

May & June, 2023 GIWLA News

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Do you have a bored kid or grandkid age 9-25? Why not send them to summer youth camp? You can drop them off on Sunday July 23rd and pick them up on Saturday, July 29th. They get a week of crafts, sports and outdoor fun while you get a week of not having to feed or keep track of them. The cost is \$150 now or \$165 after July 17th. For details and an application visit their website at <https://sites.google.com/view/iwla-indianadivision/Indianaiwlayouthcamp> or contact the Camp Director: Stan Jarosz, 219-730-0496; sjelectric65@gmail.com or the Assistant Director: Patty Jarosz, 219-730-2250, camppatty62@gmail.com.

May 21 is Take a Kid Fishing / Archery Day from 10am to 2pm. This event is free and open to the public and we encourage you to spread the word! We will have all of the equipment and skilled members to teach kids both fishing and archery. We'll also have a free lunch hotdogs, ships and cookies. This is a great opportunity to introduce your kids and their friends to the outdoors since they can play all day for free!

After the Take-A-Kid day, the club will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner, also open to the public. **We will be serving from 2pm to 6pm.** The menu will include salad, spaghetti, garlic bread, dessert and a beverage. If bought in advance, tickets are \$8 for adults/\$4 for kids, 10 and under. At the door they are \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids. Volunteers are needed for both events. Contact **Alice Butterfield (708-466-3357)** or **Jackie Larson at (219)-487-0001** for additional information.

We're having a Paint Party! Come out the weekend of May 27th/28th and help spruce up the grounds. We'll be painting the light poles, playground and whatever else needs it. This is a great opportunity to get your volunteer hours in.

The Lakes and Grounds committee will be meeting May 15th and June 19th **at 6pm at the clubhouse.** Come on out and see what they are all about and help plan the upcoming events like the **Bass Tournament on July 16th and the Catfish Derby on August 12th**. We will also be reviewing two reports on invasive plants and trees on our chapter grounds. Come and get involved! Contact **Alice Butterfield (708-466-3357)** or **Jackie Larson at (219)-487-0001** if you need more information.

We will be having guest speakers at two upcoming member's meetings. On **May 17th, Carol Harsh, the owner of Wild Birds Unlimited in Schererville, will give a presentation about birds and bird feeding.** On **June 7th, Jackie Larson, Co-chair of our Lakes Committee and Lisa Stelter, our Ethics and Education Chair** will present findings from the recent surveys of our grounds by a certified arborist and a specialist in plant species.

Trap League starts on June 22nd. Come on out on Tuesday and Thursday if you want to learn more about them. **June 13th – Trap League Dinner – closed to the public**

Rifle Range: The May competition shoot will be Saturday, May 20th. The first match will be pistols, 10 shots/offhand from the 7 yd line, and the second will be rifles with optics, 10 shots from the 50 yd line bench.

The June match will be Saturday, June 17th. The first match will be handguns, 10 shots/offhand from the 7 yd line, and the second will be handguns, 10 shots from the 25 yd line 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 (racoon1@flash.net) if you'd like to volunteer at a match or help with improving the range.

Sunday, May 7th and June 11th will be 3-D Archery Shoots. 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. The

June 10th is our Food Truck Fest 2.0 and this year's event is shaping up to be really exciting. They've started making the homemade pierogies! **The festivities will begin at noon and last until 8pm.** Do you need to fulfill your volunteer obligation to the club? Come for an hour or come for the day – whatever you can offer would be appreciated. **We are now taking applications for vendors and food trucks.** Contact **Jackie Larson at (219)-487-0001** if you are interested or have any questions.

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

As the weather warms up and everything starts to bloom I would like to invite our members to come out and enjoy our grounds as well as participate in our events. We have published a calendar reminding you of when things are happening and if you need another copy, send me an email and I'll make sure you get one. We are also looking for members who are interested in becoming a co-chair on one of our many committees. We'll show you everything you need to know and you'll also have a chance to put your own touch on our events. Lastly we are looking for someone who is interested in cleaning our kitchen weekly. Let me know and I'll give you the details.

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 2nd – BOD meeting

May 3rd & 17th – Member's meeting

May 7th – 3D Archery Shoot, Open to the public

May 15th – Lakes & Grounds meeting

May 20th - Competition Shoot

May 20th & 24th – New Member's Review

May 21st – Take a Kid Fishing / Archery Day, 10am-2pm

May 21st – Spaghetti Dinner, 2-8pm, Open to the Public

May 27th/28th – Paint party - all day

June

June 3rd & 4th – State Convention (Fort Wayne)

June 6th – BOD meeting

June 7th & 21st – Member's meeting

June 10th – Food Truck Fest, Open to the public

June 11th – 3D Archery Shoot, Open to the public

June 13th – Trap League Dinner – closed to the public

June 17th - Competition Shoot

June 19th – Lakes & Grounds meeting

June 21st – Dutch Auction after general meeting

June 22nd – Trap League starts

June 24th & 28th – New Member's Review

June 27th – (July) BOD meeting

We'd like to welcome our new members:

Troy Debaun, Gary

Ryan Fenes, Portage

John Fleming, Griffith

Brandon Veronesi, Griffith

David Santiago, Griffith

Dale Stout, Griffith

Chasen Wolford, Dyer

James Winquist, Schererville

Alexander Pacheco, Griffith

Vernon Roe, Griffith

Joe Rushing, Crown Point

Dean Sisney, Crown Point

Mike Edington, Munster

Alisha Hernandez, Griffith

Ken Moore, Highland

Shelly Gates, Griffith

Hayden Parrish, Hammond

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

Regular Bingo at 6:30. Set-ups start at \$20.00.

Annual Activity License #001465 Expires 4/30/2024

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

You can contact us at: NEWS@GIWLA.ORG

Save the Dates!

July 16th – Bass Tournament & August 12th – Catfish Derby

Both are open to the public so help spread the news!