



# BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB

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## Calendar of Events

July 1<sup>st</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk# 7; Ranges close at 4:00PM  
July 4<sup>th</sup>: **Sporting Clay's Event #3 50 Bird**; No Skeet; Open shooting 9-noon; Ranges Closed  
July 6<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5-9  
July 8<sup>th</sup>: **Ranges Closed 8-2**; Summer Trap League Wk #8; Ranges Close at 4:00pm  
July 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>: **3-D Archery Shoot 8-3**; Open Shooting 9-noon on Sun the 11th; Ranges Closed  
July 12<sup>th</sup>: **Board of Directors Mtg 6:30PM**  
July 13<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5-9  
July 13<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup>: **WI State Trap Shoot**  
July 15<sup>th</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk#9; Ranges Close at 4:00PM  
July 18<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
July 20<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5-9  
July 22<sup>nd</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk #10; Ranges close at 4:00 PM  
July 25<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
July 27<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5-9  
July 29<sup>th</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk #11; Ranges Close at 4:00PM  
Aug 1<sup>st</sup>: **Sporting Clays Event #4 100 Bird**; No Skeet; Open Shooting 9-noon; Ranges Closed  
Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5-9  
Aug 5<sup>th</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk #12; Ranges Close at 4:00 PM  
Aug 8<sup>th</sup>: Sporting Clays Event #4 Rain Date; Open shooting 9-noon  
Aug 9<sup>th</sup>: **Board of Directors Mtg 6:30PM**  
Aug 10<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5-9; **Ranges closed all day**  
Aug 12<sup>th</sup>: Summer Trap League **Shoot-Offs; Annie Oakley**; Ranges close at 4:00 PM  
Aug 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>: **3-D Archery Shoot 8-3**; Open Shooting 9-noon on Sun the 15th; Ranges Closed  
Aug 17<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5-9  
Aug 19<sup>th</sup>: **Polish Shoot**; Ranges close at 4:00PM  
Aug 22<sup>nd</sup>: **Fall 100 Bird**; No Skeet; Ranges Closed  
Aug 24<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5-9  
Aug 26<sup>th</sup>: **Summer Trap League Steak Fry and Meeting**  
Aug 29<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
Aug 31<sup>st</sup>: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5-9

## President's Page

Happy Summer Solace to you All!

I hope you all are enjoying the warm spell of weather we are currently in, as it was not that long ago, we were complaining about the cold. Unfortunately, the rain gods have been on vacation except when the trap shooters came out recently. I hope this finds all of our members in good health and trying to get back to the "old" normal of fun and fellowship. While we are not out of the woods by any imagination in regards to both ammunition and reloading supplies, our directors have been doing whatever they can to keep you enjoying the sports that you all enjoy. I realize there has been some pain and sacrifice by all but we will get through this as well.

Enough of that we need to push on and that is just what Liza Fritz and the Summer trap program are doing with a strong showing of teams coming back to enjoy their sport. It feels good to see so many people enjoying the time together while seeing some pretty awesome scores already. Thanks all that have understood our plight with the shell issue and here is to hoping this will be the only season we have to endure this hardship.

Tuesday night's bring Ronnie Moderow out to pilot the club and show his pizza making skills. While shooter participation has been slowed by lack of ammunition, we still have our hard-core shooters show up to hone their skills. JD still appears to have the curiosity of the group to master the 5 stand which still flourishes. Also Tuesday evenings have brought back the registered target program Big 50 as some of our shooter prepare for the state event held in July. In regards to registered targets the Northeast Zone Shoot was held in June and representation from the club was great to see whether during prelim events or championships. Berlin had a good showing with many members collecting high honors.

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The Target Terminators while smaller in numbers this year have made their presence felt and will be doing so in Rome at the SCTP State Shoot in late June. Things heat up further as they get ready to take the line for the Wisconsin State Shoot AIM program, as well as other championship events held in July. The team will be taking squads down to Illinois in early August to compete in the AIM Nationals as well.

The sporting clays events held by Joe and crew are awesome with some very good attendance numbers. If you haven't tried it stop out for some fun you will enjoy it!

On a more solemn note, the Ironman 250 has come to an end. While this event was hard to close out you have to reflect back on all the good times that were made during this event. The board is now racking their heads to come up with an event that would be an individual event for one day. Please be vigilant for more info through Facebook and postings at the club. Please take a moment to thank Mr. and Mrs. Steve Beres for all the hard work and dedication to an event that was talked about around statewide and regional. It will be missed, also thanks to the numerous individuals throughout the years that made this event so successful this like so many other events cannot happen without great volunteers.

