

**GCF&G ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2023 ARE DUE ON 12/31/22. YOUR RENEWAL DUES FOR 2023 CAN BE PAID STARTING ON 10/01/22. A RENEWAL FORM WILL BE MAILED OUT FIRST CLASS TO ALL GCF&G MEMBERS IN SEPTEMBER, PLEASE MAKE A NOTE.**

### PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

I'm certainly welcoming Spring this year! Come on out to the club as more activities begin. Youth events, Cowboy Action, Women's Shooting, Rimfire, and Pistol leagues are all happening this month.

Trap has been active all winter and continues on Wednesday evenings, and a Sporting Clays event is scheduled for Saturday, April 23.

Of course, Spring also means time to clear out Winter's mess and get everything ready – Cleanup Weekend is April 9-10.

This is a great opportunity for new members to get work hours in early and for everyone else to spruce things up with them. Committees, if you haven't already given Ken Mitch a list of things you want to accomplish and needed materials, take care of that now. All other activities at the club are closed that weekend, so come out to the club ready to work.

By now, campers should have already paid campground fees up through May or for the entire year. For those paying monthly, remember payment is due on or before the month prior – June fees are due on or before May 1.

The annual Mandatory Campground Meeting is Saturday, April 3 from Noon to 3 PM, or until finished.

One of the year's special events is the Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by our Women's Auxiliary. If you haven't been out to the club for one of these, you're really missing out! Come on out to help on Saturday, April 16, or bring your children or grandchildren to join in the hunt. You will be glad you did!

Now that more activities are available, it's a good time to dig out the Ground Rules as a refresher for how things work at the club. These rules can change, so download a copy from the GCF&G website to ensure you have the most current version.

Don't forget that the May membership meeting night is when we will have our Annual Fish Fry. Tickets are on sale for \$10 each. You can get yours at the April meeting. New members – the Fish Fry does not count as one of your two required monthly meetings, but it is a great opportunity to get work hours.

Making the event run smoothly and getting all the food prepared quickly takes a lot of effort. If you can help, let Deb Middleton know so she can plan ahead.

On a personal note, I especially want to thank everyone for picking up my slack as I recover from my bout with COVID pneumonia. Although it may still take some time before I'm back to full speed, I am now able to get out and about.

— Mark Avery

## ANNUAL CLEAN-UP WEEKEND!

# 4/9/22 & 4/10/22 From 8 AM - 5 PM.

### TECHNOLOGY

We are just finalizing the last of the Camera installations at the 25 and 50 Yard Rifle Ranges. It's been a long muddy and cold install but I'll be glad to consider this project complete.

If you have any questions about our Video Security Policy, go to our website under General information/Policies and read the Video Security Policy.

I'm still in the process of gathering bids for a new Gate controller since our current system is obsolete and no longer supported. I still do not have a firm date on when this will take place but it will be installed separately from our current system so our existing controller can continue to work while the new one is installed.

Honestly, I believe the hardest part is going to be exporting/importing over 2,000 or more cards and Members into a brand new database.

If you are having issues with your Gate Card please e-mail me at [technology@gcfng.com](mailto:technology@gcfng.com). I try to get them processed and in the mail or delivered in less than a week.

— Mike Given

### PISTOL LEAGUES START

The NDR & NRA pistol leagues start up on April 28th. If you want to improve your pistol shooting skills, come out and join us for a fun evening of shooting. See the club website for details.

— Dale Mateer

### RANGES

The Spring weather has given us a few great shooting days and the Ranges have been very busy. The walk to the Ranges are still very muddy so be very careful.

We still have gravel and dirt to move to bring everything back the way it was before our construction improvements on

the 7 and 25-yard pistol bays.

All Ranges will be closed during clean-up weekend April 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.

— Mike Given

### SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED FOR CLEAN-UP WEEKEND

We will need Members on Clean up Weekend that can help with the construction of a Safety Ceiling and down Range Baffle at the 7-Yard Pistol Bay. We will have to have good weather forecasted for both days before construction begins.

