

GREENE COUNTY FISH & GAME ASSOCIATION

Your newsletter for **November 2008**

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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

We have a very busy month ahead of us in November. With our National Election, club election, the start of upland hunting season, our annual Card Shoot, and fewer open range days, finding enough time to get everything done could prove challenging.

Upland Season is always a favorite at the club and everyone needs to be aware of a few changes in that program. Legal upland hunting hours are from **8 AM - 5 PM** Monday through Saturday. All Hunters **MUST** sign in prior to going into the fields and **MUST** register the game taken on their hunt.

This year opening day and Thanksgiving Day hunts will be divided into morning and afternoon sessions on a volunteer basis. We are limiting the number of hunters during each session to 45. Birds will be stocked before both sessions.

Everyone will have equal opportunity regardless of which session they choose. In addition, the kitchen will be open on opening day as well, serving up hot soups and sandwiches, so relax and enjoy a great day at your club!

Please work with this change so that the Board of Directors does not have to implement even more restrictive rules to insure everyone's safety.

Our annual youth hunt will be held on Saturday November 15th and hunting will be closed that day to everyone but the kids until about 1 PM. After that adults can enter the fields.

Get out and vote during our club elections on November 11th and vote in that other election everyone is talking about on November 4th. Make your wishes known! Remember you are not only voting for a man, but also for the person who will be picking judges that will effect YOUR 2nd amendment and other important rights. A wrong choice now could cost your children and grandchildren the chance to enjoy the freedoms we have enjoyed and even endanger their very existence if that person can not stand up to those that would erase our way of life.

— Bob Brown

FROM THE LAKES

Congratulations to Teresa Pence, this year's winner of the "Catfishathon" year's dues prize! I had a lot of fun at the tournaments talking to all the old and new members that came out to fish. I hope to see everyone again next year.

— Terry Cope

HELP WANTED!

We are currently accepting applications for the positions of Caretaker, License Agent, Budget Advisor and Technology Director. If you have an interest in any of these positions contact Bob Brown at (937) 902-0090 or come to any club meeting to obtain an application.

You must be a dues paying member in good standing to apply and possess the appropriate skills for the position that you are applying for. All applications must be completed and returned prior to January 1st, 2009 in order to be considered.

12 GUN GIVEAWAY NEWS!

Congratulations to October's lucky 12-Gun Giveaway winner Dustin Nance of Urbana!

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Kid's Christmas Party is December 13th, sign-up in the clubhouse now as we have an 80 kid maximum. Open to kids 0-12 years of age. The doors open at 11 AM for snacks, cookies, punch, and crafts. Santa arrives at 12 PM.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

It is that time again! Please join us for the November Euchre Party on Saturday Nov. 15th. We will be serving Chicken & Noodles, please bring your own drinks and a snack to share.

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 @ 7 PM. Please stop in to see what it's all about. Call Becky with any questions @ (937) 296-6670.

LOOK FORWARD TO UPDATES TO THE PLAYGROUND. THEY ARE COMING VERY SOON! Thank you to all who have contributed to the playground fund and to those that have participated in the project. We really appreciate all of your efforts.

CONSERVATION

Upland game season begins November 7th with a new starting time and new ground rules. Opening day and Thanksgiving Day will be split hunting days. Forty-five hunters will hunt from the split will hunt from 8 AM starting time until 11:30 AM. The second 12:30 PM until 5 PM. Equal bird releases will be made the evenings of November 6th & 26th and again between 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM on both split days. Sign-in sheets will be posted at the clubhouse.

This new voluntary program was necessary to prevent overcrowding, increase safety and to prevent the use of a less desirable lottery system.

Because no change can ever replace personal hunter safety, please wear plenty of hunter orange, be courteous to other hunters and be sure of your target and what's beyond.

Pheasant releases will be made weekly throughout the season to encourage members to enjoy less crowded, but still productive hunts.

ALSO NOTE: Hunting will be closed the morning of Saturday November 15th for the annual youth hunt.

ANNUAL YOUTH HUNT

In order to encourage a larger turnout, this year's youth hunt will be on Saturday November 15th. This will allow young club members to take advantage of Ohio Youth hunts on Oct. 25th & Nov. 1st and still participate in a third hunt at the club.

The day will begin at 8 AM with trap shooting under the guidance of our trap team and youth instructors. Later each young hunter will try their hand at launched birds and then field hunt released pheasants. Parents or adult supervisors are always welcome. **Please note that open hunting will be closed this day until 1 PM to allow for the youth hunt.**

CARD SHOOT VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are still needed for this year's Annual Card Shoot on November 2nd. If you would like to lend a hand or still need your new member hours contact Ralph Richardson at (937) 486-4007.

ELECTION REMINDER

Club elections will be held on Nov. 11th. There are (5) officer & (5) director seats up for re-election. Please bring your club I.D. card or button and a photo I.D. to obtain a ballot. Come on out and vote!

BOAT RACK REMINDER

All boats must be removed from the storage rack at the big lake prior to November 1st. They cannot be placed back on the rack until after April 15th and only after a 2009 permit sticker has been purchased and properly displayed

GOOSE HUNTING REMINDER

Goose Season continues Oct. 18. - Nov. 2 and again Dec. 6 - Jan. 18. Hunters use the yellow saw-horse so members know they are at the big lake. We encourage member to be courteous and fish the small pond when the saw-horse is up.

2008 gcf&g HUNTER ED. CLASS DATES

NOVEMBER

7TH: 6 - 9:30 PM & 8TH: 10 AM - 3:30 PM
15TH (HOMESTUDY) 9 AM - 2 PM

DECEMBER

8TH, 10TH & 12TH FROM 6 -9:30 PM
CALL 1-800-WILDLIFE TO REGISTER!

2009 DUES

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
___ Trapshooting ___ Conservation ___ Marksmanship ___ Youth Activities

DUES ARE \$95.85 WHICH INCLUDES OHIO SALES TAX. ALL DUES MUST BE PAID OR POSTMARKED BY DEC 31ST, 2008.

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 2009 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 *****

November 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 SHOOTING RANGE CLOSURES BEGIN
2 ANNUAL CARD SHOOT TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4 PM	3	4 BOARD MEETING 7:30 PM	5 GUN RANGES ARE OPEN	6 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 5 PM	7 UPLAND SEASON OPENS HUNTER ED. 6 PM - 9:30 PM	8 HUNTER ED. 10 AM 'TIL 3:30 PM
9 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4 PM B-POWDER MEAT SHOOT & ORG. MTG.	10	11 MEMBERSHIP MEETING 8 PM CLUB ELECTIONS	12 GUN RANGES ARE OPEN	13 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 5 PM	14	15 HUNTER ED. HOMESTUDY 9 AM - 2 PM W. AUXILIARY EUCHRE PARTY 7 PM
16 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4 PM	17 B	18	19 GUN RANGES ARE OPEN	20 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 5 PM	21	22
23 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4 PM 30 TRAPSHOOT R, P & C 12-4 PM	24	25	26 GUN RANGES ARE OPEN <u>UNTIL NOON!</u>	27 TURKEY DAY! GOBBLE!!! GOBBLE!!!	28	29

**DUE TO UPLAND SEASON AT THE CLUB
 OUR GUN RANGES WILL ONLY BE OPEN ON WEDNESDAYS & SUNDAYS NOW
 THROUGH JANUARY 31ST, 2009
 THANKS FOR YOUR COOPERATION!**