



# BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB

November/December 2019

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## Calendar of Events

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
Nov 10<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
Nov 11<sup>th</sup>: **Board of Directors Mtg**  
**6:30PM- Set calendar for 2020**  
Nov 17<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
Nov 24<sup>th</sup>: **Club Closed**  
Dec 1<sup>st</sup>: **Club Closed**  
Dec 8<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
Dec 9<sup>th</sup>: **Board of Directors Mtg**  
**6:30PM- Stuff Envelopes for**  
**Banquet 10 gun tickets**  
Dec 15<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon  
Dec 29<sup>th</sup>: Open Shooting 9-noon

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

## President's Page

Hello all, well the weather is changing, the leaves are falling along with the temperatures, and the trap season has come to a close for now. This does not mean that your club is shut down, with the rifle range getting busy the plan changes to filling the freezers with wild game. Here is hoping you all have a safe and productive hunt. For the rest we still have open shooting from 9-12 on Sunday.

The fall membership meeting was held on October 14<sup>th</sup> and I must say I was somewhat saddened by the attendance. I do realize we all have very busy schedules not to mention the MNF Packer game however this is your club and your input is welcomed and needed. I have heard in the past that the board does what it wants and doesn't listen, to this I feel the board is handed a bad rap. You the membership must be involved and voice your pleasure or displeasure with the club functions. The board has very dedicated people that place their own time on hold to take care of the club's best interest. That being said the spring election will be coming up as I am sure the board will be looking for some new members to step forward to take this club to the next level. Take a moment to decide if you could be that person to continue a great club.

(Cont. below)

The Ironman Annual 25<sup>th</sup> event was a great success thanks to the logistics of the Beres Family, also a big Thank You to Donna Polzin for organizing the work force. A huge thanks to those who helped with this event as it is a huge undertaking. Steve Beres has been requested to continue to carry the torch on this for the 26<sup>th</sup> event as well. This event is a great way to show off our club and the dedication of its members.

October 13<sup>th</sup> was the last registered target event of this year. Mother Nature once again made the event very limited as we only had 19 individuals show to participate. Thanks to those that showed up! We will start running Tuesday Big 50's in late March that is if Mother Nature plays nice. We will have a marathon event run as last year please watch your news letters at the beginning of the New Year for scheduled dates. Just a reminder is that the Wisconsin State Shoot and the Grand will be pushed a week back prospectively. The zone shoots will be the NE zone in Langlade while the SE will be in Beaver Dam once again. Remember you need 300 singles/300 handicap/ 100 doubles to not get penalized for classification for zone.

Coming up for the start of the 2020 season will be the indoor archery league as well as the two-man trapshooting leagues. Make sure to sign up for the fun! Also let's not forget we have a banquet on the horizon and the crew I am sure would appreciate some help and also new ideas to keep the banquet fresh. If interested contact Don Metzger or Dave Polzin.

In closing I would like to thank all for a great 2019 and look forward for an even better 2020. For those of you heading out for your trophy's good luck and be safe!

See You on the line  
Gary Witzke- President  
[gwitzke@outlook.com](mailto:gwitzke@outlook.com)  
920-204-1329

## Renewing ads for Newsletter

It is beginning to be that time of year again. The renewal for ads for the newsletter is approaching after the start of the New Year. The prices will remain the same. If you are not a current advertiser, but would like to place an ad, the price for a business size card is \$75.00 for the year. The newsletter goes out bi-monthly and the ads are on the website and facebook year round. You do not have to be a business to advertise. If you would like to place an ad to support the club, such as the Smith Family supports the BCC, would be welcome.

## The History Fence

Thanks to the hard work of Ken Keenlance, we have a great addition to our club. Take a good look at the fence that separates the club house from the trap houses. The fence has received many positive comments.

## Winter Trap League

Don't put those trap guns away!! I know most of you are looking at this and thinking- WOW!!! It is time to start thinking about setting up your team for the winter league. Winter league teams consist of only 2 shooters. There are 12 weeks of shooting along with a Polish Shoot at the end of league shooting. League will be starting with practice on January 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. League shooting will start on January 16<sup>th</sup>. You will be able to sign up your team starting January 2<sup>nd</sup> until the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of league on January 30<sup>th</sup>. Come out and keep your shooting eye sharp. If you don't have a partner, come on down the first couple weeks and we will pair you up.

## Election of Board of Directors

At the March Bi-Annual Membership meeting we will be having the election of new members to the Board of Directors and also to the BCC Foundation Board. If you are interested in volunteering your time and talents by serving on either board, contact a current board member.

## Donation in the Hexagon Building

Referred to as the "The Gun that Won the West" it has been a part of many movies of this era, one of them entitled "Winchester '73" in which Jimmy Stewart played a lead role. How this particular gun got into Felix's possession is under debate but we do know a gambling debt was involved...

