



# BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB

May/June 2018

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## Calendar of Events

May 1<sup>st</sup>: Open Shooting 5-9 PM  
May 2<sup>nd</sup>: Hunter Education Graduation  
May 3<sup>rd</sup>: Summer Trap League Practice  
May 4<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup>: SCTP Regional Shoot –Brown Co. Sportsman’s Club  
May 5<sup>th</sup>: CWYTL Wk 8; Rifle & Pistol Ranges Close-d AM  
May 6<sup>th</sup>: Mayville State HS Shoot; **Sporting Clays #1 8-3 50 Bird**; Trap & Skeet & Ranges Closed  
May 7<sup>th</sup>: Pheasant Farm Work Day 5-?  
May 8<sup>th</sup>: Rifle/Pistol Ranges closed all day; Open Shooting 5-9 PM  
May 10<sup>th</sup>: Summer Trap League Practice  
May 13<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
May 14<sup>th</sup>: **Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM**; Pheasant Farm Work Day 5-?  
May 15<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 5-9 PM  
May 17<sup>th</sup>: Rifle/Pistol Ranges Closed; Summer Trap League Wk #1  
May 19<sup>th</sup>: Pheasant Farm Work Day 10-3  
May 20<sup>th</sup> Open Shooting 9-noon  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>: Open Shooting 5-9 PM  
May 24<sup>th</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk #2  
May 27<sup>th</sup>: **Marathon Shoot**: No Open Shooting; Trap & Skeet & Ranges Closed  
May 29<sup>th</sup>: **BIG 50 Shoot**; Open Shooting 5-9 PM  
May 31<sup>st</sup> Summer Trap League Wk #3  
June 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Sporting Clay’s #2 8-3 50 Bird**; Trap & Skeet & Ranges Closed  
June 5<sup>th</sup>: **BIG 50**; Open Shooting 5-9 PM  
June 6<sup>th</sup>: Pheasant Farm Work Day 5-?  
June 7<sup>th</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk #4  
June 9<sup>th</sup>: Pheasant Farm Work Day 10-3  
June 10<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
June 11<sup>th</sup>: **Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM**  
June 12<sup>th</sup>: Rifle/Pistol Ranges Closed all day; **BIG 50**; Open Shooting 5-9 PM  
June 14<sup>th</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk #5  
June 16<sup>th</sup>: Shoot’N For A Reason  
June 17<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
June 18<sup>th</sup>: Pheasant Farm Work Day 5-?  
June 19<sup>th</sup>: **Big 50**; Open Shooting 5-9 PM  
June 21<sup>st</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk #6  
June 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>: SCTP  
June 24<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
June 26<sup>th</sup>: **Big 50**; Open Shooting 5-9 PM  
June 28<sup>th</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk #7

## President’s Page

What has happened to the saying, April showers bring May flowers as I sit here watching the snow and ice mound up? We are not off to a great start of the spring warm up for the summer trap season. To all those that enjoyed the nice weather for the Polish shoot this last week, thank you. We had a great bunch of shooters. I believe we had 139 shooters for the event and some very good scores!

Those of you that have been at the club lately have seen that the Steve/Dave/Gene & Jerry Company have been very busy with the remake of the bar top. Great job guys! I have been told they are not done yet. Glad these guys believe in the saying idle hands make idle time. Make sure you thank them for their hard work. Speaking of hard work, the coaching crew along with Amy Thoma and Kevin Rosenau are off to a bang with the CWYTL league. It looks really cool seeing all the kids out breaking birds in what I would say not the best weather conditions. A special thanks to all the coaches that take time out of their weekend to help these kids and the future of this club.

Not only have Saturdays been busy at the club, but the KMTC High School program is in full swing with the Ripon/ Berlin squad setting the pace in the Northern Division. These kids really know how to grind birds. Congrats to them all and the coaches that dedicate their time as well, to a great program. Along with the high school program, the Target Terminators will begin warming up to take aim on the SCTP events and the AIM/ATA program. If you have a child interested in becoming a member of this group, which are ambassadors of BCC youth program, contact Head Coach Steve Beres.

