

Fur, Fins and Feathers



March 2019

The Clubhouse is off Old Oliphant Road on Northacres road and off County Road 13 in Wiarton.
Next meeting, March 28th, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. Your participation is welcome and anticipated. For inquiries e-mail bpsportsmen@gmail.com or mail to P.O. Box 548, Wiarton, Ontario N0H 2T0

“The National” visits BPSA



Above photo Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound MP Larry Miller receiving handgun safety procedure from Frank Hutter BPSA Safety RSO. Richard Agecutay cameraman and Reporter Terrence Mckenna observes.

CBC tv news crew - The National
Camera - Richard Agecutay
Reporter - Terrence Mckenna
Producer - Mia Sheldon

A three person News crew working with the CBC TV Network newscast “The National” recently visited the Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen’s Association clubhouse seeking views on firearms. They were specifically looking for reaction to suggestions being studied by Ottawa that have upset licensed firearms owners who mostly live in rural areas. The session was hosted by our BPSA Handgun Club and arranged by Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound MP Larry Miller. One suggestion being studied by Cabinet Minister Bill Blair

would require firearms owners to store their firearms at a central storage facility rather than store their guns at home. Opponents of this idea reject it saying the storage facilities would instantly become a target for criminals seeking large quantities of firearms.

Another proposal to “ban all handguns in Canada” is totally rejected by thousands of handgun owners who use these firearms for target shooting or own them as collectors. Less than 3 per cent of all firearms crimes in Canada are committed by licensed firearms owners. These proposals if accepted by the Trudeau government, are seen as an easy way for the Liberals to win votes in large cities where gun crimes are common. The three person crew was led by documentary maker

Terrence Mckenna who did the interviews. Camera operator Richard Agecoutay worked hard setting up 3 cameras to shoot different sequences. Producer Mai Sheldon made suggestions and helped move the work along. Mckenna interviewed BPSA member MP Larry Miller, Miller's assistant Diane Ackert, and BPSA Firearms trainer Frank Hutter. The crew also shot visuals of Hutter, Handgun Club President Al Hunter, VP Kat McCulloch and Krista Quesnel in action on our range. Producer Sheldon promises to contact us with information on when the item will air on THE NATIONAL.



Stu Paterson PATERSON MEDIA for BPSA



BPSA 2019 EVENTS

- February 18th Family Day 11 am -2 pm.
- March 23rd Potluck Supper at 5 pm.
- March 28th Elections of Officers and Directors club meeting 7:30 pm
- May Tree Planting Activity
- May 25th Kids fishing day at the club 9-11 am
- July 13th Beef and Pork BQQ 4 -7 pm
- Aug Set up Fish Tent at Sydenham Sportsman event Owen Sound 8 am to noon
- Sept Community Living fishing at the club 2:00 to 5:00 pm

Handgun Club:

Shoot Monday and Wednesday 7:00pm and Wednesday afternoon at 1:00pm.



Fish Committee-Hatchery:

Ray Marklevitz / Al Sutter

- **Fin Clipping** -- We are looking for 30+ volunteers to help with fin clipping on Tuesday, April 2nd.
- We volunteers to feed the fish in the hatchery. **THIS FUNCTION IS VITALLY IMPORTANT AND WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!** You must be a BPSA member to do this function.



Final Youth Shooting Program wrap up and awards.

This Year the kids program went well. Thank you to all our safety officers for all your help!

All the kids improved their skills and handling of their firearms. We hope the kids had a great time and learned more about the outdoors. We would also like to thank Larry Miller for donating fishing lures for all the junior members. See you next year. *Krista and Robert Quesnel*



This years winners were Kyliegh Dickason recived the safety award. Wally Downey most improved, Isaiah Baker novelty, and our top shooter was Kayleigh Baxter.



Program runs every Tuesday. Youth practice 6-7 pm adults practice 7-9 pm. You can contact Donna and Paul Maginnis at bpsaarchery@gmail.com.

