



BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB

May/June 2021

E-mail: info@berlincc.org Phone: 920-361-4413 W898 White Ridge Rd.

PO Box 303 Berlin WI 54923 Website: berlincc.org

Calendar of Events

May 1st: CWYTL Wk #8; Ranges closed 8-noon
May 2nd: **Sporting Clays Event #1; No Skeet**; All ranges closed; Open Shooting 9-noon
May 4th: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5:00-9:00; **Ranges closed all day**
May 6th: Summer Trap League Practice 5-9PM; Ranges close at 4PM
May 8th: **3-D Archery Shoot 8-3**; Ranges closed; **CWYTL Fun Day**
May 9th: **3-D Archery Shoot 8-3**; Ranges Closed; Open Shooting 9-noon
May 10th: **Board of Directors Mtg 6:00PM**
May 11th: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5:00-9:00
May 13th: Summer Trap League Practice 5-9PM; Ranges close at 4PM; **Ranges also closed 8-2**
May 16th: Open Shooting 9-noon
May 18th: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5:00-9:00; **Big 50**
May 20th: Summer Trap League Wk #1; Ranges close at 4PM
May 23rd: **ATA Marathon**; All Ranges closed; Open Shooting 9-noon; No Skeet
May 25th: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5:00-9:00
May 27th: Summer Trap League Wk #2
May 30th: Open Shooting 9-noon
June 1st: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5:00-9:00; **Big 50**; **Ranges closed all day**
June 3rd: Summer Trap League Wk #3; Ranges close at 4PM
June 6th: **Sporting Clays Event #2**; All Ranges Closed; **No Skeet**; Open Shooting 9-noon
June 8th: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5:00-9:00; **Big 50**
June 10th: Summer Trap League Wk #4; Ranges close at 4PM
June 13th: Open Shooting 9-noon
June 14th: **Board of Directors Mtg 6:30PM**
June 15th: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5:00-9:00; **Big 50**
June 17th: Summer Trap League Wk #5; Ranges close at 4PM
June 19th: **3-D Archery Shoot 8-3**; Ranges Closed
June 20th: **3-D Archery Shoot 8-3**; Ranges Closed; Open Shooting 9-noon
June 22nd: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5:00-9:00; **Big 50**
June 24th: Summer Trap League Wk#6; Ranges close at 4PM
June 27th: Open Shooting 9-noon
June 29th: Open Shooting & 5-Stand 5:00-9:00; **Big 50**

President's Page

Hello all and Happy Spring. From the attendance at the club, I can see you all are ready for normalcy in your life. While the club has been busy, many of us are scampering to find stuff to shoot with. This goes for the metal cartridges as well. I can only hope that this shortage starts to subside and get us the resources we need to enjoy the sports we all love. The club will continue the policy that you can only purchase what you shoot at the club. Also, some are using the club shell inventory as an additional supply to what they have stashed for a so-called rainy day. Please be considerate of your fellow shooters and allow them to enjoy the same sports as you. We will get through this together if we all work together.

Enough of that, let's talk about what the winter brought as the archery program for Winter League grew this year. The Winter Trap League, while numbers were down, the weather held a pretty mild shooting season for the most part. The first annual St Pats shoot brought out a lot of participants as well as some great food and fellowship. To all those that attended better let others know to mark their calendars for the 2nd annual shoot in 2022. The polish shoot just wrapped up and once again had a great showing with favorable weather. With all this in the rear-view mirror it time to plan your teams for the summer trap league.

If trap is not your forte' try our sporting clay events beginning in May on the 2nd and the following three months on the first Sunday of each month. The group had all year to think up more so-called fun shooting scenarios for us. This is a great time and keeps growing every year come out and enjoy. If you need to practice first JD has the 5 stand up and running on Tuesday nights as well as open shooting. Make sure to thank those that open the club and make another night available to you all. We also have 3-D Archery shoots on a weekend starting in May.

The youth CWYTL program is winding down but has had a great showing again. While numbers are not as they once were, the quality of shooting is amazing. This is the future of our club to keep it growing. Out of this group the Target Terminators started back up. Here again the group has had a changing of the guard with most of the senior shooters moving on due to school, work or what have you. The squad is quite a bit smaller with only 19 shooters from a high of 37 but is very young and talented. The Terminators had their first meet in Horicon a week ago and had a pretty good showing with the Jr Varsity Squad taking 1st over all. Three other members took awards as well for individual awards. Their next meet will be in Brown County on April 30th.

