

# THE ARGC NEWS

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## MARCH 2016

## CLUB MEMBERSHIPS

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### MONTHLY MEETING NEWS

The next ARGC membership meeting will be Thursday, April 7th, at 7 PM. As always there will be food and beverages available. The next ARGC Board meeting will be Thursday March 31st, at 6:30 PM.

**Please Note: The Board Meeting schedule has been changed to 6:30PM on the last Thursday of each month.**

#### First Readings:

- Rick Kaska
- Paul Milkovich

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 March jackpot of \$146.00 was #1655, Burthen Maynard. Burthen was not registered nor in attendance. The jackpot will continue to grow.

### TREASURER

The ARGC Treasurer has resigned her position. Temporarily, the Secretary is accepting Dues/Land Assessment payments and paying club bills. If you have accounting, financial, and/or Quick Books experience and would be interested in the Treasurer position or assisting with keeping the books please contact one of our club officers.

### 2016 WORK TIME

According to the Club By-Laws, 2016 work time must be performed and submitted by December 31, 2016.

#### WORK PARTIES

- Volunteers are needed to rake gravel and stone from grass edge into the drive and fill driveway pot holes. Bring rakes and shovels. Contact Gib Ingwer at 440-862-0424 to sign up.
- Contact Mike Johnson to sign up to help with various building projects.

#### BOWLING PIN - COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

We remembered and honored our recently departed member, friend, and Bowling Pin Pistol Committee Chairman Lenny Shapiro with a moment of silence at our March membership meeting. Lenny would want us to keep the Bowling Pin activity going and to that end, we are in need of a leader. If you are interested, please contact any club officer.

### 2016 DUES NOTICE

The annual dues and/or land assessment payment due date of the March 2016 membership meeting has been **extended to the April membership meeting**. Payment can be mailed or paid in person at the April membership meeting. **Payments can also be made to the Secretary on Saturdays from Noon to 2:00PM at the Madden House during the month of March.** Just a heads up for next year, we are planning to e-mail 2017 dues notices to all members with a valid e-mail address. This will accelerate the speed in which you receive your notice and will save your club money! Please advise the ARGC Secretary if you change your email address. **The Gate combination will change after the April membership meeting!**

### **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.

- March 13 will be a high-power/Garand match.

All members are welcome, come out and join the fun. Contact Gib Ingwer at 440-862-0424 to sign up or for additional info.

### **CONCEALED CARRY CLASS**

The next Concealed Carry Class is scheduled at ARGC's clubhouse as follows:

Saturday April 16 8AM - 4PM

Class will be taught by Sgt. Joseph Webb and Park Ranger Rick Alderman; Ohio Police Officer Firearms Training Instructors. The class is 8 hours, 6 hours classroom and 2 hours range. The fee for the class is \$100 per person, \$150 per couple of which \$25 is donated back to the club. To enroll and/or obtain additional information, please contact Rick Alderman. Please do not call Rick at his place of work. This class is open to the public. *The Pistol Range will be closed on Saturday April 16, 2016 from 1 to 4:00PM.*

### **WESTERN RESERVE FRIENDS OF THE NRA**

The 2016 Western Reserve Friends of the NRA (WRFNRA) Banquet and Fundraiser is scheduled for Friday May 27, 2016 at La Malfa in Mentor, Ohio. The ticket price is the same as last years price, but the giant raffle has been expanded from 50 to 75 prizes. (guns, gear, cash) The wall of guns returns in 2016. You can qualify for table leader discounts! Tickets are limited, so when they're gone, they're gone. Contact Mark Hepler for tickets and or additional Information.

### **HUNTER EDUCATION CLASSES**

The next Hunter Education Classes will be scheduled for:

Friday April 8 - 6:00PM  
Saturday April 9 - 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.

### **ACWCL**

Tree stands on ACWCL property need to be taken down by April 1, 2016 or they will be removed and sold!

