



BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB

January/February 2019

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Calendar of Events

Jan 2nd: Winter Archery League Practice
Jan 3rd: Winter Trap League Practice
Jan 6th: Open Shooting Trap/Skeet 9-noon
Jan 9th: Winter Archery Week #1 5 PM
Jan 10th: Winter Trap League Practice 5 PM
Jan 12th: Wisconsin Bear Hunters Town Hall Meeting
Jan 13th: Open Shooting Trap/Skeet 9-noon
Jan 16th: Winter Archery Week #2 5 PM
Jan 17th: Winter Trap League Week #1 5 PM; Green Lake 4-H Archery 6-8 PM
Jan 20th: Open Shooting Trap/Skeet 9-noon
Jan 23rd: Winter Archery Week #3 5PM
Jan 24th: Winter Trap League Week #2 5 PM
Jan 27th: Open Shooting Trap/Skeet 9-noon
Jan 30th: Winter Archery Week #4 5 PM
Jan 31st: Winter Trap League Week #3 5 PM; Green Lake 4-H Archery 6-8 PM
Feb 3rd: Open Shooting Trap/Skeet 9-noon
Feb 6th: Winter Archery Week #5 5PM
Feb 7th: Winter Trap League Week #4 5 PM; Green Lake 4-H Archery 6-8 PM
Feb 10th: Open Shooting Trap/Skeet 9-noon
Feb 11th: **Board of Directors Mtg 6:30 PM**
Feb 13th: Winter Archery Week #6 5 PM
Feb 14th: Winter Trap League Week #5 5 PM
Feb 17th: Open Shooting Trap/Skeet 9-noon
Feb 20th: Winter Archery Week #7 5 PM
Feb 21st: Winter Trap League Week #6 5 PM; Green Lake 4-H Archery 6-8 PM
Feb 23rd: **28th Annual BCC Banquet. City Inn Doors Open at 5:30 Dinner at 7:00PM**
Feb 24th: Open Shooting Trap/Skeet 9-noon
Feb 27th: Winter Archery Week #8 5 PM
Feb 28th: Winter Trap League Week #7 5 PM

**28th ANNUAL BCC
BANQUET
SATURDAY, FEB 23RD
2019**

President's Page

Happy New Year to you all!

I hope this correspondence finds you in good health and ready for another great year for Berlin Conservation Club! A lot of our members have been busy with the remodel of the clubhouse as well as the maintenance of our traps. With this I must take a moment to thank a few that were forgotten in the last newsletter, they are Reid Crump, George Stolfus, Gene Thom, and Mark Hodge, who keep our trap throwers in tip top shape. I also want to mention the morning crew which not only keeps the club presentable but also keep the trap houses full. Just a FYI they are always looking for more help. Also, for those who help to keep the grounds looking good Larry and Corey, are always hard at work.

Looking at the year ahead we are in for an awesome ride as not only are we again hosting numerous scheduled shoots but will for the first time be hosting the Northeast Wisconsin Zone ATA registered shoot. This event will be held May 31st through June 2nd, we'll need plenty of volunteer help. Please if you have some time contact Don Konen, Tyler Thoma, or me. Your help will be much appreciated, and will also help get that full work card for either pheasants or shooting cards. With the new year comes the kick off for the winter trap league. Thanks to mother nature our winter league has not been too bad. This year we have added concrete to the shooting pads which can be cleared quickly and have our shooters walking on pavement versus walking through snow piles. Make sure to share your compliments of this upgrade with the SDGJ Construction company and the rest who worked feverously to accomplish this prior to hunting season. Hope to see many of you out on the range to knock off the rust and enjoy some good times during the dismal months of winter. Dave and the crew always put on a top shelf program. If outside shooting is not your thing how about inside with our archery league. Dave and Donna Polzin have been down at the club rebuilding the targets for yet another year. Special thanks to Berlin Buckskin as they donated scrap leather which will be added to some of the targets to gain some life out of them. This league is on Wednesdays and is always looking for more teams. Grab a few friends and get out of the house and enjoy the display of changing courses set up each week. A quick reminder to pick up your banquet tickets soon as this will also give you a bonus of a 2019 membership to the club. Remember we have a limited number of tickets for sale as

