



# BRUCE PENINSULA SPORTSMEN'S ASSOC.

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## APRIL 2009 NEWS AND VIEWS MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Meetings are the last Thursday of the Month at 7:30 p.m. The Clubhouse is off Old Oliphant Road on Northacres road and off County Road 13 in Wiarton. Next meeting, April 30th 2009. Your participation is welcome and anticipated. Editors David Leggatt (519) 534-5915 e-mail or e-mail [rkmcc@gbtel.ca](mailto:rkmcc@gbtel.ca)

### Special Event Calendar 2009

<b>Spring Fish Derby members &amp; guests</b>	May 8th to noon May 10th
<b>Spring Fish Fry members &amp; guests</b>	May 10th (2:00pm)
<b>Kids Day (Fishing)</b>	July 11 (4:00pm)
<b>Pork &amp; Beef BBQ</b>	July 12 (4:00pm-7:00pm)
<b>Community Living Fish Derby</b>	Sept 20 (2:00pm fishing)

**Quest Speaker** -none

**Treasury:** Mel Urbshott

• Roy Hamilton Deer Feeding Fund	\$3198
• Receipts	\$2014
• Expenses	\$2872

**Membership** Larrilee Leckie

The paid membership for 2009 is currently 213. Just a reminder that 2009 dues are overdue.

**Committee Reports and Discussions**

**Archery:** Brian Hughes N/R

**Bulletin:** David Leggatt / Kat McCulloch

• E mail files are in good shape. Monthly bulletin submissions must be received by electronic mail by the 10th day of the month to be included in the bulletin. We need a volunteer to look after the job of Bulletin editor and publisher.

**Web Site:** Kat McCulloch N/R

**Fish Committee:** Ray Marklevitz

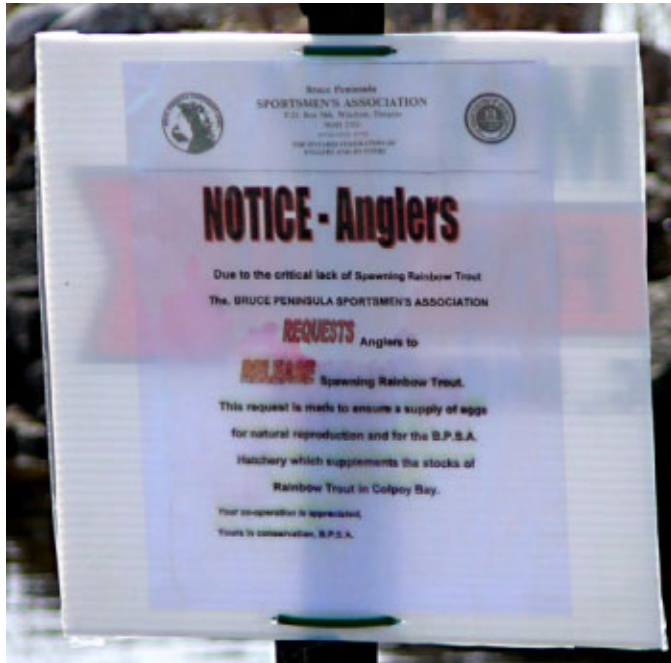
- The 26,000 Rainbows in the hatchery have been fin clipped and graded for size.
- Egg collection volunteers for early in April are needed.
- Eggs this year will be treated with Ovidine rather than Wescodine. The Wescodine was we believe a major reason for the loss of many eggs in 2008.

### BPSA "News and Views" Monthly Bulletin March 2008

Monthly BPSA minutes March 2009 The regular monthly meeting was held on Thursday March 26, 2009 with 36 members present. Club President Mike Lutman asked if the February meeting minutes had any errors or omissions as posted in the News and Views Bulletin. Mike Lutman commented that the Bulletin showed a date February 2008 rather than March 2009. A motion to adopt the amended minutes of the February meeting, by David Leggatt seconded by David Leckie carried.

A minutes silence was held in remembrance of three long time members Lorne Cardis, Bob Good and Ernie Blanden who passed away this month.

- Ray had signs made up and these were posted by Carl Berfelz and Gord Smith at the mouth of Colpoys Creek and Gleason Brook (Oxenden). The signs encourage fishermen to avoid targeting female rainbow trout and to live release any females that are caught incidentally. Ray will have the notice also put in the Echo and send it to Kat for inclusion on the web site.