Once construction begins, that Range will be closed until completion. I believe we can get the 7 Yard Pistol completed in those two days.

There is a lot of work needed at the Club and not just the Ranges. Please check with Kenny Mitch on how you may help out on Cleanup Weekend.

As I mentioned in last month's Newsletter, there have been reports of unsafe acts on both Rifle and Pistol Bays. This includes shooting centerfire Rifles/ Shotguns on the Pistol Bays and running with a loaded Rifle while behind the firing line. As a general statement, Firearm Safety on the Ranges needs major improvement.

These safety concerns have given us no choice but to make changes to the Ground Rules. These changes will not prevent any unsafe actions however, it will allow us to better enforce the rules while making the Rules clearer and better defined.

The revised Ground Rules still include Range and Safety Rules. Each person using the ranges is required to read and follow these rules. There are even some good YouTube videos showing Indoor and Outdoor Range Safety and Range



## Greene County Fish & Game ASSOCIATION



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### APRIL 2022 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.**

# THE NEWS & EVENTS PAGE

## WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

This month's Women's Auxiliary Meeting will be a carry-in at the clubhouse on Wednesday, April 13th, at 6:30 PM.

The children's Easter Egg hunt will be Saturday, April 16th. Doors will open at 10:30 AM, the hunt is at 11 AM, and a light lunch will be served after the hunt, while the kids empty their goodies from the plastic eggs and return them to us for use next year. Be sure to bring a basket or bag for collecting eggs. Kids will be divided into age groups, look for signs in each area. The Easter Bunny will be making the rounds and posing with children for pictures.

Euchre in April will also be on Saturday the 16th. Doors open at 6 PM, cards start at 7 PM. Bring a dish to share and your own beverages. Cost is \$7 and includes the entree (Chicken Tenders), and cash prizes. We hope to see you all there!

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

— Gail Walker

## IMPORTANT 2022 DATES TO REMEMBER

- CAMPGROUND MEETING - 4/2.
  - YOUTH ARCHERY SHOOT - 4/2.
  - .22 RIMFIRE LEAGUE - 4/5.
  - ANNUAL CLEAN-UP WEEKEND 4/9 & 4/10.
  - PISTOL LEAGUE OPENER - 4/14.
  - W/A KID'S EASTER EGG HUNT - 4/16.
  - WOMEN'S SHOOTING SPORTS - 4/20.
  - 5-STAND SPORTING CLAYS - 4/23.
  - CAMPGROUND OPENS - 5/1.
  - KIDS FISHING & CASTING - 5/14.
  - STEELS CHALLENGE OPENER - 5/14.
  - ALL-NIGHT CATFISH TOURN. - 5/28.
  - CAMPGROUND YARD SALE - 5/28.
  - YOUTH OUTDOOR DAY - 6/18.
  - CAMPGROUND PITMASTERS BBQ COOK-OFF - 7/16
  - G.C. FAIR - 7/30 THRU 8/6.
  - ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC - 9/17.
  - ANNUAL CAMPGROUND HALLOWEEN PARTY - 10/8.
- SEE THE CALENDAR FOR MORE GREAT CLUB EVENTS!

**COWBOY ACTION & STEELS PRACTICE**  
**Every first and third Tuesday of the month**  
**From 5 PM until Dark.**  
**Every Month - Now thru October.**

