

# **BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB**

May/June 2023

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**Calendar of Events President's Page** May 1st: Ranges Closed All Day; Open Shooting 5-9pm; Big 50 May 2<sup>nd</sup>:Ranges Closed All Day;; 5-Stand & Open Shooting 5-9pm Hello All, May 4th: Ranges Closed All Day May 6<sup>th</sup>: Ranges Closed 9-12:30; CWYTL Wk#8 With nicer weather starting to move in, things are May 7th: Sporting Clays #1; Open Shooting 9-noon; No open Skeet; Ranges closed all day sure heating up at the BCC. May 8th: Board of Directors Mtg 6:30PM; Open Shooting 5-9pm; May 9th: 5-Stand & Open Shooting 5-9pm We welcomed 4 new BCC Board Members at our May 11<sup>th</sup>: All Ranges closed until 12:30pm Spring Membership Meeting. Todd Gleisner, Larry May 13th: Ranges Closed 9-12:30; CWYTL Awards & Fun Day Newmann, Gary "JD" Ross and Taylor Wallace. May 14th: Open Shooting 9-noon May 15<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 5-9pm May 16th: 5-Stand & Open Shooting 5-9pm Each of these individuals have different interests at May 18th: Ranges Close at 4:00 PM; Summer Trap League Registration the Club! I believe they will all be a huge asset in & Practice keeping BCC heading in a positive direction. May 20th: 3-D Archery #1 8-3 May 21st: 3-D Archery #1 8-3; Open Shooting 9-noon; ATA Marathon Shoot 9-2 I'd like to thank Alex Konen, Amy Thoma, Jeff May 22<sup>nd</sup>: Open Shooting 5-9pm; Big 50; Summer 3-D Archery League Tischaefer and Bart Schepp for their years of service May 23rd: 5-Stand & Open Shooting 5-9pm as Directors for our club. If you see them, please May 24<sup>th</sup>: 3-D Archery League give them a thank you as well! May 25<sup>th</sup>: Ranges Close at 4:00 PM; Summer Trap League Registration & Practice May 28th: Open Shooting 9-noon Our youth shooting teams and Saturday Morning May 29th: Club House Closed Youth Leagues have been underway for quite some May 30th: 5-Stand & Open Shooting 5-9pm time and all are doing great! May 31<sup>st</sup>: 3-D Archery League June 1st: Ranges Close at 4:00 PM; Summer Trap League Wk #1 June 2,3,4: Ranges Closed all Days; ATA Zone Shoot; No open shooting Thank you to all of our coaches and adult volunteers or skeet on June 4th that make these opportunities available to our young June 5th: Open Shooting 5-9; 3-D Archery League shooters as they are the future of our club!! June 6th: 5-Stand & Open Shooting 5-9pm June 7th: 3-D Archery League June 8th: Ranges Close at 4:00 PM; Summer Trap League Wk #2 Monday and Tuesday evenings are open once again June 11th: Sporting Clays #2; Open Shooting 9-noon; No open Skeet; so, come on down and get some practice in as our Ranges closed all day Thursday Night Summer League is going to be upon June 12th: Board of Directors Mtg 6:30PM; Open Shooting 5-9pm us before you know it. June 14th: 3-D Archery League June 15th: Ranges Close at 4:00 PM; Summer Trap League Wk #3 June 18th: Open Shooting 9-noon As you can see, there is something offered to June 19th: Open Shooting 5-9; 3-D Archery League; BIG 50 everyone at the club, no matter what your shooting June 20th: 5-Stand & Open Shooting 5-9pm interest is so come down and enjoy everything our June 21st: 3-D Archery League June 22<sup>nd</sup>: Ranges Close at 4:00 PM; Summer Trap League Wk #4 facility has to offer!! June 24th: 3-D Archery #2 8-3 June 25th: 3-D Archery #2 8-3; Open Shooting 9-noon Respectfully, June 26th: Open Shooting 5-9; 3-D Archery League; BIG 50 June 27th: 5-Stand & Open Shooting 5-9pm June 28th: 3-D Archery League Don Konen President June 29th: Ranges Close at 4:00 PM; Summer Trap League Wk #5

## **New Board Members**



For those of you I have not yet met, my name is **Larry Neumann** and I am a newly elected Director here at Berlin Conservation Club.

While I have only lived full-time in the area for the past three years, my wife and I have been in the area since the late 1970s when we attended Ripon college. During my tenure in Ripon I fell in love with this area and knew that someday this is where we would want to retire. To that end we have owned a small hobby farm in Green Lake County since 1999. Prior to that we spent a great deal of time here visiting with my in-laws, who were fortunate enough to have a home on Green Lake. After graduating from Ripon, I returned to my hometown of Racine, Wisconsin and practiced dentistry for the next 32 years.

I have been an avid, hunter and outdoorsman my entire life! My love of shooting sports and hunting began when I was 10 years old and started hunting and fishing the Mississippi river with my dad. Since then (which was a long time ago) I have done a great deal of upland game bird hunting with my string of GSPs. I also

love shooting, sporting clays, skeet, and now trying to get back to shooting trap.