This is a picture of the Makurat Family, grandchildren of the owner Felix Kwidzinski. Felix was a prominent monument maker in Berlin area in the mid-1900's.

Donation was made by Eugene Berlowski.

Left to right in the picture are: Dennis, Phil, Marita and Allan.



## Winter Indoor Archery League

Remember our Winter Indoor Archery League starts in January on Wednesday nights. Teams consist of 3-5 shooters. The top 3 scores count for the team statistics. If you would like to shoot a fun course in the clubhouse, come down and sign up. There will be a week of practice on January 8<sup>th</sup>, with actual league starting the following Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>. If you don't have a whole team, come in on the 8<sup>th</sup>, and we will match you up with a team. What else do you have to do on a cold winter night, and its a good way to stay shooting straight.



## Youth Pheasant Hunt

On Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, the youth that completed the Hunter Education Class that is offered at BCC were awarded with a free pheasant hunt. A Big thanks goes out to Gene Schroeder of Schroeder's Pheasant Farm for donating the use of his club for the hunt. Also thanks to Greg Junak and his dog, Mollie, and Dave Polzin and his dog, Remington, for providing a wonderful hunt for these young hunters. We would also like to thank Mike Thorson, hunter education coordinator, for setting up the hunt and Vern Tolkerson & Jerry Buttker, instructors, for their help.



## 2020 BCC Banquet

The banquet will be held on February 22, 2020 at the City Inn in Berlin. The banquet tickets are \$50.00 per person.

Tickets will be available for purchase at the club during open shooting or during the winter trap or archery leagues. You can also request yours by mail. Send your request along with a check payable to the **Berlin Conservation Club Foundation** or **BCCF** and a **self-addressed stamped #10 envelope** to Dave Polzin at N615 37<sup>th</sup> Ave. Omro WI 54963

By making your checks payable to the BCCF you may qualify for a tax deduction. Contact your tax preparer to see if you qualify. The BCCF is a 501(c)3 organization.

If you have any questions contact Banquet Chairperson, Don Metzger at 920-295-9838 or e-mail him at [don@admachine.biz](mailto:don@admachine.biz)

Or call ticket chairperson, Dave Polzin at 920-573-2760 or e-mail him at [roosterbuster1@gmail.com](mailto:roosterbuster1@gmail.com)

**ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD. GET YOURS EARLY.**

**NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR THE NIGHT OF THE BANQUET.**

**Please support the club by coming to the banquet. This is our biggest fundraiser to keep our club operating.**

### **Banquet Early Bird BCC Bucks**

You can purchase BCC Early Bird Money. For \$100.00, you will receive \$125.00 in BCC money to be used to purchase raffle tickets the night of the banquet. You will pick up your BCC bucks the night of the banquet. BCC Bucks will **NOT** be available to purchase the night of the banquet. **Deadline to purchase is Sunday, February 1, 2020.** This money can be used on most raffles. Exceptions are 50/50, Walk-arounds, & 52 Card Pistol Raffle.

### **Early Bird Raffle**

**When you purchase your banquet ticket before February 1, 2020, you can also purchase for \$10.00 each, Early Bird Raffle Tickets. The prize will be (2)SAR USA B6 9mm Pistols. NO sales for this raffle after Feb 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Also when you purchase your dinner ticket before the Early Bird Deadline date of February 1, 2020, you will be entered into a drawing to win BCC Bucks. There will be 3 prizes, \$150.00, \$100.00, & \$50.00 worth of BCC Bucks.**

## **2020 BANQUET REQUEST FORM FEBRUARY 22, 2020**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$50.00 each

# of Early Bird BCC Bucks Packets \_\_\_\_\_  
\$125.00 worth of raffle money for \$100.00.

# of Early Bird Raffle Tickets @ \$10 Each. \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail check with a self-addressed #10 stamped envelope to:

**Berlin Conservation Club Foundation**

**Attn: Dave Polzin**

**N615 37<sup>th</sup> Ave.**

**Omro WI 54963**

## DONATIONS

We are also looking for banquet donations. These donations could be cash, or any item that could be raffled off at the various raffles, such as silent auction, food pantry, youth raffle, gun raffles, outdoor raffle, ladies raffle, or many others. Be creative.

**2020 Memberships will not be available until after December 15, 2019**

### 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. 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

Ron Moderow 920- 748-3862

V.Pres. Don Konen 920 -229-3619

Sec. Jerry Reetz 920-361-2845

Don Metzger 920-295-9838

Ken Basel 920-369-6066

Steve Klika 920-229-1001

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

Grounds Keeper: Larry Theodozio 920-312-2341

Pheasant Farm Caretaker: Mark Trampf 608-790-3343

Hunter Ed. Coordinator: Mike Thorson 920-229-7080