### **MANDATORY NRA 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 supplied in the new member orientation packet.)* A membership vote on this By-Law proposal was held at the March 2016 monthly meeting. A total of 68 votes were cast and the proposal was defeated by a 40 No to 28 Yes count. 55 of the 68 voters are NRA members. The By-Laws will not be changed as proposed.

### **INDOOR ARCHERY GUN RAFFLE**

The Indoor Archery committee is raffling off a Smith & Wesson M&P Sport AR15, 5.56 caliber rifle. Second prize is \$200 and third prize is \$100. Tickets are \$10 each. The drawing will be held at the April ARGC membership meeting. Contact Jim Wawrowski to obtain tickets or additional info.

### **NRA RANGE SAFETY OFFICER COURSE**

A NRA Range Safety Officer Course is scheduled to be held at the ARGC clubhouse on Saturday March 26, 2016 at 9:00AM. If you are an NRA member, please bring your proof of NRA membership with you. Registration cost is \$50 for ARGC members and \$75 for non-members. Contact Larry Stouffer for class reservations by March 24, 2016. The NRA states: "The NRA Range Safety Officer program was developed in response to the demand for a nationally-recognized range safety officer certification. NRA Range Safety Officers are people who possess the knowledge, skills, and attitude essential to organizing, conducting, and supervising safe shooting activities and range operations."

### **SKEET**

We are in need of someone to run the Friday AM Skeet Shoot. Training will be available for this excellent opportunity to get your work time in. Contact Rich Moretti to sign up or for additional info.

### **ACWCL ANNUAL SPRING BANQUET**

The ACWCL Spring Banquet will be held on June 4, 2016 at the Saybrook Banquet Center, 3116 N Bend Rd, Ashtabula, OH. Social Hour begins at 5:00 PM with Dinner at 6:00PM. Dinner ticket cost is \$20.00.. For tickets, contact Paul Callender.

### VINTAGE MILITARY RIFLE SHOOT

For the 2016 Season a Vintage Military Rifle Shoot will be held at 9:30 am on the Second Saturday of every month starting in April 2016 and ending November 2016. Registration at 9:30AM, following registration sighting in if needed - shooting starts at 10:00AM. Cost \$5:00 per person.

Items you supply: A safe working Rifle – Bolt Action or Semi Auto – No M14/M1A1, AR15/M16 - No Optics – only iron sights or peep – 40 rounds of surplus, commercially or hand/loaded ammo for course of fire, eye protection, ear protection, sandbags and spotting scopes are optional. Open bolt indicators must be used or will be provided for one time only. Will shoot from 50 yards – 100 yards. Optional money shoot at end of course - mystery target and yardage - winner takes pot. Contact Mike Urbas for additional information - mprjb.urbas@att.net

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Venture Crew will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast at the ARGC clubhouse from 8:30AM - Noon on Saturday March 19. Cub Scout Pack 52 will be holding their Pine Wood Derby at the same time and this would be a great time for possible recruiting of new members. Come on out and support this activity. Contact Barry Palmer for additional information at: brpalmer@firstenergycorp.com

### BIRD PRESERVE

The Bird Preserve committee will be hosting the “Chucker Classic” on Sunday March 20 at 9:00AM. Entry Fee is \$100 for 2 Man team with a dog. There will be a Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Venture Crew beginning at 8:00AM at the ARGC clubhouse. ***This is also a good opportunity to get your work time in as John needs help with this event. Come out at 8-8:30 to help.*** Contact John Hadzinsky to sign up and obtain for additional info.

### GOOD FRIDAY SHOOT

A Good Friday Shoot is planned for Friday March 25th at 10:00AM. One round of Trap and one round of Skeet. Entry fee of \$20 includes Shoot, food, beverage, and prize money. Prize for 1st, 2nd, & 7th place. Advance sign up by March 18, 2016. Need at least 10 shooters Bring a covered dish or dessert. Contact Rich Moretti to sign up or obtain more info.