Probably the most important item was the March Membership Meeting which saw three of our board members again donate their time to help guide the club over the next years. The members were Dave Polzin, Don Konen and Joe Gozinski.

Pres. Page Cont.

Please thank them for their continuing service. Please remember if you're interested in being a member of the board contact an active board member for information, elections are held every spring and we will have 3 position due up again.

Wood Duck houses are back thanks to Ken Keenlance and the crew. The group introduced a new product in Bluebird houses. Stop down and see these projects and picks some up for gifts or just to help preserve our nature.

Lastly, as you always hear from me, we need your help as the board cannot do it all. Your input is needed both on ideas as well as physical hands-on helping whether at the club or the pheasant farm. Remember for the hours you work if you fill out a work card you are awarded either shooting cards or pheasants. So many times, I hear rumblings that the board will not listen or they do just what they want, if you feel that way don't complain do something to change what you want. Remember this is your club! Be active and get on the board or help on a committee as we all want what's best for all of us.

See you on the line!

Respectfully,

Gary Witzke President

2021 BCC ANNUAL BANQUET

Thank you to everyone who came to support the club at our 30th Annual Banquet. The banquet was held at the Oshkosh Convention Center on March 13th. Mark your calendars for the 31st Annual Banquet which is already scheduled for March 12, 2022. We had a great turn out for the banquet and fun was had by all. If you won a gun don't forget to pick it up at Holiday Food and Sport in Ripon.

Thank you all those who donated either monetary or by product to support the banquet. We especially want to thank Farmers and Merchant Bank and Fortifi Bank for being Corporate Sponsors at the banquet.



Banquet Donors

We Hope We Did Not Miss Anyone-Thank You In Advance If We Did

Vortex, Wisconsin Timber Rattlers, Green Bay Packers, Wisconsin Timber Rattlers, Bergstrom Automotive, The Red Barn Woodcrafts, 4 Imprint, Milwaukee Admirals, Stoneridge, Morgan Welk, Scheels, Peirotti Family, Cliff's Tire & Battery, Original Wisconsin Ducks, Timbavati Wildlife Park, Gary"JD" Ross, Fortifi Bank, Knuth Brewing Co., Jerry Reetz, Badger State Tire, Red Feather, Eskimo Comfort, Mike's Bike Shop, Frank's Hometown Meats, Pat Ida, Badger Mining, Jeff's On The Square, West Side GM, Farmers and Merchants Bank, Hillside Dental, Wolf River Campgrounds, Badger Sports Park, Critters, Green Bay Booyan, Madison Mallards, Cave of the Mounds, Fond du Lac Dock Spiders, Green Bay Botanical Gardens, Milwaukee Milkmen, Blades & Boards, Gysber's, Becks, Generac, Cabelas, Berlin Oil Products, Schroeder's Pheasant Farm, Berlin Journal, Ken Keenlance, Leslie Achterberg, Apparel Art & Embroidery, Izzy's Dockside, Bohn Implement, Berlin Buckskin, Granite

Rockin' Toms, Tractor Supply, Steve Beres, Dave Polzin, Prairie Marsh Firearms- Todd Gleisner, Heidel House, Ripon Pickle, Benvenutos, The Bluff- Steve Sattler, Kurki Funeral Home Fond du Lac, Pete Redlin, Hoffman Htg & Clg New London- Greg Junak, Cathi & Terry Otto, Team Schierl-Subway, Walmart, Sondalle Ford-Lincoln, A&D Machine-Angie & Don Metzger, Ridgestone Products, Walker's Insurance, Russell Moccasins, Target Terminators, Dan LaBuda, Log Cabin, Jorgies, Country Inn, Walker's Bar, Elisssa Ewald, Wisconsin State Fair, Webster's Marketplace, Holiday Florist-Winneconne, Tanners, Huckleberry, Ann Wilke, Debbie Norton,, HuHot, Pizza@Hwy 44, The Bar, Sarah Beres- Vines & Twigs, Crossroads Market, Wisconsin Spice, Packwaukee Barber in Oxford, Olive Garden, Kitz & Pfeil

SURVEY WINNER

Congratulation to Brenda Dobyons for being drawn as the winner amongst all those who turned in a completed survey after the banquet. Brenda has been awarded a free ticket to the 2022 BCC Banquet.