Just a brief message about the Rifle and Pistol Range while these areas are still being used it is very disconcerting that individuals would still violate safety measures set forth in posted safety guidelines. One of our board members found a quarter inch plate of steel on the ground with multiple holes shot clean through. While I am sure at the time someone thought it was a good idea, please consider one of the rules of TABK that being be sure of your target and beyond. Ricochets are the reason we do not have metal targets or ground targets permissible on our range. If we cannot ensure our range is 100 percent safe this could cause the area to be shut down. Please use common sense and follow the safety rules so all may enjoy this facility. If you see someone being unsafe, please inform a board member via email or in person, if you do not feel comfortable confronting the individual.

Something that has been resurrected at the club has been 3D archery. Rick and Don have done a great job on building this event and it will only get better as time goes. If you get a chance come out and sling a few and enjoy the course.

Lastly if you look around the club you can see that Corey as our grounds keeper has been doing a great job! If you see him around, please take the time to thank him for all his hard work in keeping the club looking great.

In closing I want to Thank the whole board along with a ton of helpers including the Friday crew for all the hard work and dedication to keeping Berlin Conservation a bench mark for all other clubs to measure against. It cannot be done without you. That being said for those that have yet to take the step to help at the club in any way please do so. We are always looking for fresh blood and new ideas to help grow our club in the next years. Remember this is your club and with your help it will shine for many, many years.

Enjoy your Summer and Good Luck at the State Shoot!

See you on the line

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Witzke- President

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## **IRON MAN INFORMATION**

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the BCC Iron Man event has come to an end after 25 years! A special thank you to chairman, Steve Beres, and Jill Nimmer-Beres, and all the numerous volunteers who put in many, many hours year after year to run this event. Thank you to all the shooters who participated in the Iron Man, most of you every year. Don't put your gun away just yet, we may be holding a special one-day event Labor Day weekend! Stayed tuned!

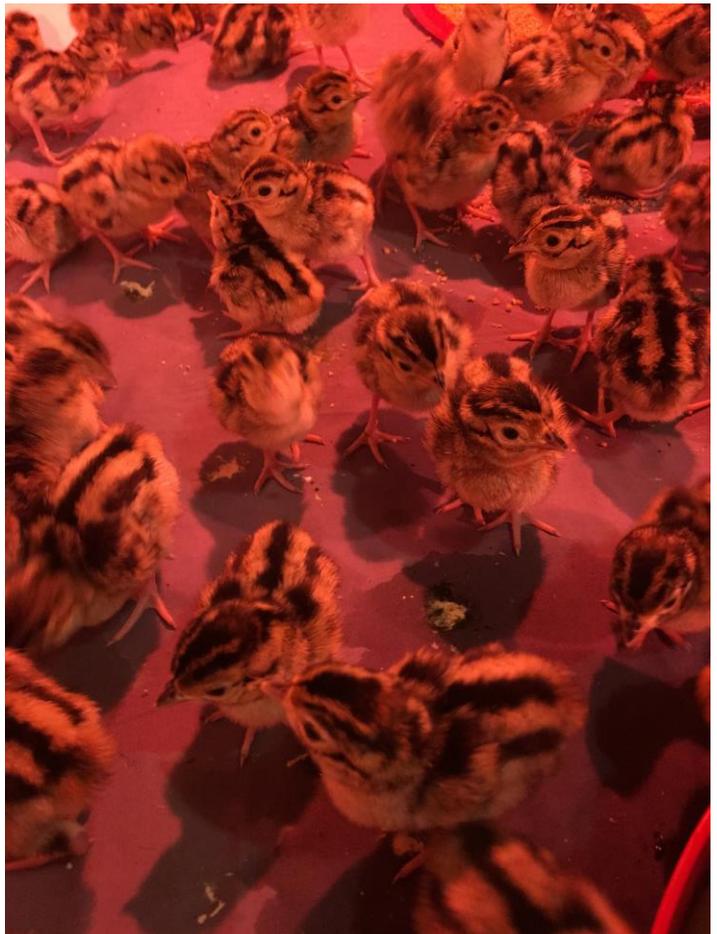
## **WOOD DUCK HOUSES**

We now have Wood Duck houses available! Sorry we sold out as fast as we did and weren't able to replace them until now. They are \$15 this year and are currently available at the club house during any open hour or call Ken Keenlance at 920-361-0300. A suggestion if you are planning to put up houses in the near future or this fall it might be a good idea to get them in advance. It will also give us the opportunity to keep the wood supplier aware of our future needs so we have the wood available when needed.

We would like to thank Shannon & Tracy Klawitter for donating pine logs which will be used to build duck houses. We also thank Carl Bowers for the donated Cedar boards we used to build Blue Bird and Wren houses.

## **PHEASANT FARM**

The pheasant chicks arrived on June 21<sup>st</sup>. They are looking great. The pheasant pens have been worked up and seeded thanks to Rick and Ole Olson and Bob Pribnow.



