



Prairie Rod & Gun Club

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

May 25, 2016

Meeting announcement: 7:00 PM, Tuesday, June 7 at the La Riviere Park barn.

On the same night as our monthly meeting the Prairie du Chien City Council will conduct a public hearing on a determination of **no public need and the possible sale of the Cedar Street Boat Landing**. Please contact your city council member with your comments regarding the removal of this public access to public waters. Once this property is in private hands it will no longer provide public access to the river at this location. The continued removal of public property access along our waterways has been a problem throughout the state.

The new brackets for **European mounts** for use at the Deer Show arrived and will be demonstrated at this meeting. A financial report was presented by email from Mark Forsythe. It shows the club in good financial health and that **we made \$1800** at the Deer Show. Attendance was only 226 but we made money on the pre-event raffle. Costs for armory rental and advertisement have gone up.

The **bat house project** continues with a Black Locust tree from La Riviere Park being downed and cut into logs by Kirschbaum. Mike Cross and Denny winched the logs to the road edge where they were picked up by Mick Rooney who milled the logs into 36 boards. The wood will dry in the La Riviere Park barn. After the wood is dry it will be used for bat houses at the park and possibly other places.

High School Trap shooting continues. Rich Noel, Dennis Kirschbaum, and Jess Hollenbeck have been handling the clubs effort with this activity. The high school league shooting will be completed by early June.

The Family Resource Center will be contacted about a possible news release on the **PFD Lender Program** that the club initiated years ago. The child size PFD's are still available for use by checking out the jackets for the boating season and then returning same after the season. No one has seen a news release on this project lately.

Mowing at the range has brought forth a challenge for the mower. He tried to mow a couple of weeks ago but there were shooters on the range each time he drove to the range. At the May meeting a motion was passed that will **give the mower the right-of-way**. However the mower will need to post a sign, at least one day prior to mowing, giving the time he will be at the range to mow. So if you intend to shoot, watch for the signs that the mower will post to let you know when he will be mowing. With trap shooting, law enforcement shoots, and club members shooting the range has had a busy spring and is hard for the mower to get his job done. He will attempt to pick times when shooting conflicts will be at there least.

Range schedule

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

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

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

June 20, PDCI ERU 2-10 p.m.

June 8, 10-2, July 6, 10-2, August 10, 10-2, Sept 7, 10-2, Oct 12, 10-2, Prairie du Chien Police Dept

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