



BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB

May/June 2019

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Calendar of Events

May 1st: Hunter Education 6:30 PM
May 2nd: Summer Trap League Practice; Rifle and Pistol Ranges Close at 5:00PM
May 4th: CWYTL Wk #8; Ranges closed from 8-noon
May 5th: **Sporting Clays #1** (50 Bird); Rifle & Pistol Ranges and Skeet Closed
May 6th: Pheasant Farm Work Day 6-9PM
May 7th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand. **BIG 50**; Rifle & Pistol ranges closed from noon-9 PM
May 9th: Summer Trap League Wk #1; Ranges close at 5 PM
May 11th: CWYTL Fun Day; Ranges closed until noon; **Club clean-up day Noon-?**
May 12th: Open Shooting 9-noon
May 13th: **Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM**
May 14th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand. **BIG 50**; Rifle & Pistol ranges closed from 8-noon
May 15th: Pheasant Farm Work Day 6-9PM
May 16th: Summer Trap League Wk #2; Ranges close at 5 PM
May 18th: Rifle & Pistol Ranges closed 8-noon
May 19th: ATA Marathon Shoot; Rifle & Pistol Ranges closed.
May 21st: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand. **BIG 50**;
May 23rd: Summer Trap League Wk #3; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 5 PM
May 26th: Open shooting 9-noon
May 28th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand.
May 30th: Summer Trap League Wk #4; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 5 PM
May 31st – June 2nd: **Zone Shoot**; Rifle, Pistol Ranges Closed and No open shooting on Sunday
June 4th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand.; Rifle & Pistol Ranges closed from 8 AM -6 PM
June 5th: Pheasant Farm Work Day 6-9PM
June 6th: Summer Trap League Wk #5; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 5 PM
June 9th: **Sporting Clays #2** (50 Bird); Rifle & Pistol Ranges and Skeet Closed
June 10th: **Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM**
June 11th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand. **BIG 50**;
June 13th: Summer Trap League Wk #6; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 5 PM
June 15th: Shoot'n 4 A Reason; Rifle & Pistol Ranges Closed
June 16th: Open Shooting 9-noon
June 17th: Pheasant Farm Work Day 6-9PM
June 18th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand. **BIG 50**
June 20th: Summer Trap League Wk #7; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 5 PM
June 22nd: **3-D Archery Shoot 8 AM- 3 PM**
June 23rd: Open Shooting 9-noon; Ducks Unlimited Youth Day
June 25th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand
June 27th: Summer Trap League Wk #8; Rifle & Pistol ranges close at 5 PM
June 30th: Open Shooting 9-noon

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Good Day All,

Well we are heading into another season of summer trap, while the winter league wrapped up just want to congratulate all those that came out to brave the elements this year. I hope all that participated enjoyed the season with a special thanks to Dave Polzin, Donna Polzin, Greg and Lee Ann Junak, Les Achtenberg, Gene Thom and Jackson Davey for all your work.

With the start of a new season we also have some changes on the Board of Directors with Ron Moderow coming on board for the vacant spot. I am sure Ron will do a great job guiding your club through the years to come. Along with that I am honored to once again be the president for the board with Don Konen taking over the VP position. Dave Polzin stayed on as treasurer and Jerry Reetz volunteered to take over the secretaries' job. Along with these people and the rest of the board I look forward to progressing the club through its next chapters.

In regards to the Summer trap league once again a big thanks goes out to Amy Thoma and Kevin Rosenau for running a great program. I hope all the participants have a great season, and hopefully Mother Nature will help out.

While we did mention trap the club will once again be open on Tuesdays for open shooting. Gary JD Ross is warming up the 5 stand for another challenging year. Remember JD had a whole cold winter to think up those tricky targets, so get out and have fun! Also Tuesday will have the ATA big 50's coming back starting on 4/23 at 5:00pm. Remember to get those target counts before our zone shoot as well as the State Shoot in Rome.

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will shoot this event but more important is we will need a lot of help these three days.

Target Terminators will be getting ready to see action the first week in May at the Brown County Sportsman's Club. The team will have some new faces and will have about 35 members this coming year. A special thanks to all that help to run this program.

CWYTL is coming to a close and Amy Thoma along with all the coaches have done a great job as usual. If you have not seen this program you owe it to yourself to stop out on a Saturday morning and see kids from the surrounding areas shooting and improving constantly. Remember that these young people are what we are working for to keep our membership up.

In closing I want to thank you all for whatever part you play in the club and encourage you to get involved. This is your club and to go further in excellence will need your help so feel free to pitch in and Thank You.

See you on the line!

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary Witzke President

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Election of New Board Members

At the Bi-Annual Membership meeting in March, Ron Moderow was elected to his first 3 year term. Gary Witzke and Mark Belau were elected to another term. Steve Beres choose not to run for re-election. We want to thank Steve for his many years he has served on the board. Steve will still be around at the club and will still be in charge of the Iron Man Shoot on Labor Day Weekend. Thank You again, Steve, for all the time you have contributed to the Board of Directors.

Introducing Ron Moderow

I am from Ripon, but now live in Green Lake. I have owned my own electrical contracting business in Ripon since 2004.

I have 3 daughters, Shae, Bree and Bryn. Shae graduated from college this past spring and is now an RN. Bree is a sophomore at UW River Falls, studying to be a veterinarian. Bryn is a junior in Ripon High School. All 3 of my daughters shoot trap, and Moderow Electric LLC sponsors a couple trap teams.

