

# **BLACK WOLF WILDLIFE ASSOCIATION**

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## **Membership Guidelines**

### **Property**

Black Wolf Wildlife Association consists of approximately 800 Acres in the Town of Black Wolf, near Black Wolf Point, adjacent to and near Hwy 45, Howlett Road, and Koelpin Road. The property also includes additional leased land. The Game Farm License Number for the State of Wisconsin is DNR9798 and 9156, covering 800 acres for pheasant, quail, squirrel, and partridge. Hunting for other game falls under state regulations, i.e., ducks, deer, and turkeys.

### **Membership**

Membership is open to a limited group of members and families (spouses and children) interested in improving wildlife cover, hunting, fishing, dog field training, walking, hiking, trapping, photography, trap shooting, wood harvesting, and any other environmental pursuit. As a condition of membership, these members will work on and for the land to accomplish these ends, as well as enjoy Association hunting and land use privileges. All members and their families may use the Black Wolf Wildlife Association property 365 days a year, subject to Association rules. At 18 years of age, members children require their own membership. New member prospects must be by recommendation of a current member and have an excellent conservation record with the State of Wisconsin. A youth membership is available at age 14-17. The gun safety course is a prerequisite for this youth category.

### **Member Identification**

New members receive an Association hat, a vehicle identification decal, and an annual Black Wolf Wildlife Association button to be worn on their hat when hunting. All members receive a new button (numbered & colored) each year when they pay their annual dues. These identification items need to be displayed when on Black Wolf Wildlife Association property. The vehicle identification should be placed on the left side of the vehicle.

### **Guests**

Guests are welcome any time, except during deer hunting season. Guests must be accompanied by the member and are subject to the Association rules regarding guests. Guests may hunt a maximum of two times per year.

### **Dues/Initiation/Membership Fees**

Each family pays annual dues. After the member turns 65, and has been with the Association for ten (10) years, the dues are reduced to one-half the annual fee. The membership year starts April 1 of each year with the membership fees being due at that time. An initiation fee is charged the first year of membership and the amount is double the cost of the annual dues. Member's children will not pay the initiation fee if they join prior to 21 years of age.

### **Meetings/Newsletters**

Several meetings are held each year. The fall meeting is held at our cottage, and the winter/spring meeting is held in February at George's Gaslight Inn. A newsletter will be sent out 3-4 times a year with updated information on the Association's activities.

### **Fishing**

Members can use private channels and ponds as well as other public waters located on or adjacent to the property. Our Van Dyne Creek Pond has been stocked and has good fishing for pan fish. We ask members to practice catch and release.

### **Duck Blind**

Reservations will be required for use of the blind and boat.

### **Special Blind**

There is a special blind on the pond by our "mountain" for observation and photography only. This is not for gun use.

### **Predators**

Owls and hawks can not be shot. Foxes and coyotes may be shot if you will use/sell the pelt. Special pigeon hunts will be held once each year. A bounty is paid for predators only if the person is registered with BWWA with a state license.

## **Hunting**

Members hunt pheasant, partridge, chuckar, pigeon, rabbit, squirrel, and deer (bow and gun) within seasons and rules specified by the Association and the State of Wisconsin.

All deer stands and duck blinds will show the member's name or the name of BWWA on the stand/blind and will be for use by all members when not in use by the owner of the stand/blind. All deer stands will be portable, using no nails. QDM is in effect on BWWA property and any buck shot must have antlers wider than his ears.

## **Pheasant Hunting**

Please be sure to follow the guidelines listed below:

1. Blaze orange needs to be worn on your hat or vest on release weekends.
2. Pheasant tags cannot be carried over from prior years.
3. There will be a minimum of three weekend releases each year occurring on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. The birds will be released the evening prior to these dates.
4. There will be a three bird minimum release for each period.
5. Each member must state the hunting period he wants to hunt, and his birds will be released in that period. You will not be allowed to hunt if you have not purchased birds for that period.
6. On the day of each release starting time will be 9 a.m..
7. There will be no shooting of hens. However, if one is shot in error or if your dogs pick one up, tag the hen and mark it on our list.
8. It is a BWWA policy that all birds shot will be tagged immediately with DNR tags. Anyone carrying birds without a tag could cause problems with the DNR, and would be subject to very heavy fines from a warden.
9. The marsh and pasture area by my dairy farm at 6170 will be offlimits to pheasant hunting. We will use this area as a preserve and hopefully for reproduction, feeding of birds, and observation. You are welcome to walk in this area at anytime. Also, this is an excellent area for dog training.
10. We will have a special release each year after deer hunting during the Christmas and New Year's period.
11. Children may not accompany members on special release hunts when other guests are in the hunting group, unless the child has passed hunter safety training.

## **Special Release Hunts**

Private parties will be allowed to hunt by reservation, and only in designated hunting areas, at a nominal price per bird.

## **Work Requirements**

Several times during the year there will be work sessions that you are encouraged to attend. Also, we have a lot of projects for those that wish to work on their own. A listing of projects will be sent out each year. Each member is required to work one day per year, or make a donation to BWWA.

## **Wood Harvesting**

Members may harvest wood for their own use at no charge. Please see me on selecting a tree.

## **Special Releases**

Members may bring guests when they have a special release (minimum of 5 birds). A donation of \$20/day to BWWA is required.

## **Trap Shooting**

A special trap is available on the Van Dyne Creek road. This area may be used for practice at any time for no charge.

## **Sporting Clays**

Training is required prior to the use of the range. This course will be kept locked and use will be by reservation only.

## **Beef Farm/Bull Pen**

This area may be used at any time by hunting members and their guests. Non-hunting members may not utilize the Beef Farm. Gate access requires remote or key and the building has a combination lock. Dogs are not allowed, except for our mascot Ruby. Please help in keeping it cleaned up.

## **Parking**

Please make sure to park only in designated parking areas, unless you are parking along Howlett Road.