

May & June, 2025 GIWLA News

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The 3-D Archery Shoot, scheduled for Sunday, May 18th has been canceled. The range is open all summer – just be prepared to fight the mosquitoes for it. **You can contact our Archery Chair, Mack Budzowski at 815-252-2410 for more information or if you'd like to help improve the range.**

June 7th is the next ATA Youth Trap Shoot. This is an AIM registered Youth Shoot. It will close the target range all morning until 1 or 2pm.

Bring the kids out to the Bluegill Round-up on Saturday, June 14th from 8am to noon. Our lakes are chock full of them, and they are fun to catch and great to eat. This is their opportunity to learn all about fishing for bluegill – how to cast, bait their hook and carefully take the fish off the hook. A cleaning station will be available to learn how to clean and prepare fish for eating. Prizes will be available for the kids and poles and bait will be available on a first come first serve basis. **This event is open to the public.** The fee is \$5.00 with kids under 5 free. Volunteers are needed so let our **Lake Chairs, Alice Butterfield (708-466-3357) and Jackie Larson (219)-487-0001**, know if you will be available.

The June target competition is Saturday, June 21st. 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 (racoon1@flash.net) if you'd like to volunteer at a match or help with improving the range.**

There are a couple of special dates for Trap in June. **June 10th is the Trap Fun Shoot which is closed to the public and the 2nd Trap League starts on June 19th.**

The playground opening celebration, scheduled for May 31st, has been postponed until further notice. We'll let you know the new date once it is decided.

If you have a copy of 2025 Ike Calendar, please make an update and add a new event, our **Mexican Dinner, on Saturday, October 18th.** More details to come. Contact **Jackie Larson (219)-487-0001** if you'd like to help her plan.

We'd like to welcome our new members:

Christopher Ashlock, Griffith

Timothy Bigger, Gary

Kaleb Colon, Highland

Ryan Dunlap, Hobart

Matthew Wilson, Gary

Calendar

Tuesday Trap 2-6pm Open to the Public

Thursday Trap 2-10pm 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.

May

May 3rd – ATA Trap Shoot

May 6th – BOD Meeting

May 7th & 21st – Member's meeting

May 10th – Annual Grounds Clean-up

May 17th – Competition Shoot

May 17th – Annual Little Calumet River Clean-up

~~**May 18th – 3D Archery Shoot – canceled**~~

May 19th – Lakes & Grounds meeting

May 28th & 31st – New Member's Review

~~**May 31st – Playground Opening – canceled**~~

June

June 3rd – BOD meeting

June 4th & 18th – Member's meeting

June 7th – ATA Trap Shoot

June 7th & 8th – State Convention (Howard County)

June 10th – Trap Fun Shoot, closed to the public

June 14th – Bluegill Round Up

June 16th – Lakes & Grounds meeting

June 19th – Second Trap League starts

June 21st – Competition Shoot

June 25th & 28th – New Member's Review

July

July 1st – BOD Meeting

July 2nd & 16th – Member's meeting

July 2nd – Nominations at the general meeting

July 4th – Griffith Parade (no Bingo)

July 5th – ATA Trap Shoot

July 12th – Competition Shoot

July 19th – Bass Tournament

July 21st – Lakes & Grounds meeting

July 23rd & 26th – 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: July 19th – the Annual Bass Tournament!