

GREENE COUNTY

FISH & GAME

ASSOCIATION

Your newsletter for May 2010

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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

With the coming of summer there will be many opportunities to enjoy activities at the club. I hope you and your families take advantage of them and have a good time.

This is a great place to kick back, forget the everyday problems of life and enjoy the atmosphere. In addition to the programs already in place which we are working to improve; there are some new activities being discussed that many of you will enjoy.

Do you ever stop to think about the effort that goes into keeping these programs going? A very few members (3 to 4 %) do most of the planning and work to make it happen. I hear you thinking; "That's the way all organizations work" and you are unfortunately correct.

I can tell you from experience that the quality of the programs is affected by the obvious lack of hands on help, but more importantly the attitude of those that are trying is eventually brought down leading to burnout.

This has been a growing concern at the club and seems to be getting worse every year. The negative effects will soon be a fact of life; if we can't reverse the trend.

Please consider doing a few hours a month for the good of the club, the outdoor sports and youth who will leave our sports if not properly exposed to them by us.

You will find that it is quite enjoyable and not really work, plus you will make some great new friends at the same time.

— Bob Brown

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Please join us for the May Euchre Party on Saturday, May 15th. Doors open at 6 PM and cards start promptly at 7 PM, \$6 per person.

We will have a Cold Cuts Meat Tray and Pasta Salad. Bring your own drinks and a snack to share. We look forward to seeing you there. Non members are welcome. Bring your family and friends.

The Women's Auxiliary is currently seeking new members. We would love to have you join us. We meet on the first Wednesday of each month in the clubhouse at 7 PM.

Come join us for fun! Call Jennifer with any questions @ (937) 478-4209. Look forward to another Euchre Party in June!

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 along with 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.

DO YOU OWN A PIECE OF HISTORY?

We are currently seeking any information we can find about the history of the Greene County Fish & Game Association and / or The Greene County Coon Hunters Association.

If you have any old photos, event bills or historic items, badges, newsletters and etc. Please contact us. We would love to copy them and or photograph them for archival use.

There should still be a great deal of information around relating to our humble beginnings and the years that followed. if you have any items that you think may be of interest contact Bob Brown at (937) 902-0090 or Tim Ankeney at (937) 372-6400.

WE'RE REALLY TRAPPED NOW!

The Board of Directors and the membership would like to thank Joe Wright, Ken Mitch, Mike Waggoner and his son for the countless hours of hard work they have provided unselfishly during the ongoing trap renovation program. Thanks for leading by example guys, great job!

TRAP LEAGUE FORMING NOW!

Our 2010 Summer Trap League will start May 18th and will run the last two Tuesday's of each month; May through the end of August.

The league will consist of 400 targets. The cost to shoot the league will be \$85.00 per person. A thank you dinner on the final night of the league will be provided.

For additional information regarding this league contact Justin Liniger at (937) 974-8996.

ANNUAL FISH FRY MAY 11TH

Our annual Fish Fry will be held on Tuesday May 11th. The doors will open at 5 PM and serving will begin at 6 PM. Only 175 tickets will be sold this year so get yours now before they are all sold out!

The menu will be all the fish you can eat, french fries or onion rings, cole slaw, fruit cocktail, a dinner roll & drink, all for just \$7.00 per person.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES NEWS

It's that time of year again; are you ready for another fun filled summer of Youth activities at the club? I hope so because we are!

These programs are being held for your children, grandchildren, their families and your neighbor's kids.

Only our Youth Fishing and Youth Hunt are restricted to the children and grandchildren of our dues paying members.

Much the same programs as last year are to be repeated. New earlier start times for the Rifle and Archery Matches will be from 3 - 5 PM.

Note the competition ages have been raised to 18 so that kids and grandkids still in school can participate. We've also added BB-Gun shooting (no pellets), for those 8 years and under in age.

Dates for weekday black powder introductions are yet to be set, but I can always be contacted to help get anyone started in black powder shooting.

Grab a schedule at one of the area gun stores, the Xenia Wal-Mart, the extension office at the fairgrounds or the area YMCA's.

Don't forget to check out the Coonskin Cap Section of our website. We want to send more kids ages 10-17 to learn the Outdoor Skills from some very good instructors. Camp dates are August 26th, 27th & 28th for this year.

FROM THE LAKES!

Welcome New Members.....

May kicks off our Fishing Tournaments so come on out and join in. This month we have a Bass Only Tournament scheduled and our Kid's Tournament which of course is always free. All kids will go home with something.

We are having a All-Night Catfish Tournament on Memorial Day Weekend, so bring your family and your tents. Memorial Day Weekend also kicks off our annual Catfishathon.

Catch a tagged catfish and win! One tagged fish is worth a year's paid dues. So bring your children and grandchildren out and join in the fun.

