

# Outdoor tips for the upcoming months



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## Bird watching can help your deer hunting

I know most of you deer hunters aren't bird watchers but it really can lead to success in the deer woods.

A few years ago my wife and I started putting out feeders and houses for them in our backyard. We have really enjoyed watching all the different birds.

It is amazing how my ears have really become attuned to identifying different birds by sound before I even see them. My eyes have also become much more aware of movement of birds in trees and bushes as they flutter around and I try to identify them.

That same awareness of sounds and sights has helped me see and hear deer in the woods much better than I ever did before.

My ears are much more sensitive to the sounds of cracking limbs or rustling leaves that can mean a deer is sneaking through the woods.

My eyes can now see pieces of a deer I never saw before like the glint of an eye, the white of an antler, or the slight movement of a wary deer.

Sometimes it's the little things in the deer woods that lead to success.

## Memories with a grandson

My grandson Hunter has gone off to college and I miss him. I am sad because we will have fewer times hunting and fishing together but I'm excited for him as he begins this new chapter in his life.

Thankfully though, we both have a lot of great memories, like sitting on his PaPaw's lap and helping him reel in his first fish, or as a 4-year old

dressed in camo and holding his Dad's hand as we head out turkey hunting.

There was his first squirrel, first deer and first big buck. Also the time he took a deer with his bow, a deer with his rifle and a deer with his muzzleloader all in one year.

Then there were all the fishing trips, including one to Canada neither of us will ever forget. Now he will be fishing on the college bass fishing team.

There's not enough space here to share with you all the other memories we have made together in the woods and on the water for they are many.

I believe with all my heart that the hunting and fishing he loves helped mold him into the fine young man he is.

One of the most important things you can do is take time to make outdoor memories with your kids and grandkids.

## Mosquito wars

Mosquitoes! They love us but we hate them.

It's hard to enjoy anything in the outdoors when they are buzzing around, ready to land and bite. You will rarely find me outdoors without some kind of Thermacell mosquito repellent unit with me.

If I am out fishing, hunting, hiking, mowing the yard or working in the garden during the summer, my Thermacell portable mosquito repeller unit is clipped to my side.

If I am camping, grilling or sitting around the patio there will be a Thermacell backpacker unit or lantern close by to keep the mosquitoes away.

Thermacell devices repel mosquitoes by creating a 15ft x 15ft zone of repellent around you with a synthetic natural repellent.

All units are powered by a butane cartridge

which provides portable heat to a metal grill. A small mat saturated with repellent is inserted on top of the metal grill. Heat disperses the repellent from the mat into the air, creating a wonderful zone of mosquito protection.

No more sprays or lotions or swatting. I love it -mosquitos don't.

## Are you ready?

Archery season for those who pursue the white-tail deer is almost here across America. Are you ready?

I hope you've already been out scouting and are now intimately familiar with the land you will hunt. Have you found deer sign, different types of habitat and other things that will help you be successful this year?

If you haven't scouted yet, you better hurry. Scouting should stop early enough to let the woods settle down, long before season starts.

I hope you've been practicing too. As a bow hunter, you should be able to make a clean shot. Are you practicing in the clothes you will hunt in? Are you shooting at different distances until you're comfortable with it? Practice shooting standing, sitting and kneeling.

Enjoy your time in the woods whether you get a deer this year or not. Look at the natural world around you and savor the hours spent quietly in the woods.

## Discover the fun of fishing from a kayak

Kayaks designed specifically for fishing are fun, easy to use, affordable, transportable, offer great exercise, are eco-friendly, and help catch fish you would never be able to get to in a motor powered boat.

Fishermen have learned to use kayaks to catch almost every species of fish that swims in fresh-water and saltwater.

The majority of fishing kayaks are propelled using a paddle but some models use foot pedals and even trolling motors.

Fishing kayaks are available in open and sit on top versions have a wide beam that makes them really stable. Once you've mastered it, you can even stand up and fish.

There are also a lot of add-on accessories available for them to help you make it your very own fishing machine.

If the thought of being able to fish in places power boats cannot and with a quiet, low impact approach that doesn't spook fish or disturb wildlife; then maybe it's time for you to try a fishing kayak.

Of course when you're not using it for fishing you can just paddle around a lake or down a river and enjoy the great outdoors.

# GOLF

## Middlefield Men's Club

### Monday 8/11/2017

#### Game: 3, 2 Points

First Place: 116

Tim Martin  
David Morris  
Rudy Nellerroe  
Don Arendell

Second Place (tie): 111

Don Hanly  
Frank LaCrosse  
Darrell Lee  
Larry Zuvich

Second Place (tie): 111

Mel Gowing  
John Kallbrier  
Bob McCarty  
Dave Tooker

Fourth Place: 110

Gary Welch  
Larry Strickland  
Steve Moir  
Jim Cunningham BD

Fifth Place: 108

Larry Eyman  
Jim Lehl  
Don Perkins  
Richard Vargas

Low Gross

Tim Martin 68  
Jake Cox 68  
Jerry Singer 71  
Bob McCarty 73  
Larry Zuvich 74

Low Net

Bob McCarty 58

Gary Welch 60  
Rudy Nellerroe 62  
Russell Bryce 63  
Larry Strickland 64  
Mike Stahl 64

Closest to the Pin

#5 Larry Emery  
#7 Frank LaCrosse  
#14 John Kallbrier

Longest Putt

#10 Tim Martin

## Middlefield Men's Club

### Thursday 8/10/2017

#### Game: Scramble with Tie Breakers

First Place: -8

Jake Cox  
Don Perkins  
Gary Ackley  
Bob McCarty

Second Place: -7

Don Hanly  
Gary Welch  
Jim Hoover  
David Morris

Third Place: -6

Larry Zuvich  
Mel Gowing  
Lynn Ferrin  
Manny Anderson

Fourth Place: -6

Gary Ingram  
Ed Prunkl  
Larry Strickland  
Pat Martin

Fifth Place: -5

Paul Henrichs  
Gary Nicolay  
Larry Eyman  
Steve Lindholm

Sixth Place: -5

Larry Emery  
John Kallbrier  
Jim Cunningham  
Frank Gates

Seventh Place: -4

Jack Doleman  
Richard Vargas  
Phil Hamilton  
Russell Bryce

Eighth Place: -4

Tim Martin  
Adrian Chatigny  
Jim Lehl  
Bill Hirsh

Ninth Place

Jerry Pennington  
Mike Stahl  
Dave Tooker  
Al Nelson

Tenth Place: -2

Bill Avery  
Ricky Ambrose  
Gordon Waske  
Leon Hayes

Eleventh Place: -1

Frank LaCrosse  
Phil Jones  
Darrell Lee  
Rudy Nellerroe

Twelfth Place: -1

Gary Sparks  
Don Arendell  
Pat Rickard  
Don Lister

Closest to the Pin:

#5 Phil Jones  
#7 Al Nelson  
#13 Gary Sparks  
#14 Larry Zuvich

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