

NEWSLETTER

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

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The of May meeting Bloomer rod and Gun Club will be held on Tuesday, May 12, at 7:30 p.m., at the Clubhouse. The kitchen crew for this meeting will be Dan Sarauer, Ralph Roggenbuck, Marvin Zwiefelhofer, and Kenny Newton.

SPRING FLING

There you have it—another "main event" has slipped into history. We had a nice crowd for the party, the food was outstanding (as usual), and there was plenty for all. Some of the raffle events were changed this time, and they went off smooth-A BIG "THANK YOU" goes to all of the helpers that worked on the planning, setup, serving, cooking, raffles, and the cleanup for this event. It takes a lot of time and effort to make one of these parties evolve into a fun-filled evening for all to enjoy. So "Thank you" once again for all your work.

ARCHERY

Everything should be relatively quiet for awhile in this department. There were 133 contestants in the recent 3-D archery event. It is time to mark your calendars for the next event which will be held on August 15 and 16. Watch for more info on setup time and the need for helpers. The walk-around range is up and running, so have at it. There will be some times in June and July when the range will be in use by the summer archery program. These times will be June 22 through June 25, and June 29 through July 2. This is Monday through Thurs-

day, 8 a.m. until noon each day. NOTICE—The rifle range will be closed during these times. The indoor bunkers are in the process of being replaced and there are still a few of the old ones available for sale at \$20 each. If you would like to get one, contact Mark Petska at 715.933.2167 or Don Lang at 715.404.5627.

TURKEY HUNT

The mentored turkey hunt is ongoing and there have been some birds harvested. info will be available at the meeting. Or, you may call Bob LaTour at 715.933.0812. Bob has put a lot of time and effort "THANK into this program. YOU, BOB!"

RIFLE RANGE

The plan is to get repairs and remodeling done as equipment, help, and materials become available. It has been decided to try some experimental work on the 100-yard bunker. It will cost quite a bit, but if it works out, it should last for a long time. If it looks like a good setup, the other bunkers will be done later. Keep in mind that this is *your* range. Keep it cleaned up, and get after those not using good sense and safe practices.

Schedule of some shooting events this summer

Apr. 25—9 a.m. Steel @ Colfax May 16—9 a.m. Bowling pin @ Colfax

May 17—1 p.m. Steel @ Bloomer June 14—1 p.m. Steel @ Bloomer

June 20—9 a.m. Steel @ Colfax

July 12—1 p.m. Steel @ Bloomer July 18—9 a.m. Bowling Pin @

Aug. 8—9 a.m. Ruger Steel @

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Aug. 22—9 a.m. Steel @ Colfax

Sept. 19—9 a.m. Bowling Pin @ Colfax

Sept. 26—9 a.m. Steel @ Colfax

Check websites for details.

Be aware that on the dates for Bloomer events, the rifle range will be closed.

NEW STUFF

The Club is open to new ideas for events that may be of interest for members. A couple of ideas came to light at the last meeting:

- 1. Have a Pope and Young certified person here to score racks of antlers or bear skulls.
- 2. Host a competition for "Shed" dogs. This is an event that is relatively new. Dogs are timed for finding several sets of antlers that have been placed in

These things need to be brought up at the meetings and set up by the Board. If you have other ideas, let us know.

Another idea that was brought up by Mike Gullickson would be a round-table meeting with those involved with ammunition reloading. An exchange of ideas, info, results of the process, etc. would be discussed.

TRAP SHOOTING

The Club is sponsoring a trap team again this year. Our team has done quite well the past few seasons. Good luck team! If you want more info, contact Rod Schmidt 715.568.1982.

TAKE A KID HUNTING, FISHING, OR TARGET SHOOTING AND BE SAFE OUT THERE.