GCF&G ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2024 ARE DUE ON 12/31/23. YOUR RENEWAL DUES FOR 2024 CAN BE PAID STARTING ON 10/01/23. A RENEWAL FORM WAS MAILED OUT FIRST CLASS TO ALL GCF&G MEMBERS IN EARLY SEPTEMBER, PLEASE RENEW NOW IF YOU CAN.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new Board Members, Chuck Gibson, Dave Honeycutt, Rob Repik, and Rick Haller. We are confident that their expertise and dedication will greatly contribute to the success of our organization in the coming year.

Additionally, I would like to acknowledge the returning Directors, Beth Duckworth, Jon Haller, and Dean Williams, for their continuous commitment to our organization. Since there is one open position for 2024, the Board will be voting on who will be appointed for a one year term.

Now, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to Bill Clement, Tom Kohler, Cory Wyatt, Ray McCoy, and Dave Rohrback for their unwavering dedication and years of service on the Board. Their invaluable contributions have played a significant role in shaping our organization, and they will be missed.

If you haven't yet submitted your 2024 renewal, time is running out. Don't forget that membership renewals are due by 11:59 PM on December 31. You now have the option of renewing on-line through the Member Hub and it's been averaging 80% on-line and 20% check.

Furthermore, I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt appreciation to the Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs for your tireless efforts throughout this year.

Your hard work and dedication have not gone unnoticed, and I want to emphasize how much I truly value everything you do for our Club. Your commitment is the backbone of our organization, and it is through your collective efforts that we continue to thrive.

I am pleased to inform you that the Board has approved the commencement of Rifle Range improvements. Construction is scheduled to begin in late November, with the target completion set for the Spring of 2024.

Please be aware that there will be additional range closures during the construction process, and I kindly request that you keep a close eye on the Calendar for any updates and adjustments.

In closing, I would like to wish each and every one of you a safe and joyous Christmas and a prosperous New Year. May this holiday season bring you peace, happiness, and well-deserved rest.

— Mike Given





A DOUBLE FLUSH!

I'll take a Double Flush over a Royal Flush any day of the week! We received compliments about many things at our recent Rooster Run Event, but nothing captured as many as this beautiful mount by Brian Burns, owner of Blaze Taxidermy in Bellbrook. This realistic piece of art earned Brian the Art Ledger "Best Pheasant" Memorial Award at the recent 2023 Ohio Taxidermy Championship. Brian was gracious enough to gift his amazing creation to the club and to the Rooster Run. Brian is a three year supporter of our event and one of the premiere Taxidermists in Southwest Ohio.

GOOSE HUNTING REMINDER!

Goose hunting is now 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 with this matter.

Have a safe and productive hunt!

12 GUN GIVEAWAY MONTHLY WINNER

The winning ticket number drawn at the November meeting, was # 0677. Daniel Coots of Waynesville, Ohio was the lucky winner. A total of (4) guns will given away at the December Meeting.

To everyone who purchased 2023 Tickets, Thank You for your support.



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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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THE NEWS & EVENTS PAGE

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The Children's Christmas Party is upon us - the big elf will arrive around 1 PM on Saturday, December 9th. Your child and family must have been registered no later then November 18th. Contact Gail at (937) 609-2215 if you are uncertain

Our Auxiliary will have dinner at Acapulco on Wednesday, December 13th at 6:30 PM. We will also have a \$10 gift exchange if you wish to participate.

There will be no euchre party in December. Merry Christmas to all!

- Gail Walker

W-AUXILIARY KID'S CHRISTMAS PARTY - 12/9 @ 11:30 AM.

B.P. HO-HO-HO MEAT SHOOT - 12/17 @ 10 AM

FINAL DAY TO PAY YOUR 2024 DUES - 12/31.

<u>A VERY IMPORTANT</u> 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.

REMAINING 2023 GCF&G DATES TO REMEMBER

STATEWIDE DEER GUN SEASON 11/27 THRU 12/3.

W/A KID'S X-MAS PARTY - 12/9.

2024 DUES MUST BE PAID BY- 12/31.

SEE THE CLUB CALENDAR FOR MORE GREAT CLUB EVENTS!

CHECKOUT OUR WEBSITE AT: WWW.GCFNG.COM FOR ADDITIONAL DATES.



