



BIG WALNUT CONSERVATION CLUB

Established 1948

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Club Membership Meeting Updates from the 9/5/2024 Meeting

Good morning,

Secretary's Report: Will be posted on the website under the Member's page.

Treasurer's Report: Was read and approved at the meeting. There are copies available at the club.

Committees

Wednesday Skeet: 190

Sunday Skeet: 39

Trap: 67

Sporting Clays: NA

5-Stand: 47

Conservation: NA

Grounds: Good, not much rain so grass not growing as much

Pond: Looks good

Communication: NA

Memberships

New Full members: 2, New Probationary members: 1, New applications: 1

Workday: I'd like to give a **HUGE** shout-out to the crew of volunteers that worked for 3 long days on the gables on the clubhouse. Dave Crates researched and obtained the perfect number of materials. Dave and Guy C. lead the project very professionally. Randy W., Tim W., John K., David D., Dick J. were there all 3 days helping with demolition, wiring, putting up OSB boards, Tyvek (Lowes Wrap :) and vinyl siding. They brought an array of tools, saws, music. The job turned out perfect.

Nominations: Beginning at the October membership meeting, we will be taking nominations for Officers and Trustees. The nominations will be open until the start of the November meeting. If there are no nominations, current Officers and Trustees can volunteer to serve another term.

A trustee term is 2 years and an officer term is 1 year.

Saturday Evening Trap: Tater (Kevin Noice) will be running a trial of every-other Saturday evening Trap special shoots. The trial will be for 3 months and we'll reevaluate after that. It's starting up September 21st at 5:00 and will be every other Saturday evening. Come out and check it out. Tater can explain better how it will work. We really appreciate Tater volunteering to run that new shoot!

Wednesday Skeet: I know that many people and especially me, appreciate Roger volunteering to run Wednesday skeet while Rick is recovering. We really appreciate him helping out at the Sporting Clays shoots and cooking the sausages too 😊. Roger is also running every-other Sunday Skeet/5-Stand which is doing very well.

Rick is recovering from his procedure last Thursday and getting his strength back. Hoping to see him back soon.

Committees: We are looking to set up a new Membership Committee and also Grant Committee to take over the grant work. The Membership Committee has one volunteer right now and we will be working on what that committee will look like. More to come on that.

The Grant Committee would be submitting the grant requests online which includes the funding amounts, being sure the paperwork for volunteer hours and demographics are completed, possibly taking some pictures and completing the final report. A grant meeting at ODNR will be held in mid-February in-person, followed by the grant applications being requested in mid-March online. I will be available to help anyone interested in taking that over.

Range Safety Rules: It's been brought to our attention by several people that our range rules are not being followed. There seems to be quite a few people that did not know about the red flag being posted on the pistol house wall when shooting at the gun ranges. Anyone on the grounds should know about our shooting rules. We offer 4-5 Range Safety Orientations a year. Probationary members should attend during their one-year probationary period *whether-or-not* they will be using the ranges. If you cannot make it to one let me know and we can have a safety officer meet with you. We have a Range Safety Orientation coming up at the October meeting at 6:30pm (before the membership meeting) and anyone is invited to attend. Some other things being noticed is: shooting at steel targets mid-range, shooting pistols outside the pistol house, and armor piercing rounds. We want everyone to have fun and enjoy shooting but be informed of the safety requirements. Misusing the ranges can result in a loss of membership.

Delaware County Water

We were going to vote on having water at the club but it was suggested that we see what money we recoup from the money we spent this year on the targets etc. They all agreed to put off the vote until next spring.

We also raised the price of rounds shot by a dollar per 25 rounds beginning Jan 1st .

Reminder, Youth Trap League: The youth trap league would like to put in a fall team and would like to hold their shoots here again on Wednesday evenings at 5:30. It will run 9/15 – 10/28.

Annual Picnic: I've received lots of positive comments about the food, fun shoots and overall picnic. It was a perfect day for it.

I will be farm sitting in Hocking Hills October 4-13 and November 8-17. Texts and email work fine but the phone calls drop sometimes.

Hope you are having a great September!

Love to All,



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