

NEWSLETTER

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

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The February meeting of the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club will be held on Tuesday, February 12, at the Clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. Culinary staff for this meeting will be Bob and Jean LaTour.

### TURKEYS

The Rod and Gun Turkey Hunting mentorship Program is progressing. will be limited to 12 hunters and 12 mentors. The class is filling up fairly quickly, so if you would like to participate, contact Bob LaTour at 715.933.0812. Mentor and hunter class is scheduled for March 16 from 12:30 to whatever it takes. The hunt is scheduled for March 23 and 24. Times and meeting places will be determined at the class. If you want to hunt, be a mentor, or offer a place to hunt, call Bob LaTour right away at **715.933.0812** 

### PISTOL

Pistol practice will be every Saturday in February from 10 a.m. until noon. Matches will be February 10 at Bloomer and February 24 at Rice Lake at 1 p.m.

### **4-H**

I haven't heard anything from Steve about 4-H events, but they always have something going on. At this time, all I can say is check the calendar and postings at the Rod and Gun Club bulletin board to keep track of what's happening—or call Steve Siverling at 715.568.3158.

## **COMING UP**

There are a few items that should be brought at this meeting to see if they will be under consideration: 1. Pheasant Program

2. Spring party

3. Turkey Contest

4. Walleye Wagon

Work on the rifle range has been pretty well laid out for spring.

### WINTER PARTY

Another "Winterama" party has slid into the history book. With a "sold out" crown on hand, the hall was pretty well filled up. The meal (as usual) was excellent and the array of raffle prizes was very nice as well. A couple of things of note to me:

1. The lack of smoke. This is a nice change from years back.

2. As I looked around at the crowd, it was noted that there were a lot of people there that I didn't recognize. This is, no doubt, a sign of the times and we look forward to seeing new faces working at various projects around the Club during events and projects. All indicators are that it was a good time for all and a good event for the Club. For a blow-by-blow rundown come to the meeting and find out the particulars of the event. Many thanks go to all those who worked to make the event possible and successful

# **ICE FISHING**

The annual Marshmiller Lake Ice Fishing Contest went off pretty much as usual. It was a cool, but nice, day. There were quite a few fish brought up. A lot of Northern Pike were brought to be weighed

as well as some Bass. Pan fish were a bit skimpy in numbers, but there were The digital scale enough. was a necessity for registering as we were into tenths of an ounce. There were 399 door prizes during the contest. The cash prizes were drawn at 4 p.m. and prizes for the farthest away and oldest person participating were awarded. The drawings were held for the Foundation raffle as well. There were three fishing trips as prizes awarded:

1. Lake Michigan—Dave Huse, Bloomer

2. Lake Superior—Ed Sullivan, Saxton,

3. Flambeau River—Duane Wilke, Bloomer.

A summary of this event should also be available at this meeting. A BIG THANK YOU to all those that made this event happen. You may have noticed I don't list names for these events for two reasons: First of all, the list would be pretty long, and second, I would invariably miss someone. So, once again, THANK YOU to all that helped out in both major events in January.

### NEWSLETTER

We are currently sending out around 675 newsletters every month. There should never be a pinch for finding help for projects. There were no changes in advertisers for the 2013 newsletters. Take a look at the ads. Some of these advertisers have been supporting the newsletter since 1984. Check them out and patronize them whenever possible.

Remember the Turkey Hunting Mentor Program