



BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB

July/August 2018

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Calendar of Events

July 1st: **Sporting Clays #3.** 50 Bird; Ranges Closed; No Skeet
July 3rd: Open shooting 5-9. **Big 50**
July 4th: Celebrate our Country's Birthday
July 5th: Summer Trap League Wk #8
July 8th: Open Shooting 9-noon; WestField Grand
July 9th: **Board of Directors Mtg 6:30 pm;** Trapper Education Course
July 10th: Open Shooting 5-9
July 10th-15th: **State Shoot in Rome WI**
July 12th: Summer Trap League Wk #9; Rifle/Pistol Ranges Closed 8-noon
July 15th: Open Shooting 9-noon
July 16th: Trapper Education Course
July 17th: Open Shooting 5-9
July 19th: Summer Trap League Wk #10
July 21st: Trapper Ed Field Day
July 22nd: Open Shooting 9-noon
July 24th: Open Shooting 5-9; **Blinder Day** 6:00 am
July 26th: Summer Trap League Wk #11
July 27th-31st: **AIM Grand Nationals**
July 29th: Open Shooting 9-noon
July 31st: Open Shooting 5-9
Aug 1st: **Hunter Education Registration**
Aug 2nd: Summer Trap League Wk 12
Aug 5th: **Sporting Clays #4 100 Bird;** Ranges Closed, No Skeet
Aug 6th: Hunter Education
Aug 7th: Open Shooting 5-9; Rifle/Pistol Ranges Closed ALL Day
Aug 8th: Hunter Education
Aug 9th: Summer Trap League Make-Up
Aug 12th: Open Shooting 9-noon. Sporting Clays #4 Rain Date
Aug 13th: **Board of Directors Mtg 6:30 pm;** Hunter Education
Aug 14th: Open Shooting 5-9
Aug 15th: Hunter Education
Aug 16th: Summer Trap League **Shoot-Offs/ Super Annie Oakley**
Aug 18th: Hunter Ed Range Day/ Ranges Closed
Aug 19th: **Fall 100 Bird;** Ranges Closed; No Skeet
Aug 20th: Hunter Education
Aug 21st: Open Shooting 5-9
Aug 22nd: **Hunter Education Graduation**
Aug 23rd: **Fall Polish Shoot**
Aug 24th: **Summer Trap League Steak Fry**
Aug 26th: Open Shooting 5-9
Aug 28th: Open Shooting 5-9
Aug 30th: Iron Man Set-up
Aug 31st: Iron Man Set-up; Ranges Closed

President's Page

Wow, we are half way through the year already! The summer league for trap is just about to the half way point. The Westfield Grand and the Wisconsin State Shoot in Rome are fast approaching. More importantly the work schedule will start being compiled for the Iron Man event during Labor Day Weekend which will need all hands-on deck.

Speaking of the Iron Man Shoot, Donna Polzin has graciously accepted the job of setting the work schedule for the Labor Day Weekend Event, as I will be delivering my daughter to her first year at UW Stout. This event is the biggest event we do as a fund raiser for the club and will need a lot of support during this event whether loading traps, scoring, or working the desk as well as many other tasks. If you can help, please contact Donna at dpolzin1@gmail.com.

With the Thursday night trapshooting well on pace a huge thank you should go out to both Amy Thoma and Kevin Rosenau for running an efficient program once again. We are supporting 65 teams this year which is up 2 from last year, and from a look at the scores should be a competitive season.

Although the most attention is placed on Thursday the Tuesday night open shooting is again gaining momentum. With 5 stand being directed by Gary Ross once again all can assure a great time with challenging targets. Also, for the month of June we are hosting Big 50's every Tuesday night which are set to help ATA registered shooters gain their bird totals prior to state and nationals at a comfortable cost. So far this year the club has thrown approximately 9000 targets with 3 weeks to go. Speaking of the ATA the NE and SE Zones are complete with great representation from the kids and members of the BCC, from what is know so far, the field of awards is well represented by BCC shooters as well. Some that I know of currently are Tyler Thoma runner up Singles Champ, Alex Konen doubles class champion runner up Jeff Tischaefter also in shoot offs currently was Blair Tischaefter and Blane Davey. With more going on I want to congratulate you all on a great performance. More than once I was approached by various shooters at both zone shoots and complimented by the great participation and sportsmanship of our shooters.

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Closer to home Joe Gozinski has really been heating up the sporting clay's events with the last one hosting 100 shooters. Great job to all those that attended and remember you need 2 of the 3 to qualify for the additional Lewis pot in August. Next event will be on July 1 so see you there!

Hopefully you have all noticed the club house changes to the bar room area with the new counter top and step to the bar area. Coming soon will be the A/C unit and heating unit for the main bar. A big shout out to Steve Beres, Dave Polzin, Gene Thom, Jerry Reetz and Ken Basel for all their hard work.