- A big cedar tree in Colpoys creek needs to be trimmed.
- We need volunteers to feed the fish in the hatchery. Please call Bruce Mallard if you can provide some support.

**Lake Huron Stewardship Council:** Dennis Morrison

- The Lake Huron and Georgian Bay Stewardship Council meeting has been delayed until May.
- Dennis has been invited to and will attend a two day meeting, sponsored by Michigan State University, for input on commercial fishing on the Great Lakes, April 20 & 21, in Sarnia. He was also invited to a Bio Diversity meeting but is unable to attend it.

**Handgun Club:** Kelly Lang

- Ray Reidel reported that anyone interested in shooting is welcome to come out any Monday or Wednesday evening.
- The competition team is still in 1st place in the southwest region, with two weeks remaining.

**Youth Programs:** Frank Hutter / Paul Porier

- Youth shooting and archery programs are in full swing with about 30 to 40 enthusiastic youths participating every Sunday.

- Rob and Krista Quesnel have volunteered as the youth shooting co-coordinators replacing Frank Hutter.

**Native Affairs:** Ray Reidel

- There is currently no commercial fishing activity in the bay.

**O.F.A.H.:** Stu Paterson. N/R

**Property:** Carl Berfelz

- Vicky Doubt and her Guides will have a weekend camp and clean up at the club house May 22-24 , 2009.

**Rankin Resource Group:** Larry Isbester/Ted Wilford - N/R

**Scheduling:** Carl Berfelz

- The 2009 scheduling to date is on the board.

**Special Events:**

- Jack Seatter and Stu Paterson - Fish derby May 8 until noon May 10, 2009. Entry fee is \$5. Entry forms have been included in the monthly bulletins. One copy is to be kept by the participant and one copy to be handed in to the club or Outback :Tackle. The weigh scales will be open at the club house 10-12 am and 9-10 pm. The early bird draw will be at the April BPSA meeting.
- Jim and Martha Martell - Derby Fish Fry May 10, 2009 from 2-4 pm. Cost is \$8 per person with children 12 and under free. Members with their last names starting A-L are asked to bring a salad and M-Z a desert. Draw prize tickets will only be sold to people who have entered the Derby or have purchased a Fish Fry dinner.
- Don and Ed Elliott- Kids fishing day, Saturday July 11, 2009 at the Elliott cottages on Sky Lake, 342 Huron Road Red Bay. Fishing is 4-6 pm followed by prizes, hot dogs, ice cream and what ever anyone else would like to bring to make it a fun afternoon and evening.
- Murray Garniss and Dennis Morrison – Pork and Beef BBQ Sunday July 12, 2009 at the club house from 4-7 pm.
- Ray Marklevitz- Community Living fishing on the hatchery pond Sunday September 20, 2009 2-4 pm. followed by a fish fry dinner. All BPSA members are encouraged to come out and participate as well as enjoy the dinner.

**Wildlife:** Al Hunter

- Deer came through the winter in good shape.
- Al is waiting for membership forms from Tammi Faulk of the NWTF.
- Contractors have started work on the north wall of the government dock adjacent to Warton Marina.

- A large rock, at the bridge, on Colpoy's creek washed out. It will be repositioned by the County next week.

**Awards:** Ted Wilford

- The 2008 awards banquet will be Saturday May 2, 2009 at 6:30 pm. Tickets will be \$20 and sold by Ted on a first come basis, after satisfying award winners and trophy sponsors. There should be room for about 50 people. A few tickets are still available.
- Ted has received a smoker as a fund raiser prize. Tickets are available for \$2 each. The draw will take place in June.
- We would welcome any items donated as draw prizes to raise funds for BPSA programs.

**Old Business:**

- Mike Lutman has had contact with Colin MacDonald who advised that we will have the opportunity to speak to Provincial negotiators prior to the start of the next Commercial Fishing Agreement negotiations.
- Mike Lutman was contacted by Colin MacDonald re our request for sanctuaries extensions at the mouths of the two local creeks. He indicated that the proposal is with the FMZ's for review and will probably be unresolved this year.
- The MNR hatchery water source hydrogeological report indicated that the problem we had in 2007 was principally due to drought conditions rather than existing Quarries. This report identifies where our hatchery water source originates. This data could be useful if quarries try to expand in any designated area just north of the hatchery.
- The BPSA is still looking for members to fill the positions of Vice President, and Bulletin Editor.

