



BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB

July/August 2019

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Calendar of Events

July 2nd: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand
July 4th: **NO Summer Trap. Happy 4th of July**
July 7th: **Sporting Clays #3** (50 Bird); Rifle & Pistol
Ranges and Skeet Closed
July 8th: **Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM**
July 9th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand
July 11th: Summer Trap League Wk #9; Ranges close at 5 PM
July 14th: Open Shooting 9-noon
July 16th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand
July 18th: Summer Trap League Wk #10; Ranges close at 5 PM
July 21st: Open Shooting 9-noon
July 23rd: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand
July 25th: Summer Trap League Wk #11; Ranges close at 5 PM
July 28th: Open Shooting 9-noon
July 30th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand
Aug 1st: Summer Trap League Wk #12; Ranges close at 5 PM
Aug 4th: **Sporting Clays #4** (100 Bird); Rifle & Pistol
Ranges and Skeet Closed
Aug 6th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand
Aug 7th: Hunter Education
Aug 8th: Summer Trap League Make-Up; Ranges close at 5 PM
Aug 10th: **3-D Archery Shoot 8:00-3:00**
Aug 11th: Open Shooting 9-noon; **Sporting Clays Make-Up**
Aug 12th: **Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM**; Hunter Education
Aug 13th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand; Ranges closed from noon – 8PM
Aug 14th: Hunter Education
Aug 15th: Summer Trap League Shoot Offs
Aug 18th: **Fall 100 Bird**; Rifle/Pistol Ranges/Skeet Closed
Aug 19th: Hunter Education
Aug 20th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand
Aug 21st: Hunter Education
Aug 22nd: **Polish Shoot**; Ranges Close at 5 PM
Aug 23rd: **Steak Fry**
Aug 24th: Hunter Education; Ranges closed in AM
Aug 25th: Open Shooting 9-noon
Aug 26th: Hunter Education
Aug 27th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand
Aug 28th: Hunter Education
Aug 29th & 30th: Iron Man Set-up; Ranges Closed
Aug 29th & Sept 1st: **Iron Man**; Ranges Closed

President's Page

I would say Happy Summer but the way the weather is I think we are stuck in April yet! Well no matter what the weather, the trap season is upon us and is in full swing. The club is bustling with activity as Tuesday's open shooting continues to bring in big crowds. Thursday has the trap league in its 6th week already. Finally, Sunday open shooting has been a mixed bag as we have had numerous events as well.

Sporting Clays is off to another great season as the group is giving the shooters a challenging, but fun, course to challenge themselves. They will have one more event in July prior to the 100 bird in August. Remember you must shoot 2 events to qualify for the extra money on the 100 bird.

The ATA NE Zone is behind us and I want to thank all that helped in one way or another. Our club was represented well for this event. It was a grueling 3 days with Mother Nature trying to interrupt the events, but the crew pushed on. For those that stuck around on Saturday night, the shoot-off was fantastic with both George Hass and Josh Rodencal running 199 and then in the shoot-off both ran 200 straight. It was decided by the two individuals that they would co-champion the event. It truly was a great moment which will be remembered for years to come.

If by chance you have not noticed, the club has changed out the old picnic tables with new aluminum tables. Through donations from Memorials for Ronald Albert and Donald Mehn along with Ron Moderow, Steve Klika, Jerry Reetz, Ken Basel, BCCF, and CWYTL. Please make a point to thank or keep them in your memory for their generous donation.

The Target Terminators will start a whirl wind of competition shooting starting June 22 with the SCTP State Shoot followed by the July 9-14 and the Wisconsin State Shoot. Lastly, July 27-30 the AIM Nationals in Sparta, IL. If you have not seen the team, they are sporting new colors this year with special thanks to Ripon Athletic and their crew for developing an awesome shooting shirt. This year's team has a squad of 38 members which have come together nicely as we introduced several new shooters to our team.

Unfortunately, for myself, I could not make the Shooting for a Reason this year but heard through the grapevine that Shelly Clark and company once again hit it out of the park. I hope you all had a chance to partake in this goodwill event. If not, mark it on your calendars for next year as you surely don't want to miss it.

Lastly, as our club grows, we need more help. If you can donate some time or a particular skill it will be extremely appreciated. You can be compensated by live pheasants in October or shooting cards for your hours of donated service. Keep in mind the club will only keep moving forward with your help. For those that dedicate their time already a Huge Thank You! Remember this is your club!

See you on the Trap line,

Respectfully,

Gary Witzke- President 920-204-1329 gwitzke@outlook.com

Pheasant farm

The chicks arrived on June 18th. Thank you to all the workers who came out to the pheasant farm and got things ready. Remember all your volunteer hours go toward either earning pheasants or shooting cards. Pheasant pick-up date has not been determined yet. Watch the next newsletter or the website for the exact date. Blinder work day has not been determined yet. Watch the website and signs at the club. Help is needed for this project.

Iron man

The 25th annual Iron Man will be held on Labor Day weekend, August 31st & September 1st with set up on Thursday the 29th and Friday the 30th. We are in need of workers for all days. Workers are needed for set-up, scoring, bartending, trap fillers, shell collectors, subs to fill in and give others a break, and to clean-up at the end. Donna Polzin is in charge of signing up volunteer workers. She will be around asking for volunteers on Thursday nights during trap league, but if you would like to contact her to volunteer, e-mail her at dpolzin1@gmail.com or call her at 920-379-6751.

