

THE ARGC NEWS

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APRIL 2011

Club Dues

Application fee	\$50.00 plus tax
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MONTHLY MEETING NEWS

The next ARGC membership meeting will be Thursday, May 5th, at 7 PM. As always there will be food and beverages available. The next ARGC Board meeting will be Thursday, April 28th, at 7:00PM.

First Readings:

- Richard Olexa
- Amanda Fell
- Randy Caruso
- James Semelroth
- Ralph Cristy
- Ernie Singleton
- John Valentic
- Dennis Soltis

If someone knows of a reason that any of the above parties would not make an upstanding member of ARGC, please bring the matter to the attention of any Officer or Trustee of the club.

Second Readings:

- Andrew K. Mull
- Pat Longano
- John Wright

Congratulations to the above new ARGC members that were voted in at the April 2011 meeting.

PROGRESSIVE RAFFLE

The progressive raffle number drawn for the April jackpot of \$180.50 was #1151, Raymond Zilbauer. Raymond was not registered nor in attendance. The jackpot will continue to grow.

HUNTER'S EDUCATION

18 Students took the test from our last class and scored an average of 94.6. The next class will be during the Outdoor Weekend, July 15, 16, 17, 2011. Contact Skip Craine or Paul Callender for more info or obtain applications.

2011 WORK TIME

According to the Club By-Laws, 2011 work time begins November 1, 2010 and must be performed and submitted by October 31, 2011.

WORK TIME REGISTERING

Attention all working members! Your 2011 work time hours must be authorized by your Committee Chairman and logged on the Official work time sheets posted at the Madden House and Main Club House bulletin boards. This will allow your hours to be accurately recorded to the club data base and communicated back to you via the ARGC newsletter label or e-mail listing. All work time sheets are subject to a club audit.

WORK PARTY

The Outdoor Archery committee will have a work party on Saturday April 16 at 8:00AM. Bring gloves, boots, a rake, and anything else that will assist you in outdoor clean-up. This is an excellent opportunity to get your work time in. Contact Mike Schubert or Kevin Chandler to sign up or obtain additional info.

PROPERTY ASSESSMENT

Our Treasurer, Bill Wisnor is now accepting payment for the 2011 property assessment of \$50.00. Checks can be made out and mailed to Ashtabula Rod & Gun Club at P.O. Box 164, Ashtabula, Ohio 44005. Please include you name, Member ID number, and mark for land fund assessment on your check or money order. **Your 2011 assessment payment is due on or before Thursday July 7, 2011.** Multiple year advance payments are also accepted, recorded, and encouraged.

REVERSE RAFFLE

The ARGC Reverse Raffle, our largest fundraiser of the year is scheduled for Saturday May 7th. and will be held at the Kathryn Rose Party Center, 3116 North Bend Road, Ashtabula Ohio. Doors will open at 4:00PM, Bar at 5:00PM, and dinner at 6:00PM. 200 Tickets are now available at \$60.00 per couple.

Included in the ticket price is:

- Dinner for two
- Bar and Beverage service (Open Bar)
- \$1500 Main Board Drawing
- Dancing - after drawings

There will also be available:

- Bingo Sheets
- Instants
- Side Boards
- 50/50 raffle

Tickets are going fast! Do not count on tickets being available at the door. We are also looking for working volunteers. This is a great way to get your work time in. Contact Dave DeGeorge , Kevin Chandler, or Dan Wyatt at 440-344-0018 for tickets and/or to volunteer.

Members; we need you to support this event!

CONCEALED CARRY CLASS

The Concealed Carry Class is scheduled at ARGC's clubhouse on the following days and times:

Saturday	May 14	8AM - 4PM
Sunday	May 15	8AM - 1PM

Class will be taught by Sgt. Joseph Webb and Park Ranger Rick Alderman; Ohio Police Officer Firearms Training Instructors. The class is 12 hours, 10 hours classroom and 2 hours range. The fee for the class is \$100 per person of which \$25 is donated back to the club. Get your \$25 deposit in to confirm your enrollment before the class fills up! To enroll and/or obtain additional information, please contact Rick Alderman. Please do not call Rick or Joe at their place of work. This class is open to the public.

SKREET LEAGUE

American Classic Skeet will begin it's 2011 schedule on Wednesday, April 20 at 6 PM at ARGC. The league will run for 20 weeks ending on August 31st. Entry Fee is \$25.00 payable on April 20 and a payable weekly cost of \$3.00 per round/\$6.00 per week as we will shoot two rounds per week. Everyone is welcome no matter what your skill level. For more information contact John Knollmaier.

HUNTER TRIALS

The 2011 Hunter final (Dog) Trial is scheduled for April 10, 2011. The Trial consists of Flushing and Pointing.

