



NEWSLETTER

Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:30 p.m.

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The February meeting of the Bloomer Rod & Gun Club will be held on February 14 at 7:30 at the clubhouse. The lunch committee is Bob and Jean Latour. Don't forget guys, this is Valentines Day—get your gal some flowers.

WINTERAMA

The fall/winter banquet was held on January 21 and was a sell out. Unfortunately, there were people looking for tickets during the week before, and there were none. It was not only a sell out, but a great party as well. There were a lot of nice raffle prizes and the meal was terrific (as usual). Thank you very much to all the people that turned out to make this a success. Many, many thanks to all those that helped out to get things set up, taken down, cleaned up, and food prepared—and to all of those that made the event go smoothly. For a blow-by-blow rundown of the event, come on out to the meeting.

At this banquet we presented the persons of the year awards. Woman of the year is Janet Allison. Thank you for many years of work on the newsletter. Man of the year is John Ludwigson, Board member and treasurer for several years. Thank you.

ICE FISHING

The annual Ice Fishing Contest went off as planned on Sat., Jan. 28, at Cedar Bay. It would certainly be nice to know just how long this event has been going on. I know it has been more than 30 years. If anyone has clues, let us know at the Club.

There were 339 drawing prizes give out by 3:30 p.m. At 4:00

p.m. there were drawings for the cash and fish prizes, as well as the oldest participant and the one who came the farthest. The winners will be printed in the Bloomer Advance

DOCK RAFFLE

During the last couple of months there has been a raffle underway to raise funds for the repairs needed on the handicap dock on Lake Como. Fishing equipment, in the amount of \$1000, was donated by Shadick's C-Store, Parkridge Distributing, and the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club. The drawing for these items was held right after the fishing contest. We are off to a good start on the funds for that project which will start this spring. The dock is around 25 years old, and this is the first major tune up that has been needed.

PISTOL

Pistol practice will be every Saturday in February from 10 a.m. to noon. We are always looking for new shooters, so come out and give it a try. League matchers are Feb 9, Rice Lake 7 p.m.; Feb.12, Bloomer at 1 p.m.; Feb. 26, Ladysmith 1 p.m.; Mar.8, Rice Lake 7 p.m.

CONCEALED CARRY

A concealed carry class will be held on March 24. This will be an 8-hour class including hands-on training. By having the 8-hour class, you will be qualified for permits for Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Florida. These states are reciprocal with a lot of other states. The cost for the class will be \$55 for members and \$65 for non members. By passing this class, you will be set to apply for your state permit. The fee for the per-

mit is \$50 for the State of Wisconsin. There is a required, non-refundable \$25-deposit to sign up for the class. Class size will be limited to 35 people. There will be two instructors for the day—Larry Olson 715.642.0737 and Bud Larson 715.828.4829. If the need is there, we will set up another class at a later date. More information will be in the next newsletter. Questions? Call the instructors or Judy Scritsmier 715.568.4000.

ARCHERY

The winter Archery League is moving right along. There are 39 teams competing. The last week of League will be the week of March 12. The shoot-offs and banquet will be the next week. The first 3-D Shoot will be March 3 and 4. Help will be needed for this event.

SPRING FLING

Saturday, April 28 is the date. Mark that date on your calendars and get your tickets early. Jim Miller is the chairperson, so if you can help, give him a call at 715.568.5564.

4-H

The 4-H group will be into archery until mid Feb. Then they will go into the air rifle phase. A past member of the 4-H program is in the news. Tristan Skarvan will represent the USA in the World Indoor Archery Championships. See the article on the bulletin board in the clubhouse.

SB319

This legislation is to correct some things from a previous bill that was not good for conservation. Call your representatives to support this bill.