



NEWSLETTER

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The September meeting of the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club will be held on September 11, 2012 at the Clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. The September cuisine will be compliments of "Katie and the Noodle Makers".

Yikes! Another summer has gone by the wayside. It always seems that there are a lot of projects for summer that are still undone.

WHAT'S UP?

We are very much in need of someone to take over the Rod and Gun Webpage. Because of work and school scheduling, Mari is unable to continue. I'm sure she will help someone get started at this. There has to be some computer-savvy persons out of 500+ members that could get this taken care of. For details, call Mari Pietz at 715.568.3968 or email at mtpietz@gmail.com

ELECTIONS

Sneaking right up on us is the elections of four new officers for the Club's Board of Directors. There should be a minimum of five people on the slate at the October meeting with the elections at the November meeting. That's less than one out of 100 members. This seems easy enough, no?

WHAT'S HAPPENED?

Rod and Gun has been a busy place this August.

The **fair booth** went off smoothly. There were nice display items. We sold 248 memberships this year—about the same as last year. There are a few door prizes yet to be picked up at the Clubhouse. If anyone knows of a Trevor at 715.456.77__, please let us know. He won a fishing pole, but we haven't been able to determine the last two digits of his phone number. We have tried delivering it, but... Thanks to all who helped out.

The **3-D Archery Shoot** was held on Aug. 18-19, and it went off well. There were 105 shooters in the event. Thank you to all the helpers.

PLEASE! DO NOT USE BROADHEADS ON THE SUMMER TARGETS!!

The Second Annual Ruger Steel Challenge Match was held on Aug. 25 at the range. There were 33 registered shooters this year from *four states!* We had a great day for the event, and it went well. The prizes that Ruger supplied were great. We learned a lot of things from the first time and now have a few more tweaks to do for next year.

On the same day as the steel match there was a trapper's education class in the Clubhouse. I can't tell you a lot about the class,

but there certainly appeared to be a good turnout for this event too.

COMING UP

There will be one more **steel shoot** this year—September 16 from noon to 3 p.m. This is a Club match and all are welcome. If you would like to try it, come on out.

The **Annual 4-H Rendezvous** will be the first weekend of October—Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 6-7. If you want to see what goes on, Saturday is the best day to come.

RIFLE RANGE

The range work is progressing. A lot of work has been done, some more to go. Bunkers still need the finish touches, and they should be done in a couple of weeks. If you can help out, call Mike Gullickson and get on his call list. The 4-H Rendezvous is the last event on the range for the year, so it should be available for target shooting. After that it was decided that starting next year, there will be no October activities planned for the rifle range area that would require the range being closed. **One new thing:** Now is the required sign-in and sign-out sheet located in the shooting house. There is also going to be a video monitor installed in the bench area. This should help to deter vandalism.