## **BLINDER DAY AT THE PHEASANT FARM**

Volunteers Needed!!! Blinder Day at the Pheasant Farm will be Tuesday, August 10th. We start at 6:00 AM and work till done. It usually takes about 2 hours to complete. The pheasant farm is located at W2465 Dakota Ave. Berlin. Just show up or contact Dave Polzin at 920-573-2760 or Bob Pribnow at 920-290-5035. All volunteer hours are rewarded with either pheasants or shooting cards at the end of the season. Refreshments will be available when we are finished.

## **3-D ARCHERY SHOOTS**

There are still 2 more 3-D Archery Shoots this summer. They are on Saturdays and Sundays, July 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> and August 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>. Shoots start at 8AM and go to 3PM. Contact Ricky Reyes at 920-229-5332 if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help improve the course.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Volunteers are needed to help tear down and put away the 3-D Archery course. Take down is scheduled for the week after the last 3-D Archery Shoot of the season on Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup> with rain date on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Starting time will be at 8:00 AM. All volunteer hours count on your work cards toward earning pheasants or shooting cards at the end of the season.

## **SUMMER GUN RAFFLE**

Don't forget to purchase your tickets for the Summer 5-Gun Giveaway. Remember for every 100 dollars' worth of tickets you sell you will be entered into a drawing to win a Heritage Rough Rider 22 Single Action Revolver.

Drawing will be held on Labor Day Weekend.

## **SPORTING CLAYS EVENTS**

We have had a good turn out at Sporting Clays events #1 & #2. We still have Event #3 coming up on July 4<sup>th</sup>. This is a 50 Bird event. The last Sporting Clays event of the year will be held on August 1<sup>st</sup> and is a 100-bird event.

## **TUESDAYS NIGHTS**

There is still open shooting on Tuesday evenings. Come down and enjoy singles, doubles, and yardage. There is also time to challenge yourself and try out 5-stand in the woods.

## **AMMUNITION SHORTAGE**

We are still suffering from the inability to receive our shipments of ammunition. We do have a limited amount available for our league shooters to purchase. **I want to highlight that it is a limited amount.** If you do have your own supply of shells at home, please bring them to shoot league so shooters that do not have a personal supply have shells to purchase.

## **SUMMER TRAP LEAGUE**

Time flies when you're having fun...we're already halfway through the 2021 Thursday Night Trap League Season. We have 53 teams participating in our 12-week league. A big "THANK YOU" to all of the shooters and sponsors. We appreciate your cooperation and flexibility as we work through the weather "Mother Nature" has thrown at us this year. The last night of league is August 5<sup>th</sup>. League Shoot-offs and the Super Annie will be held on Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup>. BCC is planning to host the Fall Polish Shoot on Thursday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. League Awards & the Steak Fry will be held on Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup>. We will also hold the Annual League meeting on this night as well. If you wish to see any

changes to the league or have any suggestions, please plan to attend. Steak Fry sign up sheets will be out soon! If you have any questions, please contact Liza Fritz @ 920-295-7427.

### Memberships

When applying for membership, please read the entire waiver below, sign it, and include it with the completed application form below. Failure to include this signed waiver will result in your application being refused until receipt of a signed waiver. Mail application and fee to: Berlin Conservation Club, PO Box 303, Berlin WI 54923.

*The participant, in consideration of the acceptance of participant's application to participate in the event or events conducted under the auspices of the Berlin Conservation Club, W898 Whiteridge Road, Berlin, Wisconsin, does hereby release and discharge said Club sponsoring said event and assumes all risk of personal injury of the participant whether due to negligence of the participant or other participants, officers, or member of said Club and this release shall be binding upon the participant, his/her heirs, executors, and administrators or assigns. All club rules are available at the clubhouse or online at [www.berlincc.org](http://www.berlincc.org). I have read and understand the waiver for this membership application.*

SIGN HERE: \_\_\_\_\_

Under age 18 years of age, parent or Legal Guardian sign here: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

DO WE HAVE YOUR PERMISSION TO E-MAIL THE NEWSLETTER TO YOU? \_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_

NO

\_\_\_\_\_ ADULT \$10 \_\_\_\_\_ JUNIOR \$4 (16 & under)

\_\_\_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal

**Please note: If you fail to send a self-addressed, stamped envelope, your membership card will be on the board in the clubhouse.**

### Board of Directors

#### Officers:

Pres. Gary Witzke 920-204-1329

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Thursday Night Trap League Representative: Liza Fritz 920-295-7427

Grounds Keeper: Corey Splittgerber 920-290-3179

Pheasant Farm Caretaker: Brian Krueger 920-229-4323

Hunter Ed. Coordinator: Mike Thorson 920-229-7080