Steve Beres is in charge of this event. If you would like to shoot the event and don't have a squad or you already have a squad, contact Steve at 920-570-0240 or e-mail him at berettaboy@core.com for a time to shoot.

Thursday Night Trap League

It's hard to believe the Summer Trap League is half way over. There are 63 teams this year! Thank you to all of the shooters and sponsors for participating in this league! League Awards/Steak Fry will be held on Friday, August 23rd starting at 5:00 p.m. We will also hold the end-of-league meeting 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 Amy Thoma at 920-229-5288.

Upcoming Shoots

Polish Shoot: Thursday, August 22nd

3-D Archery Shoot: Saturday, August 10th

Sporting Clays #4: Sunday, August 4th

Fall 100 Bird: Sunday, August 18th

Sporting Clays #3: Sunday, July 7th

State Shoot & AIM Shoot

The state shoot will be at the home grounds in Rome WI from July 9-14. The AIM Nationals will be held at the World Shooting and Recreational Complex in Sparta, IL July 26-30.

Friday Cleaning Crew

We are very sorry to say that we have lost a few members of our cleaning crew. They will be sadly missed. We are looking for new people to join us on Friday mornings to help keep our club looking great. Either call Ken Keenlance at 920-361-0330 or Bob Pribnow at 920-290-5035 for more information or just show up by 7:00 AM on a Friday morning.

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. Stop in on Sundays during open shooting from 9-noon to purchase yours.

3-D Archery Shoot

Our first 3D Archery Shoot was held on Saturday, June 22nd at the clubhouse. A second 3D shoot is scheduled for August 10th. Registration starts at 8:00AM and continues until 3 PM. Cost for shooting is \$10.00. Children under 12 are **free**. Shooting will consist of Cadets, Traditional, Hunter, and Trophy. If you have any questions, Contact Rick Reyes at 920-229-5332. Come down to the club for some fun. We haven't held the 3-D shoots for several years. Rick Reyes has volunteered to take it over. Come down and support him.

Sporting Clays

This year there's going to be a bunch of new stuff you've never seen before. We are always looking for help on Saturdays to set up and Sundays to keep score and tear down. Also if anybody has any suggestions please let us know. Contact Joe Gozinski at 920-428-6445 with your suggestions or questions.

Sign-up is from 9 AM to 2 PM. It is open to all shooters. The entry fee for event-#3 is \$25.00. The fee for Event #4 is \$35.00. The fee includes targets & Lewis class. There will be 3 paid Lewis classes, 60/40%, and High Gun. Ties Divide. Event #3 is **Sunday, July 7th**. This is a 50 Bird event. Event #4 is **Sunday, August 4th** and will be 100 Bird Event. It is not required to shoot the 50 Bird events to shoot the 100 bird, however to qualify for the added money, you must shoot 2 of the 3 50 Bird events.

If the event is cancelled, it will be on our answering machine by 8:30 AM. For the 100 bird event, if cancelled, will be held the following Sunday, August 11th.

There will be 12 gauge and sub gauge classes.

The History Fence

Ken Keenlance has been very busy accumulating little known facts about our club. He is having signs made that will be attached to the fence behind the shooting line. There are a couple dates that he needs help with.

1) When the 1st Outdoor archery shoot was held? 2) The 1st year the Polish shoot was held? 3) The year the youth team became the Target Terminators. 4) The 1st year 5 Stand begun? Call Ken if you have the information at 920-361-0300.

Gun Raffle

Congratulations to Dennis Kozlowski for winning the Beretta/Tikka gun that was hanging in the club house. Starting next week we will be starting a new gun raffle. We will be raffling off a Sig Sauer 1911 45 cal semi-automatic hand gun. Tickets are \$10 each with only 300 being sold.

Picnic Tables

I am not sure if anyone noticed, but we have 7 new all aluminum picnic tables. They have been donated by various people and groups. If you happen to see one of them, please thank them for their generous donation. A couple more could be used if anyone would like to make donations toward them. See any board member for information about donating.

Work Cards

Work cards need to be filled out and signed by a board member or committee chair. Be sure to mark whether you want pheasants or shooting cards. If you do not specify, you will be given shooting cards. Please print clearly on card and deposit in work card box which is located on the east wall behind the bar by the sign up desk.

Articles for newsletter

The BCC newsletter comes out bi-monthly. If you have an article or picture you would like published, the information has to be to Donna Polzin by the 18th of the month prior to the publication. Contact her at dpolzin1@gmail.com or call her at 920-379-6751.

Skeet House Repair

The Skeet Houses are in need of repair. The plan is to raise the buildings and set them on 2 courses of cement block and reside. If anyone is interested in submitting a bid or know of someone who would be interested in this project, please contact Steve Beres at 920-570-0240 or Dave Polzin at 920-573-2760 for more information.

Adopt-a-Fish-and-Wildlife-Area Program

A crew from the BCC went out to the White River Wildlife Area to plant fruit trees. Jerry Reetz is the BCC Crew Leader. If you have questions, he can be contacted at 920-361-2845. We want to thank all the volunteers who showed up to help.

Fruit Tree Planting on the White River Marsh



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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