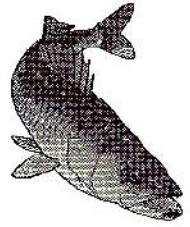




BALDWINSVILLE ROD & GUN CLUB, INC.

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2016 WINTER NEWSLETTER

Officers for 2016

President: Dave Urban; Vice President: John Lavalette; Treasurer: Ron Simmons; Secretary: Jonathan Knickerbocker; Membership Chairman: Gary Russell; Directors: Chris Pollichemi, Tony Vertucci, Jack Harrington, Joe Bill, Ed Froats, and Earl Crow.

Shooting Sports

Weekly **trap practice** will begin Monday April 4th at 5:00 pm weather permitting. Our club will also be participating in the six team Tri-County Trap League on Wednesday nights. The league shooting locations will rotate between the participating clubs. The schedule and rules will be posted on our website soon. The rifle range will be close at 3:00pm on the dates we host the league at B'ville. For more information on trap practice or the trap league contact Dave Urban at 635-7736 or Earl Crow at 447-1381.

Weekly **sporting clays** will begin Thursday April 6th at 4:00 pm weather permitting. For information on sporting clays call Joe Bill at 243-4675.

Skeet and trap shooting will continue on Saturdays starting at 10:00 am. For more information on skeet contact Ed Froats at 622-2185 and for trap contact Dave Urban at 635-7736.

Monthly Meetings and Memberships

Club meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm at the clubhouse on Kingdom Road. Get your dues in now and take advantage of the club facilities all year. Memberships are available at the club at our Thursday meeting or on Saturday mornings from 10:00am to 12:00noon. If you are a current member and wish to renew by mail, please download the application form off the website and be sure to include your vehicle license number. If you have a \$10 work voucher from 2015 be sure to include it along with your check. Memberships remain \$50 for 2016.

Club Work Day

Our Spring work day will be on **April 9th from 9:00am to 4:00pm**. We will be cutting and clearing brush, raking stones off the lawn, working on the shooting ranges, and also cleaning the inside of the club. Our rain date will **Saturday April 23rd if needed**. Project lists will be posted in the club house. Bring chain saws, gloves, brooms, rakes, and shovels. The club will provide coffee, donuts, and lunch. We need your participation at these work days. Don't leave the work for just a few members to do. Those that participate will receive a \$10 voucher redeemable toward your 2017 membership dues. Ranges are closed until the work party is concluded on those dates.

Shotgun Championship

Our annual club shotgun championship is on Saturday, June 11th this year, so please save the date. The winner is the high score total of a round of trap, skeet, and sporting clays. It is more than a competition, but an excellent way to have a lot of fun with other shotgun shooters, so please join us.

Federation Dates:

Sportsman's Awards Banquet will be held on Thursday, April 21st starting at 6:00pm at the Spinning Wheel Restaurant. The price is \$20 per person with advance reservation (\$22 at the door). Contact Tom Merrill at 857-4552 or merrillt88@aol.com (Subject: Awards Banquet) for reservations.

Women in Nature (WIN) event is being held on Saturday April 30th at the Pompey Rod and Gun Club. Volunteers are always welcome. Contact Tom Merrill if interested.

Sportsmen's Day at Carpenter's Brook will be held on September 24th and 25th. Honeywell will again be the major sponsor for the event. B'ville has traditionally provided the shotgun shooting event, so please mark your calendar in September to help out.

NRA Memberships

NRA memberships can now be acquired or renewed through club member Dave Simmons. If you are not a member and want join, or need to renew your membership, give Dave a call at 247-5141 or at davidsimmons@msn.com. Remember the NRA is fighting to preserve your gun ownership rights.

Conservation Camp

The club is looking to sponsor a youth to attend a NYSDEC Conservation Camp. The camp teaches conservation methods and has many outdoor activities. Past participants have really enjoyed the camp. Any member that knows of a youth between the ages of 12 and 17 years old can contact Dave Urban at 635-7736. The youth must be the child or grandchild of a club member.

Website

Check the website (www.bvillerodandgun.com) between newsletters. We are trying to keep it updated and all club events are posted on the Calendar

Syracuse University Forensic Firearms Course – April 10th, 10am to 3pm

We will be hosting the SU course on Sunday, April 10th. The ranges will be **CLOSED** until the class has finished. The ranges will be available for use after 3:00pm that Sunday.

B'ville Gun Club Scholarship

The Club is offering a college scholarship of \$500 to a child or grandchild of a club member who meets the qualifications for the scholarship. All the details can be found on the club's website. Just click on "Scholarship Application" on the home page. The deadline date for application submission is June 15th. Any applicant may also qualify for the OCFSC's scholarship as well.

EPA Lead Shooting Logs

Just a reminder as part of our EPA Lead Management plan, we need to log our shooting activity on the EPA log sheets. For the rifle range the log sheets are hanging in the archery storage shed. We are looking to locate them in the future on the rifle range itself. The shotgun sports log sheets are on the sign-up clipboards in the club.

Shotgun Shooting on Rifle Range

It is permissible to sight in your shotgun on the rifle range with a deer slug, however, shooting bird shot at targets on the orange netting is prohibited. If you need to pattern your shotgun, please use a piece of cardboard with your own support bracket. Bird shot leaves huge holes in the netting. Prop up the cardboard away from the rifle targets. Thank you for your cooperation.

See you at the Club!

Dave Urban, President