



NEWS

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The Prez Sez: It was quite a shock to hear that Ken Gottschall passed away suddenly. Ken was president during the time we installed the new ventilation system and updated the range area. Ken and I spent a lot of time looking at the progress and timeline of the remodel. In fact, Ken's wife Mickey painted the ORCO logo on the west wall. I guess it just goes to show how precious life is, and how we can't take any day for granted.

At the February meeting, our guest speaker was Ryan Pawlus who is Ohio's Wildlife Officer for Lake County. He shared a lot of interesting information about the deer harvest and other wildlife that are becoming more prevalent in Ohio. Brian Collins 1briancollins@gmail.com has been coordinating our guest speakers. If you have a topic or speaker that you would like to have at a meeting, either let Brian or myself know and we will see what we can do.

We are still looking for help designing and running matches this summer on our outdoor ranges. Please contact Jim Calandra jcalrs@gmail.com or myself if you would like to help and get work time credit.

Ladies' Nights have been very successful and are continuing the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. If you would like to help coach the new shooters, please contact me.

We are looking for match director/coordinator/helpers: We would like to have some steel shoots at ORCO this summer. Please contact myself or Jim Calandra jcalrs@gmail.com if you are interested in helping.

Within the next month we will make the final payment for the Romeo property! After 15 years we will own the property free and clear. At the June meeting, we will discuss and vote on continuing the land assessment as some type of permanent improvement fund.

Be Safe,

Dave

Volunteers Needed: We need volunteers to help clean the clubhouse. Julie Golias coordinates the cleaning crew and she needs volunteers! Please contact Julie with questions or to volunteer.
juliegolias@windstream.net

New member applications: Please be sure to closely read and carefully complete new member applications. Many applications need to be corrected and resubmitted, which delays approval of new members. If your candidate for membership lacks shooting experience, please take them to the range as your guest and help them get that needed experience before they apply for membership.

Concealed Carry Class: ORCO's January CCW class was a success, 10 students completed the course.

Report on the Troop 222 outing to ORCO on 12/29/23 from Tom Wright:

On 12/29/23, Troop 222 held a shooting sports outing at the ORCO Sportsman Association. The event was attended by Adults, Scout Leaders and seven Scouts from Troop 222.

One Scout completed the Shooting requirements for the Rifle Shooting Merit Badge by turning in targets with the three shot groups that could be covered by a quarter. She went on to turn in five targets with the five shot groups that scored 35 and up with no shot below a 7 on a standard 50 ft. smallbore target.

After completing the Merit Badge, the Scouts begin shooting in the Winchester program. One Scout achieved the Pro-Marksman and the Marksman level. Another Scout who is shooting for the Distinguished Expert level turned in one more qualifying target towards that level. She scored 193 out of 200.

One adult earned the Marksman level.

ORCO member Tom Martin assisted ORCO members (Scout Leaders), Luigi Ianiro and Tom Wright with putting on a fun and safe event for the Scouts. Thanks for the help, Tom!

2024 Calendar of Events

*Designates that range indicated is closed for event

February

***Thursday nights ORCO Orcas (juniors) shoot from 5pm to 7pm on the indoor range. Range is OPEN to members during this event.

*** 10/1/23-2/4/24 OUTDOOR ranges open at 10 am on Sundays and Thursdays, other days 9am ***

Friday	2	Member's Meeting	7p	Geneva Church of Christ
Monday	5	CCPL Pistol League (KW)	6p-10p	Indoor*
Wednesday	7	Winter PPC League	5:30p-7:30p	Indoor*
Wednesday	14	Winter PPC League	5:30p-7:30p	Indoor*
Tuesday	20	Women's Night	7p-9p	Indoor*
Wednesday	21	Winter PPC League	5:30p-7:30p	Indoor*
Monday	26	CCPL Pistol League	6p-10p	Indoor*
Wednesday	28	Winter PPC League	5:30p-7:30p	Indoor*

March

***Thursday nights ORCO Orcas (juniors) shoot from 5pm to 7pm on the indoor range. Range is OPEN to members during this event.

Monday	4	CCPL Pistol League (OC)	6p-10p	Indoor*
Wednesday	6	Winter PPC League	5:30p-7:30p	Indoor*
Thursday	7	New Member Orientation	7p-9p	Indoor*
Wednesday	13	Winter PPC League	5:30p-7:30p	Indoor*
Monday	18	CCPL Pistol League (KW@OC)	6p-10p	Indoor*
Tuesday	19	Women's Night	7p-9p	Indoor*
Wednesday	20	Winter PPC League	5:30p-7:30p	Indoor*
Wednesday	27	Winter PPC League	5:30p-7:30p	Indoor*
Monday	25	CCPL Pistol League (Make up)	6p-10p	Indoor*

April

***Thursday nights ORCO Orcas (juniors) shoot from 5pm to 7pm on the indoor range. Range is OPEN to members during this event.

Friday	5	Member's Meeting	7p	Geneva Church of Christ
Wednesday	3	Winter PPC League	5:30p-7:30p	Indoor*
Wednesday	10	Winter PPC League	5:30p-7:30p	Indoor*
Tuesday	16	Women's Night	7p-9p	Indoor*
Wednesday	17	Winter PPC League	5:30p-7:30p	Indoor*
Wednesday	24	Winter PPC League	5:30p-7:30p	Indoor*