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well as an early bird ticket purchase. Last year was nice to see an uptick in attendance, which I believe can be surpassed this year. The committee is always looking to make this banquet better as it is one of our biggest fund raisers to keep improvement projects moving forward. These banquets take time and people. Please take some time to donate to the banquet or at least reach out to some friends and invite them to attend. Remember the more the merrier!

In closing I would like to take this time to thank my board for a trying year in which we accomplished a lot. Great job to all, for some of us this will be our last obligation to the board as we will be looking at board elections at the March membership meeting. We will have 3 positions open. If you are interested please contact a board member about your chance to direct this club into the future. Please remember this is not my club this is our club and it will move on to bigger and better things with your involvement and input. Once again Happy New Year All let's make it a great year!

See you on the line,
Respectfully,
Gary Witzke- President
920-204-1329
gwitzke@outlook.com



Making Renovations at the Club

Target Terminators

Parents and athletes for the Target Terminators we will be having a meeting Saturday, January the 19th at 1pm at the BCC club. Things to be discussed will be the coaching staff and requirements for the upcoming season. Please pass this info on to some of the younger shooters as we will be trying to build up our pre-sub group as well as our junior group. Contact Gary Witzke at 920-204-1329 with questions.

CWYTL

Also remember that CWYTL sign up starts March 9th. If kids or parents are unsure of the commitment of Terminators at the least get them involved in this group. Amy Thoma and all the coaches do a great job mentoring these kids, and parents with the new viewing area in the clubhouse. No more standing in the cold, LOL! I look forward to a great upcoming season of competition and togetherness. Contact Amy Thoma with questions at 920-229-5288.

Bi-Annual Membership Meeting

The Bi-Annual Membership Meeting for both the Berlin Conservation Club and the Foundation will be held on Monday, March 11th. We will be electing board members for both. It is time to think about running for the board for the BBC and the BCCF to help out your club. Contact any current board member to express your interest. There will also be a vote on Bi-Law changes at this meeting. To view the proposed changes, visit this link: <http://www.berlincc.org/by-laws.html>

Wood Duck Houses

Wood Duck Houses have been completed. Thank You to the crew that assembled them. 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.

Winter Trap League

Winter Trap League will start in January with practice the first two Thursday nights the 3rd & 10th, with league starting on the 17th. The last night of league will be April 4th. These are 2 person teams. Organize your team now. Sign-up sheets are available on-line or at the clubhouse. You can sign up during the practice weeks or during the first 3 weeks of league. After the 3rd week, no sign-ups will be allowed. Shooting does not start until 5:00 PM . Contact Dave Polzin at 920-573-2760 or e-mail him at roosterbuster1@gmail.com with questions. The cost of Winter Trap League will be \$65.00 per person plus you need to be a current member.

Winter Archery League

Winter Archery League is an indoor league. The first Wednesday in January, 2nd, will be practice. League will start the following Wednesday on the 9th. The last night of league will be March 27th with fun night being April 3rd. These are 3 to 5 person teams. Only the top 3 scores count. Just come in on the 2nd or 9th and sign your team up. If you don't have enough people for a team, come in and we will try to match you up with other shooters. Shooting starts at 5:00 PM. There is make-up on the following Sunday during open shooting time. It is for make-up only. Please try to make it on league night. The cost will remain the same as last year. You still need to be a current member. If you have questions, contact Dave Polzin at 920-573-2760 or e-mail him at roosterbuster1@gmail.com.