For registration and/or more information call Joe Slocum.

HUNTER TRIALS RESULTS

March 6, 2011	1st	Jeff Gribble	12pts.
	2nd	John Hadzinski	11pts
March 20, 2011	1st	Luke Losik	12pts.
	2nd.	Dave Flaum	12pts.
	3rd	Mike Schubert	11pts.
April 3, 2011	1st.	Mike Losik	12pts.
	2nd.	Morgan Sayle	12pts.
	3rd.	Dean Brown	11pts.

PIG ROAST

The Dog Training Committee is holding a Pig Roast on Saturday July 23, 2011. Cost is \$15 per person, \$25 per couple, & \$50 per family of 4. Children under 10 eat free.

Members can camp Friday and Saturday nights. Contact Joe Slocum for tickets and or more info.

ARGC PHEASANT PRESERVE

Group Hunts are now available at the ARGC Pheasant Preserve at discount rates through April 2011.

Contact John Hadzinski , Preserve Chairman, or Joe Slocum, Dog Training Chairman, for questions or to obtain additional info.

SPRING 2011- COUNTY TRAP LEAGUE

April 16, 2011	Gary Ray Memorial Shoot - Conneaut
	25 - 16 yard targets and 25- Team - handicap targets

Contact Jerry Jeffers for questions or additional information.

FRONT GATE

It has been brought to the Officer's and Trustee's attention again; that the front gate has been found open and there was no activity or open shoot being conducted. The club rules and regulations state: *"The Gate is to be kept locked except during open shoots or activities. Please lock the gate upon entering the grounds and again when leaving. If gate is open, verify that no activity is taking place before locking gate."* Your compliance to this rule is required and appreciated. Event chairmen are to place an event tag at the front gate during an event.

LETTER TO MEMBERS

To Ashtabula Rod and Gun Club Members,

Rifle shooting is the only recreation I have. I don't play golf, bingo, or visit gambling casinos.

It's my belief that there isn't a nicer facility in the immediate area. People have to drive long distances to get to a club this nice. Shooters from the Cleveland area have to drive out to R&GC because their clubs have been shut down.

While I'm not wealthy, I certainly can afford fifty dollars a year to help keep a place for me to shoot.

I understand further that we have 97 seniors, including myself, who do not have to pay dues. I don't see how a club can be sustained with this many non-dues paying members.

We seniors were promised that after five years membership and sixty five years of age, we would no longer have to pay dues, or give work hours. However, with housing development all around the area, we seniors need to contribute our share. If not, very soon, AR&GC will no longer be a shooting club.

In my humble opinion, members who have said they will drop out over the fifty dollar land assessment, are not thinking clearly, to let a club like the Ashtabula Rod & Gun Club disappear over fifty dollars a year.

It's hard to believe that people who drive big expensive trucks, SUV's and own and shoot very expensive guns and ammunition could begrudge fifty dollars a year to keep our club in present form.

Most of us have been in this club for many years, now you want to throw it all away for \$50.00 a year.

Without the support of everybody, this club will no longer exist.

Sincerely
Dick Berg

ASHTABULA COUNTY GUN SHOW

A Gun Show will be held at the Kathryn Rose Party Center, 3116 North Bend Road, Ashtabula Ohio. This show is open to the public:

Saturday, May 28 9AM - 4PM

Sunday, May 29 9AM - 3PM

Modern & Antique Firearms & accessories. Sporting & Military Collectibles. Breakfast will be available.

ARGC ANNUAL FISHING DERBY

Brandy Hanusosky will once again be in charge of the Kid's Fishing Derby. Please mark your calendar for Saturday June 11th, 2011. Registration begins at 9:00 AM with fishing from 10:00 AM to Noon, followed by lunch. Fishing equipment for use that day or donations of unwanted fishing equipment would be greatly appreciated. Donations are also needed for prizes. Please contact Brandy or Brandy's Parents, Rick Piper or Marcella Piper for further information. Anyone who can help out at this event or preparing the grounds prior to the event will get credit for work time. Hoping for a good turnout, see you all there!

OUTDOOR WEEKEND

The Outdoor Weekend will be held in July from Friday July 15th through Sunday July 17th.

"ALL RANGES WILL BE CLOSED"

Outdoor Weekend is an activity for boys and girls ages 11 to 16. This event is a hands on weekend learning experience. Participants learn how to shoot black powder muzzleloaders, .22 rifle, trap, skeet, and archery. For children safety, shooting events are one on one with an instructor. Ear plugs and safety glasses are furnished. Hunters education topics will include hunter safety, bow hunting, survival, trap & field care, turkey hunting, and much more fun.

