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JUNE 2010 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, June 24th 2010. Your participation is welcome and anticipated. Editors David Leggatt (519) 534-5915 or e-mail bpsawiarnton@hotmail.com or Kat at rkmcc@gbtel.ca

BPSA "News and Views" Monthly Bulletin May 2010

Monthly BPSA minutes May 2010 The regular monthly meeting was held on Thursday May 27, 2010 with 26 members present. Past Club President Dennis Morrison asked if the April meeting minutes had any errors or omissions as posted in the News and Views Bulletin. One error under FMZ 13 read a revised Lake Trout stocking program was "presented" should have read is in the planning stage. A motion to adopt the amended minutes of the April meeting, by James McKane seconded by Karen Van Nest carried.

Quest Speaker – N/A.

New Members- Phil Henderson

Treasury - Mel Urbshott - May

• Roy Hamilton Deer Feeding Fund	\$ 3476
• Receipts	\$ 2726
• Expenses	\$ 7896

Membership - Larrilee Leckie N/R

The paid membership for 2010 is currently about the same as last month.

Committee Reports and Discussions

Archery: Karen Van Nest- tel. 5349527

Email kvnca@yahoo.com

- The reconstituted archery group will shoot every Tuesday and Thursday at 7 pm., except for the last Thursday of each month.
- The small butts have been modified for use in the rifle range. The large butts will be picked up by Mel Urbshott

in Port Elgin and Ray Marklevitz will provide lumber to support these outside butts.

- 30 and 70 meter stands have been set up outside.
- Karen will locally advertise the Archery group and include details in the web site.

Bulletin – Gloria Berfelz N/R.

Web Site and Bulletin design: Kat McCulloch N/R

- All members are encouraged to continue forwarding information and pictures of club activities to Kat.

Fish Committee:Ray Marklevitz / Gord Smith

- Volunteers on 5 trips to the local streams collected 93,729 Rainbow Trout eggs. This is significantly short of the 200,000 that we had hoped to collect and less than half on our approved permit. These eggs are today in the process of hatching.
- Volunteers stocked 10,000 Salmon fingerlings in the Bay at the mouths of Colpoy's and Oxenden creeks Tuesday May 25, 2010.
- The 30,000 BPSA Brown Trout in the hatchery are doing great
- John McGill had sign up sheets to put up Wed. 8/25 and take down Mon. 9/5 the tent for the Sydenham Salmon Spectacular. We need about 20 volunteers for each program
- Ray Marklevitz is looking for volunteers for Salmon Spectacular bar operations 8/27 through 9/4. Please contact Ray if you can help.
- We need volunteers to feed the fish in the hatchery; however these volunteers must be members of the club for insurance and liability protection. Please call Bruce Mallard if you can provide some support.

Fish Management Zones-13 Lake Huron-14 Georgian Bay Stewardship Councils: Dennis Morrison

- There were no FMZ meetings since the last meeting.
- The next meeting will be a joint FMZ 13 and 14 meeting in Port Severn June 12, 2010 at which time they will discuss the draft priority items. BPSA continue with the same three areas of high priority that we have had in the past Enforcement, Cormorant control, and the Commercial Fishing Agreement. Some of the other clubs members priorities include Lake Trout and Lake Herring restoration, Lake Sturgeon management, invasive species, fish community objectives, tributary barriers (dams), water quality, Chinook salmon status and future, public communications, liability insurance for volunteers, information needs, and MNR accountability.
- The need of enhanced sanctuaries in the Bay to protect the Rainbow spawning runs in Oxenden and Colpoy's Creeks has of yet to receive the final vote (expected May 28).

Handgun Club- Kelly Lang N/R

- The regular handgun shoots are twice a week.

Youth Programs: Rob and Krista Quesnel / Paul Poirier N/R

Native Affairs: Ray Reidel -N/R

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

- The OFAH is not backing the OPP as it tries to convince Ottawa to make wearing of life jackets (pfd's) mandatory in all boats 19 feet and under. The current law requires that pfd's be within reach of everyone on board.
- With all the recent bear-human encounters, the OFAH is once again calling on the MNR to re-instate the spring bear hunt. The current Bear Wise Program is not working.
- The new MNR Lake Huron research vessel should be operational by this fall in Lake Huron and Georgian Bay. It will be docked in Owen Sound.
- Arnie Clark reports that the MNR – First Nations Commercial Fishing Agreement talks are at a standstill.
- The OFAH is backing an MNR request to have all anglers log their fishing trips this year. The information will be part of a study called "The 2010 Survey of Recreational Fishing in Canada". So keep a record of days fished, species caught, number kept, where you fished, and tackle used.
- BPSA is featured in the latest Ontario Out of Doors magazine stocking Rainbow Trout.
- The next Zone H meeting will be Sunday August 8 in Orillia. The day before the meeting the Orillia Club will host the zone Black Powder shooting championships. All OFAH members are encouraged to attend both events.

Property: Carl Berfelz

- A new sink in the club house rest rooms has been installed.
- The water heater element has been replaced by Murray Garniss.
- Carl has replaced the club ancient lawn mower with a new one the old one will be cleaned up and sold if possible by Carl.
- Carl is still following up on the old photocopier to see if the quality can be improved or if not purchase a better one that will stand the variable temperatures in the clubhouse.

Rankin Resource Group: Larry Isbester

- At the May 5 meeting the status of projects was reviewed. A second Eagle Nest will be installed at Isaac Lake as soon as the ground firms to permit the Hydro equipment access to install the new pole.
- A Ted Wilford Memorial monument bolder and bronze plaque will dedicated this summer at Isaac Lake, details and time will be communicated when available.
- Cameron has reopened Out Back Tackle until he returns to school in September.

