

DNR UPDATE

From Brandon Smith, Wisconsin Conservation Warden
To report violations or ask questions, call me at 262-224-3972.

Hello Club Members,

Gun Deer Season Report

Statewide, about 160,769 deer were harvested during the 9-day gun deer season, about 53,000 less than 2018. Compared to 2018, there was a 28.6% decrease in buck harvest and a 21.3% decrease in antlerless harvest. The Southern Farmland Zone saw a 23.9% decrease in total harvest. Walworth County saw an 10.9% decrease in harvest, Racine County was down 14.4%, and Kenosha County was down 25.8% when compared to 2018. The 2019 gun season opened on the latest possible date compared to 2018, which opened on the earliest possible date. This occurred previously in the 2007-2008 (-20.9%) and 2012-2013 (-14.6%) seasons, which also saw significant decreases in harvest from one year to the next. About 564,664 deer hunting licenses were sold through the end of the gun deer season, a 2% drop from 2018.

The 2019 gun deer season resulted in 4 non-fatal hunting accidents and no fatalities, which tied 2014 and 2018 for the safest gun deer season. Of the four incidents, two were self-inflicted, one involved members of the same hunting party, and one involved different hunting parties. There have been no fatalities in 8 of the last 11 deer seasons.

Season Reminders

- There will again be an extra holiday stocking of pheasants on eight southern WI properties, including Vernon Marsh and Bong Rec. Area. About 2000 pheasants will be released the week prior to the holiday week.
- Holiday gun deer hunt, Dec. 24th - Jan. 1st, in Walworth County and some other SE WI counties - blaze orange required, antlerless only for all weapons.
- No holiday deer hunt in Racine or Kenosha Counties,
- Archery deer season runs through January 6th (through January 31st in metro sub-units and some farmland zone counties).

Take care, Brandon Smith, Conservation Warden,
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CALENDAR

- Jan. 1 2020 Club Memberships are due
Jan. 8 - March 25 Iron Man League
 Jan. 14 Club Meeting at 7pm
Feb. 10 Prepay & Preregistration for Coyote/Rabbit Hunt
 Feb. 11 Club Meeting at 7pm
Feb. 12 -15 Coyote Hunt
Feb. 15 Rabbit Hunt 7:00 am - 3:00 pm
Feb. 15 All coyotes and rabbits must be register and measured at the club by 3:00 pm.

For more information, schedules, results and event photos check out our web site: www.burlingtonconservationclub.com

CLUB NEWS

Trap Report

There will be a \$1 increase on all target rounds effective Jan.1, 2020. All punch cards and banquet sponsor coupons will be honored.

Raffles

Jack Coshun was the winner of the DeWalt / Ice auger raffle. Steve will be selecting a new item soon.

Pheasants

Still hunting birds until the end of the first week of January.

Chili Cook Off - the winner was Josh Nabor

Meat Shoot - We had 30 Shooters. The winner of Class A was Jim Heck (43); Class B was Dan D (37), Class C was Gordon (34) & Class D was Randy T (28).

Grounds

The Wi-Fi is running with no issues reported. LED lighting are installed and working.

Annual 2020 BCC Board

Board members elected to a three term:

Ron Ulrich, Brian Albrecht, Zach Nabor

Alternates for one year term: Jeff Werth, Chris Bernau

Meeting Cook - Jim Herda will cook at the January meeting.

Please Note: Add newsletter@burlingtonconservationclub.com to your contacts to ensure you receive the newsletter each month.

2020 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Reminder that club dues must be paid in January to avoid a late fee. Membership cost is only \$50 per year. Yearly membership cards will be issued.

IRON MAN

Prove Your Toughness in Our Winter Iron Man League!!!

Combination of Trap, Skeet, Doubles, Wobble Trap & 5-Stand

January 8 to March 25, 2020

12 Weeks of Fun - 700 Targets:

Wednesday's from 5pm to 10pm

\$190 Per Person or \$175 for Club Members

Individual sign up - Teams will be drawn based on number of shooters

Food will be Available:

League Shooters take turns cooking each night

10TH ANNUAL COYOTE AND RABBIT HUNT

COYOTE HUNT: 2/12/20 - 2/15/20 (Check-in 3:00pm)
 RABBIT HUNT: 2/15/20 (7:00am -3:00pm)

1st place \$200.00* • 2nd place \$120.00* • 3rd place 80.00*
 Team Payout for Total Number of RABBIT and COYOTE

4-MAN TEAMS

COST: COYOTE HUNT \$60/team; RABBIT HUNT \$40/team
 (includes payout for longest and shortest coyote)
 SAME TEAM both HUNTS \$80

Individual Payout for LONGEST & SHORTEST COYOTES
 LONGEST COYOTE \$160.00* SHORTEST COYOTE \$60.00*

YOU MUST PRE-PAY and PRE-REGISTER TEAMS!
FINAL SIGN UP is Sunday 2/9/2020, from 10am-4pm

* Payouts are based on 20 teams in each category

Let's Put Some Hurt on Some Coyotes!



\$2.00 Beer All Day/Night, Door Prizes, Card and Dice Games Until Closing!

For More Information or to Register Your Team:
 Steve Licht 262-210-4984 or Jared Dexter 262-492-0435

OPEN YEAR ROUND • Winter Trap, Skeet & 5-Stand Wednesdays 5:00 to 10:00pm, Sundays 10:00am to 4:00pm

For More Information on Leagues or Shoots, Please Contact Steve Licht 262-210-4984

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