I am looking forward to meeting those of you I haven't already met and working together to continue growing and improving this great club!

My name is **Todd Gleisner** and have been a member at the BCC for over 6 years. I enjoy shooting sporting clays, 5 stand, skeet, trap, hunting and fishing. I have been an active Ducks Unlimited Volunteer for over 25 years and was chapter Chairman of Big Muskego and Rush Lake.

Over the last few years, I have been helping at BCC to set up the Tuesday night 5 stand and the 4 sporting clays events we have each year at BCC. In August of 2022 I retired from the maintenance department at Mercy Hospital where I was lead carpenter for the last 11 years. Prior to that I was self-employed for 17 years in the Building and Remodeling business. In 2005 my wife Nancy and I purchased a vacation home on Rush Lake, and in 2010 built our new home and moved here from Muskego. Now that I am retired, I wanted to become more involved and help at the club, so when there were openings on the board of Directors, I decided to step up and help wherever I can.



Greetings. My name is **Gary Ross**, but most of you probably know me as J.D. (How do you get J.D. out of Gary Ross? Look me up, I'll tell you the story) Anyway, I am one of the new members of the Berlin Conservation Club Board of Directors. I am a 30-year veteran of the Oshkosh Fire Department. I retired as a Driver Engineer and Paramedic 12 years ago. I have been a member of the BCC for the last 15 years. When I retired 12 years ago, I started coming here for Tuesday Night open shooting. At that time Mark Belau was doing the Tuesday Night Thing. After months of discussion, we started a 5-Stand shooting venue, originally in the skeet area, but eventually moved it up into the woods where it is now. After a couple of years Mark, because of work issues and conflicts, was unable to continue with Tuesday nights and for the last 10 years I have continued the "5-Stand in the Woods" on Tuesday nights. Also, for the last 6 plus years, I have assisted Joe Gozinski with the Summer Sporting Clays program. I aided with the "Ironman" shoot for a number of years. I have assisted with the BCC Banquet for the last 5 plus years. I also show up for Pheasant blinder Day There are numerous other areas and projects I have assisted at the club where and when I have been able to. I am involved in your club and will hopefully continue for years to come.

My name is **Taylor Wallace**, I am 25 years old and was born and raised in Berlin. I currently reside in Green Lake County. I enjoy hunting all species throughout the state. I have had the opportunity to travel and hunt buffalo. My favorite thing to hunt is whitetail deer. Every day is a challenge and that's what makes it interesting. I really enjoy

fishing in all seasons. Whether its sunny and 75 or below 0 and windy, you usually can find me getting a line wet. I look forward to helping out at the conservation club, the youth programs are something I take a lot of interest in as the youth are the future of the conservation club. I look forward to meeting new faces and expanding my ideas with the members of the Berlin Conservation Club. I look forward to the future and what is has to come!

## 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual BCC Banquet

The 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual BCC Banquet is in the books. It was held March 11<sup>th</sup> at the Oshkosh Convention Center. We had a record number of attendees this year. We want to thank all those who volunteered to help organize and run the banquet. We especially want to thank all those who donated either money or product to support the banquet. **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, Bergstrom Automotive, The Red Barn Woodcrafts, Milwaukee Admirals, Gary"JD" Ross, Fortifi Bank, Jerry Reetz, Badger State Tire, Red Feather, Mike's Bike Shop, Frank's Hometown Meats, Pat Inda, Jeff's On The Square, West Side GM, Farmers and Merchants Bank, Vortex, Cave of the Mounds, Les Achterberg, Wingate Barraclough, Ridgestone Products, Patina Vie, Milwaukee Wave, Fond du Lac Dock Spiders, EAA, Greg Junak Hoffman Htg & Clg New London, Dallas Reinert, Kwik Trip, Fox Cities PAC, David J Schultz, Attorney, Todd Gleisner, Steve Beres, Larry Neumann, GB Botanical Gardens, Modern Rentals, Mr & Mrs P's Eatery, Olive Garden, PS Seasonings, Festival Foods, Roxy Supper Club, Milwaukee Brewers, Modern Overhead Doors, Badger Mining Corp, Mills Fleet Farm, Berlin Oil, Berlin Journal, The Pie Shack, Webster's Marketplace, MEC, Walmart-Berlin, Cliff's Tire & Battery, Jeff's on the Square, WG&R, Alliance Laundry Systems, Kitz & Pfeil Berlin, Thrivent Financial, Cathi & Terry Otto, Cabelas, Walker Agency, Inc., Beck's Meats, Alyssa Ewald, Vines & Rushes, Berlin Feed, Donna & Gene Schroeder, Wisconsin Outdoor News, Tractor Supply, Izzy's Dockside/Hoot N Nanny's, Crossroads Market, Blades & Boards, Pete Redlin, Sondalle Ford, Panske Enterprises, Wisconsin Spice, Linda & Stan Redlin, Wisconsin Spice, Christine & Scott Spaulding, Apparel Art & Embroidery, Sarah Beres- Twigs & Vines Floral, Thrivent Financial- Lee Ann Junak, Condon Oil, Dandelion Farm, Jorgies, Country Inn, Walker's, Jasper's, Log Cabin, Tanners, Nancy Gleisner, Lorraine Neumann

## The 2024 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Banquet will be held at the Oshkosh Convention Center on March 23, 2024. Mark your calendars.