**5-STAND SPORTING CLAYS - 4/23 @ 9 AM.**

**WOMEN'S SHOOTING SPORTS MEETING - 4/20 @ 6 PM.**

## APRIL 2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>GCF&amp;G ANNUAL FISH FRY! TUESDAY, MAY 10TH, 2022.</b>					1 MAY CAMPGROUND FEES DUE	2 YOUTH ARCHERY 10 M - 12 PM. CAMPGROUND MEETING 1 - 3 PM.
3 COWBOY ACTION SHOOT 8:45 AM - 3 PM	4	5 C-ACTION & STEELS PRAC. 5 PM - DARK .22 RIMFIRE LEAGUE 5 - 7 PM.	6 TRAPSHOOT PRACTICE & CALCUTTA 6:30 - 10 PM. W/A MEETING 6:30 PM.	7	8	9 ANNUAL CLEAN-UP WEEKEND
10 ANNUAL CLEAN-UP WEEKEND	11	12 BOARD & MEMBER MTGS 6 & 8 PM. .22 RIMFIRE LEAGUE 5 - 7 PM.	13 TRAPSHOOT PRACTICE & CALCUTTA 6:30 - 10 PM.	14	15 CAMPGROUND CLEAN-UP 9 AM - 5 PM.	16 KID'S EASTER EGG HUNT 10 AM - 2 PM. W-AUX. EUC. PARTY 6 PM.
17	18	19 C-ACTION & STEELS PRAC. 5 PM - DARK .22 RIMFIRE LEAGUE 5 - 7 PM.	20 TRAPSHOOT PRACTICE & CALCUTTA 6:30 - 10 PM. WSS MEETING 6 PM.	21	22 CAMPGROUND CLEAN-UP 9 AM - 5 PM.	23 C-ACTION .22 SHOOT 9:45 AM - 1 PM. CAMPGROUND CLEAN-UP 9 AM - 5 PM.
24	25	26 .22 RIMFIRE LEAGUE 5 - 7 PM.	27 TRAPSHOOT PRACTICE & CALCUTTA 6:30 - 10 PM.	28 NRA LEAGUE NDR LEAGUE	29	30 M-1 GARAND CLINIC 8 AM - 4 PM. CAMPGROUND CLEAN-UP 9 AM - 5 PM.



Etiquette including the one published by ODNR for the Spring Valley Shooting Range, NRA and Smith and Wesson, please take some time and watch a few of these.

These Safety Rules are not mere suggestions; ignoring the rules is cause for corrective action including losing your membership. If you bring a guest, you are also responsible for their actions.

My number one objective as Range Chairman is safety, this cannot be compromised or ignored. If any Member would be interested in developing a Range Safety Video with me, please contact me.

I know some members feel uncomfortable about confronting someone performing an unsafe act or something clearly against the rules but we do not pay for the Ranges to be patrolled 100% of the time, it's your club and we do rely on the membership to help keep it safe. [ranges@gcfng.com](mailto:ranges@gcfng.com).

— Mike Given

## KID'S EASTER EGG HUNT SATURDAY, APRIL 16TH



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### 12 GUN GIVEAWAY MONTHLY WINNER

The winning ticket number drawn at the March meeting was **#0598**.

The luck winner was Kevin Page of Xenia, Ohio.

Congratulations go out to Kevin!

**Good Luck to Everyone!**

It's Time For The 3rd Annual

# ROOSTER RUN

**YOUTH PHEASANT HUNT & POTLUCK LUNCH**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH, 2022**  
**GCF&G CLUB GROUNDS**  
**LOCATED AT 1538 UNION RD.**  
**XENIA, OHIO**



**Doors will open at 7:00 A.M. for Check-In & Donuts**  
**Safety Meeting, Trap Shoot & Hunt from 7:45 AM until ?**

- **Ohio Hunting License is Required.**
- All Fees (\$20.00 per hunter already provided by club sponsors).
- For Youths Age 10 - 17.
- Guns and all equipment provided if needed or bring your own.
- Youths will hunt over steady pointing dogs (for safety reasons).
- All Youths will be supervised by experienced handlers at all times.
- Youths will have the opportunity to harvest up to (2) birds.
- Another World Class "Potluck" Lunch will be provided with plenty of Surprises to follow.

## (HUNTER ORANGE IS REQUIRED)

**Registration Forms must be submitted before Saturday, November 5th.**  
**This hunt is limited to 36 shooters. This hunt is expected to fill up quickly!**

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

**INVESTING IN THE FUTURE OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION,  
FAMILIES, OUR COMMUNITY, AND OUTDOOR SPORTS.**





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### CALL DON DOBBS - (937) 902-6540 or the FISH & GAME OFFICE - (937) 372-8261



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- 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.
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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.

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