



BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB

March/April 2016

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Calendar of Events

Mar. 1st: BB Gun 6-7:30
Mar. 2nd: Week 8 Winter Archery League
Mar. 3rd: Week 7 Winter Trap League
Mar. 5th: **CWYTL Meeting 9 am**
Mar. 6th: Open Shooting 9-12
Mar. 7th: **Board of Directors Mtg. 6:30**
Mar. 8th: BB Gun 6-7:30
Mar. 9th: Week 9 Winter Archery League
Mar. 10th: Week 8 Winter Trap League
Mar. 12th: CWYTL Week #1
Mar. 13th: Open shooting 9-12
**Mar. 14th: 6:00 BCCF Annual Meeting;
7:00 BCC Annual Meeting**
Mar. 15th: BB Gun 6-7:30; Open shooting 5:30
Mar. 16th: Week 10 Winter Archery League
Mar. 17th: Week 9 Winter Trap League
Mar. 19th: CWYTL #2
Mar. 20th: Open Shooting 9-12
Mar. 22nd: Open Shooting 5:30
Mar. 23rd: Winter Archery Fun Night
Mar. 24th: Week 10 Winter Trap League
Mar. 26th: CWYTL #3
Mar. 27th: **CLOSED**
Mar. 29th: Open Shooting 5:30
Mar. 30th: **Hunter Ed. 6:00**
Mar. 31st: Week 11 Winter Trap League
Apr. 2nd: CWYTL #4
Apr. 3rd: Open Shooting 9-12
Apr. 4th: **Board of Directors Mtg.**
Apr. 5th: Open Shooting 5:30
Apr. 6th: Hunter Ed
Apr. 7th: Week 12 Winter Trap League
Apr. 9th: CWYTL #5
Apr. 10th: 100 Bird; **RANGES CLOSED**
Apr. 12th: Open shooting 5:30; Big 50
Apr. 13th: Hunter Ed.
Apr. 14th: **Polish Shoot; Winter Banquet**
Apr. 16th: CWYTL #6
Apr. 17th: Open Shooting 9-12
Apr. 18th: Hunter Ed.
Apr. 19th: Open Shooting 5:30
Apr. 21st: **Summer Trap League Practice**
Apr. 23rd: Hunter Ed. Range Day;
RANGES CLOSED
Apr. 24th: Open Shooting 9-12
Apr. 25th: Hunter Ed.
Apr. 26th: Open Shooting 5:30; Big 50
Apr. 27th: Hunter Ed.
Apr. 28th: Summer Trap League Practice
Apr. 30th: CWYTL #7

Presidents Page

Hello all. Hope you all have made it through the holidays and the Super Bowl! Not to forget our annual banquet. As far as the club, the activities are fast and furious. This year's Winter Trap League is up to 69 teams compared to 59 last year. Archery is in full swing as well as the committees are already planning for the upcoming summer leagues. The trap league will be celebrating 40 years of organized shooting! We are fortunate to have many still actively shooting at presently.

Other events coming up are the Tuesday night open shoots with a more advanced five stand as well as ATA targets twice a month. One special mention is that with the club being open additional hours for your enjoyment we can always use additional help that can later be turned in for pheasants or shooting cards! The CWYTL kicks off on March 5th. This is a great way to get the kids away from the video games and outside breaking items and not getting into trouble! Around the corner will be the start of the traveling team, the Target Terminators, which after last year will have big shoes to fill. The Tom Thoma Spring 100 is also coming up soon. These are all great events that need your support.

Lastly, the spring meeting for members will be soon and the election board is looking for members that are interested in coming on as a director for the board. This three-year commitment has many rewards as to steering our club into the future to allow our friends and families to enjoy the great facility we have. I have been greatly honored to have been your president this past year to which we have seen some major changes to our grounds and facilities. I look forward to more advancements in the upcoming years ahead. Please take an active part in your club to make us the best in the state. Remember this is your club!

In closing, I would like to personally thank all of you that have made this last year a large success. A huge Thank You to my board, who when pushed, never backed down or gave up but stayed true to the course. If you see these people around, take time to thank them for their dedication and commitment to developing a great family sports complex.

Respectfully,
Gary Witzke, President

Bi-Annual Membership Meeting for BCC

The BCC Bi-Annual Membership meeting will be held Monday, March 8th at 7:00 PM. There will be an election for seats on the board of directors. If you are interested in running for a position on the board, contact Shelly Clark at 920-361-1505 to get your name on the ballot.

Bi-Annual Membership Meeting for BCCF

There will also be a meeting and election of board members for the Foundation board. That meeting will take place prior to the BCC meeting at 6:PM on March 8th.

