



# BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB

May/June 2022

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## Calendar of Events

May 1<sup>st</sup>: **Sporting Clays #1-50 Bird**; Open Shooting 9-noon; NO Skeet; Ranges Closed  
May 3<sup>rd</sup>: Open shooting, 5-Stand, & Skeet 5:00  
May 7<sup>th</sup>: CWYTL Awards/Fun Day 9-12; Ranges closed 9-12:30  
May 8<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
May 9<sup>th</sup>: **Board of Directors Mtg 6:30PM**; Open Shooting 5-9  
May 10<sup>th</sup>: Open shooting, 5-Stand, & Skeet 5:00; **Ranges Closed All Day**  
May 12<sup>th</sup>: Summer Trap League Sign-up and Practice 5:00; Ranges Close at 4:00 PM  
May 14<sup>th</sup>: **3-D Archery 8:00-3:00**; Ranges Closed  
May 15<sup>th</sup>: Open shooting, 5-Stand, & Skeet 5:00; Open Shooting 9-noon  
May 16<sup>th</sup>: Summer 3-D Archery League Wk #1 5:00; Open shooting 5-9  
May 17<sup>th</sup>: Open shooting, 5-Stand, & Skeet 5:00  
May 18<sup>th</sup>: Summer 3-D Archery League Wk #1 5:00  
May 19<sup>th</sup>: Summer Trap League Sign-up and Practice 5:00; Ranges Close at 4:00 PM  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>: **ATA Marathon Shoot 8-3**; No Open Shooting or Skeet; Ranges Closed  
May 23<sup>rd</sup>: Summer 3-D Archery League Wk #2 5:00; Open Shooting 5-9  
May 24<sup>th</sup>: Open shooting, 5-Stand, & Skeet 5:00  
May 25<sup>th</sup>: Summer 3-D Archery League Wk #2 5:00  
May 26<sup>th</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk #1  
May 29<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
May 30<sup>th</sup>: Summer 3-D Archery League Wk #3 5:00; Open shooting 5-9  
May 31<sup>st</sup>: **Big 50**; Open shooting, 5-Stand, & Skeet 5:00  
June 1<sup>st</sup>: Summer 3-D Archery League Wk #3 5:00; Open Shooting 5-9  
June 2<sup>nd</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk #2; Ranges close at 4  
June 5<sup>th</sup>: : **Sporting Clays #2-50 Bird**; Open Shooting 9-noon; NO Skeet; Ranges Closed  
June 6<sup>th</sup>: Summer 3-D Archery League Wk #4 5:00  
June 7<sup>th</sup>: Open shooting, 5-Stand, & Skeet 5:00; **Ranges Closed All Day**  
June 8<sup>th</sup>: Summer 3-D Archery League Wk #4 5:00; Open Shooting 5-9  
June 9<sup>th</sup>: : Summer Trap League Wk #3 Ranges close at 4  
June 12<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
June 18<sup>th</sup>: **3-D Archery 8:00-3:00**; Ranges Closed  
June 19<sup>th</sup>: **3-D Archery 8:00-3:00**; Ranges Closed; Open Shooting 9-noon  
June 20<sup>th</sup>: Summer 3-D Archery League Wk #5 5:00; Open Shooting 5-9  
June 21<sup>st</sup>: : **Big 50**; Open shooting, 5-Stand, & Skeet 5:00  
June 22<sup>nd</sup>: Summer 3-D Archery League Wk #5 5:00  
June 23<sup>rd</sup>: Summer Trap League Wk #4 Ranges close at 4  
June 26<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
June 27<sup>th</sup>: Summer 3-D Archery League Wk #6 5:00; Open Shooting 5-9  
June 28<sup>th</sup>: : **Big 50**; Open shooting, 5-Stand, & Skeet 5:00  
June 29<sup>th</sup>: Summer 3-D Archery League Wk #5 5:00

## President's Page

First and foremost, I would like to start out by thanking Gary Witzke for all his time spent on our Board of Directors. The past 7 of those years as our club President. The list of projects accomplished with Gary at the helm is very impressive. He has decided to step down in order to pursue other endeavors.

I'd also like to thank Gene Thom for his years of service on the board. Gene has decided to step back from the BCC Board to allow room for some "New Blood" to step in. We are happy to hear that Gene will still be here to help out.

We all knew replacing Gary and Gene wouldn't be easy. However, I'm excited about our newly elected Board members, Les Fritz and Alex Konen. Both have been long time active members here at the BCC. It's my belief that both will bring fresh thoughts and ideas.

