

GCF&G ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2025 ARE DUE ON 12/31/24. YOUR RENEWAL DUES FOR 2025 CAN BE PAID STARTING ON 10/01/24. THE RENEWAL PROCESS BEGINS THEN.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

January was a busy month with the January Membership Meeting and New Member Day.

There is a lot of work that goes into New Member Day and I want to thank the Board of Directors and volunteers from the general membership who worked tirelessly to ensure that this event ran smoothly.

We fell only 7 applicants short of those that applied in 2023 and to those that braved the cold weather this year, thank you for coming out!

New Members, as you get settled, It's important to take the time to familiarize yourself with our Ground Rules and Constitution.

They are the foundation of our organization and are available on our website. Additionally, during New Member Day we discussed the importance of using caution when asking questions on social media.

Too often, responses to these questions are inaccurate and can cause issues. Make sure to take the time to research information thoroughly before posting or responding on social media.

Remember, you cannot access the Club as a Member until you have your Membership card. Until you receive that, you can only access the Club as a guest with guest privileges.

If you have any questions about an upcoming event, the Website Calendar has all the information you need. So, for the latest updates and announcements, be sure to check out the Website Calendar today!

You can even link the Club Calendar to your Calendar on your Smart Phone.

— Mike Given

**GCF&G - SCTP
Scholastic Clay
Target Program**

The Greene County Fish & Game SCTP (Scholastic Clay Target Program) offers elementary through college-age youths an opportunity to shoot Trap, Skeet, and Sporting Clays competitively.

This program is a good introduction to team sports, and a great confidence builder. Youths can and will advance their personal firearms skills in a safe family oriented environment.

There will be an informational Parents Meeting on **Sunday, February 18th at 2 PM** in the GCF&G Clubhouse. Everyone is Welcome!

— Lori Balmer

NEW MEMBER DAY 2024



Fish & Game Photo by: Toni Dobbs

BRRRR!!!

It was colder than a well digger's as usual on Sunday, January 21st, as 111 "New Member Hopefuls" arrived at the club in hopes of being part of the 2024 Class. It was for the most part a good looking group.

Applicants will be approved at the February Meeting and packets will be available for pickup starting at the March Meeting. Get your meetings and hours in early and start enjoying the fun! Don't miss clean-up weekend in April or the Annual Fish Fry in May!!!

**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 rescheduled 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 or Facebook at Greene County Fish & Game.

12 GUN GIVEAWAY MONTHLY WINNER

January's gun was a Ruger MPR 18" AR-14 semi-automatic rifle
The winning ticket number was #1083. That stub has not yet been turned in. That means that you could become an instant winner just by buying a ticket.
So buy your tickets now, and buy often! Ticket sales will end on 6/30/24.

Good Luck to Everyone this year! Thanks for your Support!



Greene County Fish & Game
ASSOCIATION



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FEBRUARY 2024 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.

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WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary will be meeting in February on the 14th at Marion's Piazza in Beavercreek at 6:30 PM.

Our next Euchre Party will be Saturday, February 20th at the clubhouse. Doors will open at 6 PM, cards start at 7 PM. You must arrive by 6:45 PM to play. Cost is \$5 and includes cash prizes for the first three place winners. No need to be a member to attend, so invite your family and friends. Bring a dish to share and your own beverages, or use the vending machine (proceeds go to the children's activities we sponsor.)

If you have any questions, contact Gail at (937) 609-2215.

— Gail Walker

2024 GCF&G DATES TO REMEMBER

- B.P. ANNUAL EGG SHOOT - 2/4.
 - SCTP PARENT'S MEETING - 2/18.
 - COWBOY ACTION SHOOT - 3/3.
 - 5-STAND SPORTING CLAYS - 3/19.
 - W/A EASTER EGG HUNT - 3/23.
 - ARCHERY ORG. MEETING - 3/30.
 - RIM-FIRE LEAGUE OPENER - 4/9.
 - ANNUAL CLEAN-UP WEEKEND 4/13 & 4/14.
 - NRA PISTOL LEAGUE - 4/18.
 - NDR PISTOL LEAGUE - 4/18.
 - SPORTING DOG TRAINING - 4/20.
 - ARCHERY BAG SHOOT - 5/1.
 - CAMPGROUND OPENS - 5/1.
 - CMP LEAGUE SHOOT - 5/1.
 - B.P. SPRING RENDEZVOUS 5/2, 5/3, 5/4 & 5/5.
 - M1 GARAND CLINIC - 5/4.
 - KID'S FISHING DERBY - 5/11.
 - STEEL CHALLENGE SHOOT - 5/11.
 - ALL-NIGHT CATFISH TOURN. - 5/25.
- SEE THE CLUB CALENDAR FOR MORE GREAT CLUB EVENTS!**
- CHECKOUT OUR WEBSITE AT: WWW.GCFNG.COM FOR ADDITIONAL DATES.**

BLACK POWDER ANNUAL EGG SHOOT - 2/4/24 @ 8 AM.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY KID'S EASTER EGG HUNT - 3/23.

ANNUAL CLEAN-UP WEEKENED - 4/13 & 4/14 @ 8 AM.

GCF&G ANNUAL FISH FRY - 5/14/24 @ 6 PM.

GOOSE HUNTING REMINDER!

Goose hunting is still underway and it will take place on and off at the big lake until almost Mid-February. Please be aware that hunters could be around at the lake when you come out. Please keep safety in mind. If the yellow sawhorse is sitting on the road leading down to the big lake, waterfowl hunters are present.

All waterfowl hunters must sign in using the proper sign-in sheet that is located in the breezeway before they begin to hunt. Successful hunters are also asked to record all game harvested and sign out before leaving club grounds. We'd like to thank everyone for their cooperation in this matter.

FEBRUARY 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 Find us on Facebook				1 GUN RANGES RE-OPEN FOR	2	3 EGG SHOOT WORK PARTY 9 AM - 1 PM. 50 YARD RANGE CLOSED
4 ANNUAL EGG SHOOT 8 AM. 25 & 50 YARD RANGES ARE CLOSED!	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 B.P WINTER LEAGUE SHOOT 10 AM. NWTF MTG. 6 PM.	12	13 BOARD & MEMBERSHIP MTGS. 6 & 8 PM	14 W-AUXILIARY MEETING 6:30 PM.	15	16	17 W-AUXILIARY EUCHRE PARTY 6 PM.
18 SCTP PARENTS MEETING 2 PM. B.P WINTER LEAGUE SHOOT 10 AM.	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 B.P WINTER LEAGUE SHOOT 10 AM. NWTF MTG. 6 PM.	26	27	28	29		

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 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 <small>NRA RECRUITER ID#</small>
DATE: _____ NAME: Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____ <small>FIRST LAST M.I.</small> ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ PHONE: (____) _____ E-MAIL: _____ BIRTHDATE: ____/____/____		RECRUITER SIGNATURE _____ MEMBERSHIP TYPE <input type="checkbox"/> 1 YEAR \$45 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 YEAR \$100 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 YEAR \$150 <input type="checkbox"/> JUNIOR (18 years & under) \$15 <input type="checkbox"/> ASSOCIATE (no magazine) \$10 <input type="checkbox"/> LIFE MEMBERSHIP <input type="checkbox"/> Reg. \$1500 <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. \$750 <input type="checkbox"/> Distinguished - age 65+ \$750 <input type="checkbox"/> EASY PAY* <input type="checkbox"/> PAID IN FULL <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER _____ <input type="checkbox"/> FOREIGN POSTAGE (per year: \$5 Canadian - \$10 other) <small>* EPL \$25 down payment then \$25 quarterly payments until the total dues are paid.</small>	
CHOOSE ONE MAGAZINE (Junior Members under age 15 receive <i>NRA Family Insights Insider</i> e-newsletter, 15 and older choose magazine) <input type="checkbox"/> AMERICAN RIFLEMAN <input type="checkbox"/> AMERICAN HUNTER <input type="checkbox"/> AMERICA'S 1 ST FREEDOM <input type="checkbox"/> SHOOTING ILLUSTRATED <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* <input type="checkbox"/> Print or <input type="checkbox"/> Digital*</small> <small>*Email address required for digital versions.</small>		PAYMENT INFORMATION <input type="checkbox"/> CASH <input type="checkbox"/> CHECK # _____ <input type="checkbox"/> CHARGE TO: <input type="checkbox"/> AMEX <input type="checkbox"/> VISA <input type="checkbox"/> MC <input type="checkbox"/> DISCOVER ACCOUNT # _____ EXP. DATE _____ <small>MO. YR.</small>	
MEMBER SIGNATURE (credit card only) _____		TOTAL \$ _____	
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