

BALDWINSVILLE ROD & GUN CLUB, INC.

Member Onondaga County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs

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2019 FALL NEWSLETTER

Annual Banquet

All members and their families are invited to our annual banquet on Thursday, December 5th, at Pasta's on The Green at Foxfire. Pasta's is in the clubhouse at Foxfire Golf Course in Village Green. The address is 1 Village Blvd., Baldwinsville, NY 13027. Their phone number is 315-638-1362. There will be a social hour with a cash bar and hors d'oeuvres from 5:30 to 6:30 pm with dinner to follow. Ticket prices are \$20.00 each, \$38.00 per couple, and \$14 for children. Call Dave Urban at 635-7736 or email him at daveurban@att.net by Saturday, November 30th for reservations. Our guest speaker will be Mike Putman from the DEC office at Three Rivers. Mike's presentation will be on the "Three Rivers Habitat Management Plan". It should make for a very entertaining evening.

Officers for 2020

The following members have agreed to serve or have accepted their nomination to serve as officers for 2020: President - VACANT; Vice President – Joe Bill; Secretary – Jim Healy; Treasurer - Ron Simmons; Membership Chairman - VACANT. Directors: Ed Froats, Joe Mocyk, and John Kleaka who are starting their second year of their 2-year term. The board of director's nominees for the two-year term are: Roberta Dewan, Dan Spier, and Tony Visciglio Jr. The vote for 2020 officers and directors will take place at the Annual Banquet. Please consider nominating yourself for any of the Vacant offices.

Significant Purchases/Projects in 2019

Looking back, it was a very busy year for the club. In April we were able to obtain some railroad ties which we used to rebuild the 15-yard and 100-yard berms on the rifle range. We hired a company to do extensive clearing in the Sporting Clays area that had become overgrown. The course walkway on the Skeet Field was dug out and replaced with stone and the edges tapered with grass planted. We obtained road millings and spread stone on the bad areas in the parking lot. Electrical power was added to the Sporting Clays barn and the post by the front gate for a security camera. We purchased new archery targets and stands. Repairs were made to the clubhouse roof. We were able to send one youth, Anna Taylor, to a DEC camp. We purchased a Promatic Singles/Doubles Trap machine for Trap House #1. We then sold our old GMV Superstar trap machine. The NRL22 shooting league was started. The metal roof on the rifle and archery ranges were painted. Painting on the outside wood was started. Bare wood on the skeet field and the archery platform were painted. The rest may have to wait until the spring. Several new benches were added to the shotgun shooting areas. The October work party has left the club in good shape for the winter. All our lawn equipment has been winterized and the snow blowers are ready to go.

Conservation Camp

The club was able to sponsor one youth to attend a NYSDEC Conservation Camp. This year we again sent Anna Taylor, daughter of Jesse Taylor, to Camp Pack Forrest in Warrensburg near Lake George. At our October meeting Anna gave a wonderful presentation about her experience at Camp Pack Forrest. We are delighted that Anna would like to again attend a DEC camp in 2020. We would like to sponsor up to 4 youth in 2020. The DEC camps are open to youth between the age of 12 to 17, so give it some thought.

Range Officers

We are seeking new volunteers to serve as Range Officers when you are at the ranges. Please contact Tony Visciglio if you are at 315-278-3121. The main role of a Range Officer is to make sure all shooters are following the posted rules and shooting safely. You are never asked to get into a confrontation with another member. A reminder every member is a range officer. Speak up if you see someone breaking rules or acting in an unsafe manner.

Shooting Sports

The regular Thursday sporting clays season and Monday trap are over until the Spring. Skeet, trap, and 5-stand sporting clays shooting will continue Saturdays starting at 9:30am until around 12:30pm. A group of trap and skeet shooters are shooting at 1:00pm in the afternoon on **Wednesdays**, so if you are free on Wednesday please come out and join them.

2020 Dues

The dues for 2020 will **remain at \$60**. We rely on volunteer help to keep the club in good shape without raising the dues. Renewals and new memberships for 2020 will be available at the Annual Meeting on December 5th and on Saturdays after that. If you are a current member you may renew by mail. Please print out the membership application form on the website and send it to PO Box 232 with your check. We need the form and your vehicle information, so please do not just mail in a check. The Membership Committee is at the club Saturday mornings from 10:00am to 12noon and at the monthly meeting the first Thursday of the month at 7:00pm. A reminder the combination for the gate will be changed January 1st.

VOLUNTEERS

We are always looking for more volunteers to help with Buildings & Grounds, Membership Committee, IT Support, Range Maintenance, Range Safety Officers, Officers/Directors, and helping with the Shotgun Sports. We have a great group of volunteers, but we need a lot more. It is your club, so please consider in helping in some way.

Please remember that the ranges close and ALL shooting is to cease at 15 minutes before sundown!

Don't forget to check out our website for current events and updates between newsletters. The website is: www.bvillerodandgun.com.

Have a safe and successful hunting season. See you December 5th.

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