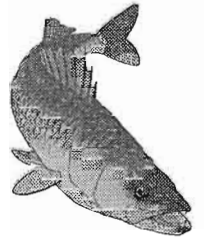




BALDWINSVILLE ROD & GUN CLUB, INC.

Member Onondaga County Federation of Sportmen's Clubs

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2010 SPRING NEWSLETTER

Hello from your new president. I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and is looking forward to spring. We have some important dates coming at us sooner than you might think.

Work Days at the club are Saturday **March 20** and Saturday **April 10** starting at 9:00am. The ranges are closed until the work is done.

There will be a **hunter safety** course at the club Tuesday March 23; Thursday March 25; and Saturday March 27. The ranges will be closed on Saturday March 27, 2010 to accommodate the shooting portion of the course. Contact the Town of Van Buren Parks Dept. to Register.

The Sportsmen's **March on Albany** will be Wednesday April 14, 2010. Contact Ed Pugliese, pka7@aol.com, or 315-263-6699, to reserve a seat on the bus.

The Spring gun show at the Empire Expo Center (State Fair Grounds for us old people) is slated for Saturday April 17 and Sunday April 18, 2010.

The Onondaga County Federation of Sportsman Clubs **Annual banquet** will be held Friday April 16, 2010, according to information given to me.

Women in Nature will be presented on Saturday April 24, 2010 at the Camillus Sportsmen's Club. Participation is free to women 12 years of age and above. Register at womeninnature@aol.com. Volunteers for this event are, also, being recruited. Contact Ed Pugliese to enlist (pka7@aol.com 315-263-6699). Ed will, also, accept donations of cash, merchandise, and wild game meat for this event.

Dave Urban is still waiting to hear a start date for the **Tri-County Trap League**. We think it may start on Wednesday April 7, 2010, but, we have no confirmation on this as of this writing. It is a Wednesday night league made up of six clubs that runs for 18 weeks. Each club hosts the league 3 times. If you are interested in shooting for B'ville please contact Dave at 635-7736 or email him at daveurban@att.net

The 18th annual **Central New York Friends of NRA fund raising banquet** and auction will be on Friday May 7, 2010 at the On Center in downtown Syracuse. Parking will be free again this year. Registration flyers are available at the clubhouse or go to fnrany.org. This is a fun evening of games, raffles, silent and live auctions, and, dinner is pretty good too. The club and its individual members have heavily supported this event in the past and the grant committee has noticed this when funding grant requests. We should keep up the good work. As one of our members recently observed "there's nothing wrong with this club that \$50,000.00 or \$60,000.00 of grant money can't fix". Look at the skeet field and rifle/pistol range to see for your self what grant money and some elbow grease can do for our club. Those projects are a good start.

On Saturday June 12, 2010 we will launch the inaugural Baldwinsville Rod and **Gun Club Shotgun Championship**. This will consist of one round each of trap, skeet and sporting clays. Seventy five shots to determine who is top gun at our club. See Dave Urban or Dave Simmons to throw your hat in the ring.

Monday July 19, 2010 at South Shore will be the date for the OCFSC Delegates Picnic.

Friday July 23, 2010 is the CNY Wildfowlers Pheasant Dinner at the Empire Room, Empire Expo Center.

Sunday August 8, 2010 we will host a fund raising shoot for the Ruffed Grouse Society.

We are, once again, going to raffle a gun to raise funds for the club. This year the prize is a Remington R15 Predator Carbine in .223/5.56mm. Stay tuned for tickets and other info.

Trap and skeet practice are continuing on Saturdays starting at 10:00 AM. For Skeet information contact Ed Froats at 622-2185 or Dave Simmons at 247-5141 or davidrsimmons@msn.com . For trap information contact Earl Crow at 447-1381 or dukeofearl106@verizon.net .

It has come to our attention that some of our members are not following the rules for access to the club. Please keep the gate closed and locked unless the club is open for a public event. This means that EVERYONE needs to close and lock the gate, even if you "are coming right back" you need to lock the gate before you leave the property. Thank you all for cooperation.

While I'm in the thank you mode, I need to say thank you to all of the members who volunteer their time to keep this club as big a success as it is. I'm not even going to try to name names because I will surely omit someone who deserves many, many thanks. Earl Crow and Steve Stasiukonis got their names on the member of the year trophy this year, but, there are a LOT more members who gave LOADS of their free time to make our club worth being a member of. Make sure you thank these people when you come use the club facilities. Better yet, offer to help out while you're here.

Club meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm at the clubhouse on Kingdom Road. Meetings are a good way to meet other club members and become involved in your club.

Dues for 2010 will remain at \$40 per individual and \$45 for a family. If you have not renewed your membership yet you can return the completed card, a 2009 work voucher if you have one, and a check for your dues to our post office address. Memberships are also available at the club, Cooper's Marina (Baldwinsville), Tim's Guns (Elbridge) and Classic Gunstocks (formerly Parker's Pond -Meridian). Note that Cooper's, Tim's Guns, and Classic Gunstocks can't take the \$10 work day vouchers.

Note that we have added the e-mail line on the registration card. Please give us your e-mail address if you have one. Your address will not be shared with anyone.

Thank you all,

Dave Simmons, President www.baldwinsvillerodandgunclub.com