**New Business:**

- Don Elliott asked for nominations in addition to David Leggatt for the position of President for 2009 and 2010. No additional nominations were put forward. Marlene Burnett made a motion to close nominations, seconded by Dave Leckie and carried. David Leggatt is the new BPSA President.
- The Town of South Bruce Peninsula bylaw 36-2009 that would have eliminated the discharge of any firearm including rifles, shotguns, cross bows, long bows, air rifles, bb guns, pellet guns, and spring guns within 200 meters of any building without the written permission of the owner of the building was defeated by a vote of 7 to 1 at the town council meeting on March 24 2009. The bylaw defeat was probably in part due to the presence of 135 interested community residents who packed the town

- hall to object to the bylaw as it would have been a significant infringement on hunting opportunities and recreational shooting. A BPSA committee including Mike Lutman, David Leggatt, Joel Tost, Al Hunter and Frank Hutter has been formed to make a presentation to the Committee of the Whole on April 7, 2009 and the Council meeting April 14, 2009. The objective is to convince the Council that no additional restrictions are required to the existing bylaw as Federal and Provincial Statutes already address and provide penalties for careless discharge of firearms.
- A motion by Dave Leggatt to provide a \$100 prize contribution for the Chinook Chantry Classic was seconded by Al Hunter, carried.
- Al Hunter, on behalf of all BPSA members, thanked Mike Lutman for the great job Mike has done for the club over the past two years as its' President.

**Winners of Draw Prizes**

Rod and Reel Bruce Mallard  
Lures Martha Martell, Don Elliott, Ray Reidel  
Sausage Ed Burnett

A motion by Marlene Burnett to adjourn was seconded by Dave Leggatt and carried ending the March 2009 meeting at 9:15 pm.

***Correction to Information Item presented at last general meeting.***

*Repair work has begun on the "North Wall" in Wiarton Harbour. Workmen began dumping stone in the areas that have broken away from the structure. The stone is intended to prevent the footings from pushing outward and further weakening the structure. L- Shaped pieces of concrete will then be lifted into place parallel with the existing wall face and secured with long rods/bolts that will pass through the center of the structure to secure the concrete pieces in place. The center area of the wall sandwiched by the concrete will then be backfilled. These repairs will only be completed on the areas already breaking away.*

*I reported in error that the repairs would consist of dumping stone. I have since spoken with a Harold Sutherland employee who provided the correct information.*

Lorne Cardis passed away peacefully at Grey-Bruce Health Services, Wiarton on Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at the age of 77. Beloved husband of Anne (nee McTaggart) Cardis for 57 years.



Lorne was a longstanding member of the BPSA and will be sadly missed by all. Our thoughts are with Anne and family.

#### Past President's Message

I am no longer the president as that position has now past to Dave Leggatt. I wish to sincerely thank all the members of the Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association for the support and help that you have provided over the last two years. The association has operated very well and made significant progress with some of the outstanding issues. This has happened because of the efforts and dedication of the membership. I look forward to helping to continue these efforts in the future

The association needs volunteers! The nomination committee (Dave Leggatt, Mel Urbshott, and Don Elliott) is now open for nominations for Association Vice President (to become President in 2 years) and Bulletin organizer. If you or someone you know would fit either of these jobs, please contact a member of the nomination committee.

There is a need for volunteers to feed fish. Fish feeding is a short term commitment. It requires approximately 1 hour a day (any time of day) for a 1 or 2 week period. If you can commit time for this worthy cause, please call Bruce Mallard at 519-534-1274 or Ray Marklevitz at 519-534-0402.

The following is a list of upcoming guest speakers:  
June Stephen Marklevitz  
Report on Salmon research project

Yours in Conservation  
Mike Lutman

#### Message from the new president

Friends it gives me great pleasure to write this message as your new president. First of all thank you for the honour of electing me at the last meeting. I guess you must have wanted me as I was the only one opposed to the vote. (Not really but had to have a little fun.)

