

NEWSLETTER

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

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The September meeting of the Bloomer rod and Gun Club will be held on Tuesday, September 9, at the Clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. Lunch committee for September "Katie and will be Noodlemakers".

NSSF

The "Steel Challenge" for 2014 is in the history book. It was a really nice day, and there were lots of prizes to be drawn for. All who competed got something. Tim Evans of MN won the pistol, Dale Kringle of Rice Lake won the rifle. Match winners were: Open class—Craig Evans from MN. The time over all for the match 73.38 seconds. Ladies' class winner was Maranda Grady from the Madison area. Jr. Class winner was Cassie Beahr from Iowa. Cassie was also the overall champion with a total time of 72.46 seconds. Note that the time split between first and second overall was just .92 seconds. Also of note is that Cassie is 13 years old. This pretty much wraps up the shooting events until pistol practice starts up in December.

4-H

Shooting events for the 4-H groups were: Cadott, shotgun trap including five young ladies; Rice Lake, .22 shoot, 13 shooters; NW Invitational Archers, 35 shooters (about ½ were girls). The annual 4-H Rendezvous will be held on Friday, September 26 starting at noon, Saturday, September 27, and Sunday, September 28. If you want to check out the events going on, Saturday the 27th would be the time to go. There will be black powder shooting,

and tomahawk throws at the encampment set up down in the Rod and Gun rifle range area.

NOTICE!!!

The rifle range will be closed from noon on September 26 through Sunday, September 28. This should be the last range closed event for this fall.

CONTEST

The annual "Buck and Doe" archery contest is now in progress. Jim Bohl is in charge, so if you want to get in on this event, check with him.

MEETINGS

There will be several fish and game meetings regarding our This series of meetings area. are going to influence laws in the future in our areas; so if you don't attend, don't complain about the outcome later. These meetings are on September 23, October 28, and December 16. They are all to be at the Chippewa County Courthouse, Room 103, from 7-9 p.m. If you want to get more information on the agendas, contact Jim Morning at 715.288.6052. For Dunn County meetings, contact Mike Gullickson at 715.556.8896.

INFO

While crooks in general don't have a reputation for being real smart, that isn't necessarily so. A couple of trends that have popped up in magazine articles tell of gun thieves watching places with "no firearms allowed". If someone shows up and shows signs of placing their gun in the trunk of a car or under the seat, thieves will break

into the vehicle and steal the weapon. Another ploy is to watch around sporting goods stores looking for cars with NRA or other organization stickers. Thieves follow them home to find a location that probably has some guns and break in later.

"TROUBLED WATERS"

Are we in trouble on the national level? Yes, very much so. Are we in trouble on the state level? Absolutely. Are we in trouble on the county level? Yes indeed. Do we have trouble locally? Yes, we do. We have just finished with the fair booth after some begging and arm twisting. We just needed to get someone to fill out a term on the Board of Directors. After a long silence, a member agreed to fill out the term. We need to have a person step and chair the winter party—again silence, and most of the work has already been done! Soon it will be time for the fall elections and we will need to have a slate of persons to fill three regular Board positions as well as one on the Foundation Board. Who will step up and take over these jobs? We have a very nice set of facilities here, but we need a few members to step up to the plate and get involved with the organization. When you can't find one person for a job out of 500 members, it does not speak well of the Club. These jobs are not all that hard to do. Let's get with it and "getter dun".

I shall make the electric light so cheap that only the rich will be able to burn candles.

--Thomas Alva Edison