

Branch Valley Fish, Game & Forestry Association, Inc.

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March 2010

Next Meeting: March 2, 2010

Tuesday @ 7:30 pm Club house 215-257-1000

Club Officers

President: Dave Youells
 Vice President: John Helfrich
 Treasurer: Jim Michener
 Recording Sec: Chris Seitz
 Finc. Sec: Paul Schwartz

Board of Directors:

Chairman: Bob Gular
 Recording Sec: Paul Schwartz
 Earl Yocum, Tim Freed, Mark Getty, Jay Freed, Steve Hoelzle

Membership Dues Schedule:

-Family -\$110 (parents & children incl. full time student dependents up to 22 with student ID.)
-Adult -\$95 (Men, Women 18 & up)
-Seniors \$40.00 incl 2 raffle tickets 65 Yrs and member for min of 5 years.
-Junior -\$20 (17 & younger-no raffles)
 -\$50 Application. fee for new members
-Renewal late fee after 12/31/2009 \$25
 -Guest Card - \$70 for 2009/10

Member dues incl. 2 Raffle Tickets

B.V. Calendar for March 2010

Date	Event	Time
2	Club meeting	7:30pm
3	Intn'l Trap	11-3pm
3	BV Trap	6-10pm
4	BV Pistol	7-10 pm
6	Outdoor Expo Calvary Church	
7	Black Powder	9-noon
9	Archery	7pm
10	Intn'l Trap	11-3 pm
10	BV Trap	6-10 pm
11	BV Pistol	7-10 pm
12	Jr Rifle	7:30 pm
14	BV League Trap shoot	10-3pm
16	Archery	7-10pm
17	Intn'l Trap	11-3 pm
17	BV Trap	6-10pm
18	BV Pistol	6-10pm
19	Jr. Rifle	7:30pm
21	Hi Power (NRA)	9-noon
21	Small Bore	12:30 to
23	Archery	7-10pm
24	Int'l Trap	11-3pm
24	BV Trap	6-10pm
25	BV Pistol	7-10pm
30	BOD Mtg	7:30pm
31	Int'l Trap	11-3pm
31	BV Trap	6-10pm

April Meeting on the 6th

***Outdoor Rifle/pistol range closed during organized trap shoots**

***IMPORTANT NOTE: The airport property is private land & posted. Being a member of BVFGF DOES NOT GIVE PERMISSION to enter or trespass on airport property. DO NOT risk it. Any member in violation may also lose membership**

BY Law change passed

Change in late fee charged for renewals received after Jan 1, 2010 now at \$25. After Jan 27, keyscan cards for expired members won't work.

If your dues are not in by now, you may be losing your slot.

Club Committees

Archery : Mark Getty:

The dates for the 2010 3D archery season.

April 18

June 13

August 15

September 12

We will be having work day in the near future to clean up the course and the range.

Anyone wishing to help can contact me at wakmstakm@verizon.net

New targets on the range handle only field point on the practice range NO BROADHEADS WILL BE SHOT AT THESE TARGETS! Be sure to lube/soap your arrows to aid with pulling arrows.

*Indoor range committee:

Please only shoot paper targets. Note the approved handgun calibers posted. Put your finger on the trigger ONLY when ready to fire. We like the lights intact. This is a total disregard for safety and club property. Anyone damaging the club property will lose their membership.

***Grounds Committee:** Jim Bristow is retiring. We are getting several who are volunteering to help on grounds. More on this as we get closer to spring. .

For Sale: Soft Bow case for compound bow. Like New. See Paul S at meeting..make offer.

*Fish Committee:

Fishing rules & regulations are posted. Trout stocking for 2010 planned for April 8th. Trout shopping complete and are on order. Dealer says a good bunch of fish this year. Lake fishing closed Apr 8-10th

Kids Derby: April 10, 8am til noon.

Full club opener: April 11th 8am.

Gular ceremonial trout Breakfast 6am.

*Branch Valley Sportswear

Sweats, denim shirts, T's Hats & fleeces Cold out there about now. Nice fleeces sporting our club logo. I have some 3X sizes at the March mtg for those who ask for them. **See Paul at the next mtg.**

*RAFFLE WINNERS 2009

Jan 2010	Louis Bell
Feb 2010	Michael Hurley
Mar 2010	
April 2010	
May 2010	
June 2010	
July 2010	
Aug 2010	
Sept 2010	
Oct 2010	
Nov. 2010	
Dec .2010	

***Outdoor Ranges: Bob Gular & Chris Seitz** Hello to all the members,

I sure everyone is more than ready for spring! Thanks to all members and guest who attended the seminar fo Pa Gun Laws and Special Thanks to our State Police for thier time. There is lots of information out there on many different websites. The NRA has lots of info and links for you to investigate.

