



# Ipswich Fish & Game Association Newsletter

May 2005

Club Work Day this weekend!!

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## Dates For Your Calendar!!

### Club Work Day

This Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup> 10AM

### Championship Shoot

Sun June 5<sup>th</sup> 10AM

### Lobster Bake

Sat Aug 27<sup>th</sup> 10AM shoot 2PM food

### Pig Roast-Harvest Shoot

Sat Oct 15<sup>th</sup> 10AM shoot 2PM food

### Turkey Shoot

Tentative date: Sun Nov 13<sup>th</sup> 10 AM

### Holiday Cheer Shoot

Sun Dec 11<sup>th</sup> 10AM

See you there!

## CLUB WORK DAY

***This Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup>*** is our club workday. Come to the clubhouse at 10AM and help us clean and fix things up. Bring a rake if you have one. We have many chores that need to be taken care of and if we don't do it, no one will do it for us. This is a volunteer club and we all need to volunteer!

As a bonus for you bow hunters ... working on workday qualifies you to get a permit to bow hunt on the property this fall!!

## CLUB T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE

*Peter Herrick has the shirts*

Club Member Peter Herrick has had club-logo "pocket T" shirts made for all interested members. Shirts cost \$15 and are available directly from Peter Herrick.  
Thank you Peter for doing this on your own initiative!

## MONTHLY DRAWING RESULTS

*You have to enter to win!*

The monthly drawings will start next month. We will draw two sets of winners in June to make up for skipping May.

This gives everyone another month to sell tickets. Right now, we are just over the breakeven point in ticket sales. We need to sell more tickets to make the raffle a worthwhile event.

Cost of tickets is \$10.00

There are 2 drawing each month; \$25 & \$50

There is a year end drawing for \$500

Each raffle ticket has 21 chances to win!!

Jean Orrell will be keeping track of all raffle info.

Jean lives next door to the club. She has tickets

available for sale. Call her for tickets or questions.

Jean Orrell (978) 356-0368

## CHAMPIONSHIP SHOOT

Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> 10 AM

Cost \$20; lunch included

Shoot approx. 80 targets; one round on singles and some doubles

Bring a Friend!

## LOBSTER BAKE

Sat Aug 27<sup>th</sup> 10AM shoot 2PM food

Cost \$25 twin lobsters; \$15 chicken dinner; kids \$10

## PIG ROAST-HARVEST SHOOT

Sat Oct 15<sup>th</sup> 10AM shoot 2PM food

Cost \$25; kids \$10

## GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

George Ritter has a copy of a geological survey of the area that included a stop at the property of IFGA.

George will burn a CD of the survey for any member who would like a copy. Contact George for a copy.



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NOTES AND VOTES SECTION

## SPECIAL THANKS SECTION

Eric Galicki would like to extend his personal thanks to the following individuals for their help and contribution to the IFGA:

Lenny Pappas for work on new range rules,

Rich Valentino for his unflagging support of club trap and range activities,

Henry Wright for keeping years of accurate accounts.

## CLUB MEETING NOTES AND VOTES

*If you have suggestions, please come to meetings!*

### **General:**

The General contractor has finished his part of the clubhouse repairs.

Sky Stewart has started taping the sheetrock.

Eric Galicki has a cabinetmaker who has volunteered to come in and make suggestions for the new kitchen cabinets that are needed.

It's important that we spray a preservative on the outside of the building every year. Show up for our Work Day on May 7<sup>th</sup> and you can be a part of this years preservation team!!

### **Net:**

It was decided we need to have one person who is in charge of the trap net. If you are willing to be that person let us know!

We need to get one full section installed this summer and see how it holds up. We will be announcing a "Net Work Day" soon.

We need to keep abreast of progress made by other clubs in 'net technology'

### **New applicants for membership:**

Tim Perkins  
Matt Mocer Jr.

GOAL: The GOAL annual meeting will be March 19 in Marlborough. Our club can send one representative free of charge to the meeting.

