

NEWSLETTER

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

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The April meeting of the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club will be held on Tuesday, April 19, at the Clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. The kitchen committee is Vern Seibel, Gary Loew, Jim Bohl, and A.J. Mohr.

TURKEY HUNT

Due to the snow conditions, the annual Mentor/Youth Turkey didn't work out too well. On the plus side, the event has been extended through the end of April. The class went well, so everything is set in that respect. Now, the extended season could end up with some conflicts with the regular seasons, so it is important to check with land owners to be sure the places you wish to hunt are not going to be occupied by regular turkey hunters. If you want more info, contact Bob LaTour at 715.933.0812. As I understand, the extension is for any day in April

CONCEALED CARRY

There will be another concealed carry class on April 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Bloomer Rod and Gun Clubhouse. The class size will be limited to 50, and it will be for Wisconsin only. The cost for the class is \$20 per person plus \$20 membership if you are not a current R & G Club member. Memberships will be available at registration. You will need a driver's license for ID. If you want to pre-register, or

if you have questions, contact Travis Hakes at 715.559.1967 or Don Lang at 715.568.1265.

PISTOL

The Pistol League has ended for this season. There will be a handicap match at Bloomer Rod and Gun on April 7 from 1-4 p.m. The awards banquet for the Indianhead Pistol League is tentatively set for May 4 at 5:30 p.m. As before, it will be potluck, so bring a dish to pass. The cash bar will be open, and there will be coffee available.

The schedule for the Steel Challenge meets is being revised. The match that was scheduled for April 14 has been cancelled. The range will not be in ready condition by then from the looks of The rest of the matches—May 18, June 8, and July 13—are going to be on SATUDAYS instead of Sundays. The Ruger Match August 24 will stay the same as it is scheduled—Saturday

ARCHERY

The 3-D Match went pretty well considering the winter weather. There were around 80 shooters registered for the event. Thank you to all those members who worked to make that event happen. There are archer bunkers for sale at \$10 each while they last. See Don Lang or Mark Petska if you want one. As

soon as conditions permit, the outdoor walk around range will be set up. The next 3-D Match is August 17 and 18.

SPRING FLING

There are still some tickets available for the "Spring Fling", April 27. Tickets are \$20 in advance, or \$25 at the door. Tickets are available at Todd's Pro Shop, Bloomer Hardware, or from Board members. By getting your tickets early, it helps the planning committee get things lined for food prep. Tickets include a chicken dinner. refreshments, and a chance to win \$500 in cash. There will be five tables of raffles this year—two gun and hunting tables, one archery table, one spring table (patio table, Keurig coffee pot, and much more), and one table with camping and fishing items. Remember: Proceeds from these events go to fund local events and to make improvements of the Club facilities. If you have anything to donate, or if you are willing to help out, contact Laurie Seidling at 715.568.2626 or seidling@ bloomer.net

"Most game thinks every man is a tall stump, but turkeys think every tall stump is a man." Taken from The Education of a Turkey Hunter by William F. Hanenkrat, 1974