Dave Polzin and his crew are also due for a big thank you, Archery and Winter Trap Leagues were a success and ran smoothly once again because of all their hard work Please be sure to thank them for all they do.

In May we are looking forward to our Thursday Summer Trap League. Liza Fritz and Company do an awesome job running this league. Get a team together and come on down. Be sure to watch for our new "Theme Nights!"

Good news to share is we will have shells for league and practice available. Best of all we are able to keep our prices the same as last year!

Some "New for 22" news, beginning May 16th, thanks to Rick Reyes, there will be a 3D Archery League on either Monday or Wednesday evenings. I'm sure it will be a lot of fun so be sure to come check it out.

Even if archery isn't your thing come down as we will have trap and skeet open on Monday evenings starting May 9th.

As you can see, we are creating more and more opportunities for our club members so stop in to enjoy one of the best clubs around!

Personally speaking, the friendships and memories I've made here can never be replaced and will last my lifetime. Stop in and start making your own great memories!

Thank You.

Don Konen - President

## Wood Duck Houses

The Wood ducks are back. The BCC would like to thank Harlan Groskreutz & Larry Belter, who engineered the construction of the Wood duck houses. Together, with several of the Old Farts, constructed 263 Wood Duck houses this spring, of which, the club has sold 234 and only have 29 remaining. It might be a good idea to pick some up now before those are gone and with the potential of an increase in cost this fall. We also thank Dick Boening and Kenny Fink for building the bluebird and wren houses. They were a very popular item at \$8.00 each and were sold out almost as fast as the club would receive them.

## Wildflower Volunteers

Berlin Conservation Club volunteers clean and ready wildflower seeds for planting. The group harvested the flower seeds on local WI Dept of Natural Resources lands these seeds will be planted along with native grass seeds on local wildlife state lands for use by many wildlife species. This volunteer work is done for the state under the "Adopt-a-Wildlife-Area" program. The conservation club adopted the White River wildlife Area. Many different work activities are done such as sign replacement and monitoring, hazardous tree removal from parking areas, litter pick-up, planting apple trees and many other projects.



## 31<sup>st</sup> Annual BCC Banquet

Our 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Banquet was held on March 12, 2022 at the Oshkosh Convention Center. We had over 320 attendees this year. We also gave away almost 60 guns. We would like to thank all those who donated their time to help with the banquet and everyone who attended and also all those individuals and companies that gave generously to help make our banquet a success. The following is a list of those who donated:

**Thank You To Our Donors-We Hope We Did Not Miss Anyone-Thank You In Advance If We Did**  
Vortex, Wisconsin Timber Rattlers, Green Bay Packers, Wisconsin Timber Rattlers, Bergstrom Automotive, The Red Barn Woodcrafts, 4 Imprint, Milwaukee Admirals, Scheels, Gary"JD" Ross, Fortifi Bank, Knuth Brewing Co., Jerry Reetz, Badger State Tire, Red Feather, Eskimo Comfort, Mike's Bike Shop, Frank's Hometown Meats, Pat Inda, Jeff's On The Square, West Side GM, Farmers and Merchants Bank, Critters, Becks Meats, Generac, Cabelas, Berlin Oil Products, Schroeder's Pheasant Farm, Berlin Journal, , Leslie Achterberg, Apparel Art & Embroidery, Izzy's Dockside, Bohn Implement, Tractor Supply, Dave & Donna Polzin, Prairie Marsh Firearms- Todd Gleisner, Ripon Pickle, The Bluff- Steve Sattler, Kurki Funeral Home Fond du Lac, Pete Redlin, Hoffman Htg & Clg New London- Greg Junak, Walmart, Sondalle Ford-Lincoln, A&D Machine-Angie & Don Metzger, Ridgestone Products, Walker's Insurance, Russell Moccasins, Target Terminators, Log Cabin, Jorgies, Country Inn, Walker's Bar, Elissa Ewald, Wisconsin State Fair, Webster's Marketplace, Holiday Florist-Winneconne, Tanners, Ann Wilke, Debbie Norton, Sarah Beres- Twigs & Vine

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## Thank You

The Berlin Conservation Club would like to extend a healthy Thank-You to Gary Witzke and Gene Thom who chose not to run for re-election to the Board of Directors and instead chose to move to retirement from the board. They have dedicated many hours as members of the board of directors and we hope to still see them at the club participating in events and volunteering their hours.

