



Black River Game Club

February, 2016

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Welcome to our new electronic newsletter.

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With a new year, comes some changes to our club and our newsletter. As you know, the cost of printing and mailing a monthly newsletter have more than doubled for the club. (about \$300 vs. \$140)

After much deliberation, the board has decided to deliver our newsletter electronically. This newsletter is being emailed to you and all other members that we have an email address for. Newsletters are also available at our website brgcoho.com.

Going paperless with our newsletter opens some new opportunities for us. We will no longer be limited to just one side of a sheet of paper. We will also be able to add pictures and graphics. You will also notice that some of the text, such as the website address above, is in a different color. These are hyperlinks. Clicking on any of these will take you to a website or email program.

February Meeting

The February membership meeting will be held on the **Tuesday February 2nd**. The meeting will be called to order at **7:30 pm** at the North Park Community Center on Novak Road in Grafton, OH.

Once again, we will have pizza and soft-drinks at this membership meeting. Come out and eat while picking up your badge and membership card.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Once again it is time to renew your membership. Annual dues (\$75) for current non-farmer members must be received by **February 29, 2016**. Save money and renew on time or you will be charged the new member fee of \$125.

Attached to this email is a fillable PDF file. You can open it, type in the boxes to complete the form, then print it to send in along with your check.

If you can not fill in the form on line, print it out and fill in by hand, then send it in along with your check.

New membership ID cards



In 2016 we will no longer issue metal badges to members. The cost of mailing them is just too expensive.

You will receive a wallet size membership card to sign and carry as you do now, plus a credit card sized ID badge to carry. The new badges have a slotted hole for a lanyard or a safety pin if you choose.

The board has approved two new rules regarding badges.

Badge Display / Presentation

Members must carry their Badge at all times while hunting or trapping on club farms, and present their badge to anyone upon request. Members must show their badge when asking permission to hunt or trap.

Replacement Badges

Replacement badges will be issued at \$50 per badge. If the member can show proof of catastrophic loss such as fire or theft, the board may waive said fee.

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Medina County Wildlife Officer – Eric Moore 330-245-3043
District 3 Division of Wildlife – 330-644-2293

Lorain County Sheriff's Office – 440-323-1212
Medina County Sheriff's Office – 330-725-6631
Turn in a poacher – 800-762-2437

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The following Officers and trustees were sworn in at the January Meeting;

Officers (1 year term);

Tom Kubes, President

Wiz Moore, Vice President

Dave Carmel, Treasurer

Angel Smith, Membership Secretary

Jim Profitt, Recording Secretary

Trustees (3 year term);

Bud Armstrong

Steve Fedyk

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Current Trustees (1-2 years remaining)

Dan Savage

Tom Davis

Pete Geletka

Joe Horency

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Black River Game Club's web site is up and running. Take a look this is *your* website.

Contact Wiz Moore if you think something should be added or changed. Please let Wiz

know if something on the website does not work for you. Remember, he is learning as he goes.

Submit Your E-mail Address

We are still trying to get email addresses for our members and farmer members. If you received this newsletter and know another member or farmer member that has not sent in an email address, please let them know we are looking for them.

If you have an email address **please** submit it to Angel Smith the Membership secretary at: grandma_pooh_23@yahoo.com or our web site Membership@brgcoho.com.

Please make every effort to do this if you have access to a computer or Smart Phone.

Monthly Raffles

Each month at the membership meeting, we hold three raffle drawings.

The **MONTHLY BARREL Prizes** – These items are nice monthly prizes. Tickets sell 5 for a dollar and your pick of prizes if drawn. Must be present to win, so don't leave early.

All the tickets are kept for the annual big table drawing held in October. This is the **ONLY** way to win this/these prize(s) in October.

The **50/50 Raffle** – Just what it sounds like. If you win you get half the pot. Tickets sell 2 for a dollar.

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The **MONTHLY RAFFLE** often called the **Gun Table** – This prize is a higher dollar value so if ticket sales do not cover the cost, the drawing is held over till costs are covered. Tickets sell for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. You need not be present to win.

February Raffle

This month's Raffle will be a Turkey Hunting Vest. Details will be coming after Pete returns from deer hunting in Alabama.

SWAP TABLE

If you have items to sell or swap, bring them in. Each month we set set-up tables for you to sell or trade your items. **Put your name on the items** so buyers can locate you.

Hunter Education Instructor Training

The Ohio Division of Wildlife will be holding an Academy to train new volunteer hunter education instructors at the Division 3 Headquarters. The free two day course will be held March 12-13. [Registration packets](#) are available on-line at the division of wildlife's website.

Hunter/Trapper Education instructors must:

- Be at least 18 years of age.
- Have a solid background in hunting/trapping/shooting sports or a related subject.
- Have satisfactorily passed a background investigation.
- Attend and complete an Ohio Hunter/Trapper Education student course. (Note: This may be done concurrently during the instructor training.)
- Attend and successfully complete the Hunter/Trapper Education Instructor Academy.

Registrations must be in by February 12th to allow time for background checks. More information can be found at the division's website under "Hunter and Trapper Education" in the left hand column under "Become an Instructor"

Division of Wildlife Open House

The Ohio Division of Wildlife will be holding an open house for comments on the upcoming game law proposals.

Proposed small game law changes can be found [here](#).

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