



BERLIN CONSERVATION CLUB

September/October 2019

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Calendar of Events

- Sept 8th: Open Shooting 9-noon
Sept 9th: **Board of Directors Mtg 6:30 PM**
Sept 10th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand 5:30PM; **Ranges Close at 4:00 PM**
Sept 15th: Open Shooting 9-noon
Sept 17th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand 5:30PM
Sept 22nd: Open Shooting 9-noon
Sept 24th: Open shooting- Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand 5:30PM; **Ranges Close at 4:00 PM**
Sept 29th: Open Shooting 9-noon
Oct 1st: **All Ranges Closed 8 AM-6PM**
Oct 6th: Open Shooting 9-noon
Oct 7th: **Board of Directors Mtg 6:30PM**
Oct 13th: **ATA National Trap Shooting Day 9AM-2:30PM**; No open shooting or skeet; All Ranges Closed
Oct 14^h: **Bi-Annual Membership Meeting**
6:00 PM BCCF
7:00PM BCC
Oct 20th: Open Shooting 9-noon
Oct 27th: Open Shooting 9-noon

**REMEMBER TO
ATTEND THE
BI-ANNUAL
MEMBERSHIP
MEETINGS ON
OCTOBER 14TH**

President's Page

Greetings Members, well another trap season is coming to a close as we prepare for our final event the Iron man. Most if not all will be swapping out those fancy trap guns for your trusty hunting gun and retriever and hitting the fields with hopes of filling the freezer. Some will change to more skilled sporting, as out will come the archery equipment and the seclusion of sitting in a tree during the cool crisp fall weather. Whatever you do have fun and enjoy the Wisconsin weather and wildlife we have.

As for the club, hold on we are not shutting down we will still have open shooting on Tuesdays from 5pm-till 9pm and Sundays from 9am-12pm. Our rifle and pistol range are open daily from 8am till dusk (please check the club calendar for closed dates). We will have one more registered target event on the October 13th National Trapshooting Event details are posted on the ATA website under Berlin Conservation Club, also watch for posters soon throughout the club. For ATA/AIM shooters this will be a great way to get a jump on your targets for 2020 as the new year starts on September 1st. Remember you need to renew your membership for 2020 as well as the WTA membership, we have those at the club along with the stickers which will be on sale the 13th.

While this correspondence is being written prior to the Iron man I hope all have a great time. Special thanks to Steve Beres and the membership for keeping this event going for 25 years! Steve as well as many others spend a ton of volunteer time to make this event flourish.

For those of you that missed or passed on the steak fry, you missed a great time. I would like to take this time to Thank Amy Thoma for all the years of dedicated work in either assisting or running the Thursday Night League. For those not at the event Amy has decided to step down so that she may have more time to enjoy her family. As you may or not know Amy is a strong supporter of the Berlin High School sports as well as Ripon College and doesn't want to miss her nieces and nephews' events. So, you may ask who will take on the leadership role of Thursday Night Trap, Liza Fritz has stepped forward to head this along with Dave Polzin as VP and Jill Beres as secretary. I feel we are in great hands with the continuation for The Thursday Night League, hopefully we will grow some more teams as well!

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The Target Terminators have one more shoot on October 13th the on line AIM zone shoot. This year has been a growing year as we travelled with 29 athletes to Sparta Ill. To participate in the AIM Nationals held in the end of July. The team had many personal bests during the 3 day event with the Jr Gold team posting a 490/500 besting a previous Terminator record. The team of Steven Klika, Blair Tischaefter, Alexander Konen, Josh Rodencal, Reese Jensen have moved the bar up for the upcoming teams. The squad did finish up as runner up in the JR Gold class A division. The Sub Junior team of Robert Gropp, Dawson Niemuth, Peter Fritz, Blane Davey, Bryce Werch finished with a 3rd place class AAA award. Others getting individual awards were, Richard Ole Olson, Joshua Rodencal, Blair Tischaefter, Dylan Gravunder, Maxwell Naparalla, Brady Nyhuis, Tim Roeske, Caprice Juday, Mike Roeske. Hopefully, I did not leave anyone out as it was another great year!

Here is what is on tap for the club. Dave Polzin and Steve Klika assisted with the final phase of our surveillance equipment. The board approved and purchased two new Mech throwers to replace the Super Star traps on the tower back at the 5- stand. Thanks to JD Ross and Joe Gozinski for searching out a great cost savings on two demo machines from Joe's Clays. The Board is focusing in on repairs to the skeet houses as they have been neglected for some time and need some TLC. Our trap house rooftop sealing is complete thanks to Ken Basel for completing this task.

In closing, I would like all members to look in the mirror and ask yourself, can I do more to make Berlin Conservation Club better? We will have some board positions opening up in the spring and will need new ideas to move the club forward in the coming years. As always, we have events that need help and your time is awarded by either shooting cards or pheasants. Remember, we have a jewel in Berlin but need help to keep it shining. Best of luck for the hunting season and be safe. See you all soon.

