



BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB

July/August 2020

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Calendar of Events

July 2nd: Summer Trap league Wk #4; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 4:00PM

July 5th: **Sporting Clays #2 (50 Birds)** 8:30-2:30; No Trap or Skeet open shooting; All Ranges Closed

July 7th: Trap, Skeet, & 5 Stand Open Shooting 5-9; **Big 50**

July 9th: Summer Trap league Wk #5; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 4:00PM

July 11th & 12th: **3-D Archery Shoot 9-3**; All Ranges Closed both days. Open Shooting on Sun?

July 13th: **Board of Directors Mtg 6:30PM**

July 14th: Trap, Skeet, & 5 Stand Open Shooting 5-9

July 16th: Summer Trap league Wk #6; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 4:00PM

July 19th: Open Shooting 9-noon

July 21st: Trap, Skeet, & 5 Stand Open Shooting 5-9

July 23rd: Summer Trap league Wk #7; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 4:00PM

July 26th: Open Shooting 9-noon

July 28th: Trap, Skeet, & 5 Stand Open Shooting 5-9; **Blinder Day at the Pheasant Farm 6am-done**

July 30th: Summer Trap league Wk #8; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 4

Aug 2nd: **Sporting Clays #3 (50 Birds)** 8:30-2:30; No Trap or Skeet open shooting; All Ranges Closed

Aug 4th: Trap, Skeet, & 5 Stand Open Shooting 5-9

Aug 6th: Summer Trap league Wk #9; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 4

Aug 8th & 9th: **3-D Archery Shoot 9-3**; All Ranges Closed both days. Open Shooting on Sun?

Aug 10th: **Board of Directors Mtg 6:30PM**

Aug 11th: Trap, Skeet, & 5 Stand Open Shooting 5-9

Aug 13th: Summer Trap league Wk #10; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 4

Aug 16th: Open Shooting 9-noon

Aug 18th: Trap, Skeet, & 5 Stand Open Shooting 5-9

Aug 20th: **Polish Shoot and League Shoot-offs 5-9**; All Ranges close at 4

Aug 23rd: **Fall 100 Bird 9-2**; All Ranges closed.

Aug 25th: Trap, Skeet, & 5 Stand Open Shooting 5-9

Aug 27th: **Summer Trap League Steak Fry, Meeting, & Awards 5-9**

President's Page

While it seems to have been forever since my last correspondence, I sincerely hope this finds you all in good health and safe. It has been great to see most of you again as BCC arises back out of the dark days. While by no means are we out of the woods so to speak, however, the gathering of good friends and associates are good for the well-being. This has been a troubling year with so many cancellations of activities around the club, and while we have lost some events this year we can only hope with your help that we will arise stronger and better in the future.

Well enough of the oh hum, so you ask what has been going on at the club. I am glad you asked as we are open once again on Tuesday nights for open shooting. The hours are from 5-8:30pm. Gary JD Ross has once again taken the reins on the challenging 5 stand events which still continue to grow in participation. Registered ATA targets are back for the next 4 weeks with the 28th of June being a Marathon event. If that's still not enough to satisfy your shooting we are open on Sundays from 9-Noon. Thursday night league under the new leadership of Liza Fritz is underway and while a bit different this year the teams are coming back. With all of this though I asked the members to please be considerate of your fellow members as we go through these times. While everybody has been enjoying the weather lately keep in mind that the keyword to keeping you all safe is social distancing. While you may or may not agree we all have people away from the club grounds that we associate with and we do not want to inadvertently pass on anything to them. So please respect your fellow members. For those of you that want to sharpen up your archery skills Rick Reyes along with Don Metzger has brought back with a dedicated group 3D archery. Please watch the website and calendar for more events. Lastly probably our biggest growing event Sporting Clays is back with Joe Gozinski sitting awake all hours of the night trying to stump the participants. With the help of Jerry Reetz, Gary Ross and others this is an event you don't want to miss!

President's Page Cont.

On a more somber note the 26th Annual Ironman event has been cancelled it was with heavy heart that this decision was made. Steve Beres has put his heart and soul in this event since taking it over from Jim Chops Gurkowski. While this event is a large fund raiser for the club the safety of all its participants and volunteers was of a higher concern. This is not to say the event is dead it will be back better than ever! Another event which was to have been taken place was the Shooting for a Reason which under the guiding of Shelly Clark and company made the painful decision to cancel for basically the same reasons as mention prior. This event also will I am sure come back bigger next year!