Bass only Tournament is May 8th from 6 - 10 AM; Cost is \$5 per person.

Kid's Tournament is May 15th from 8 - 11 AM; Kid's events are always free.

The All-Night Catfish Tournament is May 29th 6 PM - 6 AM. Cost is \$5 per person; Big Fish Jackpot is an additional \$5 per person.

To help out with any of our lakes programs call Terry Cope at (937) 371-2823. To obtain a spot on the boat rack call Jerry McCormick at (937) 829-1927.

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 membership badge. For any additional information you can also contact Terry Sebastian via phone at (937) 718-6675.

CONSTITUTION VOTE!

A membership vote on proposed changes to our club's Constitution will be held on Tuesday June 8th, 2010 at the general membership meeting. The vote will take place during the monthly meeting. All club members are strongly encouraged to attend and vote.

12 GUN GIVEAWAY WINNERS!

The winning ticket number for the month of April was # 0174. The lucky winner was Irmgard Szabo of Middletown, Ohio. Art Myers of Fairborn also turned in ticket # 0666 which made him the winner of the February gun. Congratulations to both our happy winners!

J.A.K.E.S. DAY EVENT JUNE 26TH

Our club is hosting a JAKES Event on Saturday June 26th. The event will start at 9 AM and run through mid-afternoon. Lunch will be provided and pre-registration is requested. Participants are asked to arrive on the day of the event around 8 AM.

This event is open for youths age 10-17 and will feature instruction in archery, BB-Guns, .22 Rifle, Trapshooting and Black Powder. Division of Wildlife Personnel will be on hand to provide proper instruction in all sporting disciplines.

To register your child or grandchild for this great outdoor event you can contact Larry Rowland at (937) 372-8739, Bob Brown at (937) 902-0090 or call the GCF&G Clubhouse at (937) 372-8261 and speak to Ken Mitch.

Register early and spend a lifetime enjoying what you learn.

THANK YOU!

Another Clean-up Weekend is in the books. It was sunny but cool and very productive. More than 95 members participated during the two day event and a great deal of work was completed.

The Board of Directors would like to thank all the members who gave of their time, provided their own equipment and spent their Saturday and Sunday with us at the club so that other members could enjoy the fruits of their labor.

A great deal of work was completed in the archery woods, around the lakes, in the campground and at the rifle and pistol ranges.

— Thank You!

TENTATIVE
2010
EVENT DATES

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

M-1 GARAND CLINIC - 5/1

**KID'S FISHING DERBY &
CASTING CONTEST 5/15**

W/A EUCHRE PARTY 5/15

**ALL-NIGHT CATFISH
TOURNAMENT 5/29**

**MEMORIAL DAY
TRAPSHOOT CALCUTTA 5/31**

CONSTITUTION VOTE 6/8

J.A.K.E.S. DAY 6/26

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

SATURDAY MAY 8TH EVENTS

BASS ONLY TOURN. 6 AM - 12 PM
YOUTH ACTIVITIES EVENT
(.22 RIFLE SHOOT 3 PM)

SATURDAY MAY 15TH SEVENTS

W/A. EUCHRE PARTY 6 PM
Y/A FISHING DERBY 8 - 11 AM
Y/A CASTING CONTEST 9 - 11 AM

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 M-1 GARAND CLINIC (CMP) 8 AM BLACK POWDERSPRINGR ENDEZVOUS
2 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4PM BLACK POWDERSPRINGR ENDEZVOUS	3	4 BOARDMEETING 7:30 PM	5 WOMEN'S AUX. MTG. 7 PM ARCHERY SHOOT CMP LEAGUESHOOT	6 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 5:30 - 10 PM NRA PISTOL NDR PISTOL	7	8
9 TRAPSHOOT R, P, & C 12-4 PM	10	11 ANNUAL FISH FRY 6 PM	12 ARCHERY SHOOT CMP LEAGUESHOOT	13 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 5:30 - 10 PM NRA PISTOL NDR PISTOL	14	15
16 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4 PM PPC / CCW TRAINING 8 AM - 8 PM	17	18TRAP LEAGUESHOOT #1	19 ARCHERY SHOOT CMP LEAGUESHOOT	20 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 5:30 - 10 PM NRA PISTOLNDR PISTOL	21	22 YOUTH ACTIVITIES FIELD ARCHERY SHOOT 10 AM
23 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4 PM 30 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4 PM	24 31 MEMORIAL DAY CALCUTTA	25 TRAP LEAGUE SHOOT #2	26 ARCHERY SHOOT CMP LEAGUESHOOT	27 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 5:30 - 10PM NRA PISTOLNDR PISTOL	28	29 ALL NIGHT CATFISH TOURNAMENT 6 PM - 6 AM