



# BRUCE PENINSULA SPORTSMEN'S ASSOC.

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## MAY 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, May 28th 2009. Your participation is welcome and anticipated. Editors David Leggatt (519) 534-5915 or e-mail [bpsawiarnton@hotmail.com](mailto:bpsawiarnton@hotmail.com) or Kat at [rkmcc@gbtel.ca](mailto:rkmcc@gbtel.ca)

### Special Event Calendar 2009

#### members & guests

**Kids Day (Fishing)** July 11 (4:00pm)

**Pork & Beef BBQ** July 12  
(4:00pm-7:00pm)

**Community Living Fish Derby** Sept 20  
(2:00pm fishing)

### BPSA "News and Views" Monthly Bulletin April 2009

Monthly BPSA minutes April 2009 The regular monthly meeting was held on Thursday April 30, 2009 with 56 members present. Club President David Leggatt asked if the March meeting minutes had any errors or omissions as posted in the News and Views Bulletin. A motion to adopt the minutes of the March meeting, by Mike Lutman seconded by Frank Marek carried.

**Quest Speaker:** none

#### **Treasury:** Mel Urbshott

• Roy Hamilton Deer Feeding Fund	\$3198
• Receipts	\$ 530
• Expenses	\$1315

#### **Membership:** Larrilee Leckie

The paid membership for 2009 is currently 220. OFAH membership is 55.

### Committee Reports and Discussions

**Archery:** Brian Hughes N/R

**Bulletin:** David Leggatt / Kat McCulloch

- The monthly bulletin mailing had some envelopes with several copies of the bulletin and others with none. 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 27,000 year old Rainbows in the hatchery were stocked in the upper reaches of Oxenden and Colpoy's creeks, to improve imprinting, Sunday April 25. The largest fish in Oxenden were 7 to the pound and the smaller fish in Colpoy's were 35 to the pound.
- Egg collection on three different days by volunteers including a great contingent from Barrow Bay collected 116,400 eggs. We handled 185 fish of which 90 were fin clipped. The number of dead eggs to date is relatively low, the use of Ovidine this year rather than Wescodine is the reason for the year over year improvement. Three home made fish spears were found in Colpoy's creek during egg collection which means that we need to enhance our stream watch next year to reduce poaching in the sanctuary.
- 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 will be Saturday May 9, 2009.
- Dennis attended a two day meeting in Sarnia, sponsored by Michigan State University. The workshop was principally focused on commercial fishing management on the Great Lakes; however, it was informative and worth while for the two sports fishermen who attended. Native commercial fishermen were invited but did not attend this meeting. A computer model being developed for diversified harvest will be part of scheduled follow up meetings in 2010 and 2011.

**Handgun Club:** Kelly Lang

- Ray Reidel reported that any one interested in shooting is welcome to come out any Monday or Wednesday evening through the end of May at which time the weekly shoots will stop until next fall.
- The competition group won this years Western Ontario Handgun League.

**Youth Programs:** Rob and Krista Quesnel / Paul Poirer

- Youth shooting and archery programs are complete for this year with the exception of the North Grey trap shoot in May.
- The youth trophies and crests were handed out last week.

**Native Affairs:** Ray Reidel

- There is currently no known commercial fishing infringement in the bay.

**O.F.A.H.:** Stu Paterson.

Stu attended the OFAH annual general meeting in Toronto in March. Some of the major topics floor questions and presentations were:

- Steven Harper was the principal quest speaker. He would like to scrap the expensive and useless long gun registry and is looking for public support by writing MP's to have the law overturned.
- Eric Boysen and Colin MacDonald were asked about expanded sanctuaries to protect spawning Rainbows and input on the commercial fishing agreement.
- Jeremy Holden OFAH biologist discussed the MNR increase of Walleye plantings in small inland lakes, FMZ 17 unfortunately we are in FMZ 16.
- There will be a new EBR on Great Lakes fishing about mid May. We are encouraged to look it up and send in a response.
- New York State has equipment to quickly tag fish and it is available for clubs to borrow if we would like to use it.