GCF&G Photo by: Toni Dobbs

EMBER 2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS Wednesday Sunday **Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday** Saturday OHIO DEER OHIO DEER GUN SEASON GUN SEASON C-ACTION W-AUXILIARY RANGES W-AUX. KID'S SHOOT MEETING **CLOSED & NO CHRISTMAS** 8:30 AM 6:30 PM. HUNTING PARTY AFTER 3 PM. 11:30 AM. OHIO DEER WRAPPING KID'S X-MAS GIFTS **GUN SEASON** 6:30 PM. 10 **BOARD &** RANGES W-AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP **CLOSED & NO EUCHRE** PARTY MTGS. 6 & 8 PM HUNTING AFTER 3 PM. 6 PM. 19 23 18 20 2.2 В.Р. НО-НО RANGES MEAT SHOOT **CLOSED & NO** HUNTING 10 AM. AFTER 3 PM. 24 26 28 **CHRISTMAS** RANGES CLOSED & NO HUNTING 31 AFTER 3 PM.

GCF&G ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2024 ARE DUE NOW. RENEWAL DUES FOR 2024 MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE 12/31/23. USE THE FORM BELOW TO RENEW, NO OTHER REMINDERS WILL BE SENT.



2024 DUES RENEWAL FORM PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY



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Make all checks payable to Greene Co. F 64, Xenia, OH 45385 . Extra bumper stick		
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AS ALWAYS COPIES OF THIS RENEWAL FORM WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE OCT. - DEC.
NEWSLETTER WHICH IS VIEWABLE / PRINTABLE ON OUR WEBSITE @: WWW.GCFNG.COM.
PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THE AMOUNT OF YOUR DUES AND ANY ADDITIONAL CASH CONTRIBUTION
THAT WE RECEIVE IN ADDITION TO THOSE DUES FEES ARE NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

DO NOT DISCARD! DO NOT DISCARD!

GREAT NEWS!

You can pay your 2024 GCF&G Renewal Dues online now!
Just get out your bank or credit card and visit the all new
"MEMBERSHIP HUB" link on the website homepage and pay your
dues, just like paying all your other household bills. You must fill out
all the required fields and keep you contact information up to date.

This will likely be the final year that Renewal Applications will be mailed to every dues paying member via the U.S. Postal Service.

- The Board of Directors

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Six young hunters harvested their very first Ringneck Pheasant at this year's Rooster Run. A total of 40 young people took to the fields or shot at launched birds during our 4th Annual Event. Twenty-two birds total were harvested and a good time was had by all. Some great outdoor related prizes were given away, including a Wicked Ridge Crossbow package, a Camping package, the Legacy Tackle Box, a Genesis Youth Bow and Accessories, and a turn-key .50 caliber CVA Black Powder Rifle, just in time for deer season!

Get Involved with Something at Your Club!



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THANK YOU! FROM THE 2024 ROOSTER RUN CREW!

THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE TO THANK!

From the Friday Night Kick-off Dinner to the final door prize on Saturday afternoon, this year's Rooster Run Event went very well. We have so many people to thank, I know that regretfully I will forget someone.

Let's start with our friends at the Olive Garden in Beavercreek, for the delicious Italian Dinner and desserts they provided us with on Friday night at the Kick-off Dinner. Thank You to all of our great Event Sponsors. Many of which have been with us from the beginning.

Thanks to the GCF&G Board of Directors for allowing us the freedom and giving us the support to make it grow. There were 40 youths this year, and over 50 applied!

Thank you to every parent and grandparent of Rooster Run Participants, for trusting us with your most prized possession, and to the Lord above who blessed us with another safe, educational, and rewarding hunt.



Thank you to Greene County Commissioner Dick Gould, Xenia City Councilman Levi Dean, and Greene County Prosecutor David Hayes for their support.

To the Sport Dog Training guys for providing the four paws support for this great event, and to the Fat Boy's Deer Camp Crew for yet another black powder rifle to giveaway.

I want to thank my wife Lisa and my stepdaughter Lindsay for the simple but pretty table decorations at the dinner and for the meatballs and cakes we all enjoyed on Saturday.

Thank You to every single person who played a role in making this event a huge success. We couldn't do it without you. I ask that you support all our event sponsors whenever you can.

Forty kids took part in this year's event. A total of 22 birds were taken, and 6 young people harvested their first bird. THANK YOU!