I have been shooting trap since I was 12. I started shooting in Ripon, and moved to shooting in Berlin in the 80's. I am a trap coach for the Ripon and Berlin schools. I like to try and spend the majority of my free time in the outdoors, hunting and fishing.

I have been a part of the Berlin Conservation Club for some time now and felt like it was time to expand my involvement and become a part of the board.

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. Now is the time to buy them and get them up.

3-D Archery Shoot

Something **NEW** this year. Our first 3D Archery Shoot will be held on Saturday, June 22nd in the clubhouse. 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. A second 3D shoot is scheduled for August 10th. Put these two dates on your calendar and come down to the club for some indoor fun.

Summer Trap League

Thursday Night Trap League Registration/practice will be on April 25th and May 2nd, with the first official week of league on May 9th. **Please note the Club will be closed on Thursday, July 4th**. The league will run 12 weeks and will end with a make-up night on August 8th. Potential shoot-offs and Super Annie Oakley will be held on August 15th. You **MUST** be a BCC member at the time of registration – this includes any subs you may have on your team. The registration form is available on the BCC website. Also included with the registration form is a short questionnaire which we ask that you complete and turn in at the time of registration. We would appreciate your input as this is your league! Also of note are some changes to the rules that were made at the end-of-the year meeting last year. We ask that everyone review the rules (also available on the website and at registration) and if you believe additional changes should be made, feel free to join us at the end-of-year meeting as these changes are discussed and voted on by all of you. We want to continue to make this league as enjoyable and safe as possible. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact league president, Amy Thoma, at 920-229-5288. We look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Sporting Clays

It's that time a year again sporting clays is going to start. 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 teardown. Also if anybody has any suggestions please let us know. Contact Joe Gozinski at 920-428-6445 with your suggestions or questions.

The 2019 Sporting Clay Shoots have been scheduled. Sign-up is from 9 AM to 2 PM. It is open to all shooters. The entry fee for for events #1-#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 #1 will be held on **Sunday, May 5th**. Event #2 is **Sunday, June 9th**. Event #3 is **Sunday, July 7th**. These first 3 Events are 50 Bird events. Event #4 is **Sunday, August 4th** and will be 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.

There will be 12 gauge and sub gauge classes.

Zone Shoot

The Northeast Zone shoot will be coming to the club on Friday, May 28th through the Sunday, 2nd of June. Hopefully you will shoot this event but more important is we will need a lot of help these three days. We will need trap fillers, scorers, and bar tenders. Think about pitching in for a few hours of your time to earn pheasant hours. Contact Gary Witzke at 920-204-1329 to volunteer or with questions.

Pheasant Farm

The Birds have been ordered. The chicks will be arriving the middle of June. We have a few things to get the farm ready for them to arrive. We need to finish replacing the roofing and side wall netting on the runs. We also need to possibly build a few new gates. Work dates have been set. Our first workday will be **Monday, May 6th** from 6-9 PM. The second date is **Wednesday, May 15th** also from 6-9 PM. We have two dates scheduled in June, **Wednesday, June 5th** and **Monday, June 17th**. The work times will also be from 6-9 PM. Please come out and earn some work hours. Just show up on any or all of these dates at the farm on Dakota Ave. If you have questions, contact Mark Trampf at 608-790-3343 or Dave Polzin at 920-573-2760 or Bob Pribnow at 920-290-5035. If you cannot make any of these dates, contact Mark Trampf to set up other times with him.

Winter Archery and Winter Trap Leagues

Both Winter Trap and Archery leagues have come to a close. Top team for Archery league was Petraszak's. High Scratch shooter was Carter Rhode and high handicap shooter was Ron Moderow. We finished the season with a fun night of shooting.

Winter trap league finished despite the few weeks of snow and cold. We were still open each Thursday night and had some hearty shooters who came out in spite of the weather. Top team this winter was Vic Roeder III and Tyler Hetzel. High gun was a tie between Alex Konen and Mike Sina. High Junior shooter was R.J. Gropp. It concluded with a cold rainy Polish Shoot. Even with the bad weather we had a good turn out for the shoot.

Tuesday Night Shooting

The club is now open on Tuesday evenings from 5-9 PM. There will be 16 yard, handicap, and doubles set up. JD Ross will also be there with the 5 Stand. If you have never shot 5 Stand come down and watch others shoot and then join in. It is good practice for sporting clays.

Club Clean-Up Day

The club will be having a ground cleanup day on Saturday, May 11th starting at Noon. General spring clean up will be done on the exterior of the club, trap houses, and grounds. We need to see as many people as possible. Many hands make light work for all.

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

In the past the volunteers from the club have picked up liter in the parking lots and did a native flower seed collection, plus other activities. This year we will be responsible for planting apple trees and spring clean-up in parking lots. These are both for the Wisconsin DNR on the White River Wildlife Area. Dates are unknown at this time. Keep an eye out for postings of time and places to volunteer your help. Jerry Reetz is the BCC Crew Leader. If you have questions, he can be contacted at 920-361-2845.

Iron-Man Workers

I know that Labor Day weekend is a long way off, but it is time to start thinking about helping out on one or all of the days. Donna Polzin, again, is in charge of signing up workers. She will be around during summer trap league to ask you to sign up. Or you can contact her at dpolzin1@gmail.com or call her at 920-379-6751 to volunteer. We will need help setting up on Thursday, Scorers, Trap Fillers, Bar Tenders, Subs, and runners on Saturday and Sunday and then clean-up on Sunday.

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

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Sec. Jerry Reetz 920-361-2845

Don Metzger 920-295-9838

Ken Basel 920-369-6066

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Ron Moderow 920- 748-3862

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