

# **NEWSLETTER**

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

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The November meeting of the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club will be held on November 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse. On deck for the lunch committee are Katie and Dave Huse and Mary and Ralph Roggenbuck.

#### **ELECTIONS**

Top of the list for this meeting are the annual elections. We have some people on the slate of officers for both the Club Board of Directors and the Foundation Board of Directors. Nominations from the floor will be accepted up to the time of the elections.

#### MEMBERS AND LEADERS

It seems that organizations all over are facing the same dilemma. That is getting leaders without a lot of arm twisting. In many cases (Rod and Gun Board included) the leadership doesn't require a lot of work. In some cases leaders do a lot of ground work and running around, but the like being involved. If you think that just paying your annual dues is all it takes to keep an organization in working order, perhaps you need to "rethink" your position. On the home front, look at some of the areas that need help. CVORA is one, and the Turkey Mentoring Program is another. There are other areas that need help as well. GET INVOLVED.

# **EARLY BIRD**

Due to some technical difficulty, the early bird drawing for a membership prize had to be postponed until this meeting. The drawing will be held from memberships that were in by the October meeting.

#### **EVENTS**

If you want to get in on the **Buck and Doe Contest**, now is the time. See Jim Bohl to get signed up. The **Shed Dog** group is looking ahead to next summer to get events going on three levels of competition. The **4-H** group will be working on their 2016 calendar.

#### TRAP TEAM

The Rod and Gun Trap Team had a good year. They won first place in their division for the 2015 season. CONGRATU-LATIONS are in order for this group. Rod Schmidt Sr. has been team captain for a lot of years. He has informed me that there are six long-term team members that are looking to retire. Come spring, you might like to sign up for this event.

## **ARCHERY**

It's time to think about getting lined up for Archery League. The main meeting for this year's league teams will be held prior to the regular Club meeting on December 8 at 6:30 p.m. If you want to keep your present slot in the 2016 roster, you must be at this meeting. If you are unable to attend, you need to Don Lang 715.404.5627 or Mark Petska at 715.933.2167. For those of you that like to plan ahead, mark your calendars for the 2016 3-D Shoots. They will be March 19 and 20 and August 13 and 14. New target bunkers are ready to go for the indoor league season.

### **PISTOL**

The 2016 Pistol League is gearing up for another season of indoor .22 rimfire shooting matches. The matches will be with the Rice Lake team starting in January. The Rice Lake

matches will be shot at the new indoor range in Rice Lake. This year there will be two categories of competition. We will have one handed and two handed divisions. Hopefully this will get more new shooters out to try the bullseye shooting events. The Bloomer shooting practice sessions will begin in December. They will be held on all Saturdays in December from 9-11 a.m. at the Rod and Gun Clubhouse range. League shoots will begin in January. If you want to try bullseye shooting, plan to come on out. Shooting the matches is not required. So, you just want to do some .22 shooting, give it a try. The schedule for matches is in the planning stage at this time. Information will be coming soon.

## **NOVEMBER 11**

Wednesday, November 11, is Veterans' day. This day is set aside for special recognition of all the Vets. While every day should be a Veterans' Day, this one is special. Keep in mind that the number of Vets from WWII is dwindling. All Vets need to be recognized for their service regardless of when or where they served. Remember: If you can read this, thank a teacher. If you can read this in English, thank a Vet.

# **POLITICS**

We need to keep track of the political scene. By now it should be clear that the anti-gun group's agenda has nothing to do with safety for you or me. The effort is to destroy the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment with laws that only affect law-abiding citizens. In the words of Sam Elliot, "If you actually think criminals will obey gun-control laws, you are a special kind of stupid."