

CCFSA NEWSLETTER SPRING 2021

Clinton County Farmers and Sportsmen Association

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear CCFSA members,

It is my honor to be serving as your president for a third year. 2020 was certainly a tough year. The fact that our membership numbers have remained consistent through these challenging times is deeply gratifying. As the weather starts to warm up, I encourage everyone to come out and enjoy the club as often as they can, whether that be on your own or by participating in some of our many organized events.

As challenging as 2020 was, 2021 is shaping up to be even more challenging when it comes to our 2nd amendment rights. I strongly encourage everyone to keep themselves informed of the many anti-gun bills that will be working their way through congress. Dave Bientz provides some details in a separate article. Please make your voices heard by contacting your representatives and senators and asking them to oppose every bill that targets our freedom. We are in for the fight of our lives for at least the next 2 years. It will be tiring, it may seem hopeless at times, but we cannot stop speaking out: to our representatives, to our friends, to our relatives; maybe invite someone who has never been shooting to come to the range with you. You never know when you might plant a seed that grows into another shooting enthusiast, another ally. Please consider joining the NRA if you are not already a member, or giving an additional donation if you are already a member. I know they are far from perfect, but they are the premier organization fighting to defend the 2nd amendment.

Finally, please consider doing business with our sponsors. 2020 was hard on most business, but especially on most local businesses. Supporting our local businesses helps keep our communities strong, providing a safe and welcoming place for us to live and raise our families. In addition to being local businesses, our sponsors have also shown their commitment to supporting the shooting sports via their support of our club, and they deserve our support in return.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. If you have questions or comments about this article or anything else related to the club, your email to president@ccfsa.com is always welcome.

Thank you, and God bless.
Rich Nolde

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Individuals are welcome to submit articles for consideration in our quarterly newsletter, but articles should be of general interest to our members, relevant to our stated mission, and suitable for a general audience. Submit articles to : ccfsanews@ccfsa.com

Growing Membership

We are all in this together to make the CCFSA the premier sporting club in southern Ohio. Having reviewed many articles, I admit to having swiped several points which we should consider. In an effort to increase membership and add potential hands to help at our VOLUNTEER Club while creating a welcoming, inclusive and comfortable feel to our property, I propose we reflect on the following three areas:

Presentation

The use of new professional brochures is the first step taken to improve the most important part of the recruiting campaign presentation and first impression. By offering the "You're Invited" pamphlets/emails/facebook posts, etc, along with details of several upcoming CCFSA events such as the IDPA, Shotgun Sports, CCW Classes, creates a sense of an exclusivity and welcoming atmosphere. This was a far different approach compared to simply asking the prospect to join, a sort of "one and done" exercise that had been done in the past.

Patience

Including the prospective candidate in the summer and early fall activities provided first-hand fun and fellowship, and the ability to witness the CCFSA in action. This ongoing exposure to the club is coupled with an intentional position of patience in waiting for a response to join the membership. This lack of any "arm bending" allowed the prospect to make his own decision, and in due time. As a result, we have seen a higher percentage of new members attending meetings and choosing to become involved in Valley programs. Our more patient approach in allowing for a genuine "Yes" response has proved to be an improved recruiting method.

Persistence

Integral with the patience in waiting for the prospect to indicate any decision is the plan of persistence. It is critical to be in continual communication with the prospect to respond to any questions he or she might have, and just as important, to make sure they know you really care. This is by no means a deluge of calls but simply updating the Prospect periodically of any changes or new opportunities to attend events and non-titled meetings.

Truly recognizing that communication is critical and has a marked improvement not only in our membership campaign, but also in all facets of our club experiences.

"We will strive to be a club that fulfills our obligation to care for our members and turn those members into recruiters!"

Taking into account the phrase above will make a profound difference in the club path forward, membership campaigns, and even your life!

Some proposals to consider:

Have a spring fishing tournament with new prospects with the winner getting a 1 year free membership.

I'm hearing more about people wishing to avail themselves of our campground. Buildings and Grounds should turn up the burner on looking into this. I'll assist if necessary.

