

Fur, Fins and Feathers



December 2021

The Clubhouse is off Old Oliphant Road on Northacres road and off County Road 13 in Wiarton.
Due to COVID-19 most activities are cancelled until further notice.
For inquiries e-mail bpsportsmen@gmail.com or mail to P.O. Box 548, Wiarton, Ontario N0H 2T0

Wiarion Christmas Parade

The BPSA once again showed our community spirit by entering a float in the Wiarion Santa Claus Parade. Members worked hard and decorated the clubs stocking trailer which was one of approximately 30 floats. A special thank you goes out to Ross Davidson for the use of his shop so we could be warm while decorating.



Thanks to all the evles that helped out.

Lachlan Harders
Braxton Purser
Elle Williamson
Baylor Smith
Jayden Smith.
James Thompson
Ian Sutter

Special thanks to the volunteers,
Gord Smith, Mike Smith , Tom McKee
Dean (always in shorts) Lobban
Chris Thompson
Alan Sutter





Season Greetings



As President of The Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association, I would like to extend Seasons Greetings and wish all our membership a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

With 2021 teaching us how to overcome life's new hurdles, the BPSA have stayed strong in the commitment to conservation. I must again thank all the volunteers that we have across the club, with the restrictions and compliances that we had to maintain we still managed to keep some special interest groups running. Our Hatchery has done an outstanding job in continuing with the fish stocking efforts. We have been able to retain rainbow eggs this year and we are back on track with the rainbow trout program. As well we have had another very successful year with the Brown Trout, we have stocked over 17 thousand brown trout with not a cormorant in sight and a remaining still to be stocked and growing well in our hatchery. I would like to personally thank the handful of members that have been able to assist us with keeping the hatchery going during the pandemic. Alan Sutter our Hatchery Manager and Mike Smith Club VP and Assistant Hatchery Manager are continuously doing great things in the hatchery.

Going forward, we will continue to monitor the Covid-19 situation while running the programs we provide for our membership in 2022. These programs are allowed to operate under Grey Bruce Health Units regulations and advisement. We are all excited that programs have been allowed to remain open to some extent and we are looking forward to an exciting spring of 2022.

We encourage everyone to purchase your membership again and help us in assisting to keep everything going as usual. With restraints from Covid it is ever more so important this year to support our club and its fish stocking programs. Without your support we are only as strong as our backing.

Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year

Kevin Harders

President, Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association.



Merry Christmas and a Very Happy and Healthy New Year to all Archery Members and to all the Members of Bruce Peninsula Sportsman's Association.

We are looking forward to seeing all past archers and many new archers in the Spring. Be kind and may all your arrows fly straight.

Merry Christmas from Donna and Paul.

Archery Members

Holiday Message from the **BPSA Handgun Club**



Another year has gone by and despite the pandemic we've made it through. It's time to once again celebrate the blessings of Home, Family and Friends.

The BPSA Handgun Club has met the challenges of on again, off again scheduling and compliance with the ever changing rules associated to numbers, social distancing, sanitizing and masking.

Changes were made to our range and we've reduced the numbers of shooters in the range at any given time. We also added improved physical barriers between the ports to help keep our members safe.

We've returned to two evening and afternoon shoots each week with an additional Friday afternoon shoot when the numbers call for it.

We are hoping to once again run our Youth Firearm Safety Program and the Sunday evening Ladies shooting event but those initiatives are of course dependent on where the pandemic takes us.

The end of the year also signals the importance of Renewing your BPSA and BPSA Handgun Club Memberships so we can enjoy our sport safely in the coming year.

Our Board wishes all Members of the H.G. Club and Parent Club along with their Families a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and fulfilling New Year.

*Sincerely,
Al Hunter, Kat McCulloch, Frank Hutter, Kelly Lang, Mark Young, Donna Maginnis and Jane Thibideau*

2021 Hepworth Anglers Club Update



The Hepworth Anglers Club thank Kodey Buchanan of the Steeldreams Fishing Club and Tournaments group for donating \$1000 towards the purchase of a flow meter for Dr. James Hamilton. Shown are Kodey (left) presenting Hepworth Club member Bill Nafziger (right) with \$1000.

Kodey is a unique innovative fund raiser, creating the Steeldreams Fishing Tournaments and donating the proceeds to local fishery organizations including various charities. Dr. Hamilton is researching the Hepworth Karst Drainage System, that creates Spring Creek and which is recognized as an important natural migratory fish hatchery benefiting the trout/salmon fishery in the Sauble River/ Lake Huron. The flow meter will be used in conjunction with Dr. Hamilton's monitoring stations on Spring Creek and offsite on water flows to various sink holes. all of which will contribute to Spring Creek's important role and continuance of its natural features into the future.

