



# NEWSLETTER

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

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The March meeting of the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at the clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. Lunch committee is: Doug Steinmetz and Shorty Goettl. Don't forget that daylight savings time starts on Sunday, March 11—clocks ahead one hour.

## OOPS!

My apologies, an error in the last newsletter slipped past the proofreader (me). The phone number listed for Judy Scritsmier should have read **715.568.4100**. I'm sorry for any inconvenience to the callers, as well as to the recipient of all the erroneous calls.

## CONCEALED CARRY

The concealed carry class is scheduled for March 24 at the Rod and Gun Clubhouse. The class will run from 8 a.m. to approximately 3 p.m. and will include hands-on shooting to be held outdoors on the outdoor range down the hill from the clubhouse. There will be some guns available to try, so you don't have to go out and buy a gun right away. Class size will be 35 maximum, and a **\$25 deposit is a requirement**. Fees are \$55 for members and \$65 for non members. Deposits can be sent to Judy Scritsmier, 1435 Duncan Road, Bloomer, WI 54724. For more information, call Judy at 715.568.4100.

## SPRING FLING

The spring party is on deck for April 28, 2012. Plans are progressing and tickets are available. The price is \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Get those tickets early. It sure does help the planners to have advance numbers. There will be a need

for helpers Saturday A.M. for setup, during the event, and for cleanup after. If you can help, or if you have questions, call Jim Miller at 715.568.5564.

## KIDS ON TARGET

The annual Kids on Target Archery event was sponsored by the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club, Whitetails Unlimited, and Chippewa Valley 4-H. There were 40 shooters—mostly 4-H members and kids from the area. They all were able to earn certificates and medals for their efforts. THANK YOU to all those that helped make this program happen.

## ARCHERY

The spring 3-D shoot is history, and the regular league matches are winding down. The shoot off should be March 19 and the banquet is on March 23. The fall 3-D Shoot will be held August 18-19. The way time flies, mark your calendars now.

## PISTOL

The Indianhead Pistol will be winding down this month also. The last match for the season will be March 25 at Ladysmith. The handicap match and awards banquet will be shortly after that. The date will be announced later. March 20 is already the first day of spring, so it is time to start thinking about the outdoor steel matches that will be coming up soon. Pistol practices will be **March 10, 17, and 31, from 10 a.m. to noon**.

## DOCK

Some work is under way on the handicap dock project. Thanks to the Rod and Gun raffle and donations from the Lake Association, and Whitetails Unlimited, all the needed funding is

in place. If you can help out on the project, give Ralph Roggenbuck a call at 715.568.1816. I am sure there will be some discussion about work times at this meeting.

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We are in a new batch of newsletters, **and it is time to take a look at the ads**. As usual, the turnover rate is quite small—only three new advertisers this year. All of the advertisers are great supporters of this club and the events that we promote, so be sure to check them out and, by all means, SUPPORT them when you can. Thank you to all of the advertisers. Many have been on the newsletter from the beginning in 1984. The newsletter mailing list has been purged of members that haven't paid their dues. If you hear of anyone complaining that they aren't getting their newsletter, they need to see if their membership is current.

## POLITICS

If you are one who contacts congressional representatives about measures in congress, here are a couple to mention: **HR822** is the National Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2011 (now 2012). It has passed the House by a 272 to 154 vote, and it is now stuck in the Senate. It needs to be passed. The other is **HR3594**. It would block any taxpayer funding to the UN if they take any action to infringe or abridge any rights of US citizens that are constitutionally protected. The State of Arizona tired of the Federal stonewalling in the "Fast and Furious" investigation, has started their own probe to see if any state laws have been broken and can be brought to bear.