### COUNTY TRAP LEAGUE

The Ashtabula County Trap League will have their planning meeting on March 22, 2016. The League's Spring Schedule will be available after the meeting.

### SMALLBORE SILHOUETTE

Smallbore Silhouette will begin the 2016 season on Sunday May 22 at 9:00AM - 1:00PM. 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. Unlimited Scope Power NO STINGERS, MAGNUMS, OR .17 CAL All shots from the standing position. No slings or supports. For questions or additional info, contact Greg Keefer at greg.keefer@yahoo.com

### RIMFIRE BENCHREST MATCHES

Rimfire Benchrest Matches will begin the 2016 season on Sunday May 1 at 9:00AM - 1:00PM. 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). Any safe .22 Rimfire Chambered for Short, Long, or Long Rifle. Unlimited Scope Power For questions or additional info, contact Greg Keefer at greg.keefer@yahoo.com

### ODNR

ODNR Officer Jason Warren stopped by our meeting to give members the following updates and answer any questions:

- ***Advised members that ARGC Bird Preserve permits, Tag Id's, paper work, and pens are all in order. Can Hunt any time. There are no Bag Limits or Hunting License requirements for a commercial preserve on private property.***
- The 2015 Ohio Deer harvest was up +12500 statewide, +400 in Ashtabula County.
- Roy Peterson is the new Chief ODNR officer, a 30 year veteran with Ohio Division of Wildlife.
- Spring Turkey, a proposal is on the table for a NE Ohio Turkey zone, consisting of Lake, Ashtabula Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Trumbull counties. The NE Ohio zone Spring Turkey season would begin 2 weeks after the rest of the state. This will be voted on by the council in April 2016. If passed, would take effect for the 2017 season.
- Walleye and Perch hatch were very good last year.
- While walleye in Pymatuning was down, Muskie is making a comeback.
- New Deer management plan could cause counties to be carved up as units.

Jason was asked why Bow/Muzzle loader season is mid week instead of a weekend? Jason advised that many people are off work near the Holidays and we can't make everyone happy.

Jason Warren can be contacted at 330-245-3036.

### SPECIAL THANKS

- To Rick Alderman for helping out the youth students participating in the upcoming Hunters Safety class with a Brick of .22 ammo
- To all of those mentioned by Rich Moretti at the March meeting that helped move cases of targets to various locations.



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# ARGC CALENDAR

## MARCH

Sunday 6 -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

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 -**Venture Crew Pancake Brkf - 8:30AM**  
 -Trap - 9:00AM

Sunday 20 -**Venture Crew Pancake Brkf - 8:00AM**  
 -**“Chuckie Classic” 9:00AM**  
 -Black Powder - 9:30AM  
 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -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 -Skeet -**“Good Friday Shoot”- 10:00AM**

Saturday 26 -Trap - 9:00AM  
 -**RSO Course - 9:00AM to 4:00PM**

Sunday 27 -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

Thursday 31 -**Board Meeting - 6:30PM**

## APRIL

Friday 1 -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 -**Membership Meeting - 7:00PM**

Friday 8 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -**Hunter Education Class - 6:00PM**

Saturday 9 -Trap - 9:00AM  
 -**Hunter Education Class - 9:00AM**  
 -Vintage Military Shoot - 9:30AM

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

Monday 11 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 12 -Trap - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM

Wednesday 13 -Trap 10:00AM

Friday 15 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 16 -Trap - 9:00AM  
 -**Concealed Carry Class - 8:00AM**  
 -**“Pistol Range Closed” - 1:00 - 4:00PM**

Sunday 17 -Skeet - 10:00AM  
 -Black Powder - 9:30AM  
 -Venture Crew - 2:00PM  
 -Youth Archery - 4:00PM to 6:00PM

Monday 18 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 19 -Trap - 6:00PM  
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM

Wednesday 20 -Trap 10:00AM

Friday 22 -Skeet - 10:00AM

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

Thursday 28 -**Board Meeting - 6:30PM**

Friday 29 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 30 -Trap - 9:00AM