For those of you that come to shoot on Tuesdays you may notice more young shooters stepping up to the line, as these individuals start to hone their skill for the upcoming Target Terminator season! The Terminators will start shooting with the Beaver Dam SE Zone shoot this Father's Day weekend. After which they will be back at BCC on the 28th of June for the 16 yrd singles AIM on line zone shoot. Then in a couple weeks following head to the WTA homegrounds and the AIM state shoot. For those not informed as of yet the AIM Nationals is in Linn Creek Missouri this year as Sparta Ill. Was shutdown for C-19 concerns, Terminators will shoot Aug 2-4 starting the 5th the Grand American Event takes place.

As you can see the club is heating up for the summer months so stop out and enjoy. In closing I want to thank all that have supported and aided in the opening of the club once again. Remember this is your club and the only way we survive is with your help. Look forward to many more happy days ahead until then stay safe and enjoy your club!

See you on the line,
Respectfully,
Gary Witzke-President
920-204-1329
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Summer Trap League

Thursday Night Trap League is finally underway. So far we have 40 teams signed up for our 10-week league. Thank you to all of the shooters and sponsors for participating in this league. We appreciate your cooperation and strongly encourage you to continue to practice social distancing while inside and outside of the building. League Shoot offs and the Polish Shoot will be held on Thursday, August 20th. League Awards/Steak Fry will be held on Thursday, August 27th. We will also hold the end of league meeting on this night and 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.

Steel Fence Posts Needed

The 3-D Archery Course is in need of steel fence posts. If you have any used ones that are still in good shape please consider donating them. Contact Rick Reyes at (920) 481-0114 or Dave Polzin at 920-573-2760 or just drop them off at the clubhouse.

Sporting Clays

The first Sporting Clays event was a success. We had over 85 shooters. We are going to move Sporting Clays #4, the 100 bird, to Labor Day weekend Sunday September 6. Rain make up will be Sunday September 13th if needed.

Caretaker for Pheasant Farm

Brian and Tammy Krueger come from Princeton, WI to run the pheasant farm. Brian is originally from Ripon, WI and Tammy is originally from Berlin. Both Brian and Tammy have a great passion for animals, love to be outdoors and are very excited to start this new journey in their lives. They have been working to get the brooders ready for the arrival of the pheasants that arrived on June 17, 2020. All the pens are ready and the seed has been planted. Thanks to Ole Olson for working up the pens for us again this year.

Arrival Day- 1 Day Old



One hour after arrival, eating and drinking like crazy.

Blinder Day at the Pheasant Farm

Volunteers Needed!!! Blinder Day at the Pheasant Farm will be Tuesday, July 28th. 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.

For Sale – 2-Wheel Trailer

This trailer is no longer needed by the club. There is nothing wrong with it. Originally built for western hunting trips. Spare tire, spare wheel hub and bearings, tail gate converts to table, shock absorbers, and 2” ball. **MAKE AN OFFER.** See Jerry Reetz, 361-2845, or leave a message at the clubhouse.

Wood Duck Houses

Wood Duck houses are now available. They are still selling for the same low price of \$10.00. You can purchase them at the club during any open hours, or call Ken Keenlance at 290-5583.

Iron Man

Due to the Covid-19 virus pandemic, Iron Man has been cancelled for 2020. We want to thank everyone who already volunteered to help out. We look forward to seeing all of you Labor Day weekend 2021.

3-D Archery

The first 3-D archery shoot was held the weekend of June 13th & 14th. There will be 2 more shoots, July 11th & 12th and August 8th & 9th. Come down and check out your archery skills.

Newsletter Advertisers

I am sure the economy has something to do with the loss of some of our wonderful sponsors. It is not too late if you would like to place an ad in our newsletter. You will be given a discounted rate. Please contact Donna Polzin at 920-379-6751 or e-mail her at dpolzin1@gmail.com for more information and rate quotes. The newsletter comes out bi-monthly and is on the website always. Please consider supporting your club in this manner.

Road Construction

Due to construction on County F, it is making a little more difficult for some to get to the Berlin Conservation Club. This is a Warning!!! Do not go through the barricades. They are issuing tickets. Take Hwy 91 East to the Berlin Town Hall, corner of 91 and Willard Rd. Turn South on Willard Rd. At the 4-way stop turn right on White Ridge Rd. Ignore that sign that says road closed ahead. This will take you to the club.

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

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Don Metzger 920-295-9838

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

Grounds Keeper: Corey Splittgerber 920-290-3179

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