Spring Hunters Ed Class

The BCC will be holding a Hunter Safety class beginning on Monday, March 30th at the Berlin Conservation Club. Classes will be held Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:00-8:30pm. The cost is \$10.00 per student. We recommend that students be 11 ½ years old to register as the course materials are written at that level. Ten year olds do not have to take hunter safety to participate in the mentor hunt program.

Requirement:

All WI Residential Safety Students are required to obtain a **WI DNR Customer ID Number** to enroll in any Recreational Safety Class. You can obtain a WI DNR Customer ID number online by following instructions below or by calling WI DNR Customer Service at 1-888-936-7463 between 7 AM – 10 PM. Online enrollment is required to reserve a seat in the class. Go to the DNR website: <http://dnr.wi.gov> to enroll.

The class is limited to the first 40 students. The \$10.00 payment is required the first night of class. A parent or guardian is required to attend the 1st night of class. If you have any questions please contact Shelly Clark at 920-361-1505.

2016 Shoot'n for a Reason

Save the date for our 5th Annual Shoot'n for a Reason event to be held on Saturday, June 18th. This year's proceeds will benefit the "Berlin Area Health Foundation – Helping Hands for Cancer Fund".

Shooting events will include: 50 Bird sporting clays, 50 Bird trap, and a 2-person flurry event. For those of you not interested in shooting we will have various walk around raffles, basket raffles, silent auction, and our large raffle. Fishing will be available for the kids along with our sandbox full of coins and a piñata full of goodies. Food and refreshments will also be available. Save the date. We look forward to seeing you! Shoot'n for a Reason is successful because of the support of our communities. Thanks to Thrivent Financial, Shoot'n for a Reason is now eligible to receive Thrivent Choice Dollars. All Choice Dollars are to be directed under Shoot'n for a Reason Foundation and the funds will be allocated to that fund. For more information visit thrivent.com/thriventchoice or contact the Berlin Thrivent team at 920-361-4800.

Pheasant Farm

We want to form a pheasant farm committee. We are looking for volunteers to check out the farm one day a week. They will need to walk around the pens to look for anything unusual and report to us. The chicks will be arriving in May. Contact Dave Polzin at 920-361-4566 or Bob Pribnow at 920-290-5035 for more information and to volunteer. If you can only help once or twice that would be appreciated. Work days will be scheduled for the pheasant farm. The first one will be in the middle of April. We are coordinating the work days with our new caretaker, Mark Trampf. Mark will be needing help to get things organized this year, so please volunteer and earn pheasant hours. Watch board and website for work dates.

Target Terminators

There will be a registration and informational meeting on Saturday, March 19th starting at 11 AM at the clubhouse. Both shooter and parents should attend. For more information, contact Steve Beres at 920-570-0240.

25th Annual Banquet

The 25th Annual Banquet is in the books. Thanks to everyone who attended. Special thanks to Don Metzger who chaired the banquet again this year, and also to everyone who helped collect donations, sold tickets, gave donations, helped set up, and worked the banquet, etc. There are too many to list individually, but you know who you are. There will be a wrap up meeting held in the near future. The date has not been determined as of this printing. Watch the board down at the clubhouse and the website for date and time. Please feel to free to volunteer already to help with the 26th Annual Banquet.

Membership Application

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)

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

Upcoming Shoots

April 10th: Winter 100 Bird

April 14th: Polish Shoot

April 12th & 26th: Big 50's

April 21st & 28th: Practice for Summer Trap League

May 15th: Sporting Clays #1- 50 Bird Event

May 10th & May 24th: Big 50's

**Start organizing your
5-person team now for
the Summer Trap League!!**

Volunteering

If you are looking to earn pheasant hours or have some spare time, there are numerous projects, big and small, that need to be completed at the club grounds and at the pheasant farm. You can also volunteer to work the different shoots that are being held. Contact Gary Witzke, board president, at 920-204-1329 for more information.

Kettle Moraine High School Trap Shooting Team

The Kettle Moraine High School Trap Shooting Conference will be having an informational meeting beginning at noon on Saturday, March 5th at the Berlin Conservation Club. This conference is open to all youth shooters up to the 12th grade. The league consists of 20 teams with 10 teams in each division. The league will begin on Monday, March 21st. Our first competition is in Wautoma. A league schedule and waiver for the 2016 season can be found on the BCC website (www.berlincc.org) under the About tab and then click on Youth Programs. If you have any questions, please join us on March 5th or call Steve Klika at 920-229-1001. Hope to see you there.

Board of Directors

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Thurs. Night Trap League Rep. Steve Klika 920-229-1001

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