## Introducing our Newest Board Members

Hello, I am **Les Fritz**, I am introducing myself as one of the two new board members. I live in Redgranite with my wife, Liza, and our two sons Andrew, a Senior at NDSU and Peter a senior at Berlin High School. We all became members ten years ago with Andrew's start to trapshooting thru BCC's youth programs, followed by Peter three years later. The involvement in the youth programs led me to helping at shoots and practices and eventually becoming an NRA certified shotgun coach in 2019. I am still active in both CWYTL and the Terminator programs. Becoming a board member is a way for me to become more active in the everyday operations of our club.

Hi I'm **Alex Konen**, I'm a 25 year old electrician who has been a member of the BCC since I was 11 years old. I grew up with a love for hunting, fishing, and trapshooting. The main reason I wanted to join the board of directors was to start learning how the club runs behind the scenes. The group we have now does a great job and I am hoping to learn enough from them to carry that into future years when this group starts to hand it down to the next group.

## NEW FOR SUMMER

There is a 3-D Archery League that will be running this summer. There will be 9 weeks of shooting and will be starting on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Shooting will be from 5:00PM till dark. on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Just show up the first week and get signed up. The range will consist of 15 targets and teams will consist of 2 members. You do not have to shoot with your partner. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Rick Reyes at 920-229-5332.

## Summer Trap League

Sunny skies & 70 degrees are on the way...Thursday Night Summer Trap League is too. Practice/Registration will be on May 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> with the first official week of league on May 26<sup>th</sup>. The league will run 12-weeks and will end on August 11<sup>th</sup> with no make-up week. Shoot offs and Super Annie Oakley will be held on August 18<sup>th</sup>. This year we have added a few "theme nights" to add to the FUN: Week #3 will be Cowboy/Western Night, Week #6 will be Crazy Hat Night & Week #9 will be Hawaiian Night. You **MUST** be a BCC member at the time of registration – this includes any subs you may have on your team. League Fees will be \$300 per 5-person team (\$60 per shooter) plus a \$25 Team Sponsor Fee. Watch the BCC website for the updated registration forms and rules. If you have any questions, please contact our Thursday Night Trap League President, Liza Fritz @ 920-295-7427 or lizaafritz@netscape.net. We look forward to seeing everyone soon!

## Sporting Clays

Sporting Clays will be held this summer the first Sundays of the months of May, June, July, and August; May 1<sup>st</sup>, June 5<sup>th</sup>, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, and August 7<sup>th</sup>. The first 3 are 50 bird shoots and the final one in August is a 100 Bird shoot. Registration starts at 8:30AM and goes till 2:30PM. Come out and join Joe and JD to see what challenging course they have set-up for you.

## 3-D Archery Shoots

The 3-D Archery Shoots are back for another season. The Shoots are held on Saturdays and Sundays in May, June, July, and August; May 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, June 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, July 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, August 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>.

Check the calendar for dates. The course consists of 30 targets. Shooting starts at 8:00AM and continues until 3:00PM. If you have questions, contact Rick Reyes at 920-229-5332.

## Closing of Rifle and Pistol Ranges

The Rifle and Pistol ranges are closed on Sundays of Sporting Clay events until 4:00pm and Saturdays and Sundays of 3-D Archery Shoots until 4:00PM They also close at 4:00PM on nights of Summer Trap League. Watch the calendar for other closings.

## Pheasant Farm

The Chicks have been ordered and will be arriving in June. Right now, there are no work days scheduled, but Blinder Day will still be needed and work will need to be completed on the pens. Plan on helping and earning volunteer hours with which you earn either shooting cards or pheasants.

## Hunter Education

BCC is again planning on hosting In-Person Hunter Education classes. Watch the website and newsletter for updates.

## 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](http://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. Don Konen 920-229-3619

Tres. Dave Polzin 920-573-2760

V.Pres. Ron Moderow 920-748-3862

Sec. Jerry Reetz 920-361-2845

### Directors:

Don Metzger 920-295-9838

Jeff Tischaefter 920-658-3289

Joe Gozinski 920-428-6445

Les Fritz 920-948-1836

Amy Thoma 920-229-5288

Alex Konen 920-229-3670

Bart Schepp 920-597-0225

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

Grounds Keeper: Corey Splittgerber 920-290-3179

Pheasant Farm Caretaker: Brian Krueger 920-229-4323

Hunter Ed. Coordinator: