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. <u>A RENEWAL FORM WILL BE MAILED OUT FIRST CLASS TO ALL</u> <u>GCF&G MEMBERS IN LATE SEPTEMBER, PLEASE MAKE A NOTE.</u>

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN.

It is nice to have a club such as ours to enjoy and get away from the rest of the world for a short period of time.

There have been a lot of people fishing this year, not only at the club, but all across Ohio. It is one of those things you can get out and enjoy and not have to worry too much about catching a virus in the process.

We have also seen lots of rules broken as well. Take a few minutes and review the ground rules, especially the general section as it applies to the club as a whole, and then the sections that apply to what area you are participating in.

Some of these rules may seem silly, but they are there for a reason. We have a beautiful club, but imagine what it would look like if everyone drove or parked in the grass all the time.

If you are interested in becoming more involved in the club and learning the inner workings, and why things are done like they are, I would encourage you to run for an Officer or director seat this October.

I hear there will be a Greene County Fair this year, so contact the Conservation Chairman if you are interested in helping.

I hated that we had to cancel our Jakes day this year. It is always fun to see the youth come out and learn new things, as well as seeing them grow from year to year and how much knowledge they retained from the previous year.

The next membership meeting will be like the last. Since Greene County has been labeled a "hot spot" we can't be too careful.

There are a lot of new members that still need a meeting. Please see the website for details on how the meeting will work, and anything else going on at the club.

We update the information as it changes, usually after meeting nights. Stay Safe!

— Gary Smith



(COVID-19) UPDATE!

Members,

We will have a meeting in July, but the only people in the clubhouse will be Officers, Directors, and Chairmen so that we can maintain our distance and still conduct club business. New members of record are invited to come to the back of the clubhouse to get one of their meetings in if they so wish.

Please do not bring others with you, and we encourage you not to come if you are not a new member. The outdoor speakers will be on so you can hear the meeting. Please bring a Chair, Umbrella, or whatever you might need for the elements, and please maintain the recommended distance from others.

There will be a place to sign in on the back porch. The kitchen will not be open at this time.

As we continue to keep things going at the club, keep in mind that it is a personal choice to participate in any events. You can participate, but you do not have to. If you do chose to participate, please follow the rules so that everyone can have an enjoyable experience.

Our club website is the primary communication board for the Club. Please check there for further updates. We will continue to monitor the situation and update you as things change.

We appreciate your continued patience during these difficult times.

The Board of Directors

HUNTER ED. HOME STUDY COURSE POSTPONED.

The Hunter Education Home Study Course scheduled for August at the club has been cancelled. The next opportunity to take Hunter Education at the club will be a Traditional Course scheduled for November 6th & 7th in the clubhouse. Check the website and this newsletter for additional updates on the status of that course.

12 GUN GIVEAWAY MONTHLY WINNERS

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APRIL WINNER

Ticket # 661 - Toni Dobbs, Xenia, Ohio - (Bought Meeting Night). MAY WINNER

Ticket # 930 - Cory Cummings, Beavercreek, Ohio.

JUNE WINNER

Ticket # 407 - John Nace, Beavercreek, Ohio.

Congratulations go out to all the Winners!

PLEASE USE COMMON SENSE AND ADHERE TO ALL RECOMMENDED GUIDELINES AS WE CONTINUE OUR JOURNEY TOWARDS WHATEVER THE NEW NORMAL WILL BE. TOGETHER WE WILL GET THERE QUICKER.





Visit our Website @ WWW.GCFNG.COM

JULY 2020 NEWSLETTER

(937) 372-3179 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.

OPEN FOR BUSINESS? NOT EXACTLY.....

To many it may seems as if life is back to normal at the club, but to be honest nothing is really further from the truth.

Some of our events and programs are slowly beginning to resume, but many have been cancelled completely.

For now, almost everything we do has certain restrictions and guidelines. It's not what we want, but its what we have to do.