Family Day Success at BPSA

Archery was a big draw at the Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association (BPSA) annual Family Day open house. At this event two dozen new members signed on to our archery program operated by BPSA Archery Chairs Donna and Paul Maginnis.



Donna Maginnis talks archery with a visitor to the 2019 BPSA Family Day open house

Family Day open house coordinator Bruce Beacock reports our event attracted more than 250-people who visited our clubhouse and hatchery to learn about our fish stocking, archery, firearms safety training, invasive species awareness and tree planting programs.

Our forty member BPSA volunteer team helped make the event a success. Our new west side property helped with parking overflow. Visitors young and old enjoyed free snacks from 11-2pm.

Our giant "sponsors board" was well placed at the clubhouse entrance giving business and individual donors the recognition they deserve. Helping promote this 2019



BPSA Family Day event were the Town of South Bruce Peninsula, the Wiarton & District Chamber of Commerce, photos regional news media, and Lures and Lines tackle store.



Hatchery Manager Al Sutter shows the kids baby rainbow trout destined for stocking later this year.

The next major event for the 250-member Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association our "Kids Fishing Derby" is scheduled for Saturday May 25, 2019 at the hatchery pond. Worms and some tackle will be provided. This derby is open to kids 12 and under. There will be prizes and free



BPSA firearms trainer Frank Hutter explains handgun safety to Tammy Brown of Georgian Bluffs

refreshments for all who attend. Our 2019 Kids Fishing Derby is being coordinated by assistant hatchery manager Mike Smith. The Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association is celebrating 57 years of conservation. BPSA volunteers

have stocked more than 4-million fish to support a "put-and-take" sports fishery in Georgian Bay.

Submitted by Stu Paterson



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2019 Membership Form

PLEASE PRINT YOUR COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS AND ALL FAMILY MEMBER NAMES

Names: _____

Address/Fire Number/PO Box: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal/ZIP Code: _____

Email: _____ Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

BPSA 1 YEAR MEMBERSHIP: **FAMILY/ADULT \$60.00** **YOUTH (Under 18 years old) \$15.00**

Archery Fee: Adult \$40.00 Family \$65.00 Youth \$15.00

I hereby certify that as a member of the Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association, I will abide by the rules and regulations set forth in the constitution and by laws of the association (BPSA), I also acknowledge my personal information including names, address, phone numbers and email address will be stored at the BPSA for its sole use, my name/s may be shared with a third party for insurance purposes and photos may be taken for BPSA purposes unless the camera-person is notified otherwise.

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____ TOTAL: \$

Membership applications with payment (cash or cheque payable to BPSA) are accepted at the monthly meetings, mailing to BPSA at the above address, or to Marje/Jerry Beaver 519-534-5725 jerrybeaver7@yahoo.ca

Note: Memberships expire on December 31. Please be sure your membership is renewed by that date.

Handgun Club Fee: Adult \$85.00 Family \$95.00 Youth \$15.00

PAL Number _____ Expiry Date _____ TOTAL: \$

Renewing Handgun Club members pay all fees to Mark Young (leave in an envelope in the vault). For insurance purposes, all Handgun Club fees are payable by December 31st otherwise a late fee of \$25 will apply.

Note: New Handgun Club Applicants must attend the Club House for explanation of probation and fee schedule. Only in-person payments will be accepted for new Handgun Club memberships.

CLUB INVOLVEMENT (check all that apply) **TOTAL ALL** \$

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fish Hatchery | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising/Prizes | <input type="checkbox"/> Archery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boot Scubbers | <input type="checkbox"/> Handgun Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor Maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation Projects | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Events | <input type="checkbox"/> Help Stock Fish |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Website Maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Supervising Youth | <input type="checkbox"/> Support Only (No calls) |

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Renewal New Membership Membership Card Date application received: _____

Cash Cheque Amount Rec'd: _____ Date entered on spreadsheet: _____