

BPSA Family Day Open House



It was another successful FAMILY DAY at the Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association. (BPSA)

It's an annual affair and this year our Family Day Open House attracted several hundred visitors, young and old, all interested in checking what our conservation club is all about.

Our Family Day event gives us an opportunity to promote the great outdoors as well as the programs we offer. This day helps us introduce young people to outdoors activities such as the heritage pursuits of fishing and hunting. There were Fish Hatchery tours, and our young guests got a chance to try archery, one of Canada's fastest growing sports. Visitors were interested in our rifle and handgun target shooting programs, youth firearms safety classes and a wide array of collector firearms.

A large display of wildlife wood sculptures by Grey-Bruce expert carver Clayton Urbshott, received rave reviews. Guests got to cook their own hot dogs and enjoyed drinks compliments of BPSA.

Several visitors took the opportunity to join BPSA which has been operating since the sixties with a focus of preserving and protecting fish and wildlife. Our volunteers have stocked over 4-million fish to enhance our sports fishery. We offer several conservation programs including tree planting. We promote the sale of apple trees to feed deer in winter. We boast an invasive species awareness Boot Scrubber Program. So far we have installed 75 scrubber units across Grey Bruce. All BPSA programs are staged as a community service and are run by our volunteers.



BPSA President Carl Jones said he was encouraged with the turnout which he suggested *"helped introduce our club to folks who have never been here before."* Jones said *"We strongly support our Family Day and Kids Fishing events where young people are taught the joys of outdoors recreation and conservation. We encourage those young people to carry on the good conservation work started many years ago by our club's pioneers."* Regular BPSA club meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the last Thursday night of each month.

If you think you might want to check us out, join us Thursday evening our clubhouse on North Acres Road west of Wiarton.

by Stu Paterson













Three more sessions of our **Youth & Ladies Firearms Training Program**

