GCF&G ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2021 ARE DUE ON 12/31/20. YOUR RENEWAL DUES FOR 2021 CAN BE PAID STARTING ON 10/01/20. A RENEWAL FORM WILL BE MAILED OUT FIRST CLASS TO ALL GCF&G MEMBERS IN LATE SEPTEMBER, PLEASE MAKE A NOTE.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN.

Here we are into May and still dealing with this Pandemic. I watch the Governor and his team every day.

I do not watch it for the entertainment; I feel I need to just so I can stay in tune with what is happening and how it pertains to our club. I would not want to be Governor of any state in the USA right now. No matter what these people do or say, they are wrong in someone's eves.

It is the same as with the President of the United States of America. These people are trying to lead us through a Pandemic with minimal loss of life. If you believe this is all a hoax to take away your constitutional rights, it's your right to believe that.

With this being a World-wide problem, I do not think that is the case. I know we want to get back to doing the things we like to do, and we will. This is a temporary problem that will go away sooner if people would follow the suggestions by the professionals.

When we get upset because we can't shoot a league, or go camping, we should keep in mind that there are sacrifices being made that are once in a lifetime events. There have been loved ones that have passed, no funeral for family and friends, and they most likely died alone.

Spouses have been hauled away in ambulances, alone because no one else can go with them. There are graduating seniors that are missing out on their time to celebrate a major life achievement, and Grandparents that have not got to hug their Grandkids in months.

Parents and Grandparents in nursing homes that you can't visit and may never get to see again. When we think about these things, it makes our problems seem smaller.

Please do your part to help us all get through this.

- Gary Smith

12 GUN GIVEAWAY MONTHLY WINNER

All 12-Gun Raffle Prize Drawings have been put on hold until we are able to hold monthly meetings once again. We appreciate your continued patience and understanding.

(COVID-19) UPDATE!

Members,

We had hoped that by this time we would be well past the peak of this Pandemic, and that we would be able to start having events again. That is not the case. As Ohio starts to open businesses, and lighten restrictions on some things, our activities are not one of them.

So the original message stands that due to the current Pandemic, The state of emergency and the recommendation of the medical experts to avoid crowds and gatherings, all scheduled activities at the club have been cancelled or postponed until further notice.

To be clear this includes anything on the club calendar. The calendar will not be changed as we have no idea when we will be able to resume normal activities.

The Campground also will NOT be able to open on May 1st as it always has. This is not Board of Director's decision this is a State of Ohio decision.

We have no insight of when we might be able to open the campground. It could be a week, two weeks, or a month. We will monitor the situation closely and update you as we get new details. This not only affects us, every licensed campground in the state of Ohio is closed.

The Fish Fry will NOT go on in May. If it does not get rescheduled, people who purchased tickets will be reimbursed. There will also be NO membership meeting in May. The 12 Gun giveaway drawings will resume when the membership meetings do, and we'll catch them up at that time.

Individual use of the club is still permitted and left up to you. Please be smart and do not come to the club if you are not feeling well, and keep the recommended distance from others. Please do not gather in your regular groups as we are all used to doing.

New Members, We will work with you on getting your meetings in. There will still be opportunities to get your work hours in individually. Please contact David Cope for those opportunities or any other questions you may have.

Our website is the primary communication board for the Club. Check back here for updates. We will monitor the situation and update you as things change.

We appreciate your continued patience in this matter.

The Board of Directors

<u>NEW MEMBER UPDATE!</u>

Once again, you have not been forgotten. I am working with the President on ways to allow the remaining few new members to pick up your packets and get their work hours in. We are still hoping these restrictions will pass soon.

Until then, we will work with Individuals on ways you can complete your work hours while maintaining the required social distancing guidelines.

Your primary places to get further information will be our website, this newsletter, e-mails, and our Facebook page. Hang in there and bear with us. We will prevail.

— David Cope



Greene County Fish & Game ASSOCIATION

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MAY 2020 NEWSLETTER

President: Gary Smith (937) 372-3179

Visit our Website @ WWW.GCFNG.COM

Club House: (937) 372-8261

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.

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NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN THE MONTH OF MAY.

Even before the onset of the Covid-19 crisis, no General Meeting was scheduled for the Month of May.

We will continue to monitor the situation and statewide restrictions. We will let everyone now as soon as possible the status of the June Membership Meeting.

ABOUT GATE CARDS

See ground rules, General section 26.

Recently there were two people found fishing in our pond that were not members. They stated that their dad loaned them his gate card.

Upon informing them they had to leave, these people were very rude and uncooperative with the person asking them for information about whose card it was.

Kudos to the person asking to see membership credentials, and I regret that they had to listen to the rude comments and gestures.

Trespassers can be prosecuted to the full extent of the law, and the party loaning the gate card to those individuals will have their membership terminated.

Please know and follow your rules!

- Gary Smith



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WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Greetings from the women's auxiliary. it is indeed disappointing that most of the club activities have been cancelled indefinitely, but I am grateful that we have technology and the people who use it to keep us in contact and connected.

I am certain that things will resume when all is safe. Wishing you good health and sanity in these trying times

— Gail Walker

GUN & ARCHERY RANGES WILL REMAIN OPEN

As we navigate the uncharted waters of the COVID-19 Outbreak, our gun and archery ranges will remain open.

Group events at these ranges have been postponed until further notice. Individual use within the current safe use guidelines will be permitted.

Members should limit groups to 4 people or less and adhere to the new social distancing minimum of 6 feet. Thank you for your cooperation.

— Bill Clement & Steve Hilbun

OUR ANNUAL FISH FRY HAS BEEN POSTPONED.

