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Women's Action Pistol

The women's shooting program will return to the range on **April 7th, 2015** and will meet the first and third Tuesday of each month through October. Shooting will begin at 5:30 pm and run until sunset.

What to bring with you:

- firearm and ammunition;
- eye and ear protection;
- ball cap or hat with a brim.

For new shooters we can provide required gear, a firearm and ammunition for the first few weeks.

Please remember to dress appropriately for the weather.

Please direct questions to Deb Canter at
canterdj@ncwcom.com

Junior Rifle

Looking for a rifle program that covers safety and shooting basics for your youth? The ECCL Junior Rifle Club will be starting our outdoor .22 program in April. Our program stresses rifle safety and proper shooting mechanics that will allow your child to have the right fundamentals to shooting for the rest of their lives. The parent meeting will be **Sunday, April 12, 2015**, at 5 pm in the clubhouse. Directly after the meeting, we will have a safety meeting and also prepare equipment for the following Sundays practice. Questions can be directed to Kip Soviak, Head Instructor, at firekip@yahoo.com.



ECCL Calendar

Ranges

- April 5 — 22 Bench rest— 9:30am
- April 7 — Women's Action Shoot—5:30pm
- April 18 — Action Shoot—8:30am
- April 18 — 300 yard—8am
- April 19 — Junior Rifle—5-7pm
- April 21 — Women's Action Shoot—5:30pm
- April 25 — High Power—8am
- April 26 — Junior Rifle—5-7pm

Archery Field

- April 18 — Archery—9am
Meets 3rd Saturday of each month

Trap & Skeet

- Sundays 12—4 pm
- Tuesdays 6—9 pm
- Fridays 10 am—2 pm

NOTE: T&S Closed April 5 Easter Sunday

Meetings

- April 01 — Board Meeting— 5:30pm
 - April 02 — General Meeting—7pm
 - May 07 — Board Meeting— 5:30pm
 - May 07 — General Meeting—7pm
 - June 11 — Board Meeting—5:30pm
 - June 11 — General Meeting—7pm
- NOTE: Meeting date changed.**

Programs and Events

- April 12 — Jr Rifle parents meeting—5pm
- April 18 & 19 — Medina Gun Show
- May 17 — Bulls eye Shoot—10am
- May 30 — Precision Rifle Match—8:30am
Check website for details.
- June 2,3,4 — Ohio Tactical Officers Assn.
Club house & ranges closed all 3 days.
- June 27 — Youth Field Day
- August 22 — Law Enforcement Challenge
- September 18,19,20 — Boy Scout weekend



CMP Club Member Certification Form

The CMP no longer will accept club membership cards or badges to be eligible to purchase surplus US Government supplies. If you are planning to purchase from the CMP you will need to request a membership certification form by contacting our secretary. Send an email with your name and address to: ecclclubhouse@gmail.com or call the clubhouse at 419-499-2400 and leave a message.



Don't shoot the Easter bunny!

2015 Officers & Trustees

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Replacement Badge Form

Have you lost your badge, or do you have a defective badge? Please complete the **Replace Badge Form** on our webpage at eriecocl.com. Instructions on what to do and how to do it can be found under the "membership" tab.



Welcome New Members!

Senior Member

Gary Borsos
Charles Catri
JoAnn Cumming
Larry Deitcher
Dean Dickerson
Stephen Ernst
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Justin Fleming
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Zachary Baker
Philip Beling
Hayden Dickerson
Kayla Dickerson
Hayden Farmer
Hunter Farmer
Liam Riker
Jason Schieve
Emily White
Jessica white

Please welcome our new members by introducing yourself and being available to help them become involved with the many programs ECCL offers.



Nature News



The coyote is generally a slender animal, very similar in appearance to a medium-sized dog. Since the coyote and domesticated dog are from the same family, the resemblance is more than a coincidence. Coyotes have a bushy tail which is usually

tipped in black and is carried down at a 45 degree angle as the animal moves, unlike that of its other cousin the wolf. The majority of coyotes are gray, though some show a rusty, brown or off-white coloration. The coyote stands about 1 to 2 feet tall and is 41 to 53 inches in length. Males are larger than the females and weigh anywhere from 20 to 50 pounds.

Native American folklore is filled with tales of the coyote. This animal is either revered for its intelligence and ability to resolve a conflict or threat to its life or is frowned upon for being a cunning and deceiving manipulator. The coyote is not native to Ohio, but is present throughout the state today. Love or hate it, the coyote has the ability to make the best of a bad situation to survive. Usually, we associate the coyote with the open, deserted lands of the west. As its presence in Ohio shows, this versatile animal can make a home most anywhere.

The coyote is a nocturnal animal, active during the nighttime hours. However, when it is less threatened by man, it will hunt and move during the day. The coyote will hunt in unrelated (non-family) pairs or large groups. Coyotes are omnivorous and typical foods include small mammals (voles, shrews, rabbits, mice), vegetables, nuts, and carrion. Unchecked, they will eat livestock, particularly sheep and chickens.

The coyote's strength is that it can adapt and exploit most any habitat to its advantage. While most wildlife species have avoided developed areas and often declined as a result of man's expansion, the coyote seems to have thrived.

The bald eagle, our national bird, is the only eagle unique to North America. Bald eagles are found throughout most of North America, from Alaska and Canada to northern Mexico. About half of the world's 70,000 bald eagles live in Alaska.

A female bald eagle's body length varies from 35 to 37 inches; with a wingspan of 79 to 90 inches. The smaller male has a body length of 30 to 34 inches; with a wingspan ranging from 72 to 85 inches. An eagle's average weight is ten to fourteen pounds. A bald eagle's lifting power is about 4 pounds.

Bald eagles are early breeders; egg laying is often late February, and incubation is usually mid-March and eggs hatch from mid-April to early May. Eagles produce between one and three eggs per year. Both the male and female take turns incubating the eggs, but the female does most of the incubation. The parent not incubating will hunt for food or look for nesting material during this stage

Voice – Shrill, high pitched, and twittering are common descriptions.

Eyesight – An eagle's eye is almost as large as a human's, but its sharpness is at least four times that of a person with perfect vision.

Habitat – Eagles live along the coast, major lakes and rivers where they feed mainly on fish.

Life expectancy – It's possible for bald eagles in the wild to live longer than thirty years, but the average lifespan is fifteen to twenty years.

Bald eagles can fly to an altitude of 10,000 feet during level flight and can achieve speeds of about 30 to 35 mph. The tail is very important for flight and maneuvering. While the eagle is soaring in flight, the tail feathers are spread to attain the largest surface area and increase the effect of thermals and up-drafts. The tail helps to brake when landing and assists in stabilization during a controlled dive or swoop toward prey. Bald eagles have 7,000 feathers.

Did you know. We support
“Back to the Wild”!

**Looking for an eagle nest?
One is located on E. Perkins Avenue, Perkins
Township, behind the Old Dutch Bar.**