

# May & June, 2024 GIWLA News

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**The Lakes and Grounds committee will be meeting May 13<sup>th</sup> and June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the clubhouse.** This is where you can help plan upcoming events like the **Bass Tournament on June 23<sup>rd</sup>** and the **Blue Gill Round-Up on July 13<sup>th</sup>**. It's a great opportunity for members who are looking to fulfill their obligation for volunteer hours. Lake events are always our most popular and lots of fun. You can even make it a family affair if you'd like and bring your spouse and kids (if they are old enough to volunteer). Contact our Lakes Chairs, **Alice Butterfield (708-466-3357)** or **Jackie Larson at (219-487-0001)** if you have any questions.

**The Take a Kid Fishing/Archery Day, originally scheduled for May 19<sup>th</sup> has been canceled.** We will let you know if/when it is rescheduled.

Join us **May 18<sup>th</sup> from noon to 8 PM for our Annual Food Truck Fest!** . We will have 6 food trucks including Dan's pierogies, Sammy's tacos, The Lunch Box and more. There will be vendors, horse rides, face painting and tractor rides. The club will be selling fishing items, plants and hamburgers and hot dogs. It's open to the public so be sure to tell your friends. Come support the club and have a good time too!!! Call Jackie 219-487-0001 for more information.

**Rifle Range: The May Competition Shoot is Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup>.** 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 is Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup>.** 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 (raccoon1@flash.net) if you'd like to volunteer at a match or help with improving the range.

**Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup> is the next 3-D Archery Shoot. The June shoot is June 9<sup>th</sup>. The details are the same for both:** First shooter out at 11am, last shooter out at 3pm. 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 lunch (burgers and hot dogs) so come by even if you aren't planning to shoot. You can contact our Archery Chairs, **Joe Bissonette (219-779-0396)** or **Matt Tylicki (219-323-9243)** for more information or if you'd like to help. The Archery Committee would like to welcome back **Luis Colon (219-688-0093)** as a co-chair and he can answer any questions also.

**May 4<sup>th</sup> and June 8<sup>th</sup> are the next ATA Youth Trap Shoots.** These are AIM registered Youth Shoots. They will close the target range all morning until 1 or 2pm.

**The 2024 Bass Tournament is Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>.** It is open to the public and you are encouraged to help us spread the word. Registration is at 5:00am with fishing from 6:00am to noon. The entry fee is \$20 which includes breakfast. There will be tackle for sale as well as raffles and prizes. Bring your own bait. For more information, call Jackie at 219-487-0001.

## **A message from our President, Kim Russell: (Here are some ideas)**

*Hi fellow Ikes, just a few things this month. I can't believe it is already May, we have a lot of things planned for this summer. As always, I hope to see you at them. The functions are only as good as our members make it. It is sad when the attendance is outweighed by the general public than our own membership. Though we love when the general public comes out because we get to show off our grounds and great people to new faces. Youth camp is July 21 - July 27. This is a great time for kids 9-15. You take them to Lafayette to the camp on Sunday and go back the following Saturday to pick them up. They get to do many fun things. They have classes on such topics as archery, save our streams, and recycling. They get three meals a day, have a dance or gathering every evening and go canoeing or some sort of water fun. You can get the application online on the Indiana Division website. For more information you can call or email Stan or Patty Jarosz. Stan is 219-730-0496 or [sjelectric65@gmail.com](mailto:sjelectric65@gmail.com) and Patty is 219-730-2250 or [camppatty62@gmail.com](mailto:camppatty62@gmail.com). We had a great group for our clean up, the front looks amazing. When the new playground goes in, I am sure you will all be surprised and anxious to take littles out there to play. Thank you for rejoining again for another year of fun and being able to enjoy the great outdoors. Our scouts will be having their blue and gold celebration May 5<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 until about 4:00. Please be respectful to them as they will be using the pavilion area. Hope everyone has a great spring and see you around.*

## **We'd like to welcome our new members:**

Angelo Cirincione, Highland	Glenn Daniels, Hammond	Sean Dixon, Dyer	Edward Hauser, Schererville
Christian Laging, Fort Wayne	Matt Mueller, Griffith	Helmut Baum, Crown Point	Randy Byrne, Griffith
John Dempsey, Munster	Gregory Ellis Jr., Griffith	Dave Garza, Griffith	Pete Hojnicky, Highland
Phillip Raddatz, Munster			

# Calendar

**Tuesday Trap 2-6pm Open to the Public**

**Thursday Trap 2-10pm Open to the Public. It will be from 2-5pm on July 4th**

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 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> – Member's meeting

May 4/5<sup>th</sup> – Little Calumet River Clean-up

May 4<sup>th</sup> – ATA Youth Shoot – range closed until they are through (1 or 2pm)

May 5<sup>th</sup> – Scouts Blue & Gold

May 13<sup>th</sup> – Lakes & Grounds meeting

May 18<sup>th</sup> – Food Truck Fest

May 18<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> – New Member's Review

~~May 19<sup>th</sup> – Take a Kid Fishing / Archery Day Canceled~~

May 25<sup>th</sup> – Competition Shoot

May 26<sup>th</sup> – 3D Archery Shoot, Open to the public

## June

June 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> – State Convention / Scout Camp

June 4<sup>th</sup> – BOD meeting

June 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> – Member's meeting

June 8<sup>th</sup> – ATA Youth Shoot – range closed until they are through (1 or 2pm)

June 9<sup>th</sup> – 3D Archery Shoot, Open to the public

June 10<sup>th</sup> – Lakes & Grounds meeting

June 11<sup>th</sup> – Trap Fun Shoot, closed to the public

June 15<sup>th</sup> – Competition Shoot

June 20<sup>th</sup> – Second Trap League starts

June 22<sup>nd</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> – New Member's Review

June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Bass Tournament, Open to the public

## July

July 2<sup>nd</sup> – BOD Meeting

July 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> – Member's meeting

July 3<sup>rd</sup> – Nominations at the general meeting

July 4<sup>th</sup> – Griffith Parade (Thursday Trap will be from 2-5pm)

July 6<sup>th</sup> – ATA Youth Shoot – range closed until they are through (1 or 2pm)

July 8<sup>th</sup> – Lakes & Grounds meeting

July 13<sup>th</sup> – Blue Gill Round-up, Open to the public

July 20<sup>th</sup> – Competition Shoot

July 24<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> – New Member's Review

July 27<sup>th</sup> – Catfish Derby, 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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**Save the Date:**

**July 13<sup>th</sup> – Blue Gill Round-up**

**July 27<sup>th</sup> – Catfish Derby**