Tents are set up for sleeping and food is furnished.

This event begins Friday evening at 6:00PM and ends Sunday afternoon. Sunday's activities will conclude with a test, that if passed, will allow participants to get their hunting license.

If your child has previously attended a hunter safety class (recommended) he or she can still attend this event. Participants need to bring a sleeping bag, flashlight, and their personal items.

This event is open to the public, however **attendance is by advance registration only**. Application forms, medical report (if taking medicine), and parental consent forms are to be completed and returned to Skip Craine by July 7, 2011. For more information, contact Skip Crain or Paul Callender. This is also a great opportunity to get your work time in; contact Skip if interested.

The cost of ammunition used for the shooting events has skyrocketed. Donations of ammunition (No re-loads please!) or monies are welcome.

MEMBERSHIP ID

Please carry your membership ID when at the club. You may be asked to present if you are not recognized.

RIFLE RANGE RAFFLE

The Rifle Range committee held the raffle drawing for the Ruger 10/22 rifle during the April membership meeting. Rob Bowser was the winner. Congrats to Rob and thanks to all who supported this event.

SPECIAL THANKS

A special thanks goes out to the following for their generous donation to our land fund:

- Rick Alderman and Joe Webb; Concealed Carry Class - \$350
- Gib Ingwer - \$30

ATTENTION Waterfowlers & Wingshooters

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... A 2-day **SEA Duck Hunt** on the Chesapeake and a one day upland bird shoot at historic St. Michaels on Maryland's Eastern Shore. We need a fourth person to join us ...Wed., Dec. 7th thru Sun. Dec. 11th. Cost for the hunts approximately \$400/man for the 3 days plus expenses (travel, lodging, license/fees, meals, misc.)

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Compact 40S&W: Kahr CW40 @ \$399/ PM40 @ \$599 with night sights. Glock G27 with night sights @ \$589.

DILLON RL550B: 3 now in stock without caliber conversion \$385; cal. conv. \$43.95 ea.; extra tool heads & powder dies avail.

REVOLVERS

38 Spec & 357 Mag revolvers – many in stock 2" – 4" – 6" barrels \$299 & up
Big Revolvers: Ruger Alaskan 44 Mag 2.5"; Ruger Redhawk 45LC 4"; Ruger Redhawk 44 Mag 5.5"; Ruger New Model Blackhawk SA 44 Mag 5.5"; Ruger New Vaquero 45LC 4.5"

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ARGC CALENDAR

APRIL

Sunday 10 -**Hunter's Trials—8:30AM**
 -CMP - 10:00AM
 -Bowling Pin 10:00AM
 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Monday 11 -Skeet - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery League - 6:30PM

Tuesday 12 -Trap - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM

Wednesday 13 -Trap - 10:00AM

Friday 15 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 16 -**Work Party - 8:00AM**
 -Trap - 10:00AM

Sunday 17 -Black Powder - 9:30AM
 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Monday 18 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 19 -Trap - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM

Wednesday 20 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM

Friday 22 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 23 -Trap - 10:00AM

Sunday 24 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Monday 25 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 26 -Trap - 6:00PM
 -Indoor Archery - 6:00PM

Wednesday 27 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM

Thursday 28 -**Board Meeting - 7:00PM**

Friday 29 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 30 -Outdoor Archery - 8:00AM
 -Trap - 10:00AM

MAY

Sunday 1 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -Action Pistol - 10:00AM

Monday 2 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 3 -Trap - 6:00PM

MAY

Wednesday 4 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM

Thursday 5 -**Membership Meeting - 7:00PM**

Friday 6 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 7 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -**Reverse Raffle - 4:00PM**

Sunday 8 -Skeet - 10:00AM
 -CMP - 10:00AM
 -Bowling Pin 10:00AM

Monday 9 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 10 -Trap - 6:00PM

Wednesday 11 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM

Friday 13 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 14 -**Concealed Carry Class - 8:00AM**
 -Trap - 10:00AM

Sunday 15 -**Concealed Carry Class - 8:00AM**
 -Black Powder - 9:30AM
 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Monday 16 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 17 -Trap - 6:00PM

Wednesday 18 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM

Friday 20 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 21 -Trap - 10:00AM

Sunday 22 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Monday 23 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 24 -Trap - 6:00PM

Wednesday 25 -Trap - 10:00AM
 -Classic Skeet League - 6:00PM

Thursday 26 -**Board Meeting - 7:00PM**

Friday 27 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Saturday 28 -Outdoor Archery - 8:00AM
 -Trap - 10:00AM

Sunday 29 -Skeet - 10:00AM

Monday 30 -Skeet - 6:00PM

Tuesday 31 -Trap - 6:00PM