Are non-members invited to our matches? If so, Match Directors may wish to put their upcoming events out to the board so we can include them on our personal facebook pages to get people out there. Many places have community posting boards like Nextdoor and the likes. Perhaps post on those venues to get us out there.

If we don't get out there, the answer is always no! Help us sell our club!

Dave Bientz, Member
CCFSA Board of Directors

Membership

Hello there, I have been doing membership for a little over a year with my wife's help (mostly her). Our club seems to be growing! However, in the the past couple months, I reached out to 250 dropped members and got some of them back and the started with a clean slate. If anyone knows of someone that have been missed or would like someone to join our club, please reach out the them or give them my contact info. We are trying also to update info on our life members. I will continue to reach out to lost members and help keep our club growing – with growth comes new ranges and other improvements. Thanks for your Support!!

Kirk Colyer
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Legislative Report

The following house bills have been introduced in the Ohio House of Representatives, some good, some not so good.

HB 12 - ENFORCE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS REPUBLICAN SPONSORED. Rep. Diane V. Grendell: To provide for a writ of mandamus or prohibition to enforce a person's constitutional right against a chief administrative officer or elected executive official whose duty is to uphold the Ohio and United States Constitutions. [This makes any Ohio representative/senator unable to enter a bill that is contrary to the Second Amendment to the Bill of Rights or the Constitution]

HB 38 - REQUIRE DUTY TO RETREAT DEMOCRATIC SPONSORED. Reps Thomas West, Adam C. Miller: To repeal Senate Bill 175, passed last session, and bring back the duty to retreat in Ohio. [This places Ohio citizens back in jeopardy to PROVE they had no viable way to retreat placing the burden back on the victim to prove they're innocent]

HB 62 - DESIGNATE OHIO A SECOND AMENDMENT SANCTUARY REPUBLICAN SPONSORED. Reps. Mike Loychik, Diane V. Grendell) To designate the State of Ohio as a Second Amendment Sanctuary State and to name this act the Ohio Second Amendment Safe Haven Act. [This a bill that would protect the citizens of miscellaneous communities, townships, cities and counties throughout Ohio from making laws that supersede those of the state]

HB 89 - REPEAL THE DUTY TO "PROMPTLY" INFORM REPUBLICAN SPONSORED. Sponsor: Scott Wiggam) To modify the requirement that a concealed handgun licensee must notify a law enforcement officer that the licensee is authorized to carry a concealed handgun and is carrying a concealed handgun when stopped. [I read the text of this proposed bill and for me it's difficult to grasp. To be on the safe side, if stopped by law enforcement I will continue to keep my hands on the wheel and advise the officer asap that I have a CCW and am armed. I'll update as necessary]

Today, 3-3-2021, the House State and Local Government Committee is hearing House Bill 89 to amend Ohio's "duty to inform" law. **Please contact committee members and ask them to SUPPORT HB 89.**

HB 99 - EXEMPT ARMED SCHOOL PERSONNEL FROM POLICE TRAINING REPUBLICAN SPONSORED. Sponsor: Thomas Hall) To expressly exempt persons authorized to go armed within a school safety zone from a requirement to complete extensive peace officer basic training. [amend

sections 109.78 and 2923.122 of the Revised Code to expressly exempt persons authorized to go armed within a school safety zone from a requirement that peace officer basic training be obtained and to require that those persons successfully complete firearms training that meets or exceeds the training requirements for concealed handgun licensees for the exemption to apply]

Below The Radar at the Federal Level – HR 1004, Sponsored by Carolyn Maloney (D-NY) Requires Liability Insurance Coverage to Purchase Firearms, provided Courtesy of AmmoLand:

The text of the legislation as introduced in the 115th Congress states that it is unlawful to buy a firearm without a “qualified liability insurance policy” and that it is also illegal to sell to someone without said “qualified liability insurance policy.” Now, the definition the text provides is vague, beyond saying that the policy should provide “liability insurance covering the purchaser specifically for losses resulting from use of the firearm while it is owned by the purchaser.”