With the Memorial shoot on the horizon, the summer league is not far away. To help with sharpening your skills, we are now open on Tuesday nights for open shooting. Not too far off, Gary Ross will be conjuring up target combinations to have you talking to yourself with our 5 stand. We will be selling special shooting cards for the 5 stand this year. It was the board’s decision to increase the cost of 5 Stand to \$5.00 a round which is still a great value. Hope you all take advantage of this great program we have set up.

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Also coming up in late May will be the start of our registered targets for you ATA shooters. The first event will be a Marathon Shoot on the 27<sup>th</sup> which will also be an online zone shoot for the youth. Get your targets early so you don't have to rush with the State Shoot in July.

The summer trap league being pushed back a bit will allow for a few more open practice nights on Thursdays as well. We also will have the club enrolled in the Sunday traveling league. A sign-up sheet will be on the board. It is a way to meet other members from other clubs and enjoy the fellowship of our sport. This is a team event which you would be shooting for BCC at this event. They are great fun. If interested, see Bob Pribnow or myself, Gary Witzke for more info.

In closing, with the election of board members complete, I would like to welcome Don Konen to the board. He will be a great asset going forward. Also, congrats to Dave Polzin, Jerry Reetz and Joe Gozinski for another dedicated term. Finally, I want to thank the board and you, the members, for the opportunity to be your President. This is truly a great club and a jewel to the community which can only get better. For those that have dedicated their time I thank you, for the others don't be afraid to pitch in, in what ever time you may have as this will only make our club better. We have a lot of very exciting things on the horizon for this club and will need all your help. Remember this is not mine nor the board's club, it is all of ours to make it as great as we see fit

See you on the line soon!

Respectfully,

Gary Witzke- President

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## **Election of New Board Members**

Congratulations goes out to Don Konen on being elected to the Berlin Conservation Club Board of Directors. The following board members were also re-elected to the board: Dave Polzin, Jerry Reetz, and Joe Gozinski. The BCC Board would also like to say THANK YOU to Bob Pribnow for all his years of serving on the board.

## **Pheasant Farm**

The pheasant chicks have been ordered and will be arriving the first week of June. There is work to be done before the chicks arrive and also before they can be let outside. Work dates have been set up. The first date will be Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm - ?, Then Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 5:00-? & Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> 10: am – 3:00 PM. In June dates have also been set. Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm - ?, Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Monday, June 18<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm to ?. Please consider coming out to the pheasant farm on Dakota Ave. at least one of these dates if not more. You do not need to sign up, just show up. If you have questions, contact Mark Trampf at 608-790-3343 or Dave Polzin at 920-573-2760 or Bob Pribnow at 920-290-5035.

## **5-Stand**

5-Stand will be starting the first Tuesday in May. There will be shooting cards available this year for a cost of \$50.00. If you do not know what 5-Stand is, stop in on a Tuesday night and check it out.

## **Wood Duck Houses**

There are still houses available to purchase at a cost of \$10.00. We will also take orders for more houses. Contact Ken Keenlance with questions at 920-361-0300.

## **Sporting Clays**

The Sporting Clays competition will begin with the first 50 bird on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. Shoot #2, also a 50 bird shoot will be on Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The last of the 50 bird shoots will be on Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, and will conclude with the 100 bird on Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup>. Help is always needed to set up on the Saturdays preceding the shoots and also to help run the shoots. Contact Joe Gozinski at 920-428-6445 to volunteer to help. There will be added money. You must shoot 2 of 3 events to qualify. Sign up is from 9-2.

## Working at the Club



Jerry Reetz, Gene Thom, Steve Beres, & Dave Polzin install the new bar top in the club house.



Wood Duck Building Team

## **Board of Directors Officers**

The following Board Members were elected to serve as the officers for the upcoming year. President Gary Witzke, Vice President Steve Beres, Treasurer Dave Polzin, Secretary Don Metzger.

