

NEWSLETTER

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

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The August meeting of the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club will be held on August 13 at the Clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. Cooks for the August meeting are Dan Stolt, Dennis Nelson, and John Sykora.

FAIR BOOTH

By the time you get this newsletter, the 2013 fair will be history. Also by this time, prize winners will have been contacted and the door prizes will be available at the Clubhouse for the August 13 meeting. Prizes can be picked up that evening starting around 7 p.m. The drawings will be held at the Rod and Gun Clubhouse after the fair booth is taken down on Sunday evening, August 4.

RIFLE RANGE

The bunkers are now finished on the rifle range and are good to go. I don't know about blood and tears, but I do know that a hellava lot of sweat went into this project. Please keep in mind that the reason for the bunkers is to keep ALL bullets contained inside the bunkers. Just a reminder: use approved paper GLASS-NO targets—NO JUNK-and clean up after yourself when you are done. 50cal. shooters stay within the farthest bunker. The chemical makeup of some of the milsurp stuff is questionable, so it will be a good idea to know what you are turning loose in those projectiles. Remember: this range belongs to the club members. No one should be a non-member guest more than a couple of times. Dues are still only \$20 per family

through high school. We have managed to keep dues this low for a long time, but dues do not cover the cost of keeping the club and range going. For safety on the range, we have a cable across the driveway onto the range area. Please take note: as you drive into the bench area, you can see the cable. If it is down, there may be someone on the range.

Also, if you see cars at the shooting house, DO NOT go out onto the range area until you see if there is anyone shooting from the benches. That seems simple enough, but it has been reported that someone went out into the range area while someone else was shooting from the benches. BE CAREFUL OUT THERE!

EVENTS

Coming up very soon are two major events at Bloomer Rod and Gun. August 17 and 18 will be the second 3-D archery shoot. Being a two-day event, help will be needed Friday afternoon and evening as well as the two days of the event. If you can help with setup on Friday or kitchen help on Saturday and Sunday afternoon, call Mark Petska at 715.568.4633 or Don Lang at 715.404.5627. Next up will be the Ruger Rimfire Challenge on Saturday, August 24, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. This will be done using Ruger rules. Speed will determine the match winner, but all prizes will be awarded by random drawings among the registered shooters. You have to shoot the match to be eligible. So, come on out and give it a try. The entry fee is \$25, and you should have at least 300 rounds of ammo. If you need more info, contact Judy Scritsmier scrits@bloomer.net or Clyde Allison at 715.568.5028. Please be advised that the RIFLE RANGE WILL BE CLOSED FOR BOTH OF THESE EVENTS.

4-H

The 4-H group has been busy with shooting programs this summer. The muzzle loaders went to the national matches and came in 4th in the nation. Nice going gang! Their annual rendezvous will be held on the weekend of September 28 and 29. There will be no further events scheduled on the rifle range for the rest of the year. THE RIFLE RANGE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE RENDEZVOUS.

HISTORY

The newsletter would not be complete without a bit of history. Recently it has been noted that AP, ACLU, and reporters were upset by assaults on their First Amendment rights. "HELLO!" We, the people have been putting up with attacks on the Second Amendment for years. When the Bill of Rights was ratified in 1791, the Second Amendment was the ONLY ONE ratified with the words, "shall not be infringed."

TAKE A KID FISHING THIS SUMMER