



NEWSLETTER

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

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The April meeting of the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club will be held on Tuesday, April 12, at the Clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. Cooks for this meeting will be Jim Bohl, AJ Mohr, and Herman Boettcher. Don't forget—this is the annual fish fry meeting. If you can share a few fish for this event, give Jim Bohl a call at 715.568.2970.

ARCHERY

The spring 3-D Shoot went off well with around 130 shooters. This concludes the archery events until August when the fall 3-D Shoot comes up. Those dates are August 13 and 14. The outdoor walk around archery range will be set up as soon as things dry out a bit.

PISTOL

The 2016 league shoots are done with. The Awards Banquet will be held on Saturday, April 30. Coming up will be the Ruger Steel Match to be held on August 5 and 6. More details will be forth coming on that event. There should be a practice match for that event, but details are not in place yet.

SPRING FLING

The annual spring event is coming up very soon—Saturday, April 23. Tickets are \$20 in advance, and \$25 at the door. The tickets include your meal, refreshments, and chances for the cash drawings. The doors open at 6 p.m. with dinner served about 7 p.m. The drawings will be held around 8 p.m. Tickets are limited, so if you need some, be sure to contact Laurie Seidling at 715.933.2626. There will also be many items in the “bucket raffle”, and some other games. See ya there.

TRAP TEAM

It is time to form up the Rod and Gun Trap Shooting Team. The “they are the team to beat” status goes back a lot of years. Due to a number of retiring shooters, the team is in a rebuilding mode. Some new shooters are needed. If you are interested in getting on the team, contact Brian Marek at 715.568.2533. Beginners, this is a good time to get started in this fun sport. THANK YOU to Rod Schmidt, Sr. for your many years of being team captain.

COMING UP

The spring **DNR hearing** is coming up on April 11 at 7 p.m. From what I have seen in the news, the term “Chinese Fire Drill” comes to mind in regard to hunting and fishing licensing. For more information on the meeting, call Jim Morning 715.288.6052.

There will be a **Concealed Carry class** on May 14. Details have been in the Bloomer Advance and in the sporting good department at Shadick's Hardware store.

The Chippewa Rod and Gun Club is working on a fall mentored **pheasant hunt**. They are looking for mentors to help out. For more info, contact the Chippewa Club at <http://www.rodngun.org>

The Colfax Sportsmen's Club is trying some new events at their range. They are setting up a **3-Gun Match on May 14**. This is a trial run and there will be limited shooters. There is a website to check <http://practicore.com/colfax-3-gun-trial-run/register> They sponsor other events also. These events are posted on the Bloomer Rod and Gun bulletin board.

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There are some members that would like to get their newsletter electronically. There have been attempts to do this by putting your email address on your membership application. Delon Lambert takes care of the membership list, and he tells me that many times he cannot read the email address on the membership stub. So, email Delon directly to give him your email address. safety@bloomerrodandgun.org Reducing the cost of the newsletter is appreciated.

POLITICS

Every time an election rolls around, my first thought is, “It can't get any worse than before”. Wrong! If you don't have your head in the sand, or elsewhere, you can see that the USA is in serious trouble. One case in point is the squabble over the appointment of a Supreme Court Justice. The question that is very important is: Is the person qualified to sit on the bench of the Supreme Court and ready to defend our Constitution as it is written—not according to some ideas held by a person or party? The loss of Justice Antonio Scalia is a serious blow to freedom-loving citizens of the US. He was an “originalist”. He did not invent the term, but he spent three decades defending the Constitution. This guiding principle was that the constitution meant what it said. When it said, “The right of the people” it meant all of the American people. Our rights are under attack from the left, the extreme right, and the many people in our government that have been bought by the “Big Money” faction. We desperately need more “Americans” in our government. Get out and vote for sure, but think about what you are voting for.