

GREENE COUNTY

FISH & GAME

ASSOCIATION

Your newsletter for **December 2009**

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Absolutely no guests are permitted to hunt or fish, only members, their spouse, minor children & grandchildren, may hunt & fish!

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

IS IT REAL?...For the last 25-30 years attacks on the second amendment have been increasing every year and it appears that trend is going to increase as liberal / progressive (experts) gain control of the government and continue to run the news media.

How do we protect our rights from these "do gooder" types who believe in their positions? We contact the media with calls and articles backing our position and we contact our Senators and Congressmen expressing our fears and concerns.

They are supposed to vote the views of their constituency. You can watch their record on-line and in the weekend newspapers and let them know if they don't follow that procedure, we will vote them out at the next election.

Now about the "Real" stuff mentioned above. I have been getting letters and tons of e-mail messages warning me of gun grab bills going through the House and Senate and telling me to contact those in power in an effort to kill those bills.

We are also told to forward the message to everyone we know so they can do the same. The problem is that many of these messages are not correct.

A couple that have been going around lately are the SB-2099 bill that would include your guns on federal tax forms and the Blair Holt Firearm Licensing and Record Sales act (HR-45), both of these bills would stack controls and fees on firearms ownership and sales.

SB-2099 was proposed by Democrat Jack Reed of R.I. in 2000 and it never made the floor of the Senate, likewise the Blair Holt failed to get even one co-sponsor and it too died before any floor action.

Why do these bills and others like them keep popping up? Anti-groups would like to see us in a continual tizzy about these bogus "attacks" so that other problem legislation sneaks through as riders on real legislation.

They also want us to contact the political leaders with this false information until they view us as "Nuts Crying Wolf".

We can't stop watching for them to snipe us, but we MUST verify the information before acting upon it. This can be done by contacting the NRA, NSSF, Safari Club International and the U.S. Sportsman's Alliance.

They keep on top of these problems and report on problems as soon as they become aware of them, so all of these groups make good points of contact if you hear about something that concerns you.

We can't stop working to protect our rights, but we need to do it in a proper manner.
Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!

— Bob Brown

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

There will not be a Euchre Party in December So please make plans to join us for the January Euchre Party on Saturday January 16th. Doors will open at 6 PM and cards will start promptly at 7 PM; \$6 per person. Bring your own drinks and a snack to share. We look forward to seeing you there. Non-members are always welcome.

The Women's Auxiliary is currently seeking new members. We would love to have you join us. We will meet the first Wednesday in December at Applebee's on Wilmington Pike In Bellbrook at 7 PM. Call Jennifer with any questions at (937) 478-4209. We hope to see you there!

GOOSE HUNTING REMINDER

Just a reminder that goose hunters will be present on and off at the big lake through the month of January. Please look for the yellow saw-horse and be aware they are not required to wear blaze orange. Upland hunters should also consider their possible presence as well if they choose to hunt in the areas around the big lake and in field #6 at the Southeast corner of the club.

CONSERVATION CHAIR NEEDED!

After many great years as our Conservation Chairman Tom Kohler is stepping aside. As a result we are in need of someone to oversee and direct the conservation committee.

We realize these are some pretty big shoes to fill, but Tom and Ralph Richardson have offered to work closely with a new chairman to help insure a smooth transition.

For more information regarding the duties required of a conservation chairman, contact Bob Brown by phone at (937) 902-0090 or via e-mail through the club website at www.gcfng.com.

12 GUN GIVEAWAY NEWS!

The winning # for the November 12-Gun Giveaway was ticket # 0300. The lucky winner was Jeffery Bowden of Beavercreek, Ohio. Be sure to attend this month's meeting as two guns will be given away, just in time for Christmas!

CONSERVATION

Upland Game season began at the club back on November 6th. Pheasant season will run through Jan 10th while rabbit hunting will continue until January 31st.

We will try again this season to provide quality hunting opportunities throughout the season by making weekly releases. Several of the releases will target weekend hunters.

Please read and follow all club ground rules as well as state regulations. Check in and out using the sign-in sheet located in the clubhouse.

Let's shoot straight, wear plenty of hunter orange, harvest plenty of birds and bunnies and have a another safe season!

ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS! -- IMPORTANT INFORMATION

You can now check the status of your required work hours and meetings on-line at our club's website @ www.gcfng.com. Just log in and follow the drop down menus to check your status today. In the interests of privacy and safety, you will only be listed on-line by your member # so you will need to know it.

Your membership # appears next to your name on your newsletter address label and on your member badge. For any additional information you can contact Terry Sebastian via phone at (937) 718-6675.

THANKS! FROM THE SECRETARY

I would like to thank everyone who helped out with November's Membership Renewal Package stuffing project. We got a great deal of work accomplished in a very short time. Your efforts saved me a lot of time and helped expedite the entire renewal process.

— Tim Ankeney

READ YOUR GROUND RULES!!!

This year when your renewal package arrives, open it, take out your new copies of the Ground Rules and Constitution and read them!!!!

There are a significant number of changes that have been made to both documents. Being aware of these changes will keep you current with policies and events at the club and even keep you out of trouble.

Remaining 2009 GCF&G HUNTER ED. CLASS Dates

DECEMBER 7th, 9th & 11th FROM 6 – 9:30 PM

CALL 1-800-WILDLIFE TO REGISTER NOW !

TENTATIVE 2010 EVENT DATES

NEW MEMBER SIGN-UP - 1/17

B.P. WINTER LEAGUE - 1/10

ANNUAL B.P. EGG SHOOT - 1/31

ARCHERY ORG. MEETING - 2/6

DOW OPEN HOUSE - 3/6

ARCHERY OPEN SHOOT - 4/11

NRA PISTOL LEAGUE - 4/22

CAMPGROUND MEETING - 4/24

NDR PISTOL LEAGUE - 4/29

B.P. SPRING RENDEZVOUS 4/30, 5/1 & 5/2

M-1 GARAND CLINIC - 5/1

CAMPGROUND OPENS - 5/1

**** PLEASE WATCH THE NEWSLETTER AND CHECKOUT OUR CLUB'S WEBSITE AT WWW.GCFNG.COM FOR ADDITIONAL EVENT INFORMATION OR CONTACT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE HOSTING ANY OF THESE GREAT EVENTS!**

It's renewal time!

Don't forget to pay your 2010 dues!

GUN RANGES ARE CLOSED!

The gun ranges will only be open on Wed. & Sun. from November 1st until January 31st. Additional closings are also possible. Now through Jan 31st.

December 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 WOMEN'S AUX. MEETING	3 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 5 PM	4	5
6 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4 PM	7 HUNTER ED. 6:00 - 9:30 PM	8 BOARD & MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS	9 HUNTER ED. 6:00 - 9:30 PM	10 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 5 PM	11 HUNTER ED. 6:00 - 9:30 PM	12 ANNUAL KID'S X-MAS PARTY
13 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4 PM CCW COURSE 8 AM - 8 PM	14	15	16	17 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 5 PM	18	19
20 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4 PM B.P. HO-HO MEAT SHOOT 10 AM	21	22	23	24	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26
27 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4 PM	28	29	30	31		

2010 DUES RENEWAL FORM

Name _____ Birth Date _____
Street _____ City/State _____
Zip Code _____ Phone # _____ County _____
Email _____

Occupation _____ Spouse's Name _____

Name and birth date of any kids under 18 _____

NRA member ___ No ___ Yes—Member # _____

NMLRA member ___ No ___ Yes—Member # _____

*****MEMBER NUMBER (FOUND ON YOUR ADDRESS LABEL) _____**

MARK ONLY 1 (one) Activity you want most to participate in:

___ Archery ___ Fishing ___ Muzzle Loaders ___ Camping ___ Hunting ___ CMP

___ Pistol ___ Trapshooting ___ Conservation ___ Rifle ___ Youth Activities

DUES ARE \$106.50 WHICH INCLUDES OHIO SALES TAX. ALL DUES MUST BE PAID OR POSTMARKED BY DEC 31ST, 2009.

Make check payable to Greene Co. Fish & Game Assn. and send with this completed form to the club at **PO BOX 64, Xenia, OH 45385**. One extra bumper sticker is \$.50. Gifts in support of club programs are welcome!

___ **I am enclosing an additional \$20 for a 2010 12 Gun Giveaway ticket.**

___ I am the son or daughter of a current member in good standing (member _____), who is now required by the GCF&G Constitution to have his/her own dues paying membership.

***** THIS MEMBERSHIP IS NOT TRANSFERABLE *****