The Annual Fish Fry scheduled for Tuesday, May 12th has been postponed.

All efforts possible will be made to try and reschedule the event.

At this time, a new date has not been determined. If you have already purchased tickets, please hold on to them

If the event can not be rescheduled, you will be fully reimbursed.

— Thank You



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Congratulations! You made it, but that was the easy part.. As the very first order of business; read your Ground Rules!

Maybe even put a copy in your vehicle so that you can refer to them when needed. We can't stress this enough.

We recommend that you get your two meetings and eight work hours done early and often.

The eight hours is the minimum, you can put in as many hours after that, as you like.

It's a great way to learn about the club and meet other members who share the same interests as you.

Safety is our #1 goal at GCF&G.

The Board of Directors...

MAY 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS							
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WE'RE MAKING SOME CHANGES! YOUTH HUNT UPDATES

Just as we were starting to put things together for this year's Youth Hunt, along comes the Coronavirus.

The virus has slowed us down a bit, but we are still working behind the scenes to make this year's event one that we all will remember.

Many specifics of this year's event are still being discussed and evaluated. Here is what we can tell you.

This year's event will be limited to 30 hunters and all hunters for this year's event will have to pre-register.

You can register your child or grandchild now or anytime up until November 7th or until the roster is full, by printing the registration form using the link provided at the

bottom of this page.

Just print it, fill it out and send it to the club: GCF&G, Attn: Rooster Run, P.O. Box #64, Xenia, Ohio 45385. We'll get them signed up and ready.

We are looking for young ladies to take part in this great outdoor event. You don't have to be Annie Oakley, just be willing give it a shot.

If you have helped with this event in the past and you plan on doing so again, give me call or e-mail and let me get your valuable contact information.

Tell me what you have done in the past and where you would like to help with this year's event. Some of the info we have from previous years is a little hit or miss.

Did you bring your dog out last year for the hunt? If so give me call and let me know your name and your dog's

We are committed to making this event a success, but honestly we could use your help. It's your club, so please invest in it with us.



ANNUAL YOUTH PHEASANT HUNT & POT LUCK LUNCH.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH, 2020 **GCF&G CLUB GROUNDS**

Doors will open at 8 AM for Check-in & Donuts Safety Meeting & Hunt from 9 AM until ?

- Cost \$20.00 per hunter (Already provided by Club Sponsors).
- Ages 10 17.Ohio Hunting Lice
- Guns and all equipment provided if needed or bring your own.
- Youth will hunt over steady pointing dogs (for safety reasons).

 All youth will be supervised by experienced handlers at all times.
- Youth will have the chance to take up to (2) birds.
- A world class "Pot Luck" lunch will be provided with plenty of surprises to follow.

(Hunter Orange Required & Provided)

Registrations are required before Saturday, November to a limit of 30 shooters. It will fill up quickly!



Please contact Tim Ankeney at (937) 532-9395 or rosternu@gcfng.com for more information or to offer assistance with this "investment in our future' project, or see me any club meeting Thank You!

INVESTING IN THE FUTURE OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION ONE YOUTH AT A TIME, FOR MORE THAN 100 YEAR

HERE ARE SOME OF THE THINGS WE STILL NEED!

28 More Registered Youth Hunters.

10 More Event Business Sponsors (Cost \$125 each).

5 - 6 More Welcome Banner Business Sponsors (Cost \$75 each). 30 Youth Hunter Sponsors / Mentors (Club Member cost \$20 each).

Covered Dish Commitments for our Potluck Lunch.

Your Favorite Pheasant Recipes!

Volunteers to help with different parts of the Event.

These are just some of the things we need to make this year's Youth Hunt one of the best ever! If you are a small business owner and would like to help us out or if you are a club member who wants to invest in the future of our club and the Outdoor Sports, give me a call or shoot me an e-mail.

I know there are ladies at the club that like to cook and it's clear by the looks of their men, they are pretty good at it. We'd love for you to showcase and share your favorite dish with us. You can even use this opportunity as a Tune-up for one of your famous Thanksgiving dishes or desserts.

New Members, there are opportunities for you prior to and on the day of the event. We have all kinds of needs and wants for this great event. Contact us and let us know what your area of expertise or interest is and become part of the fun. It's happening now, it's rewarding and it's essential.

Tim Ankeney

PRINT A ROOSTER RUN REGISTRATION SHEET

https://gcfng.com/youth/youthhunt.html

ANNUAL YOUTH HUNT PAGE

Check here every month for event updates and helpful information. Learn how as a member, volunteer, or business owner, you can help make this year's Youth Hunt event special by contacting the committee at: roosterrun@gcfng.com OR (937) 532-9395.

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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 it's 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!

CALL DON DOBBS - (937) 902-6540 OR THE FISH & GAME OFFICE - (937) 372-8261



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 one of our Club Representatives.

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION	XC020263 NRA RECRUITER ID#
NAME: Mr./Mrs./Ms. FIRST LAST M.I. ADDRESS: CITY: PHONE: () E-MAIL: STATE: BIRTHDATE: CHOOSE ONE MAGAZINE (Junior Members under age 15 receive NRA Family Insights Insider e-newsletter, 15 and older choose magazine) AMERICAN RIFLEMAN Print or Digital* Print or Digital*	MEMBERSHIP TYPE 1 YEAR \$45 3 YEAR \$100 5 YEAR \$150 JUNIOR (18 years & under) \$15 ASSOCIATE (no magazine) \$10 LIFE MEMBERSHIP Reg. \$1500 _ Jr. \$750 Distinguished - age 65+ \$750
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