

The East Berlin Fish and Game Newsletter

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Association Membership

Membership renewals begin October 1 and run through December 19th . All renewals must have a renewal form to accompany the payment. The only exception is Life Members (not Seniors). Renewal fee is 10.00 for senior members and 60.00 for all others. Juniors and military are free.

Any renewals after the cutoff date will require reinstatement and an additional initiation fee of \$20.00. Renewal forms may be found on the website (https://ebfga.org/home/ membership/), Facebook or may be picked up at the club next to the membership box.

If you have any questions regarding your status (senior/non senior) please contact Rich Nocito via email or text. 718-757-5686 roticon@hotmail.com

Elections

Association elections will be held at the October General Membership Meeting. Please plan to attend and cast your vote!

Pond Issues

The pond air compressor was flooded during the last storm, pond water overflowed the pond banks and submerged the compressor. The compressor was replaced and an insurance claim will be filed to cover damage repairs.

The scheduled monthly treatment was applied and oxygen levels are good. The aeration system will be shut down as cold weather approaches, possibly in November.

Association Events

Gun Show - Due to a number of factors beyond the control of the Association, the bi-annual Gun Show will be replaced with an "outdoor show'. The newly planned outdoor show will continue to offer firearms and accessories but will have an expanded focus to include offerings from archery, angling, camping and assorted outdoor activities.

Fall Gun Dinner - As you would expect, the event went off without any issues. With attendance lighter than usual our revenue was down as well. Other local area organizations are also experiencing event attendance issues. Plans for our next gun dinner will be made after the general elections in November.

Block shoot - The first Block Shoot will be October 5 which be a 12ga, shoot. The committee would appreciate more help and a volunteer is need to judge the targets.

3-D Shoot - Bob Weaver would like to start preparing the 3-D course for spring shoots in March 2025, weather permitting. The last shoot in August hosted 25 adult shooters.

Chicken Dinners - 22 members assisted with the chicken dinner. The majority of the dinners were were purchased by the members working the event with the remaining dinners being sold in front of Cashman's Hardware. Overall turnout was very disappointing with the result being a recommendation to form a committee to plan future fund raising events.

Law Enforcement

At our September General Membership meeting, Game Warden Group Supervisor Sergeant Darren David introduced Officer Brooke Hargenrader.

Officer Brooke Hargenrader is the new State Game Warden for the Northern Adams County District.

Around The Association

Mowing is done only as needed due too dry conditions.

Income Taxes have been completed and filed for fiscal 2023.

Association Rental deposit is now \$200.

Several lights in the Archery Building were replaced using lights that were removed from the main building lighting project. New workshop lights will be installed over the target areas to make targets more visible.

The physical calendar in the clubhouse was removed and reservation dates are up to date on the website.

There is an ongoing effort to trap and remove some turtles from our pond. To date there has been little success finding a trapper the effort.

Due to the low attendance at events and income not as good as expected, we need to be cautious about discretionary spending. A general budget will be put in place for fiscal 2025.

A new office door was installed in the main building.

If you would like to help out around the club but are not sure how to help with maintenance issues see Josh Miller for proper procedures.

Noteworthy Items

Trap Range - Contact Jason Anthony if you are interested in trap shooting on a regular basis. These will not be competitive/league type events.

ebfga.org - Our website is current with all news, events, rentals and general Association information. (Board Members, Contact Information, Committee Information, etc.). Consider the website an information resource. All membership forms are available on the website!

Volunteer Opportunities - Currently the Association needs individuals to conduct new member orientation. The newsletter is looking for a new publisher. 3-D shoot events require a large amount of event set up, tear down and range maintenance. Gun dinners require setup and cleanup efforts. The Outdoor Show will require setup, tear down and vendor load in/out assistance. Running an Association with these facilities and events has a heavy demand on resources. This is your Association, please consider donating some time to help keep this organization viable. Contact Jason Trimmer or any Board member if you can assist in any way with any of these efforts. There is a job for everyone who wants to help.

Membership - current data was not available at Newsletter print time.

Our newsletter is a quarterly publication for our Association members. Up to date information about the Association is available on our website (https://ebfga.org) and/or Facebook.