



NEWSLETTER

Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, **7:00 p.m.**

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The July meeting of the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club will be held on Tuesday, July 11, at the Clubhouse at 7 p.m. Hurray! You will not starve at this meeting. Gene Harnisch stepped up to line up lunch.

COMING UP

Hard to believe, but we are starting down on summer already. The events coming up are kind of bunched up, but you need to mark your calendars if you are interested in any of them. Pheasants? History. Iola Car Show? History. Next up is the last Steel Challenge practice match. This will be Saturday, July 22, starting about 10 a.m. We will start to set up at 9:30. **The BIG match will be on Saturday, August 5.** Startup for the **Steel Challenge** will be at 9 a.m. and the last registration must be made by 3 p.m. All those working on the Steel Match Saturday will shoot ahead on Friday afternoon after the match layouts are set up. Setup starting time will be at 2 p.m. Friday afternoon. Don't forget: if you want to be qualified for the prize drawings, you must shoot the entire match. All prizes will be awarded by random drawings. NSSF and Ruger rules will apply. No concealed weapons on the firing range. There will be food, soda, and water for sale at the match.

3-D ARCHERY MATCH

Right on the heels of the Steel Challenge will be the **summer 3-D Archery Shoot**. This event will be a

two-day event on **August 12 and 13**. This is generally a well-attended event, so help will be needed for setup, takedown, and during the days of the event. There will be time at the August meeting to volunteer to help out on this project.

FAIR BOOTH

We are pretty well setup on the booth schedule. We still need help for Saturday evening, August 5 from 6-9 p.m. There should be two people at the booth, as this is usually a busy time. Jocelyn is going to setup some enlarged photos to display in the booth. So if you have any good photos of Club events, bring them to this meeting.

NOTE

Please note the **rifle range will be closed on July 22, August 4-5, August 12-13 for featured matches.**

MEDIA MYSTERIES

From an article by outdoor writer, David L. Petzal, *Most of what we see from the media about guns is likely biased or factually wrong, or both. Why is that? Here are a few reasons: No accountability. Fifty years ago, if you edited an article, you were responsible for the whole thing...spelling, punctuation, facts—especially facts. You can see that has gone by the wayside, and not only in gun articles. Collective wisdom regarding guns is:*

1. *Guns are evil*
2. *Gun owners are disturbed*

3. *NRA since 1871 has done nothing worthwhile and is just a shill for the gun manufacturers.*

4. *The 2nd Amendment is irrelevant.*

5. *Self-defense is a myth.*

This is good old-fashioned ignorance: 5.56 bullets tumble through the air like little buzz saws, Glock pistols are all plastic and so are not detectable, and there were the cop-killer bullets that just didn't do what the media said they were doing. They were expensive and only sold to law enforcement agencies. This stuff was just printed because some other media printed it. Facts were irrelevant.

Lastly, some journalists are just plain terrified of guns. A person that is terrified of firearms is not going to be impartial about reporting on them.

If you read articles in magazines dedicated to a particular item, be it guns, cars, boats, gear, you are not so apt to run into those mysteries. George Orwell said: "In times of universal deceit, telling the truth is a revolutionary act." Long live the revolution.

Enjoy the rest of summer, have a good time, be careful out there.

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