As my first duty I want to thank Mike Lutman for an excellent job over the last two years in the office of president. It is sometimes lonely at the top but I have learned from Mike how to delegate and when to duck and cover. Mike dealt with a lot of issues over the last two years and made a lot of inroads with the MNR. To my knowledge this is the best relationship we have had with a minister. Mike will continue with those duties to keep the transition seamless. He will also be helping with the quarry issues also since his name has been on the documents to this date.

I just received a letter from Larry Miller MP congratulating Mike on his service to the club. I hope we can keep this good relationship going with Larry and with Bill Murdock.

My second thank you for a job well done is to Dennis Morrison as the former past president. Dennis has worked tirelessly with the Great Lakes Stewardship council. He has promised to continue in this area and for that I am very grateful.

As you have all seen this has been a baptism by fire for me. The no discharge bi-law has taken a lot of work so far. I am pleased at the showing from the club and others at the two council meetings so far. I am sure the council is feeling pressured to either scrap the present bi-law or re-write one that is more favourable to hunters and gun sportspeople in this area. We will not help the town write anything but have offered to make our input known to them if anything is written. As I told the mayor and council we don't want to fight city hall but want something in place that is fair and equitable for all concerned.

I look forward to your continued support in the next two years. As I said on election night if you have ideas to improve our club please let me know. Also if you have an idea for a speaker let me know and we will try and get it set up when we have an open night.

We also have an e-mail address for the club it is [bpsawiarthon@hotmail.com](mailto:bpsawiarthon@hotmail.com)

Yours in conservation:  
David Leggatt

# BRUCE PENINSULA SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION FISH DERBY 2009

For the BPSA members and their guests only

Fri. May 8 – noon Sun., May 10, 2009. Cost \$5.00 per angler

Derby Ticket purchase: **Derby ticket must be purchased day before use**

Derby tickets can be purchased:

- February, March April general meetings
- Outback Tackle Wiarton
- By returning BPSA copy of ticket below with cheque to PO Box 548 Wiarton ON NOH 2T0

## Fish weigh-in scales at hatchery:

- Friday 10:00am – 12:00pm and 9:00pm to 10:00pm
  - Saturday 10:00am - 12:00pm and 9:00pm to 10:00pm
  - Sunday 10:00am - 12:00pm
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- Fish must weigh 2 lb. or more and be Salmonid to be entered.
  - Name, fish weight and time entered recorded for hidden weight draw.
  - Anyone wishing to donate their fish for the fish fry can do so at the weigh scale.

**Note:** men's and women's draw tickets for the fish fry will be available at the weigh scale.  
Cost is \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

## Prizes:

- Early Bird prize drawn at April BPSA meeting from derby tickets purchased before or during meeting.
- Hidden weight draw prizes (maximum one per person). If there is a tie, then the earliest fish entered wins.
- Prize(s) drawn from derby tickets sold.
- Only derby ticket holders (including Children) eligible for hidden weight prizes.
- Draw ticket (purchased) prizes alternate men and women ( maximum 2 per person)
- Must have purchased derby or meal ticket to be eligible to purchase draw tickets

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**B.P.S.A. Membership Application**  
**Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association**  
**Box 548,**  
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Please complete this application form and forward it with your remittance in the form of a personal cheque or money order to the above address. Do not Mail Cash. New members may also submit their applications to Ray Marklevitz at Davis-McLay Real Estate or Ted Wilford at Outback Tackle in Warton. Memberships are on a yearly basis expiring December 31st.

The current membership chair is Larrilee Leckie (lleckie@live.ca).

**Please accept my application for Membership into the Association.**

**Circle one: Adult- 40.00 Family- 45.00 Youth- 10.00 (21years and under)**

**Please print complete address (including RR# if applicable)**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Partner's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **RR#** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **Province** \_\_\_\_ **Postal Code** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Summer or Cell #** \_\_\_\_\_

\*If Youth member give age ( ) date of birth day/month/year \_\_\_\_\_

Please check: Best time to call: Day  Evening  Weekend

What are your outdoor interests?

Fishing  Trap Shooting  Archery  Camping  Hunting

Target Shooting  Canoeing  Other \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that as a member in the Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association, I will abide by the Rules and regulations as set forth in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Association.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

New membership  Renewal  O.F.A.H.

Paid by: Cheque \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Money Order \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \$ \_\_\_\_\_