

May, 2022 GIWLA News

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Sunday, May 15th is our next 3-D Archery Shoot. 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. The kitchen will be open for breakfast so come by even if you aren't planning to shoot. You can contact our Archery Chairs, **Joe Bissonette (219-779-0396)** or **Luis Colon (219-688-0093)** for more information or if you'd like to help.

Rifle Range: The next competition shoot will be May 21st. The first match will be handguns, 10 shots/offhand from the 7 yard line, and the second will be rifles w/optics, 10 shots from the 50 yard bench. 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 (raccoon1@flash.net)** if you'd like to volunteer at a match or help with improving the range.

May 22nd will be Take a Kid Fishing/Archery Day. 10am-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 **Alice Butterfield (708-466-3357)** or **Jackie Larson at (219)-487-0001** for more information.

The Lakes Committee would like to report that Aquatic Control came out and were able to treat Russell Lake for invasive weeds but they will have to come back out and treat Wilson and Jordan because of the weather. The committee has proposed a number of new rules to better help us manage the boat slips so if you have a boat on the grounds please pay attention to these once they are adopted. Again, contact out lake chairs for more information. If you want to be part the Lakes Planning Committee, they meet the third Monday of each month at 6pm in the backroom. The next meeting will be May 16th.

Trap is now in full swing on both Tuesdays (from 2-6pm) and Thursdays (from 2-10pm). Both are open to the public and newbies are welcome. Are you a new member in need of volunteer hours? This is a great opportunity to earn them while enjoying this great sport. Contact Larry Swentzel during Bingo if you have any questions.

The club will be hosting a guest speaker at our May 18th member's meeting. Nicole Harmon, Director of Humane Indiana Wildlife will be presenting on the history and mission of Humane Indiana Wildlife and the role the organization plays in our community to support native wildlife and encourage compassion during human/wildlife conflicts. Also attending the presentation will be a non-releasable education ambassador bird of prey. Nicole will share what brought that animal into their care and what their current role is now at Humane Indiana Wildlife as a permanent resident. This presentation is open to the public and then they are encouraged to stay and learn about what the Griffith Ikes are all about. Dinner will be available for purchase after the presentation. Children are welcome. Contact **Jackie Larson at (219)-487-0001** for more information.

A message from our President, Kim Russell (219-629-3189 or cubbielvr6923@gmail.com)

Happy spring everyone. There are a number of fun things coming up at the club including Take a Kid Fishing/Archery Day and our annual Food Truck Fest and Rummage Sale. We are hoping our members attend these, and all, of our functions. The public attendance outweighs our membership attendance at functions big time and that is not a good thing. We have our open house coming up on July 30th and we'll be looking for people who can teach the kids and adults their skills. Ideas are fly tying, casting, setting up a tent, knot tying, starting a fire, identifying birds, plants and trees etc. Just think about fun and cool things you did outside that we can pass on to kids. If you have any questions or ideas get a hold of me. Again I am asking you all to be an **active** member, this club cannot run on 20 people. You joined for a reason - now come out and enjoy the grounds and all the chapter has to offer!

We have welcomed a number of new members this month. I will give you a full update in our June newsletter.

Calendar

Tuesday Trap 2-6pm Open to the Public

Thursday Trap 2-10pm 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.

May

May 3rd – Board of Director's meeting

May 4th & 18th – Member's meeting

May 15th – 3D Archery Shoot, Open to the public

May 16th – Lakes & Grounds meeting

May 21st - Competition Shoot (Saturday)

May 22nd – Take a Kid Fishing / Archery Day

May 21st & 25th – New Member's Review

June

June 1st & 15th – Member's meeting

June 7th – Board of Director's meeting

NOTE: this has been moved up a week because of the Memorial Day holiday

June 4th & 5th - Division Meeting at Spring Lake in Hobart

June 11th – Food Fest / Rummage Sale

June 12th – 3D Archery Shoot, Open to the public

June 14th – Tuesday Trap will be closed to the public

June 15th – Dutch Auction after general meeting

June 20th – Lakes & Grounds meeting

June 25th - Competition Shoot (Saturday)

June 22nd & 25th – New Member's Review

July

July 5th – Board of Director's meeting

July 6th & 20th – Member's meeting

July 6th – Nominations at the general meeting

July 4th – Griffith Parade

July 16th – 3D Archery Shoot, Open to the public

July 17th – Bass Tournament, Open to the public

July 23rd - Competition Shoot (Saturday)

July 25th – Lakes & Grounds meeting

July 23rd & 27th – New Member's Review

July 30th – Open House

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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Save the date:

June 11th will be our Food Truck Fest / Rummage Sale