Back to the club, with spring on it's way we will start again our projects for the year, Please watch for the notices of the work party details. You will meet other members and make new friends thru the year. See you out there! Be safe .

Chris Seitz. chrisseitz@comcast.net
 See you at the meeting or range.

Outdoor Range Committee Report.

Bob Gular:
Starting with this month's Blackpowder Shoot (March 7th) we will be including blackpowder cartridge guns as well as the muzzleloading variety. Come on out and shoot or just watch and learn if you are new to, or just interested in blackpowder shooting. Advice and instruction are provided just for the asking.

March 21st Highpower Match will be of the standard service and match rifle variety. Participants are signed up on a first come, first served basis. If you want a position on the first relay, you had better get there very early.

At the April 25th match we are trying something new. A 20 shot offhand match featuring single shot rifles will be held on the 50 yard range along with the slow fire positions of the high power match. This is for high power or black powder guns and not a rimfire match.

Lots of things left to do as far as improvements to the range such as, replacing or repairing pistol range damage caused by faulty ammo or bent barrels, fixing the medium retaining wall on the 50 yard range, waterproofing the shed roof so it can be used for storage, resealing the concrete floor, and more. When the weather gets better we will ask for assistance to get these things taken care of. Thanks in advance for your help.

Shotgun Committee:

Jim Michener/Tom Hopwood
Thanks to helpers Gene, Andy and others
Hours: Wednesdays, 5:45 PM till 9:30-10:00 PM.
-Cost: 25 birds \$ 4.00/ 50 birds \$ 8.00
-Shells \$6.50 or bring your own.
-Call your own. If cold, rainy or poor turnout, we close earlier.

Pistol Committee:

Amon Jones. No report.

Legislative News will be sent as separate attachment to the newsletter.

LOCAL EVENT:

Outdoor Expo 2010
March 6th, 2010 10AM to 7PM
Calvary Church Rt. 113 Hilltown, Pa.
Guest spkr: Babe Winkleman

Views From The Field/Dave Youells

As I write this, the view is of snow and more snow just piled up everywhere. Rains expected, perhaps some of this will be removed to make room for more of the white stuff later.

March 6th, the Expo at Calvary Church in Souderton will be held from 10:00 to 7:00 and admission is free, so take the whole family for a fun filled day. Stop by the Branch Valley table and say hello. Branch Valley will have a BB gun range setup in the adjoining woods, bring the youngsters so they can punch some holes in a target.

A representative from the Fish Commission will be present at the March meeting to update us as to new regulations and whatever else may be taking place in the world of boating and fishing.

I hope that you had the opportunity to go to the Outdoors Show in Harrisburg. I made the trip with a buddy in between the snowstorms. Each time I attend, I am impressed as to how large the show really is. Mark your calendars and plan on attending the March 2nd meeting, after all, it is your club.

President Dave Pa371@verizon.net

Kitchen:

We will be serving meatball hoagies, hot dogs, lasagna soup, chocolate cake, and coffee. Think spring!. Kay & Kathy

Women's Events:

1. An **NRA Women On Target Instructional Shooting Clinic** will be held on Saturday, May 15th at BV. This women's event will feature training in handguns, small bore rifle, shotgun and muzzleloaders. The event will cost \$25 per woman and is open to BV women (age 18 and up) and the public. **Price** includes all food, ammo, and loaner firearms for the day. Registration forms are available in the clubhouse. **The NRA Foundation has given BV a grant to present this event. Limit 35 women.**
2. A **Women In The Outdoors** event is being planned for Saturday, September 11th. If you would like to help us plan please contact Kathy Michener at jamkat1105@comcast.net or 215-249-9367.

Any other club news, please send to club email account which is bvfgf@hotmail.com

2010 Membership renewal form. Note instructions below

A \$25.00 late fee applies to all renewals after Jan 1, 2010.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2010:

Schedule of dues as follows:

Family: \$110.00 (include 2 raffle tix)
Adult single: \$95.00 (incls 2 raffle tix)
Seniors: \$20.00 Age 65 after 5 years of membership plus 2 raffle tickets.
Juniors: \$20.00 with parental slip.
Guest pass: \$70.00
New member's initiation fee: \$50.00

Membership Renewal Form:

To renew by mail, please provide the following:

(Please Print)

Member Number _____

Phone Number _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Able to help on _____ committee

Please verify Email address.

* _____

Membership Type (include # of cards for Family membership)

Guest Pass
Yes _____ No _____

Late Fee : _____

Amount Enclosed. _____

Raffle Tickets, should we: (pls select)

1) **Mail uncompleted/cards** _____

2) **Or Complete for me** _____

**PLEASE, PLEASE:
Mail with Self Addressed
Stamped Envelope to:**

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