## **Introducing Our Newest Board Member**

I am Don Konen and would like to introduce myself as your new Berlin Conservation Club Board Member. My family and I have been Berlin residents most of our lives. My wife of 24 years is Vicki and we have a 23 year old daughter Kayla and 21 year old son Alex. I have owned my own flooring installation business for 24 years in and around the Berlin area. I was a member of the BCC for many years when I was younger but drifted away from it when our kids were born. When our kids were old enough to start shooting I rejoined and have been a member now for about 10 years. The youth shooting programs that are offered here are just awesome and given my family a new "favorite past time." I am hoping being elected to the Board I can help to keep these programs available to our youth and community. I look forward to working with the Board and all of our members.

## **Winter Archery**

The Berlin Conservation Club winter archery program has been completed. Fun night was held on April 4<sup>th</sup>. The high overall shooter was Carter Rhode. High Scratch shooters were tied between Carter Rhode and Craig Rhode. High shooter with handicap was Zac Reyes.

## **Winter Trap League**

Winter Trap League competition concluded on April 5<sup>th</sup> with the spring Polish Shoot being held a week later on April 12<sup>th</sup>. High team was Vic Roeder III/ Tyler Hetzel. High gun was Tyler Hetzel. High gun junior was Steven Klika. The following teams placed 1<sup>st</sup> in each of the Lewis classes: Mike Sina/Dennis Durik, Steve Klika/Steven Klika, Steven Helmuth/Al Helmuth, Eric Hamersma/Paul Werch, and Lee Ann Junak/ Dave Polzin.

The Polish Shoot had 139 shooters. First place went to Gene Thom & Dan Levenhagen. Perfect score of 70 was shot by Dan Levenhagen, Joshua Rodencal, & Frank Sixt.

## **Summer Trap League**

Thursday Night Summer Trap League will soon be upon us. Practice/Registration will be on May 3<sup>rd</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup> with the first official week of league on May 17<sup>th</sup>. The league will run 12 weeks and will end on August 9<sup>th</sup> with a make-up week. Shoot offs and Super Annie Oakley will be held on Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>. The registration form is available on the BCC web site along with the rules for league. You MUST be a BCC member at the time of sign up. Fees remain the same as last year: \$25 sponsor fee and a \$60 per shooter fee for a total of \$325 per team. You will be required to pay your full team fee at the time of registration, or no later than the third week of league. The Club will also be open on Thursday night, April 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, for those who would like to get a couple more practice rounds in before the official start of league. (There will be no registration those nights.) If you have any questions, please contact the Thursday Night Trap League President, Amy Thoma, at 920-229-5288. We look forward to seeing everyone soon!

## **Trapper Education Course**

Mark your calendars. A Trapper's Education course will be held on Monday, July 9<sup>th</sup> and July 16<sup>th</sup> at the Berlin Conservation Club from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm. The class will finish with a Field Day on Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:00 am till done. All students must have a DNR customer ID number. Any questions about the course and to do required pre-registration, please call Bob Pribnow at 920-290-5035.



## Building Rental

It was brought to the attention of the Board of Directors at the Spring Bi-Annual Meeting in March, that many of our members were not aware that the Berlin Conservation Club House is available for rent. Contact Jerry Reetz at 920-361-2845 for details, cost, and to make your reservation.

*Birthday Party*

*Graduation Party*

*Family Reunion*

## 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**

**Tres. Dave Polzin 920-573-2760**

### Directors:

**Kevin Rosenau 920-229-6028**

**Mark Belau 920-229-7332**

**Joe Gozinski 920-428-6445**

**Steve Klika 920-229-1001**

**V.Pres. Steve Beres 920-570-0240**

**Sec. Don Metzger 920-295-9838**

**Jerry Reetz 920-361-2845**

**Amy Thoma 920-229-5288**

**Don Konen (920) 229-3619**

**Ken Basel 920-369-6066**

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**Grounds Keeper: Larry Theodozio 920-361-2852**

**Pheasant Farm Caretaker: Mark Trampf 608-790-3343**

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