



OUTDOORS FOREVER

Conservation Club

A 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization

Newsletter



Outdoors Forever Club

P.O. Box 361 • Mauston, WI 53948

www.OutdoorsForeverClub.com

2024 Winter

Membership Registration 2025

Due by January 1, 2025 (Nonrefundable or transferable based on calendar year)

These forms available on www.outdoorsforeverclub.com & on our online store

Individual @ \$25.00 x _____ \$ _____

Husband & Wife @ \$40.00 x _____ \$ _____

Youth (Under18) @ FREE _____

Name(s) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Newsletter email address: _____

Optional: If you would like to donate* to the following programs...

Trout Rearing Project \$ _____

Land Acquisition \$ _____

Upland Bird Rearing Project \$ _____

Kid's Day \$ _____

Learning Center Building

Total Membership and Donation \$ _____

Banquet Registration on Reverse. Please fill out and return to: Outdoors Forever, PO Box361, Mauston, WI 53948-0361 and enclosed a self-addressed stamped envelope. Membership is required to attend the Banquet

*Your donations are tax deductible as ODF is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization

2025 Banquet Registration

Banquet Date: March 1, 2025

General Information:

The banquet will be at the New Lisbon Community Center. You must be a member to attend. Minors under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. If your child does not want the youth meal, or they are 15 years old or more, they must register as an adult and pay the adult price Please indicate meal choice by using a number.

Social Hour begins at 5:30 PM and Dinner will be served starting at 6:30 PM.

Costs:

Adults (15 +) _____ @ \$50.00 each \$ _____

Prime Rib: _____

Grilled Half Chicken: _____

Youth (U15) _____ @ \$25.00 each \$ _____

Optional:

Table Reservation for 8-10: _____ @ \$25.00 \$ _____

Name: _____

\$100 Envelope x _____ \$ _____

\$200 Envelope x _____ \$ _____

Banquet Total \$ _____

Membership Total (from reverse) \$ _____

Grand Total \$ _____

Any questions about Membership, banquet, donations or helping, please call John Soderholm at 608-807-6115.

Please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment to:

Outdoors Forever, PO Box 361, Mauston, WI 53948

REGISTRATION DUE BY FEBRUARY 15, 2025 – NO EXCEPTIONS.

Banquet News

The Banquet will be held on March 1, 2025, at the New Lisbon Community Center. We will have a couple of NEW Raffles, watch for information on this on the Website under the Banquet/Raffle page.

Only one change: The \$100 and \$200 Envelopes can only be purchased by Check or Cash, this is accordance with Wisconsin law. You may purchase if you are filling out the fillable forms on the website or in this newsletter. If you plan on purchasing your ticket(s) on line, you will be able to reserve your envelopes and pay for them by check or cash at the banquet. All envelopes will be distributed at the banquet.

We accept donation for the banquet such as gift certificate, prints and guns (must be new in the box w/manual and accessories). Please contact Jenn Rittenhouse at odfbanquet@gmail.com or John Soderholm at outdoorsforeverclub@gmail.com.

Juneau County Men's Shed

2024 was a very exciting year for the Juneau County Men's Shed. Attendance continued to grow with an average of 65 attendees each month, the speakers have provided an incredible amount of education on various topics and social connections and engagement are proven to be made amongst attendees. As the Juneau County Men's Shed has gained recognition over the last couple of years, 2024 was proven to be a significant year as many state agencies attended Shed events, but also have began to develop ways to capture the necessary data to support why the Shed Movement is beneficial, how others can replicate the Juneau County Men's Shed and potentially utilize the data to help assist in future financial support. The Aging and Disability Resource Center has great appreciation for the ongoing and growing partnership with Outdoors Forever and Juneau County Land and Water. For questions regarding The Shed, contact Abby at the ADRC at 608-847-9371.

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Pheasant Pens

As the year draws to a close I'd like to reflect on the great year we have had at the pheasant pens. This year we had an amazing crew of volunteers who showed up to help consistently. With driven helpers we accomplished a couple major upgrades at the pens by putting up new flight netting on 2 of the 4 pens. Many new supports were put in to replace old and broken ones helping create a much better foundation for the birds. These tasks were accomplished on top of the routine maintenance that still occurred. The effort put in paid off as we successfully raised a healthy flock of pheasants. We lost some birds to predation, but overall had a pretty good year. The birds faired well considering the poor weather we had while they were young. This fall we accomplished 4 releases which maintained birds on the landscape throughout the fall. I would like to thank the club and all members for the continued support in this great program. I thoroughly enjoy meeting new hunters out chasing the birds and seeing the opportunity this group provides to the community. Happy holidays!

Pheasant Release Pictures

Pictures pertaining to the last pheasant release.

The 2nd picture is of the crew that worked almost every Wednesday from April until December.

Jim Vasquez, Jeff Scully, Dave Pharo , Derek Brown and his boys, Paul Brown , Dave Laridaen, Corbin Czynscon and Keith Simes. Absent from the picture: Bill Duckwitz and Tom Heindel.

If you see any of these guys thank them for all the hours they put in raising the pheasants.



The Learning Center New Building Construction

Juneau County Outdoors Forever Conservation Club is excited to announce the groundbreaking of a new building on their Co. Rd. N farm. The facility will be used by Outdoors Forever as an outdoor education center, and Juneau County Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) for their “*Men’s Shed*” program.

This community project is a collaboration between Juneau County ADRC and Outdoors Forever, with partial support from a Wisconsin Department of Health Services Social Isolation Grant. To learn more about the *Men’s Shed* Program, call ADRC at 608-847-9371.

The 48’x92’ structure is expected to be complete by the end of 2025. Follow the construction progress on the Outdoors Forever Facebook page, or Outdoors Forever’s website: outdoorforeverclub.com. Monetary donations may be mailed to: Outdoors Forever, P.O. Box 361, Mauston, WI, 53948, with memo “Learning Center”.



Larson Road Property Planting Status

On December 6th Outdoors forever planted 16.6 acres of native prairie grasses on the Larson road property. In addition to the native prairie grasses 4 acres will be planted in food plots in the spring of 2025. Anyone willing to help please let us know at the February meeting.



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*If you want to help or have an idea for a project
contact the committee Chair.*

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