



NEWSLETTER

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

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The June meeting of the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club will be held on Tuesday, June 10, at the Clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. Lunch providers for the June meeting will be Mike Gullickson, Pat Ruffedt, and Bob and Jean LaTour.

SPRING FLING

A quick rundown on the Spring Fling results—there were 215 tickets sold, the food was great, and I think all who attended had a good time. All this fun and we made some profit besides.

FOUNDATION

There were only two applications for scholarships this year, and they went to Heidi Hilger who will be studying land management, and Louis Sykora who is going on to study resource management. Good luck to the recipients in their studies.

ROAD CLEANUP

Picking up the trash went OK. As usual, more help would have been nice, but we managed to “Gitterdone”. To all those who helped with his project, thank you very much.

PHEASANTS

For those of you who ordered pheasants, they will be at the Rod and Gun Club on **Saturday, July 12, at 8 a.m.** **NOTE:** This is a date change from the date set at the last meeting. Due to some problems with the vendor, the date had to be changed. **July 12 at 8 a.m.** is the new date. Be sure to bring a container in which to carry your birds home.

DEER HUNTING

There are a number of changes this year, and there will be more next year. As it stands now, there are no more “zones”. Each county is a zone onto itself. I don’t suppose rule books are available yet, but you will need to get one before the deer gun or archery season starts. If you do not understand what all is going on in the way of new rules, it’s OK—the people that wrote the rules probably don’t either. One thing is for sure—you don’t want to get “busted” because of some little glitch that you missed in the rules.

FAIR BOOTH

It seems that every year we have to struggle to get help for the fair booth. The operation will be pretty much the same as it has been in years past. We will be needing help from Thursday afternoon through Sunday afternoon. Details for shift hours will be available at this meeting, so plan on signing up for a time slot!

STEEL MATCH

The first “Steel Challenge” was held on Saturday, May 24. There were only nine shooters, but a good time was had by all. Future matches will be held on the following dates...

June 21

July 19

And the **State Ruger Match will be held on August 19.** More details are on the website. **PLEASE NOTE: The rifle range will be closed on these dates.**

ARCHERY

The outdoor archery range is open. I don’t know if there are any wet spots, but if things are like they are around here, bring bug spray and check for ticks! **Once again there will be a summer school archery program. The dates for this program are as follows: June 30 through July 3 and July 7 through July 10. The hours are 8 a.m. until noon Monday through Thursday. **PLEASE NOTE: The rifle range will be closed during these times. NOTE ALSO: The rifle range will be closed August 1 and 2 for the 4-H State Archery Match.**

HISTORY

The end of an era...The Roy Rogers Museum was originally set up in California and then moved to Branson, MO. Roy had told his son that if the museum ever operated at a loss he should close it and sell the contents. The items in the museum were sold at a public auction. Some of the items of note were Roy’s ’64 Pontiac convertible-\$254,400; Nellybelle-\$116,500; Bullet-\$35,000. Then there was Trigger who was bred on a farm co-owned with Bing Crosby. Roy bought him on time payments for \$2500 and they went on to do 188 movies together. Trigger was sold for \$266,500. It’s sad to see this era lost forever, even though Roy’s (as well as Gene Autry’s and many others’) movies are available on videos. Roy, Gene, Hoppy, The Lone Ranger, Tonto, etc. taught us a lot about values, morals, honor, and patriotism as they rode off into the sunset. Thanks guys.