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Subject: Lake Metroparks new archery range in Leroy Township targeted to open September 15

Good morning, Debbie.

I work in the marketing department at Lake Metroparks. We thought this would be of interest to your residents. Lake Metroparks is opening an archery range at Hidden Lake in September. This will be a free amenity for residents of Leroy Township and beyond. Below is the information about the new archery range and a list of the rules.

Let me know if you would like any photos to accompany this information.

Thank you.

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Lake Metroparks new archery range in Leroy Township targeted to open September 15

Lake Metroparks has set its sights on opening a new archery range at Hidden Lake in Leroy Township. The new range features eight ground-level shooting lanes and 4' x 4' targets set at ranges from 10 yards to 50 yards and a raised shooting platform that will accommodate three archers. In a separate adjacent area, archers can use a shorter range (up to 20 yards), which will allow people of all ages and abilities to enjoy the sport of archery.

Board of Park Commissioners president Frank Polivka says, “ .”

The new archery range opens to the public Saturday, September 15. The unstaffed range will be open to the public for general target shooting from dawn to dusk, seven days a week for free. The new range offers archers in and around Lake County the opportunity to practice on their own. All participants younger than 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Lake Metroparks Executive Director Paul Palagyi says, “ .”

Bows and arrows are not provided unless you attend a scheduled program. Only those targets provided by the park are permitted. Archers must use field points only and broadheads are prohibited.

Lake Metroparks secured a \$20,000 Cooperative Shooting Range grant to support construction of the range from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Wildlife, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program.

Hidden Lake is located at 7024 Kniffen Road in Leroy Township (44077). The park features nearly two miles of trails, a stocked nine-acre pond with a pier for fishing and wildlife observation and a reservable primitive tent campsite. A new indoor/outdoor shelter is located next to the archery range.

For park information and directions visit goto.lakemetroparks.com/hiddenlake.

RANGE SAFETY RULES

Archery is a potentially dangerous activity. Equipment must be handled properly and safely at all times. Please report all unsafe conditions to Lake Metroparks Rangers at 440-354-3434.

- Range is open daily from dawn until dusk.
- All participants younger than age 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
- No pets allowed on the range.
- Alcohol is prohibited.
- Firearms are prohibited.
- Broadheads are prohibited—field points only.
- All archers must shoot from a common shooting line. No shooting from beyond the designated line.
- Archers are responsible to inspect and ensure their own equipment is in proper working condition.
- Do not load arrows unless the range is clear and all shooters are behind the shooting line
- Never shoot an arrow above the level of the target or draw above parallel to the ground.
- Only retrieve arrows after all bows have been made safe and all shooters agree to retrieve arrows.
- No more than ten arrows per archer may be shot between retrievals.
- Only shoot at the designated targets.
- There should be no more than one person shooting at a single target.
- Archers must use targets provided and may not bring their own targets.

In case of emergency dial 911 or 440-354-3434.

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