For updated event schedules, special Covid-19 Updates and General Club Information as we move forward, please visit our website: www.gcfng.com.

Everyone should respect and exercise social distancing guidelines when at the club and please remember the kitchen is still not open yet.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The women's auxiliary is meeting on Wednesday, July 8th behind on the backside of the clubhouse for a meeting and a potluck at 6:30 PM.

If the Board is willing we are hoping to resume Euchre on Saturday, July 18th. Doors as always, will open at 6 PM, cards will start at 7 PM.

Sub deli sandwiches made and prewrapped will be served. Bring a covered dish to share and your own beverages

Cost is \$6 per person. Call Gail with any questions at (937) 609-2215.

Players will be notified by e-mail to confirm or cancel, depending on the Board's Decision.

— Gail Walker

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY MEETING 7/8/20 AT 6:30 PM



JUST A REMINDER FIREWORKS ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED AT THE CLUB!

5-STAND SPORTING CLAYS RETURN?

We are hoping to hold 5-Stand Sporting Clays on Saturday, July 18th. At the time this newsletter was posted, Access to the trailer from our friends to the north was uncertain. We are working diligently to try and male this happen, but we are uncertain of the status of our event at this time. Please check the club website for updates at www.gcfng.com. Thank You.

JULY 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
WOMEN'S AUXILIARY EUCHRE PARTY <u>& 5-STAND SPORTING CLAYS</u> BOTH ARE TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED TO RETURN ON SATURDAY, JULY 18TH. CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR UPDATES!			1 ARCHERY 3-D LEAGUE CMP SHOOT B.P. LEAGUE #2	2 SCTP TRAP 4 - 9 PM. NRA PISTOL NDR PISTOL	3	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY <u>FIREWORKS</u> <u>ARE STRICTLY</u> <u>PROHIBITIED</u>
5 COWBOY ACTION SHOOT 8 AM. SCTP TRAP 11 AM - 3 PM.	6	7 C-ACTION & STEELS PRACTICE 5 PM.	8 ARCHERY 3-D LEAGUE CMP SHOOT B.P. LEAGUE #3 W/A MTG. 6:30 PM.	9 SCTP TRAP 4 - 9 PM. NRA PISTOL NDR PISTOL	10 SCSA SET-UP 3 PM. A GIRL & A GUN SHOOT 5 PM.	11 SCSA LEAGUE SHOOT 9 AM KID'S FISHING DERBY & CASTING 5 - 8 PM.
12 SCTP TRAP 11 AM - 3 PM. Y-ACTIVITES RIFLE SHOOT 2 - 4 PM.	13	14 ** BOARD & MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS 6 & 8 PM. ** WITH RESTRICTIONS	15 ARCHERY 3-D LEAGUE CMP SHOOT B.P. LEAGUE #4 A GIRL & A GUN SHOOT - 6 PM.	16 SCTP TRAP 4 - 9 PM. NRA PISTOL NDR PISTOL	17 JULY 18TH SCL SPEC, SHOO YOUTH ACTIV POWDER SHO <u>GUN RANGES CI</u>	DT - 9 AM - 3 PM. TTIES BLACK OT - 2 - 4 PM.
19 SCTP TRAP 11 AM - 3 PM.	20 DOW TRAINING 100-YARD RANGE CLOSED 8 AM - 4:30 PM.	21 C/A & STEELS PRACTICE 5 PM. 100-YARD RANGE CLSD. 8 AM - 4:30 PM.	22 ARCHERY 3-D LEAGUE CMP SHOOT B.P. LEAGUE #5	23 SCTP TRAP 4 - 9 PM. NRA PISTOL NDR PISTOL	24	25 C-ACTION .22 SHOOT 8 AM. ALL FISH TOURNAMENT 6 - 11 PM.
26 SCTP TRAP 11 AM - 3 PM.	27	28	29 ARCHERY 3-D LEAGUE B.P. LEAGUE #6	30 SCTP TRAP 4 - 9 PM. NRA PISTOL NDR PISTOL	31 DON'T FOR ANNUAL SEPTEMB	

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JULY 2020

WE'VE MADE SOME CHANGES! YOUTH HUNT UPDATES

We're another month closer, a little less than 5 months remain until the big day. Things are going well. We have plenty of pheasants, four young hunters have already registered for the event, and we are getting more volunteers every day to help make this event all that we hope it will be.

