

# November/December, 2023 GIWLA News

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**The Pierogi sale, organized by Larry Biegel (219-204-0920) continues through Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>.** Pick-up will be November 18<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 2pm at the clubhouse. There are a variety of flavors of pierogi available. You can order at Wednesday's (Nov. 15) member's meeting or call Larry for more information.

**Our annual non-perishable food drive has begun and will run through Friday, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Bring donations to the club and put them on the table in the back room.** They can especially use canned meat, rice and pasta, sauces and gravies, hearty soups and stews, hot/cold cereals, baby food and items which can complement a holiday meal. **Randy asks that you please make sure to check the expiration dates on your contributions and thank you so much for your generosity, especially in these tough times.** Are you a bingo player? **Anyone who brings 3 or more food drive items to bingo will get \$5 off their set-up until Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>.** Make sure you tell your friends!

**The Annual Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner will be Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. Appetizers will be served at 4pm followed by dinner at 5m. Contact Kim Russell (219-629-3189) or Rick Perry (219-680-9796) if you can help.** The dinner is free and members are encouraged to come. Bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share. If you've never been to one of our potlucks then you are really missing out on a great meal and a chance to meet a lot of great people! **We will have a sign-up at Wednesday's (Nov. 15) meeting or you can send an email to [news@giwla.org](mailto:news@giwla.org).** We'll need to know how many will be attending and what you plan to bring.

**The November Competition shoot will be Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. The first match will be handguns, 10 shots/offhand from the 7 yd line, and the second will be scoped rifles, 10 shots from the 50 yard bench.** The range opens for practice at 10am, and the first match is at 11.

**The last shoot of the year will be Saturday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>.** The first match that day will be handguns, 10 shots, offhand from the 7 yd line, and the second will be rifles, iron sites only, 10 shots seated from the 50 yard bench. The range opens for practice at 10am, and the first match is at 11. After usual, the range will re-open to members no later than 2pm after each shoot. Contact our Rifle Chairs, **Paul McKinley (219-902-9518) or Dave Shea ([racoon1@flash.net](mailto:racoon1@flash.net))** if you'd like to volunteer at a match or help with improving the range.

**The next meeting of our Lakes and Grounds Committee will be Monday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the clubhouse.** If you are curious about how our lakes are managed and would like to be part of this process, feel free to attend – they are always looking for new members and fresh ideas. **There will be no meeting in December.**

## December Events:

**Our Annual Kid's Christmas Party is Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 1pm to 4pm.** You must sign-up beforehand so Santa knows how many to plan for. We will start sign-ups at upcoming member's meetings and you can sign-up on the list in the backroom or send an email to [news@giwla.org](mailto:news@giwla.org). We need the name, age and gender of your child or grandchild. Sally Ketelaar, our Kid's Party Chair, has lots of fun things planned for the kids. **You can contact Sally at 219-308-4244 if you'd like to help or have questions.**

**The member's Christmas Party will be Saturday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>.** All members are welcome. **Social hour begins at 5pm followed by dinner around 6pm.** Come out for fun and fellowship. There is no charge but we do ask that you sign-up. See Randy Vates at any meeting or at Bingo on Fridays. You can also send an email to [news@giwla.org](mailto:news@giwla.org) and let us know how many will be attending.

**Tickets are now available for the Taste of Izaak Walton on April 13th, 2024.** Only 120 tickets will be sold, so buy your tickets now. **\$45.00 gets you a home cooked meal, beer, wine and soda.** Raffles and 50/50 will be available. Come enjoy a night out and bring your friends because this event is open to the public. See Jackie for tickets. (219-487-0001).

**There will be an informal New Years party on Sunday, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>. Details TBA so watch Facebook – we'll also send out an email.**

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

*Well things are winding down for 2023 and this is the time of the year when we give thanks for all the hard work our volunteers have done as well as welcome our new members, as we come together for both the Thanksgiving Potluck and Christmas parties. Hope to see everyone at these events. We also have one more weekend of Turkey Shoots and I hear the weather is supposed to be pretty good – or at least not snowing!*

*Membership renewals have been sent out and again, we're asking you to reply as soon as you can. Remember that if your membership is not paid by January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 your gate pass will be turned off and you will have to contact John or myself to get it reinstated.*

## Calendar

**Tuesday Trap is over until spring, 2024**

**Thursday Trap 2-10pm Last day is Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 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.

### November

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

Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> / 5<sup>th</sup> - Turkey Shoots, Open to the public

Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> - Last day for 2023 Trap

Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> - Competition Shoot

Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> - Pierogi Sale pick-up (8am-2pm) at the clubhouse

Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> - New Member's Review

Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> - Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner

Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> - Lakes & Grounds meeting ((7pm at the clubhouse)

### December

Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> - Division Meeting

Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> - Kids' Christmas Party

Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> - BOD meeting

Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> - Member's meeting

Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> - Member's Christmas Party, all members welcome

Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> - Last Competition Shoot of the year

Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> - New Member's Review

### January

Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> - BOD meeting

Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> - Member's meeting

**Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> - Gate passes turned off for non-payment**

Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> - Lakes & Grounds meeting

Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> - New Member's Review

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

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

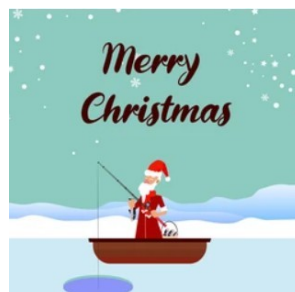
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**Save the date:**

**April 13th, 2024 - The Taste of Izaak Walton**



**and Happy New Year!**