

**GCF&G ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2015 ARE DUE ON 12/31/14.
YOUR RENEWAL DUES FOR 2015 CAN BE PAID STARTING ON 10/01/14.
A RENEWAL FORM WAS MAILED OUT FIRST CLASS TO EACH
GCF&G MEMBER IN SEPTEMBER. PLEASE MAKE A NOTE....**

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

When I came out to the club for the first time there was a swinging gate with a combo lock followed by a trip through the campground with about a dozen sites.

Beyond an overgrown fence line you found high grass and a bunch of target bales that were abandoned when archery did not take off as planned.

The rifle / pistol ranges were also cut off from the road by an overgrown fence line and were basically just mowed strips with a few benches.

The only shelter was an old hen house down by the 100 yard line. At that time we had 2 traps that were open on the week-ends.

A lot of junk shoots were being held between practice and registered birds.

The restrooms in the clubhouse were limited to a single seater for women and one plus in the guy's room.

The membership was around 700 at that time, down from our early years and probably not as community minded; but the Annual Fish Fry, Picnic and Turkey Shoot in November were always well attended as were the meetings.

Now we have a computerized gate, 75 campsites in a neat / clean area with good amenities and the archery range has a field course and acres of land for 3-D shoots.

Our shooting ranges are clean, covered and safe with all the bunkers, gravelled paths and concrete pads.

Our 4 traps have updated machines and our programs are well run. The clubhouse and equipment have all been upgraded and are kept in good repair.

The membership is now around 1,300, up from the past, but many are not as active in the club as they were in the old days.

I have been honored to spend many years as a chairman, director or officer of this organization while watching the facilities improve and expand.

I have seen our members pull together when our sports were attacked by anti's and when the youth programs needed



Successful and tired! - A handful of happy hunters stuck around to pose with their quarry, their guide Bob Shrader and the world renown Buck after the November 15th Youth Hunt at the club. A Special Thanks goes out to Bob and all the club members that made it happen for all the deserving kids. (Fish & Game Photo by Ed Rauch).

help or big projects required attention.

Now I watch as work, sports and social media keep us too busy to take the time to appreciate and support our club.

Please give thought to planning regular visits to participate in organized events or just to relax and do you own thing.

Most importantly, our elected officials and chairmen need your input and assistance to move the club into the future. Please help, they can't do it alone.

— Bob Brown
President (937) 902-0090

**2014 YOUTH HUNT
NOT WELL ATTENDED....**

Only nine youths attended this year's Annual Youth Hunt on Saturday, November 15th.

It was a cool day but not unusually cold for November in Ohio. Sixty birds were put aside for the young hunters, but most of them likely chose to sleep in.

Dave Schock and crew handled the warm-ups on the trap range and each youth shot 5 clay practice targets.

Greene County Wildlife Officer Matt Hunt led the safety orientation before the

kids went into the fields where newly elected president Greg Beasley and his group awaited the eager young hunters.

—Larry Rowland
Youth Activities Chairman

**A VERY IMPORTANT
WINTER WEATHER NOTICE!**

The arrival of winter weather brings with it the realistic possibility that events at the club could be affected by hazardous winter weather conditions. Since January 1st, 2000 we have used the following weather policy:

If Greene County has declared a level 1 or higher snow emergency and is listed as such in TV, radio, and news broadcasts at 3 pm the day of any board or membership meeting, that meeting will be postponed and re-scheduled to the same day and time the following week unless otherwise indicated.

Common sense should always be used when deciding whether or not to attend any club activity during inclement weather. To further determine the status of other scheduled events at the club contact the chairperson in charge of that activity or refer to our website at www.gcfng.com.

**12 GUN GIVEAWAY
MONTHLY WINNERS**

The winning ticket number for the November drawing was # 0899 .

The Lucky Winner was
Mike Wendeln of Kettering, Ohio.



**Greene County Fish & Game
ASSOCIATION**

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DECEMBER 2014 NEWSLETTER

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ABSOLUTELY NO GUESTS ARE PERMITTED TO HUNT OR FISH WITHOUT EXPRESSED WRITTEN CONSENT FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.THESE PRIVILEGES ARE RESERVED FOR OUR MEMBERS, THEIR SPOUSE, MINOR CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN! THANK YOU.

2014 EVENT DATES LEFT TO REMEMBER!

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY KID'S CHRISTMAS PARTY - 12/13.
B.P. HO-HO MEAT SHOOT - 12/21.

THE GCF&G SUGGESTION BOX

TELL US WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND!

We'd like to know what you think about your club, good or bad. If you can write it respectfully, we'll print it in this newsletter. Tell us what you think about any of our programs, policies and procedures. Tell us what you like best about your club, what

you hate the most, or simply ask us an important question.

All we ask is that you keep it respectful, appropriate for print, and that you include your name and membership # with your honest e-mail.

You can send us your thoughts and/or comments through our website attn: Secretary at www.gcfng.com.

This is a relatively new feature of the club newsletter and we need your input. After all it's YOUR club.

Maybe there is something you'd like us to add to this newsletter or a club member you'd like to thank for a good deed.