Some big surprises are also planned for the kids, the parents and the volunteers. If I tell you what they are, they will no longer be a surprise. Like the wing flutter of a flushing rooster against your dew dampened pants leg, I guarantee these surprises will get your heart pumping.

As the parent or grand-parent of a young person, you do not want to let this opportunity to share our legacy get away. There are life lessons to be learned that extend far beyond a safe and successful hunt.

You can register your child or grandchild now or anytime up until November 7th, or until the roster is full, whichever comes first, by printing out a registration form using the link provided at the bottom of this page.

Just print it, fill it out and send it back to the club: GCF&G, Attn: Rooster Run, P.O. Box # 64, Xenia, Ohio 45385. We'll get them signed up and ready. Do it today and don't delay.

We are looking for a few adventurous young ladies to take part in this great outdoor event. You don't have to be Annie Oakley, just be willing to give it a shot. Give us your best effort and we'll give you ours. We promise!

This year's event will be limited to 30 hunters and all hunters for this year's event will have to pre-register. Don't wait to register, sign-up now!

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 records 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 name too.

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.

HERE ARE SOME OF THE THINGS WE STILL NEED!

26 More Registered Youth Hunters (Limit 30). A Few More Young Lady Hunters willing to Show-up the Guys! 8 More Event Business Sponsors (Cost \$125 each). 4 - 5 More Welcome Banner Business Sponsors (Cost \$75 each). 19 More Youth Hunter Sponsors / Mentors (Member cost \$20 each). Covered Dish Commitments for our Potluck Lunch. All 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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SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!

I told everyone in the beginning that we were going to get creative with this year's Youth Hunt. I hope we haven't let anybody down yet.

Purchase one of these 3" X 10" bold orange and black "Rooster Run" decals today to show your support for this year's big event.

All profits from the sales of these unique decals will go directly to the "Rooster Run" Event. You can even buy one for a friend.

See Tim and tell him you want one of those stickers that all the Cool People have! Invest in the future with us, it's worth the cost.



Looks great on your tool box, garage fridge, or the bumper of your truck! See Tim Ankeney at any club meeting and get yours today!

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This box may look like any other tackle box, but don't be fooled! It's a special tackle box. It's empty now, but with your help it will be full of brand new fishing tackle by the Annual Youth Hunt on Saturday, November 14th.

Together We can make this box special for one lucky young hunter / soon to be angler. There will be a few GRAND PRIZES that will also be given away after a great meal and at the conclusion of the Rooster Run.

These prizes will all be Outdoor Related with the sole purpose of getting kids outside in the clean healthy air and away from their electronic devices and social media. Please don't tell them, it can just be our little secret.

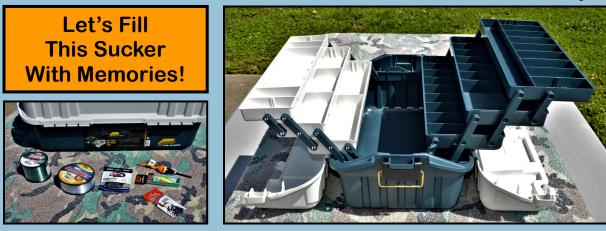
Everybody has or had someone in their life who makes or has made a difference and made it special. Let me ask, have you honored them lately? What could be a better and inexpensive way to do that, than by donating new and un-opened fishing tackle in their honor or memory? (No used tackle Please). That person can be a family member or a friend, a member of the club or a non-member, maybe just someone you really miss. You can even do it anonymously if you'd prefer.