In my opinion, this would be completely unenforceable without a mandated national registration program. With the millions of guns in circulation, it does little more than having a Reps name on something which will accomplish nothing, further hamper the Legal Commerce in Firearms Act, while hexing gun ownership and picking away at the 2nd Amendment.

Be well and I'll see you at the range!

Dave

CCW Classes will be offered this spring on:

April 17th and 18th

May 8th Ladies only class, This is a great Mother's Day gift

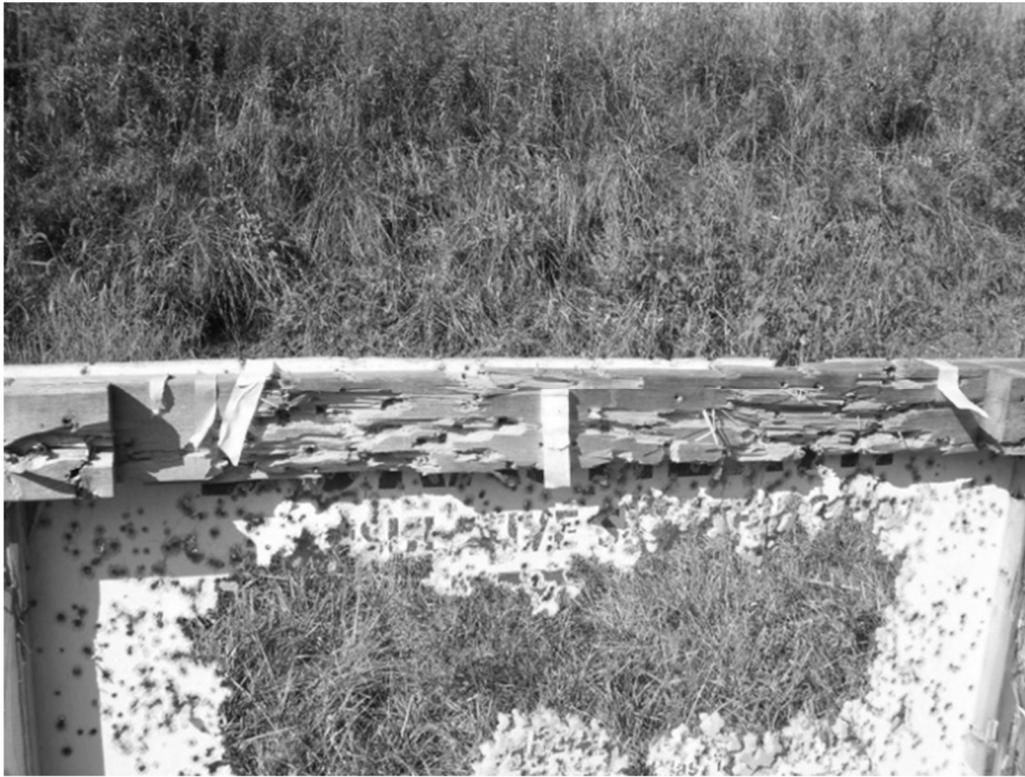
May 29th and 30th

June 12th and 13th

For more information contact Kristie Kiphart at kkiphart@cinci.rr.com or 937-218-2512

If these dates do not work for your work schedule and you can get at least 3 people your welcome to contact me to arrange a CCW Class.

Range Restrictions



Do not shoot at the target supports

Do not shoot target frames

Do not shoot insulation board with shotguns

Violators will be charged for repair of the target stands

Attach paper targets with staples or by other non destructive means such as tape.

Use snow fence target stands or your own targets for shotgun use.

Range Cleanup



Do not leave any trash except in the supplied garbage containers.

No live ammunition including rim fire, will be left on the range, please place in the proper containers but not the trash cans.

Remember we have houses with curious kids near by.

Place any live ammo found on the range in the DUD ammo box.