The Spring Creek Restoration Project now in its eighth year, continued with the addition 79 tonnes of angular spawning stone, which was used to create another spawning area and enhance other spawning areas in Spring Creek. 2021 Summer students Julia Elliot (U of Guelph) and Dominic Fleming (Wilfrid Laurier) assisted with Dr. Hamilton's monitoring activities, including working on ongoing Spring Creek maintenance such as cleaning spawning areas, installing/cleaning aeration diffusers, enhancing natural aeration features, performing fish counts, etc.

Again, thank you Kodey ("steeldreams fishing club and tournaments") for your one of a kind efforts, of giving back and benefitting the fisheries/local charities.

*Bill Nafziger
Hepworth Anglers Club*

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2022 General 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	
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ARCHERY FEE	ADULT \$40.00		FAMILY \$65.00		YOUTH (Under 18 years old) \$15.00	
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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, mailed to BPSA at the above address, or to Marje/Jerry Beaver 519-534-5725 109 Wilson Dr. Georgian Bluffs

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

**HANDGUN CLUB : TO RENEW FOR HANDGUN CLUB SEE 2ND SHEET
TO BECOME A MEMBER EMAIL BPSA AT ABOVE ADDRESS.
YOU MUST BE A MEMBER OF THE MAIN CLUB TO JOIN THE HANDGUN CLUB**

SUPPORT OUR CLUB BY DONATION ONLY

I DO NOT WANT TO JOIN THE CLUB AT THIS TIME

CLUB INVOLVEMENT (check all that apply)

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|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fish Hatchery | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Archery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boot Scubbers | <input type="checkbox"/> Prizes | <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) |

This section for BPSA administration only

Renewal New Membership Membership Card Date application received: _____
Cash Cheque Amount Rec'd: _____ Date entered on spreadsheet: _____

TOTAL \$

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2022 Renewal Handgun Membership



Note : YOU MUST BE A MEMBER OF THE MAIN CLUB TO JOIN/ RENEW.

PLEASE PRINT YOUR COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS AND ADD FAMILY MEMBERS THAT SHOOT*.

Name 1: _____ Name 2: _____

Address/Fire Number/PO Box: _____

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

Email: _____ Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

1 Pal #		Expiry	
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*2 Pal #	<input type="checkbox"/>	Expiry	
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Fees:- Adult \$85 *Family \$95 Youth \$15

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____ TOTAL: \$

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HANDGUN CLUB: To register for handgun Club fill in this sheet and leave at club attention Mark Young. Attach a cheque made payable to BPSA or you can pay with Cash by placing cash in an envelope; marked with your name, and attaching it to this form.

NEW HANDGUN members must apply in person or email BPSA, and successfully complete an orientation program.

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TOTAL ALL \$

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

Last revised: NOV 29/21

BPSA is dedicated to the preservation and enhancement of fish and wildlife through conservation efforts of its volunteer members. BPSA is renowned and respected for its conservation work in Grey-Bruce.



Projects

- ▲ Tree planting in the Vanishing Creek and Colpoys area.
- ▲ Cooperative conservation efforts with Sydenham Sportsmen's Association, Lake Huron Fishing Club, MNRF, Barrow Bay Fishing Association & Ontario Steelheaders
- ▲ Support & work with Rankin River Resource Group includes - Boat, Isaac & Sky Lake
- ▲ Raising & stocking rainbow and brown trout for the sports fishery
- ▲ Annual fish fry & fishing derby for Community Living clients
- ▲ Kid's Fishing Day at hatchery pond
- ▲ Fish hatchery tours for community groups
- ▲ Donate funds to conservation groups
- ▲ Support Town of South Bruce Peninsula Ontario Family Day
- ▲ Assist MNRF with fish surveys
- ▲ Assist at Warton & District Agricultural Society Fall Fair
- ▲ Actively participate in Georgian Bay & Lake Huron MNRF Fisheries Management Zone Councils
- ▲ Rehabilitated habitat at Gleason Brook & Colpoys Creek
- ▲ Re-introduced wild turkeys to Bruce & Grey Counties
- ▲ Feed deer in severe winters
- ▲ Boot scrubber installation at trail heads for terrestrial invasive species control.

Fish Hatchery

Raising trout has been the big focus of the BPSA since its inception. It is the oldest Community Hatchery in Ontario. We raise about 150,000 rainbow trout and 30,000 brown trout annually to be released in local waters. The hatchery was built by and is operated by club members on a volunteer basis.

Tourism officials recognize that these efforts have been responsible for over \$15 million in economic benefits to the local community.



Community Living & Kids Fishing Days

BPSA sponsor Community Living fish fry and derby. Plus Kids Fishing derby at hatchery pond. Prizes are given out during the day. Great community events.



Handgun Club

The Handgun Club provides a Youth Firearms Safety Program and supervised range sessions for young shooters (.22 rifle) during the winter months. Members shoot several times weekly in a modern licensed indoor range.

Supervised by Safety Range Officers.

Archery

We have equipment available so you can try out this growing sport. Practice ranges are available to Archery members.



Become a member or donate today.

For as low as \$60 a year. For complete membership break down go to our web site membership page.

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We are located at
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**COVID Safety Protocols
are all in place.**