



NEWSLETTER

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

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The February meeting of the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club will be held on February 10 at the Clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. The lunch committee for the February meeting is Wayne Steinmetz and Joe Rubenzer.

OFFICERS

I thought that it may be a good idea to know who the Board members are for 2015. Here they are with their phone numbers in case you want to talk to them:

President:

Jack Christenson 715.827.1277;

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Mike Galetka 715.642.0683

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Chuck Dorch 715.568.3228

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Bob LaTour 715.933.0812

Mark Petksa 715.933.2167

Justin Schwartz 715.933.1743

WINTERAMA

This year's party went off nicely. There was a nice crowd, the food was great (as usual) and there were lots of really nice raffle prizes. It all went off smoothly. If you want the blow-by-blow details, come to this meeting. Even though it looks easy at the party, there is a tremendous amount of work behind the scenes to put the program together. A HUGE THANK YOU goes to all who worked on making this event possible, and also THANK YOU to all those who attended and supported this event.

ARCHERY

Archery League is going along smoothly. There are 33 teams on the roster. The list of events for the wrap up of the Archery League season will be in the next newsletter. Don't forget the first 3-D outdoor match will be March 21 and 22.

PISTOL

Pistol League is going along smoothly. There was a match at Bloomer on February 8 and the next one at Bloomer will be on Sunday, March 8. Matches on February 22 and March 22 will be at Josie Creek (Ladysmith). All matches run from 1-4 p.m. We will be starting to think about the upcoming steel matches for this spring and summer. If you are into those matches, you may want to start looking for some .22 ammo. When spring hits, a lot of people will be looking to shoot outdoors and ammo supplies might dry up again. I have seen some around this winter. Pistol practice sessions are set for all Saturdays in February and March with the exception of Saturday, March 21. Sessions run from 8 to 10 a.m.

4-H

The 4-H programs are going along at a great rate. Currently there are 80 youth participating in the Bloomer Rod and Gun facility and another 40 at Stanley. If you want more information on the 4-H programs, contact Steve Siverling at 715.568.3158.

TURKEYS

Time is running down on the mentored turkey hunting program. If you are interested, be

sure to contact Bob La Tour at 715.933.0812. While we are on the subject of turkeys, the spring seasons are coming up rapidly. Now is a good time to contact land owners if you need a place to hunt. As soon as you have your dates, contact them. I usually mark names and locations on my calendar on a first-come-first-served basis.

PHEASANTS

It is not too early to start thinking about pheasants. If we are going to continue with the pheasant program as we have been, it needs to be brought up at this meeting. You may contact Rich Burrow at 715.568.3096 with ideas or for more information.

CVORA

This year the donations of deer hides netted about \$2000. These funds go for various education programs in the Chippewa Valley area. The contact person for CVORA is Mike Gullickson at 715.556.8896 if you need information on that organization or DNR meetings.

ICE FISHING

The annual Ice Fishing Contest was held on January 24 on Marshmiller Lake. The reports I've heard indicate it was a good turnout with a lot of fish caught. Having been at this event on days that it was raining or on days when it was -20 degrees and windy, it was a nice day to have the contest. There were over 300 door prizes given out as well as the cash prizes. The raffle for the Foundation was successful as well. Information on major prize winners will be available at this meeting.