- Mike Reader and Terry Quinney of OFAH reported that there are a number of issues that Minister Cansfield has not addressed or is slow at addressing.
- The native commercial fishing activities are under self policing rather than the provincial Co enforcement.
- Potential Sandhill Crane hunt this year on Manitoulan in September and October due partially to major crop damage.

Stu has been asked to host the January 2009 Zone meeting at the BPSA clubhouse. A motion to support this request by Frank Marek, seconded by Jack Seatter carried.

**Property:** Carl Berfeltz

- Some of the wooden fence poles around the pond are broken or old and should be replaced with steel ones.
- Ray has asked that consideration be given to pouring the concrete pad in front of the hatchery this summer.

**Rankin Resource Group:** Larry Isbester/Ted Wilford

- The next meeting will be in May.

**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 winner was Art Elliott at the April BPSA meeting. The prize was a \$50 gas card from a new sponsor Pioneer Gas.
- 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. Frank Marek will pick up 75 pounds of walleye filets from Purdy's who have given us a special commercial rate for the event.
- Don and Ed Elliott- Saturday July 11, 2009 Kids fishing day, 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 Diner 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 N/R

- The BPSA extend our best wishes for Al to get well soon.

**Awards:** Ted Wilford

- The 2008 awards banquet will be Saturday May 2, 2009 at 6:30 pm. Only two 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 continuing 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 has had continuing contacted with Colin MacDonald re our request for sanctuary extensions at the mouths of the two local creeks. Mike has taken a more aggressive stance due to the already almost two year delay in this proposal and asked Colin to stimulate action by the Owen Sound branch of the MNR
- David Leggatt thanked all who presented and supported the association in their successful effort to have the Town of SBP new proposed discharge of fire arms, spring guns and bows bylaw overturned.
- The BPSA is still looking for members to fill the positions of Vice President, and Bulletin Editor.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!**

**New Business:**

- A new BPSA email address has be established bpsawarton@hotmail.com. Please use this email rather that David's personal email for any BPSA correspondence.
- BPSA approved an advertising expenditure of \$55 to include our clubs activities in the 2009 recreation guide.
- Bob Paton 519-595-4916 is potentially offering to run a boat safety and licensing course if there is enough interest. All boat operators must have a license by September 2009. Please contact Bob if you are interested.

- David Leggatt 519-534-5915 can be contacted if you are interested in taking a VHF radio course
- Henry White requested and obtained approval for residents of Gateway Haven and Kelso village to tour the hatchery and use the BPSA clubhouse for a luncheon.

**Winners of Draw Prizes**

Rod and Reel	Art Elliott
Lures	Dave Leckie, Dave Baxter (2), Rob Quesnel, Bruce Mallard
Sausage	David Leggatt
Knife set	Frank Hutter
Maple Syrup	Lorne Fletcher
Fish Crisp	Paul Sutcliffe. John McGill (2)
Hats	Roger Armstong, Marlene Burnett

A motion by Marlene Burnett to adjourn was seconded by Dave Leckie and carried ending the April 2009 meeting at 9:30 pm.

**Bruce Peninsula Sportemen's Association Annual Awards:**

Wiaraton area anglers and hunters were honoured at the Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association annual awards for excellence. It was a full house at the club hatchery May 2nd as master chef Carl Jones cooked up some of the best fine dining you can find anywhere. It was a grand celebration for all, especially for junior Jacob Mallard who earned two awards.

**In the BPSA hunting category 2008 winners are:**



Frank Hutter - spring turkey  
 Mike Lutman - fall turkey  
 Ed Elliott - white-tail deer (missing from photo)

## Top anglers for 08:



Junior: Jacob Mallard - brown trout, Jacob Mallard - northern pike, Derek Sporbeck - yellow perch  
Adult - Carl Schroeder - salmon, Stu Paterson - rainbow trout and John McGill - brown trout



Ted Wilford, who organized the event, deserves top marks. BPSA Awards Banquet sponsors include Deakon's Home Hardware, Carl Jones, Scherer Northhill Motors, Wiarton Timbrmart, Solways IGA, Elliots Gardens, Bender Development, Freiburger Communications, Ram Trophies, Outback Tackle, Mother's Fabrics, The Gift Shop, Robert Q Travel, Fletcher Sports..

