



March 19, 2020

Hello fellow BPSA Members,

I hope everyone is well and staying safe during this COVID-19 crisis. Currently there are only two cases in the Grey Bruce area. Let's keep it that way. All club activities are on hold. Our clubhouse and our gun range remain closed to all activities! Sharon Smith has cleaned the clubhouse and range. She has removed the garbage and lowered the heat so the clubhouse can sit dormant. Sharon will not be cleaning the clubhouse until after activities resume. We will be checking the clubhouse from time to time.

I have attached the March BPSA reports. We will post them on our web page as well. As you are aware, we have cancelled our March monthly meeting and postponed our Annual General Meeting until Thursday, April 30, 2020 at 7:30 P.M. at the clubhouse. This may change depending up the length of the COVID-19 crisis.

We have also been forced to postpone our annual fin clipping at the hatchery. We will let you know the new date when we have one. Our fish do not care if there is a coronavirus they want to be fed. You can help our hatchery by volunteering to feed the fish. Please contact Al Sutter at 519-375-0774.

Our club activities may be on hold but many of our members are working behind the scenes to ensure that our club continues to prosper and we are ready when the crisis ends. A big thank you goes out to these members.

Stay safe, keep healthy so we all can get together again soon.

Bruce Beacock

President - Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association



## March 2020 BPSA Reports

### **BPSA Handgun Club Monthly Summary**

**March/2020**

The range is currently closed for an undetermined time to regular practice for safety/health reasons due to the Corona Virus. The range will re-open as soon as reasonably practical given the circumstances.

Competition Team: Two matches remain and to date our team has won all of their matches. The remaining two matches will be "Postal Matches" so we won't be travelling to other clubs or hosting at the BPSA.

Several new "Probationary Shooters" have signed up and are completing the required probationary period.

Frank Hutter recently held an all women P.A.L. (Possession and Acquisition Licence) course at the club. Most were ladies that participated in the HG Club Sunday Evening Ladies Shooting Program. Many are planning on completing the Restricted Firearms P.A.L. course as well which will enable them to participate in sport shooting with handguns.

Range Improvements: Kelly Lang, Range Manager, has installed new "Coroplast " backing boards to replace the heavy black ten test material we used for years. The new Coroplast backing is a fraction of the weight of the old material, is more attractive, durable and water resistant. It will also reduce large amounts of waste material and is more environment friendly. The new Coroplast boards were purchased at Johnny Tint.

Stay safe and healthy everyone,

Al Hunter,

President, BPSA Handgun Club

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## Treasury Report for month of February 2020

Treasurer – Corrie Beacock

**General Account: Deposits \$8,166.83 Withdrawals (\$2,021.95) Details as follows:**

Date		Deposit	Withdrawal	Cheque Number	Budget Account
03-Feb	Interest	0.03			
05-Feb	Hatchery grant	6,000.00			
06-Feb	Bank fee		8.50		Office Expense
10-Feb	Hydro One		578.99		Hatchery
11-Feb	Bryce McKinnon/ Ice cream		60.00	773	Events/Family Day
12-Feb	Cedar Crest Trout Farms		664.05	774	Hatchery
14-Feb	Membership	120.00			
	Membership	155.00			
	Membership	365.00			
	Membership	555.00			
15-Feb	Bread Depot		63.00	775	Events/Family Day
15-Feb	Sharon Smith		143.56	776	Maintenance
18-Feb	Hatchery grant	971.80			
17-Feb	Dianne McCartney		72.97	777	Events/Family Day
19-Feb	Marj Beaver/postage		20.34	778	Office Expense
29-Feb	Home Hardware Wiarton		21.46	779	Maintenance
	Home Hardware Wiarton		73.81	779	Hatchery
29-Feb	MPM LTD		315.27	780	Hatchery

**\$8,166.83      \$2,021.95**

Ways & Means balance is \$5,604.12

Deer feeding fund is \$3,578.20

RBG GIC Maturing December 1, 2022 is \$25,000.00.

BDO has the 2019 Financial Reports ready but due to COVID-19 we are unable to meet with them.

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### **Upcoming Events**

All events are currently on hold.

- Fin Clipping – Date to be determined

- Kids Fish Day - May 23rd

- Gateway Seniors Fish Day – May 31<sup>st</sup>

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## **BPSA MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY**

**2020**

REVISION  
DATE

**MAR 16/20**

PAID NEW MEMBERS	<b>34</b>
PAID FAMILY MEMBERS	<b>206</b>
PAID YOUTH	<b>1</b>
<b>TOTAL PAID MEMBERS</b>	<b>241</b>
<b>PAST MEMBERS NOT PAID</b>	<b>35</b>
MEMBERS THAT GET MINUTES MAILED	<b>9</b>
PAID GUN CLUB MEMBERS	<b>68</b>
PAID ARCHERY MEMBERS	<b>25</b>
PAID ADULT MEMBERS	<b>209</b>
CHILDREN MEMBERS	<b>32</b>
<b>ADULT QUORUM @10% IS</b>	<b>20.9</b>

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### **Hatchery Report March 3/2020**

**WE ARE IN NEED OF MEMBERS TO FEED THE FISH.** Please sign up on the calendar in the club house. Please call or E-mail me if you have any questions about this process. It takes about an hour each day for a 2 week or 1 week period. We will train you and go over the process with you before you start. This is a great way for new members to get involved. Please call. Al Sutter B.P.S.A. Hatchery Manager 519-375-0774 or [alan.sutter@wiartnhbc.com](mailto:alan.sutter@wiartnhbc.com)

Fin clipping has been postponed until further notice. We will send out a new date to the membership once we set a date

The Brown Trout are out of the upwelling trays and starting to feed.

Our Rainbow Trout are growing slowly. We have received our new fish grader and will have them graded before the end of March.

CHP funding application has been submitted and we are waiting to hear back about our 2020 funding for the hatchery operation.

Thank You.

Al Sutter

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## Archery Report for March 2020

We have been very busy on Tuesday evenings lately. We have quite several new archers considering joining the club.

As all other events at our club we did decide to cancel our indoor archery program until further notice due to the Covid-19 virus. Everyone will be notified when it is considered safe for groups to assemble.

We do have the opportunity to host a teaching course to train people as Level 1 Instructors. This is the U.S.A. Instructors course; it is not as intense, nor does it require the longer-term commitment from participants as the Ontario/ Canadian course. It is geared toward camp instructors, school programs etc.

The course takes place over one day and includes testing. The cost is \$140 per person.

We have an increasing archery membership and if some of the parents are willing to take the course and help with the program on Tuesday evenings it would be of great assistance to me.

I would like to use some of the money that I budgeted for promotion and put it towards education. I think it would be best to pay a portion or total cost, depending on the number of parents interested.

There is no extra charge to run the course if we provide the clubhouse and the use of our gear. The instructor would also need to use the overhead projector provided he can use his phone to access internet.

With the higher numbers of participants, I feel we may have to use both fields at the club for archery over the summer. We will require more safety monitors and this course will teach safety plus how to teach the basics.

We do have an Archer, Cindy Tavener for the spring to fall season. Cindy has the same coaching level as I do, and she has her Range Safety Officer course for archery. Cindy has volunteered to be an assistant and instructor for the program while in town. Cindy has opened for me before and done a great job.

Not only will this help with the program but will be of great assistance to me if I cannot make it down or make it on time.

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End of Reports