the lower cost. It was also mentioned that discounts are available for NRA Life memberships. Be sure to look around, check with NRA members, or contact NRA if interested.

## BIRD PRESERVE

Beginning October 1, 2015, with ARGC Board approval, any member wishing to use fields for training or hunting upland game will need to purchase a Field Permit Pass. The permits are \$100.00 and this will give you unlimited use of the fields through March 30, 2016.

Dog Trial dates:

December 6

December 27

Future date TBA

Anyone that wishes to make reservations, obtain info, and/ or volunteer to get their work time in, please contact John Hadzinski, Preserve Chairman . Dates are subject to change due to weather.

## CMP

CMP (Civilian Marksmanship Program) shoots the 2nd Sunday of each month. All ARGC members are invited to come out and participate. **The club does lend out a weapon for shooting this event!** Ammo is available.

- December 13 will be a Pot Luck and cook out

Attendance for this event is in serious decline. We had four shooters in November. This must improve to be a viable event in 2016. Contact Gib Ingwer to sign up or for additional info.

## INDOOR ARCHERY LEAGUE

The Indoor Archery League began a 10 week shoot on Monday November 16, 2015 at 7:00PM. Cost is \$10.00 League Fee and \$10.00 per night. This is a handicapped League, everyone is invited to come on out and shoot. Contact Kevin Chandler at 440-796-6745 for additional information.

## VINTAGE MILITARY RIFLE SHOOT

The 2016 Vintage Military Rifle Shoot will be held on the second *Saturday* of each month at 9:30AM beginning in April and running through November. Registration begins at 9:30AM followed by sighting in if needed. Shooting starts at 10:00AM. Cost is \$5:00 per person.

Items you supply include a safe working rifle - Bolt Action or semi Auto 1956 - **NO M14/M1A1, AR15/ M16 - No Optics** - as issued fixed iron sights or peep, 40 rounds of surplus commercial or hand loaded ammo for course of fire, eye and ear protection, and spotting scopes are optional.

Open bolt indicators must be used; will be provided first time only. Will shoot from 50 yards and 100 yards.

Optional money shoots at end of course - mystery target and yardage - winner takes pot.

Contact Mike Urbas for additional information - [mprjb.urbas@att.net](mailto:mprjb.urbas@att.net)

## MANDATORY NRA MEMBERSHIP

Greg Keefer presented the following proposal to the Board:

“Neighboring clubs require a mandatory NRA membership as a condition of belonging. They do this for a reason. The NRA aggressively defends your rights to own and use your firearms. The NRA champions American’s individual rights and strives to block efforts by misguided government officials, legislators and courts attempting to strip away these guarantees. They are aggressive fundraisers but they are the gun owner’s greatest ally in our fight against restrictions and confiscations pushed by Obama, Clinton, and Bloomberg to name a few.

The NRA also offers many member benefits and a choice of outstanding monthly magazines. If additional donations are not appropriate for you, just hang up the phone and toss the NRA mailings. You can then still feel good about supporting the NRA and its efforts by being a member.

Many are frustrated by another ‘required’ or ‘mandatory’ by-law to deal with. The State requires vehicle insurance. If not you would probably insure your vehicle anyway as you would be foolish not to. A NRA membership is insurance for your gun rights. It only makes sense.

New NRA memberships generate \$10.00 each for our club and renewals \$5.00. The NRA also offers grants for various projects and a 100% NRA club will receive a higher priority. Our club is always searching for additional income. If you do the math this is a substantial amount.

In summary, being a member of the NRA is the right thing to do for yourself, your children and your club’s current and future gun rights.”

## BY-LAW PROPOSAL

### Article VI: Qualification of Members

(NRA membership is mandatory. A current NRA membership card will be required when paying annual dues. A copy of member’s current NRA card is required with mail-in payments. A NRA membership application will be supplies in the new member orientation packet.) A second reading will be held at the January meeting with a membership vote in February.

## RIFLE RANGE

The gun raffle has been delayed until the first of the year, January to February time frame.

The Rifle Range is a mess, shooters are not picking up after themselves. Found over 30 shotgun hulls and over 60 brass casings left on the range. Come on folks! You are better than that, Please clean up after you shoot!!!

### SPECIAL THANKS

A Special Thanks goes out to the following:

- Joe Webb & Rick Alderman, CCW Class, \$150 donation to be used for Rifle Range gravel.
- Heather L. Moseman, Esquire of Moseman Law Office; \$100 donation for the Preserve and to John Hadzinsky for acquiring.

### AREA GUN SHOWS

Dec. 12th & 13th Ashtabula County Fairgrounds  
127 N. Elm. St., Jefferson, OH  
Dec. 19th & 20th Fire Dept. Soc. Hall, Harborcreek, PA  
7275 Buffalo Rd., US Rt. 20  
Shows begin each day at 9:00AM.

### HUNTER'S SAFETY

We had 29 students at our November class. Next class will be scheduled prior to the Spring Turkey season. Will advise when schedule is available.

### FOR SALE

**Springfield XDM** 40cal. Full size, 4 - 16rd. Mags, \$600  
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# ARGC CALENDAR

## DECEMBER

Sunday 6 -Dog Trials - 9:30AM  
 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -Action Pistol - 10:00AM  
 -Venture Crew - 2:00PM  
 -Youth Archery - 4:00PM to 6:00PM

Monday 7 -Skeet - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery League - 7:00PM

Tuesday 8 -Trap - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM

Wednesday 9 -Trap 10:00AM

Friday 11 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 12 -Trap - 9:00AM

Sunday 13 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -CMP - 10:00AM  
 -Bowling Pin - 10:00AM

Monday 14 -Skeet - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery League - 7:00PM

Tuesday 15 -Trap - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM

Wednesday 16 -Trap 10:00AM

Friday 18 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 19 -Trap - 9:00AM  
 - *Venture Crew - "Adopt a Family"*

Sunday 20 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -Black Powder - 9:30AM  
 -Venture Crew - 2:00PM  
 -Youth Archery - 4:00PM to 6:00PM

Monday 21 -Skeet - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery League - 7:00PM

Tuesday 22 -Trap - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM

Wednesday 23 -Trap 10:00AM

Friday 25 -"**Merry Christmas**"  
 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 26 -Trap - 9:00AM

Sunday 27 -Dog Trials - 9:30AM  
 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Monday 28 -Skeet - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery League - 7:00PM

Tuesday 29 -Trap - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM

Wednesday 30 -Trap 10:00AM

## JANUARY

Friday 1 -"**Happy New Year**"  
 -Skeet - 10:00AM

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Saturday 2 -Trap - 9:00AM

Sunday 3 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -Action Pistol - 10:00AM  
 -Venture Crew - 2:00PM  
 -Youth Archery - 4:00PM to 6:00PM

Monday 4 -Skeet - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery League - 7:00PM

Tuesday 5 -Trap - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM

Wednesday 6 -Trap 10:00AM

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

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Saturday 23 -Trap - 9:00AM

Sunday 24 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Monday 25 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 26 -Trap - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM

Wednesday 27 -Trap 10:00AM

Friday 29 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 30 -Trap - 9:00AM

Sunday 31 -Skeet - 10:00AM