Here's how easy it is! There will be a clearly labeled drop box on the shelf in the main room between the kitchen window and the main entrance, now through the end of October. You just drop your tackle gifts into the slot on top along with one of the 3" X 5" index cards there with it. On the index card, clearly print the name(s) of the people that you want to honor and remember. One name per tackle item please.

If you don't get out to shop, or know anything about fishing tackle, just put a couple bucks in a firmly sealed envelope, write the name(s) of your honoree(s) on the outside and drop it into the same box. We'll do the shopping for you. You can also send a small check to GCF&G, C/O Legacy Tackle Box, P.O. Box # 64, Xenia, Ohio 45385. You can give as little or as much as you like, or none at all. it's up to you.

The names of all the honorees will be printed with a well written tribute in the December Club Newsletter and posted on a 16" X 20" board at the Rooster Run. I spent \$20 so that I could honor some of my gone but not for-gotten friends, Gary Ebright, Kenny "Pedro" Robinson, Chris Hutchinson, Bob Akers & Bob Ramsey. Who you honor, if you choose to, is entirely up to you, but please consider honoring them this way, today. A complete list of the names of all those loved ones honored through this gesture of giving will be given to the winner along with this fabulous prize at the Annual "Rooster Run" Youth Hunt.

Tim Ankeney



IF YOU BUILD IT THEY WILL COME?

It worked for Kevin Costner in Field of Dreams, so why not here? We have fields, over 1,400 "All-stars" and a deep love for the sport. What else could we possibly need? As unbelievable as this may sound, what we really need most is a good group of young people willing to take advantage of this great opportunity. We already have or will have everything else in place.

A great day of Upland Hunting ends with a good meal shared with good friends. Add in just a little playful ribbing, an understanding ear and tired dog and you have the makings of a memory. One to share for a lifetime and beyond. We like to call it a Legacy, but its more of a responsibility. We are and always have been a conservation club and there is more to being a conservationist than just paying our annual dues.

Some members may ask, why do they need fishing tackle for a Youth Hunt? Some members may ask why should we buy stickers? Other members may not even care if another person's child or grandchild gets an opportunity to experience an organized hunt like this one. As someone who never had anyone to teach me the outdoor skills that I have had to acquire on my own, I understand.

The best answer I can give is "trust me". I also understand that trust does not always come easy for some. This event is about more than hunting. Responsibility, communication, understanding, appreciation and perspective is the destination. Our vehicle is this Youth Hunt. It's about bringing old and young together. It's about giving and accepting knowledge, and ultimately about sharing the experience.

It's about learning that a great hunt does not always mean a successful harvest, as some kids likely won't get a bird. However, if they leave with the desire to try it again next week with dad or grandpa, or again next year with us, it will be mission accomplished and worth all the effort.

In the past, many of the kids participate in the youth hunt, then don't hunt again during the rest of the season. That needs to change. I have to wonder why we never see these kids hunting at the club with dad or grandpa during the weeks that follow the youth hunt.

Was it a bad experience at our Youth Hunt? Did the youth lose interest? Was it an oversight by dad or grandpa? Are they being abducted by aliens? I dunno, maybe we'll find out more as we begin to focus more in getting kids off the sofas and into the fields.

— Tim Ankeney

If you would like to know what the Rooster Run Supporters listed below did to help us with our big event, I guess you'll just have to get involved, maybe come to the event. You could wait for the social media replay or the newsletter summary, but it's never quite the same. Life is a contact sport, why not get into the game?

ROOSTER RUN SUPPORTERS!

The following Businesses, Individuals and Service Providers have already shown their support for our organization and our upcoming Youth Pheasant Hunt, through their generous gifts of Funds, Products & Services. We'd like to recognize them for their commitment to our youth programs and to the future of Outdoor Sports and say, Thank You to them for their wonderful support! We ask that you Patronize our many friends in the local & national business communities whenever possible and personally thank them for their priceless support. We do appreciate them greatly!

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