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# ARGC NEWSLETTER

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March 2020

Ashtabula Rod and Gun Club, PO Box 164, Ashtabula Ohio 44005

## Shooting sports

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### Trap

Tuesday night, Wednesday morning, Saturday Morning.  
Looking for shooters for the trap league.

### Skeet

Wednesday night, Friday morning and Sunday morning. Still  
looking for a full time Skeet Chairman.

### Archery

Spring league is going on Monday nights. Tuesday night from  
6-8pm is open shoot.

### Black Powder

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month. Sign-in 9am and shoot at 10am.

### Bird Preserve

Last dog trial is March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Chucker Challenge. 80.00 per  
person. Contact John Hadzinski for more information.

### Multi-Gun

Only if weather permits. Notice will be sent out if one is  
scheduled.

### Bowling Pin Shoot

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. Starts at 10am. \$5.00 range fee. As  
long as weather isn't too bad we will keep shooting.

### ARA Benchrest and KYL Shoots

See attached 2020 Schedule of Events.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Readings:

Robert Butcher.

Welcome to the Club!!

## **Organizations/Events**

### **Venture Crew**

Crew meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month. We still have Syrup and Meat sticks for sale. Contact Barry Palmer for more information.

**Kent State Rifle Club.** Meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month from 3-5pm followed by shooting until sundown.

**Hunter Education.** There will be an Outdoor Education Weekend this year. If you know someone 11 - 16 years old, have them fill out an application. For more information see Skip Craine.

**Rifle Range.** Please clean up your spent brass at the ranges. Gib has put a new brass container down there. Please use it.

**Fishing Derby.** The Derby will be June 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Decathlon.** Will be held July 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Campout and Shooting event for Club Members.** Will be held May 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. 9am - 5pm both days. Come on out and have fun with other members. Camp overnight if you desire. It will be a great time for everybody. As with any event, we can always use help for the event.

## **Important Information**

**NRA.** Join or Renew your membership with the club and help the club at the same time. New and renew memberships are 35.00 annually.

**POND.** *Please do not walk on the pond when it looks frozen. With the aerator in the pond, it never really freezes.*

**Trash Pickup.** Trash gets picked up on Monday's as long as we call by Wednesday. If you notice it is getting full please let someone know.

**New Webmaster.** Mark has stepped down from the Webmaster position. Our new webmaster is Pam Chamar - [pchamar831@gmail.com](mailto:pchamar831@gmail.com). If you have anything that needs to go onto the website, please send it to Pam. Thank you Mark for the years of hard work!

Thank you to Terry Berkey for getting new Skeet Controls for the club.

## New Cartridge: 350 Legend

By: Daryl Upole, President, Ohio Guns

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This article will not go into detail on all the history or development of this cartridge. Instead, it will focus on whether it is for you.

The 350 Legend cartridge came out in early 2019 as a straight-wall rimless cartridge suitable for semi-auto firearms. In fact, any AR can be easily adapted to this cartridge with a barrel change and magazine. It uses the same bolt carrier group as the standard 5.56/.223. However, we recommend that you use a "full mass" (i.e. auto – not semi auto) bolt carrier. It seems that this little bit of extra weight assists in better feeding of the semi auto. Most of the feeding malfunctions we have encountered have been resolved with this one change.

So, is it for you?

One simple question gets you started in this solution. Do you deer hunt during gun season in Ohio? Honestly, for most people, this is the only reason to consider it. There are so many cartridges that are better than the 350 Legend for almost any purpose in the AR platform – but Ohio hunting regulations prohibit us from using those other cartridges during deer gun season.

So, if the answer is "no, I don't gun hunt for deer in Ohio", then you probably aren't interested in this cartridge!

Our Ashtabula County game warden has received official notice from ODNR that this is an acceptable cartridge for Ohio deer hunting.