Congratulations to Jenny Monroe for winning a ticket to the 2024 banquet for being drawn from the completed surveys at the 2023 banquet. Thanks to everyone who gave their feedback.

## In Need of Buckets

To all you ice cream eaters out there!!!!! We are in need of more ice cream buckets to be used at the banquet raffles. We could also use the larger, tall cottage cheese containers (2# size). Just drop them at the club when we are open. Thank you in advance. We do not need the lids.

## **Pheasant Farm**

The pheasant farm will continue to be under the direction of Brian Krueger, who has been doing a tremendous job for us over the past few years. The chicks have been ordered and will be arriving on June 19<sup>th</sup>. Watch the newsletter and website for possible work days and blinder date at the farm.

## **Thank You**

We want to extend our sincere thanks to the family of Gary McGrath, who passed away in February. The family has made a generous donation to our youth programs. The donation has gone toward the youth archery program and the youth trap shooting program.

## Wood Duck, Wren, and Blue Bird Houses

Get your Wood Duck, Wren, & Blue Bird houses now. Wood Duck houses are selling for \$20 while Wren & Blue Bird houses go for \$10.

## Winter Trap & Archery Leagues

Both the Winter Archery and Trap Leagues have come to a close. We had a record number of shooters for the Archery league on Wednesday evenings. Winter trap seemed to attract bad weather on Thursday evenings, but we muddled through and finished with the Polish Shoot. Remember next winter to think about coming to the club on Wednesday evenings for Archery and Thursday evenings for Winter Trap starting in January 2024.

#### **Memberships**

If you have not renewed your membership for 2023, and you receive the newsletter by mail, this will be the last newsletter you receive until you renew. The e-mail ones will still be sent.

## **Summer Trap League**

Sunny skies & 70 degrees are on the way...Thursday Night Summer Trap League is too. Practice/Registration will be on May 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> with the first official week of league on June 1<sup>st</sup>. The league will run 12-weeks and will end on August 17<sup>th</sup> with <u>no</u> make-up week. Shoot offs and Super Annie Oakley will be held on August 24<sup>th</sup>. This year's "Theme Nights": Week #3 will be "Camo Night", Week #6 will be "Sports Night" & Week #9 will be "Christmas in July". You <u>MUST</u> be a BCC member at the time of registration – this includes any subs you may have on your team. League Fees will be \$375 per 5-person team (\$75 per shooter) plus a \$25 Team Sponsor Fee. Watch the BCC website for the updated registration forms and rules or pick them up at the club. 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!

## **3-D** Archery

The 3-D Archery Shoots have been scheduled for May 20 & 21, June 24 & 25, July 8 & 9, and August 26 & 27. Course opens at 8:00 AM and closes at 3:00 PM. Come and shoot. You will find an improved course and new targets. The 3-D Summer archery league will be on Monday and Wednesday evenings starting on May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 PM. This is an 8 week league.

Contact Rick Reyes at 920-229-5332 for more information on either of these activities. Also, he can use help in setting up the courses. Contact Rick to volunteer your time and earn pheasants or shooting cards.

## **Sporting Clays**

Joe Gozinski will be hosting the annual Sporting Clays Events again this summer. The first event will be held on May 7<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:30 AM. Other events are scheduled for June 11<sup>th</sup>, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, and August 6<sup>th</sup>. The first 3 events are 50 bird shoots and the final one is a 100 bird shoot. Come out and see what course Joe and JD have dreamed up. A donation was received from Larry Neumann to purchase a new sporting clays machine. Thank you, Larry.

#### \*\*\*REMINDER\*\*\*

It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Directors that someone has been misusing the rifle ranges. It was reported on April 20<sup>th</sup> that bullets were skipping out of the range and over the berm toward the city dump due to improper use. Please follow range rules and if you see someone violating, please advise them of the rules. It appeared that the targets being shot at were laying on the range floor.

#### **Target Terminators**

The Target Terminators came barreling out of the gate for the start of their 2023 season with a great showing at their first shoot in Horicon. Conditions were overcast and fairly windy, but the rain held off while the athletes ran the last targets of the day.

Earning honors of note:

Brianna Thompson—First in Ladies Senior/Varsity with a 98 Dominick Glubka—First in Men Senior/Jr. Varsity with a 98 Jacob Lytle—Top 5 in Men Senior/Jr. Varsity

While we did not have quite enough athletes to make full squads, the team is made up of solid players that are ready to attack the game. Coach Beres believes they have what it takes! If any youth shooters are interested in joining the team, or if you just have questions about what the team is all about, please contact Steve at 920-570-0240.

#### **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 particpant's application to participate in the event or events conducted under the auspices of the Berlin Conservation Club, W898 Whiteridge Road, Berlin, Wisconsin, does herby 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.

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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 \$10JUNIOR \$4 (16 & under)
New MemberRenewal
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**

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