

August, 2021 GIWLA News

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Attention all members: please come out for our annual **Summer Picnic / Officer Installation Dinner**, sponsored by Bingo, on **August 28th**. The festivities will start at 4pm with dinner at 5pm followed by the installation of our 2021-22 officers. We've signed-up a lot of new members in the last year and this is your chance to meet everybody. All members are welcome but we ask that you sign-up beforehand so Randy knows how much food to order. Sign-up sheets are available at the meetings or you can respond to news@giwla.org. Make sure to tell us how many will be with you. Feel free to bring your favorite side dish or dessert. See you there!

August 6th – 15th is the Lake County Fair. The Griffith Ikes will be running the fish pond on Monday and Tuesday, August 9th and 10th and we can use your help. Contact **Kim Russell (219-629-3189 / cubbielvr6923@gmail.com)** or **Bobby Wright (219-924-0650)** if you'd like to help. The Lakes Committee will be running the fish pond on Wednesday, August 11th and they could also use help. Contact Alice or Jackie if you're available to help on that day. This is a fund raiser for the club and, from what I've heard, it's always a lot of fun.

The Junior / Student Ikes will be meeting on **Monday, August 9th at 6:45 in the clubhouse.** All member's kids and grandkids are welcome. This is a great opportunity for them to spend more time outdoors and learn new things. If you have ideas for the kids or would like to help Rich Vemmers, you can contact him at richvem1@gmail.com.

Our next **3-D Archery Shoot is Sunday, August 15th**. First shooter out at 8am, last shooter out at 1pm. This event is open to the public so tell your friends. Registration is \$10 for non-members, \$8.00 for members. Breakfast will be available. You can contact our Archery Chairs, **Joe Bissonette (219-779-0396)** or **Loui Colon (219-688-0093)** for more information or if you'd like to help. **The new Archery League starts on August 15th also.**

Congratulations to our Lakes Committee for winning a grant from the Izaak Walton National Endowment to improve the quality of our lakes via invasive species control and robust stocking. We now have the money to hire specialists to help us tackle our invasive species problems once and for all. **The next Lakes and Grounds Joint Planning meeting will be Monday, August 16th**. They will be finalizing plans for our next **Take a Kid Fishing/Archery/Rummage Sale Day on September 18th** as well as discussing how to proceed with the grant. Just come to this meeting or contact our Lakes Chairs **Alice Butterfield (708-466-3357)** and **Jackie Larson (219)-487-0001** if you have any questions or would like to help out. Also – **don't forget about the Rough Fish Contest that started on May 1st and runs through September 15th**. We are trying to improve the quality of fish in our lakes while giving our members a chance to win some great prizes. See the flyers hanging in the clubhouse or talk to Alice or Jackie for the details.

The next competition shoot of the year will be August 21st. The first match will be handguns, 10 shots/offhand from the 7 yd line, and the second will be handguns, 10 shots/offhand from the 25 yd line. The range opens for practice at 10am, and the first match is at 11. Range will re-open to members no later than 2pm. Contact our Rifle Chairs **Paul McKinley (219-902-9518)** or **Dave Shea (racon1@flash.net)** if you'd like to volunteer at a match or help with improving the range.

Trap will be closed to the public on Tuesday, August 24th for the League Fun Shoot.

September 18th will be Take a Kid Fishing/Archery Day. 8am-2pm. This is a free event and open to the public. We will have fishing and archery equipment available for the kids to use as well as members to oversee and help them learn. We will also have free hot dogs, chips, cookies and water for the participating families. Contact Jackie or Alice for more information. **We will also have a Rummage Sale that day which will run from 8am to 2pm.** There will be raffles as well as additional food for sale. Contact **Ed Rosinski (219-781-9053)** if you are interested in a booth at the Rummage Sale or would like more details.

The Annual Fish Fry / Shrimp Boil will be Sunday, Sept. 19th from 12pm – 4pm. It is open to the public so bring your family and friends (or just get carry-out). Along with Rick's famous shrimp boil with potatoes and corn, we'll be serving fish, jambalaya, misc. side dishes and dessert. Dine In or Carry Out – while supplies last. Tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door. Kids 10 & under are \$4.00 in advance or \$6.00 at the dor. **Contact Rick Perry (219-680-9796)** if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help.

A message from our president (Kim Russell (219-629-3189 / cubbielvr6923@gmail.com)

I am so glad to see people this summer at the functions; The Food Truck Fest, Catfish Derby, Bass Tournament, Trapshoot, Competition Shoots, Archery and so on. This is a great way to talk to fellow members and to support your chapter. When we make a profit at these functions it helps so we don't have to raise our dues. Please make sure we have your current email address so you receive your newsletter and all updates. The summer picnic is 28 August. Please sign up with Randy or myself. There will be music, food, and a lot of fun plus officers will be installed that evening. The Lake County Fair is next week and we can always use help at the booth and at the catfish pond. See myself or Bobby for information. I hope everyone enjoys what's left of summer!

Calendar

Thursday Trap 2-10pm - Open to the Public

Tuesday Trap 2-6pm – Open to the Public

The range is open, all year round, on Sundays and holidays, from noon until sundown. Other days it opens at 10am and closes at sundown.

August 3rd - Board of Director's Meeting (7:30 at the clubhouse)

August 4th & 18th - General meeting (7:30 at the clubhouse)

August 6th - 15th – Lake County Fair (fund raiser for the club)

August 9th - Jr / Student Ikes (6:45 at the clubhouse)

August 15th – 3D Archery Shoot, Open to the public (Sunday)

August 16th - Lakes & Grounds Joint Planning Meeting (6pm at the clubhouse)

August 21st - Competition Shoot (Saturday)

August 24th – Trap League Fun Shoot (Trap will be closed to the public for this event)

August 25th and 28th - New member review

August 28th – Ike's Summer Picnic / Officer Installation, all members welcome (Saturday)

August 31st - Board of Director's Meeting (7:30 at the clubhouse)

September 1st & 15th - General meeting (7:30 at the clubhouse)

September 13th - Jr / Student Ikes (6:45 at the clubhouse)

September 18th Take A Kid Fishing / Archery Day

September 18th – Rummage Sale

September 19th – 3D Archery Shoot, Open to the public (Sunday)

September 19th – Fish Fry & Shrimp Boil, Open to the Public

September 20th - Lakes & Grounds Joint Planning Meeting (6pm at the clubhouse)

September 21st – Calendar Meeting 6:30 at the clubhouse (for committee chairs, officers & BOD)

September 25th - Competition Shoot (Saturday)

September 25th – Whihala Beach Sweep 10am-1pm

September 22nd & 25th - New member review

Oct. 5th - Board of Director's Meeting (7:30 at the clubhouse)

Oct. 6 & 20th - General meeting (7:30 at the clubhouse)

Oct. 11th - Jr / Student Ikes (6:45 at the clubhouse)

Oct. 18th - Lakes & Grounds Joint Planning Meeting (6pm at the clubhouse)

Oct. 23rd - Competition Shoot (Saturday)

Oct. 23rd & 27th - New member review

Oct. 30th / 31st - Turkey Shoots (tentative), Open to the public

Bingo every Friday - Doors open at 4pm, Early birds start at 5:30. Regular Bingo at 6:30.

Set-ups start at \$20.00

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Would you like to receive the newsletter by email? Do you have feedback for the editor?

You can contact us at: NEWS@GIWLA.ORG

We'd like to welcome our new members:

Nathan Brouwer, Highland

Rick Marr, Griffith

Don Melcher, Griffith

Rick Reynolds, Griffith

Richard Damron Jr, Griffith

Roger Yochem, Dyer