



# 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 11, at the Clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. Cooks for this meeting are Shorty Goettl and Doug Steinmetz.

### “DON’T FORGET”

March 9 is the first day of Daylight Savings Time. “Spring ahead” one hour.

### ARCHERY

March 22 and 23 will be the spring 3-D Shooting Match. Help will be needed for setup, registration, and in the kitchen for Saturday and Sunday. Setup and prep will start Thursday. If you can help for some of the time, or if you want more info, contact Don Lang at 715.404.5627 or Mark Petska at 715.568.4633 or 715.933.2167. The first day of spring is March 20. I hope we can tell. Archery League will wind up the last in March. “Shoot offs will be March 24-27, and the banquet will be the 28<sup>th</sup>.

### PISTOL

League shooting will end with the match on March 22 at the Josie Creek Range near Tony. This will be at 1 p.m. The last Bloomer match will be on March 9 at 1 p.m. There will be an awards banquet some time in April. With League shooting ending, we will start laying out dates for steel matches through the summer with the Multi-State Ruger Match in August.

The tentative dates for the steel matches are May 24, June 21, July 19, and the “BIG” one on August 9. There will be more info on these events later. The fellow whose targets we have been using has sold his target company, and he has donated the targets to the Rod & Gun Club. THANK YOU, Tom Drazy!

### TURKEYS

The mentored turkey hunt is coming up soon, so get lined up with Bob LaTour to get into the program. We’ll need hunters, mentors, and land owners. Give Bob a call at 715.933.0812. **The class will be April 5 from 2-6 p.m. THIS IS MANDATORY!!** Because of snow conditions, the hunt will be through the entire season.

### SPRING PARTY

Don’t forget the annual spring party is scheduled for April 26. Set that date aside, and get your tickets early. Tickets will be available at this meeting. There will be only 250 tickets available.

### POLITICS

Politics are always a good source of info to fill up pages in any newsletter. It is painfully clear that unless you subscribe to a shooting magazine or belong to an organization that supports your rights as defined in our Bill of Rights, you don’t know what is going on in the world of Constitutional freedoms.

The shenanigans being promoted in all levels of government are appalling. Colorado has been a good example. They passed a restrictive law on magazine capacity which, as it turned out, got two state senators recalled, and a third was able to resign before being recalled. It got two major manufacturers of shooting accessories to move out of Colorado. Now promoters of these bills have admitted that these bills had to be passed because of “mass shooting crimes, but that the bills will not stop these crimes from happening in the future.” It makes one wonder! Hmm. A lot of events are not brought to light by the news media. You have to dig deeper to get “the rest of the story”. Gun collectors, sportsmen, shooting competitors, and club members deserve a lot of credit for fighting the gun-ban extremists this last year, but the extremists won’t quit. Also, sadly, not every gun owner deserves credit for fighting these high-stakes battles. Have YOU helped?

Well, on the lighter side, let’s look forward to SPRING and turkey season.

*Let’s be safe out there. Happy hunting and fishing—don’t forget to get a new fishing license.*