— Tim Ankeney



A big Thank You goes out to Greene County Sheriff Scott Anger, and Deputies Doug Doherty and David Jones for their amazing support this year, and to Xenia Township Fire & Rescue for being on site during our event.

Thanks to Nick Moshos and Dot's Market for once again providing us with the delicious broasted centerpiece of our amazing Potluck Lunch. Thanks to every club member who dug deep at our monthly meetings and gave unselfishly to this worthy event.

To Bill Kosins of Kosins Tents & Event for the fine linen tablecloths, and to the Greeneview High School FFA Chapter for serving the Kick-off Dinner meal. To Brian Burns of Blaze Taxidermy for the wonderful "Double Flush" mount that sits impressively in the corner of the main room.

A pat on the back goes out to Screenplay Printing for another year's worth of great looking event T-shirts. Thanks to Buckmaster's Magazine and the Ohio Rifle and Pistol Association.

Thanks to Gail Walker and Kay Findlay for all their help on set-up Friday and the day of the main event. Thanks to Mary Mertz, Director of ODNR for attending our kick-off dinner and paying us several compliments.

To David Shepherd and Terry Simmons, who both went above and beyond as we prepared for and executed the event. To Todd Haines and David Warner from the Division of Wildlife. To State Representative Bill Dean and State Senator Bob Hackett.



The 5th Annual Rooster Run will be 11/9/24

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THE LEGACY CONTINUES...

TOM DUDLEY / JOE & REGINA RAUCH JOHN NACE / THOMAS D. SMITH BENJI ROGERS / JEFF PEDRO / JOE FULTZ GARY EBRIGHT / MIKE MOLITOR DAVID F. FADELY / CHRIS HUTCHINSON ROBERT & ANNE DETRICK / ROY G. ADAMS CLARENCE "ED" CHANDLER / BOB AKERS WENDELL OWENS / STEVE MASTBAUM SR. MELVIN YEARICK / WENDELL KEMPER AARON C. ANKENEY / BOB RAMSEY MARGARET L. COPE / ALLEN LA ROSE CARL LANGE / KEN "PEDRO" ROBINSON EUGENE W. COPE / RUSSELL C. WALKER BOB DETRICK JR. / ROSCOE JOHNSON JR. CALVIN PYLE / JOHN MONROE **DENNIS PITSTICK / RORY THOMPSON** DAVE SCHOCK / HARTFORD R. AVERY JOHN KOPP / JOYCE ISON LARRY ROWLAND / BRYAN MOUNTS

To honor these amazing souls, contributions to this Wonderful Prize have been made in their names. God Bless them all...

THANK YOU FROM THE ROOSTER CREW!

THE LEGACY TACKLE BOX

For the fourth year in a row, the Rooster Run's Legacy Tackle Box giveaway has been a huge success. Thanks to the generosity of our members we were able to give away a huge tackle box, three fishing poles and over 1,000 pieces of brand new fishing tackle. This year's winner was a young man named Jonathan Waite. He was all smiles when his ticket was drawn at the end of this year's Rooster Run Event.

Every year our Legacy List gets longer, and our Legacy Box Giveaway gets bigger. No one's name has ever been removed from the list, but every year a few more get added. During the upcoming holidays, take a moment out of your busy schedule to reflect on the past and remember the names of the great individuals listed above who are the inspiration for this great prize.

If you don't see your friends or loved one's names here, make it happen for next year. It's never too early to support the Rooster Run.

— Tim Ankeney

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ROOSTER RUN SUPPORTERS!

The following Businesses, Individuals and Service Providers have all shown their support for our organization and this year's ROOSTER RUN event, 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!!!

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On Behalf of the ROOSTER RUN

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HELP US HIT THIS YEAR'S GOAL OF: 1,000 LBS OF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS & A \$1,000 CASH DONATION!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

From the ROOSTER RUN

WE'RE GIVING AWAY A YEAR'S DUES TO THREE LUCKY GCF&G MEMBERS IN 2023.

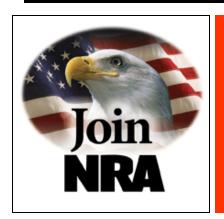
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- To receive important legislative alerts that will keep you apprised of potential threats to your 2nd Amendment Rights.
- To become a working part of the most recognized and influential gun owners group in the world today and make your voice heard.
- 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.
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Here are two easy ways for you to join the fight to protect your Second Amendment Rights!

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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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