

# March & April, 2025 GIWLA News

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**Tickets are on sale for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Taste of the Izaak Walton on Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> from 5pm-9pm.** The dinner will be at our clubhouse again this year and only 120 tickets will be sold. The cost is \$50 for appetizers, a huge full-course meal, dessert, beer, wine and soft drinks. Of course there will be lots of raffles and fun! **See Jackie Larson for tickets (219-487-0001) or if you'd like to volunteer. Note that there will be no Bingo on April 25<sup>th</sup> to prepare for the dinner.**

**This year's 3-gun raffle tickets are now available.** The drawing will be held on April 26<sup>th</sup> at the dinner. The prizes include an Ermox Xprop 12 ga. shotgun, Scpy Cpx-2 9mm pistol or Taurus G2C 9mm pistol. First draw, first choice etc. **Tickets are \$10 each and the winner does not need to be present.** See Jackie for tickets. Tickets will also be available at the March 15<sup>th</sup> corned beef dinner, meetings and or from a board member.

***Thursday trap starts up again on March 6<sup>th</sup>. There will only be Thursday Trap during the month of March (2pm – 10pm). Tuesday Trap starts April 1<sup>st</sup>. Leagues start on Thursday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. It is open to the public so bring a friend!***

**Bring your pets to be micro-chipped at the club from noon to 2pm on Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>.** This is a free event, sponsored by the non-profit Silverstrays, but donations will be accepted to help animals in need. Don't have a pet? Come buy some baked goods with all proceeds going to assist pet families in need.

**Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> (3pm – 7pm) we'll be having a Corned Beef Dinner.** Everything is homemade! Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes, and Carrots. Homemade Irish soda bread and desserts, plus beverage. In advance, the tickets are only \$13 for adults/ \$6 for kids 10 years old and younger. At the door it will be \$16 for adults and \$6 for kids 10 years old and younger. We'll have raffles too. **Dine in or Carry Out. Call Jackie for tickets 219-487-0001.** This event is open to the public so tell your friends!

**Rifle Range: The first competition shoot of the year will be Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>.** The first match will be pistols, 10 shots/offhand from the 7 yd line, and the second will be rifles with iron sites only, 10 shots/offhand from the 50 yd line. 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.

**The April match has been rescheduled to Saturday, April 12<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/offhand from the 25 yd line. The range opens for practice at 10am, and the first match is at 11. Range will re-open to members no later than 2pm.

***Will be having 3-D Archery Shoots on Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> and April 13<sup>th</sup>, from 8am – noon. The club provides the equipment so if you are new to this sport this is your chance to come out and see if you like it. There will be 20-30 targets. The shoot is open to the public so tell your friends. Registration is \$10 for non-members, \$8.00 for members. Breakfast will be available so come on out and have fun. You can contact our Archery Chair, Mack Budzowski at 805-252-2410 for more information or if you'd like to help.***

**The Fish Fry / Shrimp Boil will be Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup> from Noon – 4pm.** This great dinner is open to the public so bring your family and friends (or just get carry-out). Along with Rick's famous shrimp boil with corn and potatoes, we'll be serving crappie, catfish, Alaskan pollack, jambalaya, misc. side dishes and dessert. Dine In or Carry Out. Tickets are \$13 in advance or \$15 at the door, for adults. Kids 1 under 12 are \$8.00 in advance and \$10.00 at the door. **Contact Rick Perry (219-680-9796) if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help.**

**April 5<sup>th</sup> is the first ATA Youth Trap Shoot of the year. This is an AIM registered Youth Shoot. This will close the target range all morning until 1 or 2pm.**

**Our annual Kid's Easter Egg Hunt/Party will be Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.** This event is for member's kids and their grand kids, ages 12 and under. **Beginning at 1pm at the clubhouse.** No pre-registration is necessary. Call Sally Ketelaar, our Kid's Party Chair at 219-308-4244 if you would like help.

## **A message from our President, Kim Russell:**

Dia dhuit (Irish hi). I hope everyone is well. I also hope I see you all at all the upcoming functions we have planned. These need our members to be in attendance. We have many things that need to be fixed around the club, the parking lot and back wall are priorities. We are trying to raise the money through functions and not raise the dues. This means we need our members to attend these functions and share Facebook posts to your page to help get the word out. Our archery is up and going so please pass around to fellow archers the info on our 3D shoots, Mack is wanting to get the archery range repaired and better than ever. The playground is ready for kiddos to play on, there will be a grand reopening coming this spring. So many exciting things coming up. See you around the club!

# Calendar

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.

Trap: Thursday Trap Starts March 6<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday Trap starts April 1<sup>st</sup> (both open to the public)

## March

Mar. 1<sup>st</sup> – Division meeting  
Mar. 4<sup>th</sup> – BOD Meeting  
Mar. 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> – Member's meeting  
Mar. 6<sup>th</sup> – Thursday Trap starts, Open to the public  
Mar. 15<sup>th</sup> – Corned Beef Dinner  
Mar. 17<sup>th</sup> – Lakes & Grounds meeting  
Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup> – Competition Shoot  
Mar 23<sup>rd</sup> – 3D Archery Shoot  
Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> – New Member's Review  
Mar. 30<sup>th</sup> – Fish Fry / Shrimp Boil

## April

April 1<sup>st</sup> – Tuesday Trap Starts, Open to the public  
April 1<sup>st</sup> – BOD meeting  
April 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> – Member's meeting  
April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Trap League starts  
April 5<sup>th</sup> – ATA Trap Shoot  
April 6<sup>th</sup> – Kid's Easter Party/Egg Hunt  
April 12<sup>th</sup> – Competition Shoot  
April 13<sup>th</sup> – 3D Archery Shoot, Open to the public  
April 21<sup>st</sup> – Lakes & Grounds meeting  
April 23<sup>rd</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> – New Member's Review  
**April 25<sup>th</sup> – No Bingo**  
April 26<sup>th</sup> – Taste of Izaak Walton

## May

May 3<sup>rd</sup> – ATA Trap Shoot  
May 6<sup>th</sup> – BOD Meeting  
May 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> – Member's meeting  
May 10<sup>th</sup> – Annual Grounds Clean-up (tentative)  
May 17<sup>th</sup> – Competition Shoot  
May 18<sup>th</sup> – 3D Archery Shoot, Open to the public  
May 19<sup>th</sup> – Lakes & Grounds meeting  
May 28<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> – New Member's Review  
May 31<sup>st</sup> – Playground Opening

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

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

**There will be NO Bingo on April 25<sup>th</sup> to prepare for the dinner on the 26<sup>th</sup>**

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

John Dolan, Highland	Joshua Guzman, Griffith	Mark Hebert, Griffith	Joseph Gaskey, Gary
Kevin Hoffmeyer, Highland	David Lopez, Griffith	Scott Richardson, Griffith	James Houchin, Highland
Brian Alderden (assoc. member), Lansing	Brian Bass, Valparaiso	John Craycraft, Gary	Steve Moore, Munster
Richard Takacs, Highland			