Hunter Education

The Hunter Education program at the BCC is currently looking to expand the number of teachers and helpers that are involved in the program. If you are a certified DNR Hunter Education Instructor or are not certified, but would like to help with the program, please contact Mike Thorson at 920-229-7080.

Old Bar Tops & Other Things

If anyone is interested in the old bar tops from the club, they are available on a first come first take basis. Contact Dave Polzin at 920-573-2760 if interested. We also have the electric drinking fountain that was hanging on the wall, and a 4x6 black board that is available.

Lost & Found

If you left a pair of binoculars and/or a range finder at the shooting range, they have been found and placed in the lost and found in the clubhouse. Please come into the clubhouse during open hours to describe and claim.

Price Increase

As of January 1, 2019 the price of a round of trap and skeet is going up to \$4.00 for members, and \$4.50 for non-members. Youth shooting is also going up 50¢ a round.

**2019 BCC 28TH Annual Banquet
Banquet Early Bird BCC Bucks**

You can purchase BCC Early Bird Money. For \$100.00, you will receive \$125.00 in BCC money to be used to purchase raffle tickets the night of the banquet. You will pick up your BCC bucks the night of the banquet. BCC Bucks will **NOT** be available to purchase the night of the banquet. Deadline to purchase is Sunday, January 20, 2019. This money can be used on most raffles. Exceptions are 50/50, Walk-arounds, & 52 Card Pistol Raffle.

2019 BCC 28th Annual Banquet

The banquet will be held on February 23, 2019 at the City Inn in Berlin. The banquet tickets are \$50.00 per person. If you purchase your dinner ticket by Sunday, January 20, 2019, you will also receive your 2019 membership to BCC for **FREE!!!!**

Tickets will be available for purchase at the club during open shooting or during the winter trap or archery leagues. You can also request yours by mail. Send your request along with a check payable to the **Berlin Conservation Club Foundation** or **BCCF** and a **self-addressed stamped #10 envelope** to Dave Polzin at N615 37th Ave. Omro WI 54963

By making your checks payable to the BCCF you may qualify for a tax deduction. Contact your tax preparer to see if you qualify. The BCCF is a 501(c)3 organization.

If you have any questions contact Banquet Chairperson, Don Metzger at 920-295-9838 or e-mail him at don@admachine.biz

Or call ticket chairperson, Dave Polzin at 920-573-2760 or e-mail him at roosterbuster1@gmail.com

ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD. GET YOURS EARLY.

NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR THE NIGHT OF THE BANQUET.

Please support the club by coming to the banquet. This is our biggest fundraiser to keep our club operating.

**2019 BANQUET REQUEST FORM
FEBRUARY 23, 2019**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

of Tickets _____ @ \$50.00 each

of Early Bird BCC Bucks Packets _____

\$125.00 worth of raffle money for \$100.00.

of Early Bird Raffle Tickets @ \$10 Each. _____

TOTAL: _____

Please mail check with a self-addressed #10 stamped envelope to:

Berlin Conservation Club Foundation

Attn: Dave Polzin

N615 37th Ave.

Omro WI 54963

“New This Year”

Early Bird Raffle

When you purchase your banquet ticket before January 20, 2019, you can also purchase for \$10.00 each, Early Bird Raffle Tickets. The prize will be a Taurus Judge 45 Colt /410 Revolver.

NO sales for this raffle after Jan. 20th.

DONATIONS

We are also looking for banquet donations. These donations could be cash, or any item that could be raffled off at the various raffles, such as silent auction, food pantry, youth raffle, gun raffles, outdoor raffle, ladies raffle, or many others. Be creative.

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:

Kevin Rosenau 920-229-6028

Mark Belau 920-229-9729

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

Ken Basel 920-369-6066

Don Konen (920) 229-3619

Thursday Night Trap League Representative: Amy Thoma 920-229-5288

Grounds Keeper: Larry Theodozio 920-361-2852

Pheasant Farm Caretaker: Mark Trampf 608-790-3343

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