Scheduling: Carl Berfelz

- All scheduling to date is on the board.

Special Events: A 2010 special events schedule and current detail follows:

- Fish Derby – Jack Seatter-May 7-9 2010. There were at total of 50 participants; however due to the terrible weather only 11 fish were caught.
- Fish Fry –Martha and Jim Martell- May 9,2010 (2-4 pm) The meal and afternoon was great despite the miserable weather that significantly reduced participation. Revenue from the dinner was \$527, and draw prize ticket sales \$605. A special thanks to Martha and Jim, all the volunteers who helped make the day enjoyable and especially the companies and local businesses that contributed so many great draw prizes.
- Kids Fishing Day-Elliott's cottage- Saturday July 10,2010 4pm at Sky Lake, 342 Huron Road Red Bay. Hot dogs and Ice Cream will be provided and attendees can bring any supplemental food, beverages or goodies they want to. It's a Kids day so bring your children, grand children and their friends.
- Beef and Pork BBQ-Dennis Morrison and Murray Garniss- Sunday July 18, 2010 from 4-7 pm. This is a fund raiser and is open to the community. Cost is \$12 for adults, \$6 for children and children under 12 are free.
- Community Living Fishing on the Pond –Ray Marklevitz and Gord Smith- Sunday September 19, 2010.Fishing is

2-4 pm. and dinner is at 4pm. BPSA will provide the fish and French fries and Community Living will bring the salads and desserts. Dave Nixon will provide the music. As many BPSA members as possible are encouraged to come out and participate.

Wildlife: AI Hunter N/R

Awards: N'R

Remember - to make the program successful all members are requested to record their harvests on the application forms in the hatchery after weighing fish and turkeys or scoring heads or racks.

Old Business:

- The BPSA is still looking for a member to fill the position of Vice President.
- The Ted Wilford Memorial Bursary detail has been submitted to BPDS personnel. The school will select the student and the BPSA President will present the award to the successful candidate at the June awards ceremonies.
- Bill Nafziger reported on the latest data and concerns with the Towns proposed Sauble Sewage Plant that will dump its effluent into the Sauble River. Two main concerns are the amounts of Phosphates and Pharmaceuticals that could significantly effect the ability of the river to support life especially during low water flow in the summer months. Additional detail can be obtained on web site www.saublesewer.comm

New Business:

- The echo is going to do an article on preservation of turtles and asked if any of our turtle crossing signs are still up. There is still one at Sky Lake.
- Larry Isbester reported that some private corporate money may be available to clean up the Rankin River system of fallen trees that are currently blocking canoe navigation of the system.
- BPSA will follow up on the advertisement of wild rainbow trout being available in fish and meat markets in southern Ontario.
- The Great Lakes Sports Fishing Council a joint (USA-CAN) group publish great information that is of interest to BPSA. Individual membership is \$15 us. Only one Canadian is currently a member on the Council. A motion to have Dennis Morrison apply for membership by James McKane was seconded by Stu Paterson carried.
- The last regular BPSA spring meeting will be June 24, 2010 Regular meetings will start up again on the last Thursday in September.

Winners of Draw Prizes

Hats	Ed McArthur, Ken Barrett
Lures	Ray Marklevitz, Jack Seatter, Roger Armstrong
Rod	John McGill
Fish Crisp	Art Elliott, Ed McArthur, Phil Henderson,
Fan	Phil Henderson
Chantry Media day	Ray Marklevitz

A motion by George Garton to adjourn, carried, ending the April 2010 meeting at 9:20 pm.

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

As some of you know I have been down and out with a bad cold, pneumonia and virus for a little over 6 weeks so I don't have much to report this month.

I want to thank Dennis Morrison for taking the meeting for me last month. I was supposed to be at another meeting but ended up sick in bed so I am glad I had made the arrangement earlier.

I hope those who were out turkey hunting had a good time. I only got a chance to get out once and didn't see a thing, I didn't even hear anything but geese, gulls and crows. Oh well there is always next year.

For any of you who fish and launch you boat out of the Wiarton harbour be very, very careful. There is a huge sandbank and silt deposit at the end of the channel. Make sure you stay as close to the dock as you can coming in and going out. I have heard of a number of people running aground because they got too far out from the dock.

The club has been talking to the town but is getting a run around that too many people and organizations have to be consulted for them to do anything right now. They also claim the park improvement only goes to the water's edge and so dredging isn't part of the plan.

Personally I think the town should put up a warning sign about the low water conditions and the sandbar but as usual that is falling on deaf ears.

We have our first winner for the Ted Wilford annual bursary but you will have to read the next news letter to see who it is. I will be presenting the award at graduation later this month.

Yours in Conservation
President Dave Leggatt



The BPSA partners with the Sydenham Club on a number of conservation initiatives. On May 25th stocking Salmon at the mouth of Gleason Brook (Oxenden). Members stocked 10,000 Salmon fry which were provided by the SSC from Owen Sound.

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B.P.S.A. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Memberships are on a yearly basis expiring December 31st.

Membership applications with payment

- are accepted at the monthly B.P.S.A. meetings.
- can be mailed to the address above. **Do not Mail Cash.**
- can be dropped off at 'Great Cuts' downtown or 'Mother's Fabrics' (north hill)

Please accept my application for (check one)

Adult-40.00 **Family-45.00** **Youth-10.00** (age 21 or younger) **Membership**

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 _____

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

Name _____ Partner's Name _____

Address _____ RR# _____

City _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____

E-mail 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 Hunting
Archery Camping Target Shooting Canoeing Other _____

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

For Reference: Date application received _____

cash cheque money order amount rec'd \$ _____

adult family youth

new membership renewal O.F.A.H. (rec'd _____)

wallet card given mailed spreadsheet data entered on _____