

FEBRUARY 2026

Next meeting February 26th. Address: 611 North Acres Road, Warton [bpsportsmen.com](http://bpsportsmen.com)

## Youth Firearms Safety Program in the books



On Feb. 15/2026 we concluded our Kid's Firearms Safety Program. We had 25 participants who ranged in age from 8-15 years of age. Special thanks go out to our instructors who ran through ACTS and PROVE (safety handling) and answered lots of questions and demonstrated various firearms to the kid's present.



The range officers took great care mentoring the kid's one on one, with an over all Range Safety Officer, while they shot at targets on the range. Special thanks to all the safety instructors, Thanks also to the behind the scenes organizers marking, arranging treats, setting up for the class and doing paperwork and finances.

We received donations from

- Princess Auto,
- Peninsula Ford (Mike Stewart),
- Home Depot OS (Amanda Button)
- Watson's tackle (Drew Watson),
- Midwest Co-op Warton (Bonnie Stroeder),
- Wilson's Home Hardware NBP(Sandra and Jeff Wilson),
- Suntrail Outfitters Hepworth (Marcie).
- Bruce Power

*We couldn't do it without you.*







This program has ran for over 25 years, Many of our young shooters have become sucessfull hunters and members of BPSA.

We are unique in that we teach kid's to shoot as well as many other activities at the club.

We encourage everyone to take an interest and explore the club's activities. Some kid's in this program will be from hunting families, farming or have an interest in target shooting. Other's may just have an interest or curiosity at this point and well firearms safety is always a top priority. The world is ever changing and it's a good thing to learn. Education is key and we hope the kid's have fun and continue to excel no matter what avenue they take.

Thank you to everyone.

Great meeting you all!

Maybe we'll see you next year and a Big thanks to the parents etc. who brought you to the club.

Special mention goes to:

- Ms Szymezko who had the highest score/safety and attended every day.
- Ms Ajsaonkar who got the second highest score/safety and attended every day.
- Mr. Herron most improved, very good score.
- Mr. J. Toth youngest, very good score, attended every day,





# Remembering Members we lost in 2025

## Sam Brouwer

*Dad had a deep affection for his firearm collection, which he began amassing in his early twenties. His collection grew to an impressive size, far more than most people would ever consider counting. He took great pleasure in sharing his collection, especially when it came to teasing any boys who came to date his daughters, simply by showcasing his extensive assortment. I started joining him for shooting sessions on Wednesday afternoons, where he enjoyed chatting with the guys. My routine was to run in, take a shot, and quickly run back out.*

*Additionally, I began handling Dad's paperwork for the Bruce Sportsmen because I have a printer. He once won the early bird draw, completely oblivious that he had even entered. Dad delighted in seeing my targets and having me try out his different guns. He would often take my targets home and proudly show them to his fellow bus drivers. He even had one of my targets in his bag on that fateful day. I deeply miss those shooting sessions with him.*

*by Daughter Patricia Krieg*



## Bob Sarver (American Bob)

*In Dec. 2025 BPSA lost Bob Sarver, a member affectionally known as American Bob. He was a very dedicated club member who participated in all club function that he could such as stocking fish and hatchery duties, helping with the big tent erection at Owen Sound Salmon Derby. Helping at Kid's fishing day and Community Living fishing day. Bob also helped the legion putting up the flags around the cenotaph. He enjoyed fishing in Colpoys Bay trying the catch fish the club stocked.*



## **Donna Catherine Maginnis**

*Donna passed in September 5th., 2025 following a brave battle with Cancer. Donna was a long time Member of the BPSA and worked diligently on several club programs with her husband Paul. They moved from the London area where Donna worked as a nurse and an electrician to North Bruce Peninsula.*

*Donna suffered serious injuries many years earlier and was confined to a wheelchair and later crutches. Donna and Paul worked tirelessly to revive the BPSA Youth Archery program, which through hard work became one of the most popular programs at the BPSA. Donna had a particular fondness for the kids and they reflected those feelings back to Donna.*



*Donna and Paul were also involved in the BPSA Handgun Club where both Donna and Paul served as*