IRON MAN

The BCC is planning on hosting the 26th Annual Iron Man shoot on Labor Day weekend. This event will **ONLY** be held if more help is given. We are in need of a CO-Chairperson to help Steve Beres. We are also in need of someone or ones to volunteer to get volunteers to run the meet. It takes between 80-85 volunteers to run this meet smoothly. Please consider stepping up to help out if you want to see this event continue. Contact Board Members for more information.

WANTED TO BUY

The club would like to purchase a small utility trailer. It would be modified to mount an old trap target machine on it to use on sporting clays events. Contact Jerry Reetz at 920-361-2845.

WOOD DUCK HOUSES

We now have Wood Duck houses available! Sorry we sold out as fast as we did last year 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 our supplier aware of our future so we have the wood available when needed. We are also undertaking a new project and are building bluebird houses that are also available to purchase at the clubhouse.



Wood Duck Assembly Crew



PHEASANT FARM

Chicks are arriving on June 21st. As of now, no work days are needed or scheduled. Please watch the website and signs at the club in case workdays are needed. Watch for postings for Blinder Day.

WINTER TRAP LEAGUE

Winter trap league has concluded. We hope everyone enjoyed the season and we hope that those who stayed away this year because of the Covid-19 virus will return to shoot next winter. To see final results, go to the Club website and check under the results tab. We do want to congratulate the team of Allen Floeter and Kyle Kowald for finishing as High Team. Also High Gun was Gage Witzke and High Gun Junior was Brady Nyhuis. We finished off the season with a very successful Polish Shoot.

WINTER ARCHERY LEAGUE

A very successful winter archery league has concluded. A fun night was held and shooters must have had fun because there was a garbage can full of broken arrows. The winners have been posted on the website under the results tab. We do want to congratulate Carter Rohde for being the top scratch shooter and Caliber Hartzke for being the top youth scratch shooter. Plan on a 2022 league and bring in your friends to shoot too.

5-GUN RAFFLE

Watch your mail for Tickets that will be mailed to all our members for another gun raffle the club is having. This is a new raffle, but we need your support in purchasing tickets and also selling the tickets. For every \$100 worth of tickets you sell you will be entered in a drawing to win a pistol.



WHITE RIVER WILDLIFE

The BCC Adopted a state wildlife area in the White River Area. Under the guidance of Jerry Reetz, the volunteers have completed native seed collection, done invasive Species removal, and completed parking lot maintenance. Jerry recently applied for signs to be placed in the area and has posted them.

SUMMER TRAP LEAGUE

For those of you who didn't brave the snow and cold for Winter League, it's time to think about dusting off your guns for our Thursday Night Summer Trap League. Practice/Registration will be on May 6th and May 13th with the first official week of league on May 20th. The league will run 12 weeks and will end on August 5th with no make-up week. Shoot offs and Super Annie Oakley will be held on August 12th. You **MUST** be a BCC member at the time of registration – this includes any subs you may have on your team. Watch the BCC website for the updated registration forms and rules. If you have any questions, please contact our Thursday Night Trap League President, Liza Fritz @ 920-295-7427. We look forward to seeing everyone soon!

5-STAND

5-Stand is up and running on Tuesday nights. J-D is busy dreaming up new ways to set up the course. Shooting 5-Stand is a good way to get ready for Sporting Clays and Iron Man.

3-D ARCHERY

Thanks to Rick Reyes, the BCC will be hosting another summer of 3-D archery shoots. The events start on Saturday and Sunday, May 8-9th, and will be held on a weekend each month for the summer. Check the calendar for other dates. There are many new targets this year.

SPORTING CLAYS

Joe Gozinski, along with the help of others, is planning another summer of Sporting Clay events. They will be held the 1st Sunday of the month starting in May.

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. 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:

Don Metzger 920-295-9838

Gen Thom 920- 745-0926

Joe Gozinski 920-428-6445

Ron Moderow 920- 748-3862

V.Pres. Don Konen 920 -229-3619

Sec. Jerry Reetz 920-361-2845

Amy Thoma 920-229-5288

Jeff Tischefer 920-658-3289

Bart Schepp 920-597-0225

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