The 450 member Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association is renowned for the clubs conservation activities. Since the 1960's, volunteer members have stocked over 4.5 million rainbow, brown trout and salmon in Grey-Bruce waters. Tourism officials estimate the club's efforts have pumped \$16-million dollars into our regional economy. The BPSA works in partnership with the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters and the Ontatrio Ministry of Natural Resources.

It is well documented that since the 1800's, conservation groups such as BPSA have helped preserve and enhance fish and wildlife populations. Hundreds of wild species have been brought back from extinction or removed from endangered species lists,

thanks to the conservation work done by community volunteer clubs such as the BPSA. For more information about the Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association call President David Leggatt at 519-534-5915

The Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Club **Youth Shooting Program** wrapped up with a hot dog banquet, fun shoot and trophy presentation on April 19th.

### **This years winners were:**

First in Knowledge and Safety	Derek Harms
Second	Kyle Gibbons
First High Score	Nick Heinzer
Second	Mark Nusko
First Novelty Shoot	Jacob Dickinson
Second	Susie Quesnel
Most Improved Shooter	Jacquiline Nusko
Second	Jasmine Miller

Congratulation to you and all the other shooters. Sixty-eight in total who participated this year. On behalf of the young people and myself I wish to thank the many range masters who volunteered their time, the ladies who helped in that capacity as well as the tube banquet. Thanks also to the Handgun Club Members for their generosity and financial support. Finally to the BPSA for their facility and financial support which makes this program possible.

Again this year the North Grey Rod and Gun Club has made their trap shooting facility available for our juniors. May 16h at 10 a.m. until approximately 12:00 at their club. Everyone is welcome to watch or participate. Guns and ammo are supplied.

Next year Mr and Mrs Robert Quesnel will chair the young shooters program. Please continue to support them as you have me for the past ten years. Without young people we may as well shut down our conservation efforts. *Frank Hutter*

It was a very successful season this year at the **Youth Archery Program**. We had a team of 8 adult working with the youth and had a blast doing it. There was 34 youth that took part this year. This year we had youth from Cape Croker joined us as well.

Like always safety was a big part of the program. Respect for the equipment and each other was stressed as well. The team is happy with this year's participant and is looking forward to next year.

We would like to thank the Hand Gun Club for their support and Tim Horton's for their support and supply of Timbits. *Thanks Paul Poirier and the Archery Team*

## The Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Club Youth Shooting and Archery Program 2009 winners.



### President's Message:

Greetings from the new president. It is an honour to be elected by you to serve you as the new club president.

I would like to thank all those members and others who helped with the egg collection last month. It is because of your dedication and hard work that we got a good number of eggs. It is encouraging to see that most of them came from our own two creeks. A special thanks to Ray Marklevitz for his coordination of the gathering.

I would also like to thank our youth coordinators for all their hard work with our youth shooting programs in archery and rifle. Also thanks to all those who helped out as range masters and scorers. I would be remiss if I didn't also thank those who hunted up sponsors for the prizes and those who donated them. Thank you also to Tim Hortons for providing Tim bits for the youth events.

Congratulations to our handgun team who took top place in the competitions this year. I hope they enjoyed it all and we look forward to a repeat performance again next year.

By the time you read this the Fishing Derby will be over and I just hope the rain that is falling right now will hold off for that day.

There has been a lot of work go into the Derby and fish fry and a big thank you to all who have worked hard on this. Thanks also to Stu Paterson for all his work in getting prizes. Stu you really do have the magic touch when it comes to this area.

A reminder that the Pork and Beef Bar-B-Q is coming up and we all know what a great meal and fellowship that is. My mouth is watering already.

There are more events to come over the summer and more will be said about them later in the next bulletin.

Don't forget for those with email the new club email address [bpsawiarnton@hotmail.com](mailto:bpsawiarnton@hotmail.com) . I would appreciate people using this address as much as possible so my personal email doesn't get clogged up.

Yours in Conservation  
Dave Leggatt (el presidente)

**B.P.S.A. Membership Application**  
**Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association**  
**Box 548,**  
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**www.bpsportsmen.com**  
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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.

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