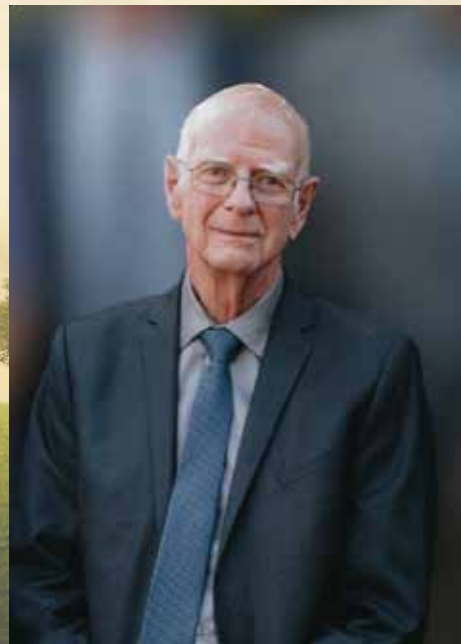
*range officers. Donna often shot from her wheel chair. Later, Donna had successful surgery to correct her disability and she was able to walk again. We recall Donna saying "I bought the first new pair of shoes in 25 years" which was typical of her sense of humour.. Her legacy carries on today through the Youth Archery program. Paul is still an active Hangun Shooter and involved in the club.*



## **Forbes Symon**

*BPSA past Membership Chair for years. Forbes loved fishing, playing card games and leading a vigorous sing-song on many occasions.*

*Family was always so important to Forbes. He was a steady force and was valued for his opinions and guidance.*



# Remembering BPSA Members

Alex McNeil	1986	Hans Heidolph	2010	Howard Hills	2022
Eric Creswick	1989	Larry Barfoot	2012	Ray Reidel	2022
George Laird	1989	Dennis Hewitson	2012	Dave Baxter	2022
Cam Taylor	1990	Louis Huber	2013	Don Stewart	2023
Nick Adams	1991	Rudolf Zinsser	2014	George Garton	2023
Ewart Taylor	1992	James Lee	2015	John Stonehill	2023
Jim Trussler	1992	James Leeson	2015	Fred Richardson	2024
Cecil Bawtinheimer	1993	John Good	2016	Stan McNeil	2024
William Dove	1996	Ed McArthur	2016	Cathy Young	2024
Albert Koeslag	1996	Loreena Richardson	2016	Udo Gottschall	2024
James Rumley	1996	Ernie Schnurr	2016	Charlie Thibideau	2024
Percy George	1997	Bill Busey	2017	Forbes Symon	2025
William McDougal	1997	Jon Janelle	2017	Donna Maginnis	2025
Harvey Paton	1997	John McGill	2017	Sam Brouwer	2025
Tim George	1998	Karen Robertson	2017	Bob Sarver	2025
Earl Jones	1998	Garry Stewart	2017		
Gerald Norris	1998	Lorne Fletcher	2018		
Bud Simpson	1999	Hazel Fletcher	2018		
James Burgess	2000	Kay Hunter	2018		
Lucille Loucks	2000	Dan Kerr	2018		
Mancel Nixon	2000	Jim Noble	2018		
James Thompson	2000	Irvin Sutter	2019		
Jack Burt	2001	Harvey Taylor	2019		
John Craig	2001	Doug Manson	2019		
Jeff Isbester	2001	Adrian Dwyer	2020		
Harvey Whitcroft	2003	Gerald Rouse	2020		
Roy Hamilton	2004	Brian Parker	2020		
Jeremy Gordon	2005	George Schnurr	2020		
Graham Loucks	2005	Suzie Quesnel	2020		
Donny Barton	2006	John Wood house	2020		
Don Barton	2006	Ken Jamieson	2020		
Bessie Hutter	2006	Joerg Klein	2021		
Ruth McGill	2006	Bonnie Benedik	2021		
Reg Krueger	2007	Judy Urbshott	2021		
Dave Neisen	2007	Wayne Hepburn	2021		
Robert Good	2009	Carl Schroeder	2021		
Ted Wilford	2009	Fred Newton	2021		

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