### **Finance:**

WE have paid \$23,216 to date on the clubhouse repairs

### **Rifle and Trap Range Committees:**

Trap range open at 12 noon – Sundays  
6-9PM Thursdays

New ID badges will be ready soon.  
Wearing ID badges will be mandatory at all times on the range

### **Important Note**

**Reminder that only paper targets are to be used on the rifle range. Many cans, bottles, wood and clay targets have been found at the range. PLEASE refrain from using any non-paper targets**

RANGE OFFICERS ARE NEEDED – ½ price trap card for each session you work. See Rich for details!

LEAGUE CHAIRPERSON NEEDED – Jared Stansfield has stepped down and the club needs someone who will run the fall league. Requirements are that you have a PC with Excel and are willing to post (or email to club secretary) league results during the fall league session.

ALL MEMBERS ARE ENTITLED TO A GATE AND CLUBHOUSE KEY. Please see Eric or Jerry if you need one!

### **NEXT CLUB MEETINGS – MEETINGS 7PM START**

*All are welcome!*

Board Meeting	Monday May 30th
General Meeting	Monday June 6th



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## RANGE RULES!

***We are a small club, used for a variety of purposes. It is important that we all follow these simple rules to ensure a continued unblemished safety record.***

*Failure to abide by these rules at any time shall be considered a breach of the membership agreement, and subject to review by the IFGA Board.*

*The 10 Commandments of gun safety shall be observed at all times!*

Rifle range is open to club members and their guests only. Member must be present when guests are shooting.

At least two persons must be present at the range at all times active shooting is taking place.

Shooting is only allowed between 10AM and 1 hour before sunset.

Eye and ear protection is strongly recommended.

Firing of unsafe firearms or ammunition is prohibited.

Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited in all range areas.

An experienced shooter shall be chosen as Range Officer (RO) by any group using the range. It shall be this individual's responsibility to ensure safe shooting practices, and proper range use.

The RO shall establish a safe firing line for reference when shooting. All shooters must remain behind this line at all times until the RO designates that all weapons are empty and safe, and that it is safe to enter the range area to set or score targets.

Guns must be maintained with action open and unloaded at all times unless all shooters are behind the safety line, and a designated range officer has indicated that it is safe to fire.

No handling of firearms is permitted when any shooter is forward of the firing line.

No firearm is to be loaded until all shooters are behind the line and ready to fire.

***Shooting at paper targets only. No cans, bottles, wood, steel or other non-paper targets are allowed.***

Single shot firing only. Rapid fire is prohibited.

A shooter is allowed to have only one firearm at the line at any time. All other firearms must be cased.

Firing directly into 100yd berm only. For safety, shooters **must not** use the 25yd and 50yd berms. If shooting at short range, shooting position must be advanced uprange.

If in doubt, please ask a club member or officer for assistance.

### **THE 10 COMMANDMENTS OF GUN SAFETY**

*Should be followed at all times!*

#### 1ST COMMANDMENT

*Treat every gun with the respect due a loaded gun.*

#### 2ND COMMANDMENT

*Watch the muzzle! Carry your gun safely..keep your safety on until ready to shoot*

#### 3RD COMMANDMENT

*Unload gun when not in use. Take down or have action open. Guns should be carried in cases to shooting area.*

#### 4TH COMMANDMENT

*Be sure barrel is free of obstructions, & that you have only ammunition of the proper size of the gun you carry*

#### 5H COMMANDMENT

*Be sure of the target before pulling the trigger. Know identifying features of the game you are hunting.*

#### 6TH COMMANDMENT

*Never point a gun at anything you do not want to shoot. Avoid all horseplay*

#### 7TH COMMANDMENT

*Never climb a tree or fence or jump a ditch with a loaded gun. Never pull a gun toward you by the muzzle!*

#### 8TH COMMANDMENT

*Never shoot a bullet at a flat, hard surface or water. At target practice, be sure of your backstop.*

#### 9TH COMMANDMENT

*Store guns & ammunition separately, beyond reach of children.*

#### 10TH COMMANDMENT

*Avoid alcoholic beverages before or during shooting.*