Please pickup your trash and put into cans



TWAW

The Well Armed Woman (TWAW) Clinton County chapter has been busy the last few months. Although the February chapter meeting was canceled due to the snow, our members have stayed active both with learning and in obtaining new certifications. Since last year, we have welcomed 11 new members and interest continues to spread. In January, Dr. Bill Kennedy and his son Jason of Team Torque in Wilmington, taught our members about personal self-defense basics at our chapter meeting. Everyone had a great time practicing what they learned. Kristie also held an NRA Basic Pistol class, which was attended by 15 of our members.

In February, 12 members completed NRA RSO Certification. When we return to range meetings, this will help to ensure that meetings are safe and everyone has the opportunity to enjoy shooting drills.

At the March 11th chapter meeting, we're excited to welcome our special guests Detective Jay Manning & K9 Onil of the NCHPD. K9 Onil is a chocolate lab from the Netherlands, who was donated by the Haverkamp Foundation. Onil is trained to keep North College Hill drug free. K9 Onil has been instrumental in some major drug busts, working alongside SWAT and the Drug Abuse Reduction Task Force (DART).



Although we've been focusing on indoor training the past few months, things at TWAW Clinton County haven't slowed down! Upcoming events include an Introduction to Archery with Fawn Girard and learning about 3-Gun Shooting Sports. TWAW Clinton County is open to all women aged 18+ in the Clinton County and surrounding areas. Our mission is to Educate, Empower and Equip women in self-protection. Anyone interested in visiting a meeting or learning more about TWAW, contact chapter leaders Kristie Kiphart (937-218-2512) or Jennifer Furber (937-728-2841).

Shotgun Sports Rate Change

Due to the increasing expenses for targets and equipment maintenance, the Shotgun Sports pricing will be updated, effective April 1, 2021. We have done everything we can to keep the pricing as fair as possible, especially for our members. CCFSA shotgun sports are all operated and maintained by volunteers, and all income goes back into our club.

The club rate for Skeet & Trap (25 targets per round) will remain \$4/round for CCFSA members and will increase to \$6/round for non-members.

The club rate for Five Stand (25 targets per round) will be \$5/round for CCFSA members and will be \$7/round for non-members. The higher price for Five Stand is due to the additional throwing machines, target types, and other equipment required.

The Shotgun Committee will continue to monitor the operating costs and update pricing as necessary. We are hopeful that this will keep the shotgun sports at CCFSA sustainable for long into the future.

Thanks to everyone for their support. If you are interested in shotgun sports at CCFSA, please contact John Tonkin at CCFSAshotgunsports@ccfsa.com.



Archery

As the weather changes, we will transition from indoor to the great outdoors. Some special events this year include Rod Jenkin world renowned coach for a two-day seminar in March. We are excited to have back the US Archery team in May for in-depth training to help get archers to the next level in completion.



As always we shoot 3-D on the first Saturday each month (January thru September)

Special events ASA Ohio Tour May 22&23, Bowhunter Challenge September 7

Our very own board member and three-time US Archery team member Fawn Girard. She is also coaching our new S3DA (scholastic 3D archery) team. She has members as young as 5 to 17. So far, the teams members are breaking records and challenging themselves to continue growing.



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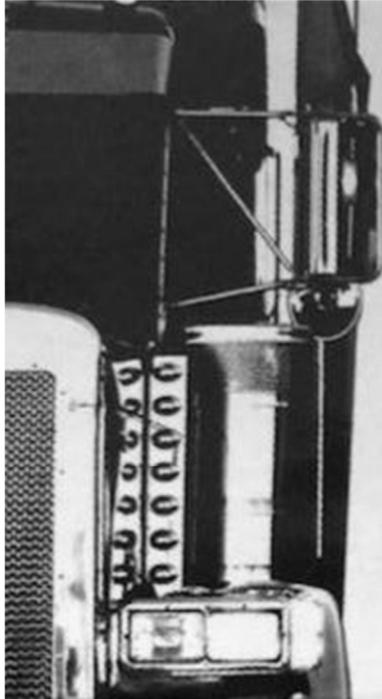
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