As you read this correspondence the Shooting 4 a Reason will have been completed. I hope you all support this event in anyway you can as this goes to help your local community. This years was to support the law enforcement K-9 program. Special thanks go out to Shelly Clark and her gang as they dedicate a lot of time in putting on a first-rate program for the community.

The pheasants are now on the farm and work has been ongoing there will be many more hours that will need support in the days ahead to help with the birds as they get older. Remember your hours give you either pheasants for the season or shooting cards for the hours you put in on the farm or at the club. Please remember to fill out your work card, once filled out please designate what you want and in October you will either must pick up your birds or shooting cards. This is a small token of thanks for the help you do to make this a great facility.

In closing I strongly request that you all look at your schedules and set aside a few hours to give back to a great organization. Your help is always needed, and a few can not do it all. Remember this is all your club and you can help make it as great as you want. Look forward to seeing you out on the line!

Respectfully Submitted,
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Pheasant Farm News

The chicks have arrived. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to get the brooder houses and pens ready. Thanks to all the hard work of the volunteers the North pen has now been divided into 1/3's and will be ready for the pheasants when they are old enough to be release into them.

Pheasant Chicks



Blinder Work Day

Blinders have to be put on the birds. The work date for this will be July 24th at 6:00 AM. Remember work hours count toward either earning pheasants or shooting cards. Contact Mark Trampf at 608-790-3343, Dave Polzin at 920-573-2760, or Bob Pribnow at 920-290-5035 with questions.

Work Day At The Pheasant Farm- Putting Up New Netting



Special thanks to all those who showed up at the work days at the pheasant farm. The pens are now ready for the pheasants.

Work Cards

Work cards need to be completed and turned in by Sunday, September 30th. Make sure you keep track of all your volunteer hours for all club events. Ask a Board of Director for a work card and mark your hours. Have the event chairman verify your hours and sign and drop filled out work cards in the box on the wall above the cash register in bar area. Please print your name legibly. All work cards must specify if you want pheasants or shooting cards. If you do not specify, shooting cards will be given.

Sporting Clays

The 3rd Sporting Clay event is coming up on July 1st. This is a 50 Bird Event. The final Sporting Clay event is scheduled for August 5th. This is the 100 Bird Event. The rain date for the 100 Bird will be August 12th. Our last one in June set an all time high number of shooters with 100 people shooting. Let's try to break that number at the next shoot.

Tuesday Nights

Remember we are open for shooting on Tuesday nights. Come down and shoot 5 Stand in the Woods. This is great practice for Sporting Clay events. We are set up to shoot singles, doubles, handicap and skeet.

Iron Man

Iron Man is our 2nd biggest fund raiser of the year. It is always held on Labor Day weekend. This year it will be September 1st & 2nd. To help support our club we need our members to volunteer some of their time on either one or both days. You can also get a squad together to shoot, or just come down and fill in on squads that have openings. We need scorers, trap fillers, Sporting Clays workers, bartenders, plus other areas. This year Donna Polzin has volunteered to schedule the workers. If you would like to help you can contact Donna at dpolzin1@gmail.com or phone her at 920-379-6751. She is also at the clubhouse shooting trap most Thursdays. We will also need help setting up both on the Thursday and Friday preceding the event and will also need help in cleaning up after. Contact Steve Beres at 920-570-0240. Remember all these hours count for work hours for pheasants or shooting cards.

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.

5-Stand

5-Stand started 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. If you buy a shooting card for 2018 for \$50.00, you get one free round.

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.

Trapper Education Course

Mark your calendars. A Trapper's Education course will be held on Monday, July 9th and July 16th at the Berlin Conservation Club from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm. The class will finish with a Field Day on Saturday, July 21st 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.

Did You Know?

Adopt- Wildlife Area

The Board of Directors is considering joining a WI Dept of Natural Resources program to adopt a state owned property. The area is the 13,000 acre area named the White River Wildlife Area located south and southwest of Berlin. There are specific work activities which are covered under the program to be carried out by groups of workers. Work days are voluntary and will be scheduled on days with favorable weather and at times and days which are most convenient. The area will be adopted if enough persons participate in the program. The group will be lead by Director Jerry Reetz. If interested in joining the group contact Jerry at 920-361-2845.

Hunter Education

There will be a Hunter Education class coming up in August. Remember to signup via the DNR website about a month before the class begins. We will be holding registration for those who signed up on the DNR website at the clubhouse on August 1st.

End of Summer Trap League

After summer trap league has ended, we will be having the Fall 100 Bird on Sunday, August 19th, and the Polish shoot will be on Thursday, August 23rd. The steak fry and awards night will be on Friday, August 24th. The grill will be ready to start grilling your steaks at 5:00 PM. See Amy Thoma for more details.

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:

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

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