See you on the line!
Respectfully,
Gary Witzke-President
gwitzke@outlook.com
920-204-1329

Pheasant Pick-up

If you earned pheasants from working at the club during the past year, pick-up for the birds will be October 12th 8- noon. If you have your own crates to haul them in, it would be appreciated. The club has a limited number of crates available. If you cannot pick them up at that time, you must contact either Mark Trampf at 608-790-3343 or Dave Polzin at 920-573-2760 or Bob Pribnow at 920-290-5035 to set up a different time and date. Additional pheasants may be available for purchase, subject to availability. If interested call Dave Polzin or Bob Pribnow.

Work Cards

All work cards **Must** be turned in by Sunday, September 29th. Any work cards turned in after that will result in getting shooting cards only. Please make sure you have specified on your card if you prefer pheasants or shooting cards. Please print your name legibly on card and have it signed by a board of directors member or the organizer of the event that you helped at. Please put all completed work cards in the box by the bar.

Storm Damage

Due to the last storm that came through the area, there was considerable damage to the sporting clay and 3-D archery area. If anyone is interested in pitching in to help clean up and taking the fire wood free of charge, contact Jerry Reetz at 920-361-2845.

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, but individuals have pointed out other information that could have been included. The current information was taken from the BCC archives which apparently are incomplete and did not include some events or honors that could have been posted on the fence. If you are aware of any BCC events, state or nationals honors the BCC or its members received that could have been included, please give a BCC Director or Ken Keenlance, 920-361-0300, the information including the year and a short description of the activity by November 1, 2019. It will be considered for realignment of the signs.

Bi-Annual Membership Meeting

The Bi-Annual Membership Meeting for the Berlin Conservation Club and the Berlin Conservation Club Foundation will be held on Monday, October 14th. The BCCF Meeting starts at 6:00 PM and the BCC Meeting starts at 7:00. All members of the BCC are welcome and encouraged to attend. This meeting gives all our members a chance to voice their opinions and make decisions as to the future of the club.

Winter Trap League

I know most of you are looking at this and thinking- WOW!!! Since Summer League has ended, it is time to start thinking about setting up your team for the winter league. Winter league teams consist of only 2 members. There are 12 weeks of shooting along with a Polish Shoot at the end of league shooting. League will be starting with practice the first Thursday in January. Mark it on your calendar.

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.

New Trap Machines

The Club has purchased 3 portable MEC Clays Machines. Thanks to a generous donation from an anonymous donor, the club only had to fund 2 of the machines.

Thursday Night Trap League

Another season of Summer Trap League has officially come to an end! Thank you to all who participated this year and we look forward to seeing you back next year! A big thank you also to those who make running this league even better – Kevin (the man behind the mic), our bartenders (Caitlyn & Kara) and our trap loaders (Brandon, Kody, and Blair). Congratulations to this year's winners:

Top Gun – Male	Josh Rodencal (Only dropped 2 birds all season!)		
Top Gun – Female	Allison Yonke		
Top Gun – Veteran	Don Makurat		
Top Gun – Junior Male	Jackson Amend		
Top Gun – Junior Female	Claire Trapp		
High Team – Men	Glasstec		
High Team – Female	TLC Ladies		
Class A – First	Sina Construction	Class A – Second	Kiggens Construction
Class B – First	Moderow Electric	Class B – Second	JPMZ
Class C – First	Red's Bar	Class C – Second	Jankowski Construction
Class D – First	Squirt Guns	Class D – Second	Ron's Shamrock
Class E – First	RH Pro	Class E – Second	Matco Tools
Class F – First	Holliday Food & Sport	Class F – Second	Clem's Bar
Class G – First	M3	Class G – Second	Olson's +1
Class H – First	Pigeon Masters	Class H – Second	Country Inn
Class I – First	BS Girls	Class I – Second	Ross Haven

Iron Man-25th Anniversary

First I want to thank the more than 80 people who volunteered their time to make sure the 25th anniversary of the Iron Man competition was a huge success. Under the leadership of the event chairperson, Steve Beres, the BCC hosted the most successful Iron Man Event ever.

Class Winners for High Gun Awards

High Gun (228) Brian Marotz, High Senior (217) Gene Jack, High Lady (189) Sonja Jean Mike, Bernd von Vorshalen High Junior, (212) Josh Nett High Subgauge (194)



Sporting Clays

Sporting Clays has come to an end of this season. We had a record number of shooters this year. Thanks to Joe Gozinski and others for making it a successful year. Hope to see even more next year.

3-D Archery

Thanks to Zac Reyes and Rick Reyes for setting up and running the 3-D archery shoots this summer. Sorry to say the second shoot had to be cancelled due to the storm damage to the course. They are already planning for next years events. Plan on attending as it is a good warm up for archery season.

5 Stand & Other Tuesday Night Shooting

5-Stand will be open on Tuesday nights until the end of September. Gary JD Ross is still dreaming up new ways to set up the course. If you have never shot 5-Stand come down on a Tuesday night for lots of good laughs and fun. Tuesday nights will still be open for Skeet and open shooting until the end of the month.

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

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