



# *Prairie Rod & Gun Club*

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

April 25, 2016

Meeting announcement: 7:00 PM, Tuesday, May 3 at the La Riviere Park barn, Vineyard Coulee Rd, Prairie du Chien.

April meeting was very productive. A motion was passed to buy some brackets for European mounts to be used at the Deer Show. Another motion passed to allow \$100 to cover costs for building bat houses at La Riviere Park. A tree at the park will be harvested and the wood will be processed for use in building the bat house. A motion to donate \$100 to the effort to provide a K9 for the Prairie du Chien Police Dept also passed.

**High School Trap shooting continues.** Jess Hollenbeck, one of the managers of the trapping shooting activity continues recovering from his early February stroke. We can still use some help with the two nights of trap shooting each week during May. After May we will be operating one night per week. Help will be needed in keeping track of scores, helping fill the clay thrower, collecting fees, etc. Please contact Rich Noel at 326-4196 if you can help out. Jess is on site for the shoots but some help would be appreciated.

Bill Howe and Dennis Kirschbaum attended the public input session on railroad concerns at Desoto April 21. In general the meeting was good with many very good comments about Bakken Oil trains but mostly about access across the railroad tracks. Basically the comments urged common sense in allowing crossing of the tracks. All in attendance agreed the law in place now takes away our rights to use public land. The proposed crossings will do little to solve the access problems. Most attendees looked at the proposed crossings as a waste of our money as BNSF is looking for govt money to do the crossings. In other words, if it isn't broke, don't fix it. Many comments were made that no one can remember when a hunter or fisher was hit by a train. Hopefully something good will come out of these meetings and legislative efforts to change the law so that we can once again have access.

## **Range schedule**

May and June 6, Mondays from 3 p.m. to dark, Prairie du Chien High School Trap League

May to October, Wednesday, 3 p.m. to dark, trap shooting, members and non-members

May 5, June 15, 11-3 pm, May 26, noon - 2, June 9, 9-5, Sept 15, 11-3 pm, Crawford Co. SO

Mondays in May, except Memorial Day, 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dept of Corrections, possible additional Mondays in June

June 8, 10-2, July 6, 10-2, August 10, 10-2, Sept 7, 10-2, Oct 12, 10-2

Nov 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, Noon - 4 pm, Pre-deer Season sight-in

Nov 19, 20, Range Closed