NO HUNTING AT THE CLUB DURING THE STATEWIDE DEER GUN SEASON.

All hunting is prohibited at the club during the annual Statewide Deer Gun Season which will run from Monday 12/1 through Sunday 12/7. Thank you in advance for your understanding on this matter. Please plan accordingly.

PLEASE REMEMBER!
GOOSE HUNTERS WILL BE ON AND AROUND THE BIG LAKE NOW THRU JANUARY



SO PLEASE BE COURTEOUS



OUR GUN RANGES ARE CLOSED FROM 11-1-14 THRU 1-31-15 EXCEPT FOR WEDNESDAYS & SUNDAYS. ADDITIONAL CLOSURES ARE POSSIBLE SO PLEASE REFER TO OUR WEBSITE FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION ON OUR RANGES AND EVENTS.

<http://www.gcfng.com/membership/memberhours.html>

DECEMBER 2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 DEER GUN SEASON OPENS	2	3 WOMEN'S AUX. MEETING 6:30 PM	4 TRAPSHOOT P & C 5:30 - 10 PM	5	6
7 TRAPSHOOT P & C 12-4 PM COWBOY ACTION SHOOT	8 HUNTER ED. 6 PM - 9:30 PM	9 BOARD & MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS 6 PM & 8 PM	10 HUNTER ED. 6 PM - 9:30 PM	11 TRAPSHOOT P & C 5:30 - 10 PM	12 HUNTER ED. 6 PM - 9:30 PM	13 W/AUX. KID'S X-MAS PARTY 12 PM
14 TRAPSHOOT P & C 12-4 PM	15	16	17	18 TRAPSHOOT P & C 5:30 - 10 PM	19	20
21 TRAPSHOOT P & C 12-4 PM B.P. HO-HO-HO MEAT SHOOT 10 AM	22	23	24	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26	27
28 TRAPSHOOT P & C 12-4 PM	29	30	31 RENEWAL DEADLINE 2015 DUES MUST BE PAID!			

Support the NRA..... Join or Renew Today!

We're making it even easier for you.

Just fill out the NRA Join / Renewal form at the bottom of this page. Simply mark the membership type you would like, pick out your magazine choice and complete the form. Once completed give a copy of the form to our club NRA Recruiter or click onto our new direct link to the NRA and join now!

RON CLARK - (937) 426-8889

**** It is important that you join or renew through the GCF&G, so contact Ron Today! Reduced membership rates are available to all Greene County Fish & Game Members.**

JUST A FEW GOOD REASONS TO JOIN THE NRA:

- The National Rifle Association does more to protect the rights of all sportsmen and gun owners than any other single organization in the world.
- To receive important legislative alerts that will keep you apprised of potential threats to your 2nd Amendment Rights.
- To become a working part of the most recognized and influential gun owners group in the world today and make your voice heard.
- To help promote Youth & Adult Firearms Education Programs.
- To receive additional Insurance coverage for you and your guns.
- To receive an official "Members Only" shooter's cap.
- To receive your choice of (3) monthly NRA Magazines.




Here are two easy ways for you to join the fight to protect your Second Amendment Rights!

You can click on this Direct Link to the NRA:

<http://membership.nrahq.org/default.asp?campaignid=XC020263>

Or You Can:

Fill out the Membership Application below and forward it to Club Representative Ron Clark:

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION		 NRA	XC020263 <small>NRA RECRUITER ID#</small>
DATE: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> NEW MEMBER <input type="checkbox"/> RENEWAL # _____		RECRUITER SIGNATURE _____	
NAME: Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____ <small>FIRST LAST M.I.</small>		MEMBERSHIP TYPE	
ADDRESS: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 YEAR \$35 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 YEAR \$85 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 YEAR \$125 <input type="checkbox"/> JUNIOR (18 years & under) \$15 <input type="checkbox"/> ASSOCIATE (no magazine) \$10 <input type="checkbox"/> LIFE MEMBERSHIP <input type="checkbox"/> Reg. \$1000 <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. \$550 <input type="checkbox"/> Distinguished - age 65+ \$375 <input type="checkbox"/> EASY PAY* <input type="checkbox"/> PAID IN FULL	
CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER _____	
PHONE: (____) _____ E-MAIL: _____ BIRTHDATE: ____/____/____		<input type="checkbox"/> FOREIGN POSTAGE <small>(per year: \$5 Canadian - \$10 other)</small>	
CHOOSE ONE MAGAZINE (Junior Members under age 15 receive <i>Insights</i> magazine only, 15 and older choose magazine) <input type="checkbox"/> AMERICAN RIFLEMAN <input type="checkbox"/> AMERICAN HUNTER <input type="checkbox"/> AMERICA'S 1 ST FREEDOM <small><input type="checkbox"/> Print or <input type="checkbox"/> Digital* <input type="checkbox"/> Print or <input type="checkbox"/> Digital* <input type="checkbox"/> Print or <input type="checkbox"/> Digital*</small> <small>*Email address required for digital version.</small>		<input type="checkbox"/> * EPL \$25 down payment then \$25 quarterly payments until the total dues are paid.	
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