For deer gun season in Ohio, this cartridge in the AR platform is probably your best bet for 125 yards and under. This past deer season, we measured off two shots my brother-in-law had successfully made. Each was just over 150 yards and neither deer went further than 50 yards after a single shot. Some promotional literature would push that limit out to 200 yards – that would be a personal choice for you once you study the ballistics and your own comfort level.

The consensus seems to be that the most ethical shots for deer should be at least 1,000 foot-pounds of energy. Most of the 350 Legend ammo available today should be capable of that out to 125 to 150 yards. Even at 200 yards most 350 Legend loads are at about 900 foot-pounds. By way of comparison, a standard 55 grain 5.56 would be about 800 foot-pounds at 100 yards and drop off to 600 foot-pounds by the time it gets to 200 yards.

As far as trajectory, if you zero at 50 yards, you'll also be zeroed at 100 yards; about 2" low at 125 yards and 5" low at 150 yards. So, for hunting purposes, you should be able to work out your own zero to be point and shoot out to 125 or 150 yards.

Thankfully, this cartridge will still be quite useful year 'round. As stated earlier, if you're not gun-season deer hunter, there are better AR choices. But, if you need to use it for deer, it is a fine cartridge for most other purposes in Ohio. There's no reason it could not be used for coyote or other predators on down to varmints. It is fun with mild recoil for the range. We built one for a very small-framed 12-year old and he handled it easily. And, it is a powerful cartridge for home/self-defense.

On the other hand, if you just want it for deer season, you can get a pretty decent and affordable AR upper-only with the receiver, barrel, plastic handguards for under \$300. Add your optics, bolt carrier group, charging handle, and a \$20 magazine and use it on your existing lower. If you have parts and pieces and do it all yourself, you could get by for less.

I personally use this cartridge in an AR Pistol platform with a 12.5" barrel and suppressor. It is light and accurate with great ballistics.

This is an easy to handload cartridge. I recommend Starline brass only – the Winchester brass starts off too short and stretches enough to get case separations after just one or two loads. There are Winchester and Hornady 350 Legend bullets available and you can easily adapt others. Lee and Hornady both have die sets available. H110 is a perfect powder and Hodgdon load data is available for the Hornady 170 grain and the Winchester 180 grain bullets. I have also used .358 bullets and sized them through a .356 Lee sizer die and they work great as well. The 140 FTX 38 caliber is one example as well as the 200 FTX.

The other AR option for Ohio deer is the 450 Bushmaster. This is a very powerful, brutal cartridge and I find it no fun to shoot! But, if you're looking to stretch out 200 yards and beyond, you'd need to consider this cartridge. Two seasons ago, I took a 75-yard shot with the 450 Bushmaster and it went clear through two doe and never recovered the bullet. Then I realized this was way more than I needed for what I was doing! Plus, a few rounds at the range to sight in and I'm done. With the 350 Legend, 20-50 rounds at the range is fun day!

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## For Sale

Remington 11-87 20 gauge, 26 inch barrel. New in box. \$750.00

Weatherby sa-08 20 gauge, 26 inch barrel semi automatic. Like new. \$650.00

Weatherby sa-08 28 gauge, 26 inch barrel. Like New. \$650.00

Winchester Model 12, 12 gauge, 28 inch, full choke, excellent condition. Late 30's production. \$500.00

Smith and Wesson AR-10 308 Winchester. New in the box. Carrying case. \$1150.00

Savage Mark II target rifle. Heavy barrel 22 long rifle. Wood Stock. Bases are included. Accutrigger. \$300.00

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## Looking to buy

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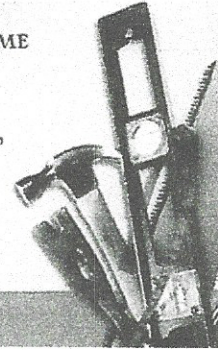
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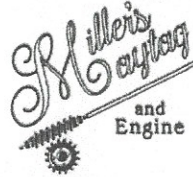


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