

BRANCH VALLEY FISH, GAME & FORESTRY ASSOCIATION, INC.

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September 2023 Newsletter

Monthly Meeting: Tuesday September 5, 2023 @ 7:30 pm

Club house 215-257-1000

Club Officers

President: Garry Englemann
Vice President: John Helfrich
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Board of Directors

Chair: Bob Gular
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Members: Earl Yocum
Tim Freed
Mike Kehoe
Larry Myers
Steve Hoelzle

Calendar for September 2023

Date	Event	Time
3	Black powder Shoot	9am
4	Archery	7pm
5	B.V. Monthly Mtg.	7:30pm
6	B.V. Trap*	6-10pm
7	B.V. Pistol	7-10pm
11	Archery	7pm
13	B.V. Trap*	6-10pm
14	B.V. Pistol	7-10pm
18	Archery	7pm
20	B.V. Trap*	6-10pm
21	B.V. Pistol	7-10pm
24	High Power off hand Rifle match	9am-noon
25	Archery	7pm
26	B.V. Board of Dir. Meeting	7:30 pm
27	B.V. Trap*	6-10 pm
28	B.V. Pistol	7-10 pm

*Outdoor Range Unavailable

** All Events Subject to Cancellation

Next Club Meeting October 3, 2023

Branch Valley Sportswear

BV logo Sportswear for sale. Camo & blaze order hats, crew neck & ¼ zip sweats, denim shirts, polo shirts, fleeces crew T's and pocket T's. Many items at our meetings. Sizes M, Large, X Large. 3x and child sizes by special order. All with club logo.

***BV SPORTSWEAR: NEW SHIRTS, SWEATS, FLEECES, AND HATS AVAILABLE. NEW SELECTIONS OF COLORS AVAILABLE AS WELL AS NEW BRAND ON FLEECES.**

See Paul at the meetings.

Archery Committee

The Archery club gets together Monday night indoors from 7 till 9 to shoot a round of 3D targets.

The indoor range has a green arrow curtain that can be pulled in front of the pistol backstop. The curtain is rated for a 50lb bow using blunt bullet

tip points. We have target bails and foam blocks to be placed between the targets and the curtain. This is to prevent damage to the curtain and to your arrows in the unlikely chance you miss.

On the outdoor archery range target houses have been placed at 20, 30, 40 and 50 yards. Crossbow speed bags are installed on all the target houses. Please put the crossbow speed bags back on top of the foam blocks to keep them out of the weather when you are finished.

Good News! Broadheads can be shot at the Styrofoam blocks in the target houses. Just be careful when removing the broad heads and pulling out large chunks of the foam.

PLEASE DO NOT SHOOT BROADHEADS AT THE "CROSSBOW SPEED BAGS" OR ANY OTHER TARGET ON THE CLUB GROUNDS.

Joe Bosch jfbosb@hotmail.com

Fish Committee

We have stocked 52 Channel Catfish that are 8 inches as a sample that may lead to more catfish in the future. We want to ensure the continued maintenance of the bass and bluegill population before adding more catfish.

Most members enjoying the summer fishing do so on a catch and release basis and we are establishing a requirement that you release catfish until further notice.

If successful, these fish will be 12 inches in 6 months. We hope the rest of the fish continue to thrive as well.

The hatchery recommends the mix of species and there have been continued requests from members and the Board. Please note any catches on the fish reporting sheet at the member sign in desk.

Fish Committee

Jack Patcella jack.equityappraisal@comcast.net

Raffle Winners 2022/2023

October 2022	Stephen Lear
November 2022	Rich Moody
December 2022	Anthony Zadlo
January 2023	Joseph Gibbons
February 2023	William Kioro
March 2023	Darius Puzinas
April 2023	Kirt Stillings
May 2023	Tom Moyer
June 2023	Staci Dam
July 2023	Joe McGinley
August 2023	Larry Baker
September 2023	Back to School?

Kitchen Committee

September Meeting Night

Pierogies with butter & onions (each)
Sloppy Joes

Surprise Dessert
Ice Cream Sandwich
Coffee, Tea, Lemonade, Iced Tea
See you soon!
Larry Myers - Kitchen Committee

Pistol Team/Indoor Range

Important Notice:

Please start at seven yards when coaching young children or new shooters to assure that their shots are hitting the target. There is no extra credit for shooting out the lights, which continues to occur.

The Pistol Team has made some changes to the ventilation, and shooters should see smoke from their shots moving downrange (albeit slowly) when fans are in use.

Please:

- Only shoot paper targets.
- Approved calibers posted on the range.
- Place finger on the trigger ONLY when ready to fire. -SAFETY FIRST.
- Unsafe practices damaging BVFG range or property may cost your membership.
- Please take out the trash when the containers are full. Clean up all your brass.

Rich Williams, Captain williamsrf@verizon.net

Membership

NOTE: 2023 MEMBERSHIP CARDS (YELLOW) MUST BE DISPLAYED BY ALL MEMBERS WHILE USING THE RANGES/FACILITY AT BVFG. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Membership report: September 2023.
The membership count is 918 members with 32 juniors on record total 949.

Renewals for 2024 will start in the Mid Sept timeframe. Mail in renewal forms are with your newsletter for the next few months.

Due to issues with some members violating the family membership (dependent children) policy; ages 18- 22 enrolled as Fulltime college students NOTE: BVFG has dissolved this option. This change is in effect for the 2023 calendar year and in effect for renewing in 2024. Renewal forms for 2024 will again be requesting information on dependent in household children. Those 18 and over can move to an adult membership.

IF MEMBERS ARE NOT GETTING EMAILED NEWSLETTER, THEY NEED TO CONTACT US VIA THE WEBSITE EMAIL

SITE bvfgf@hotmail.com.

NEW MEMBERS, PLEASE REMEMBER TO REGISTER ON THE WEBSITE AS REQUESTED AT ORIENTATION. If you change your email address do so on the BVFG web portal by "signing in" to manage this process. If not registered, please do so if you have email. It is important to streamline the newsletter mailing process also.

Also, if there is any news of interest, please write to the club email address.

Please attend meetings. Next general meeting for month of September will be on the 5th @ 7:30pm.

Otherwise refer to this newsletter for current issues on John Helfrich's calendar and general information or the website.

At the meeting we will have new Pocket T shirts in Large XL and 2XL in navy blue and medium steel grey with a club emblem embroidered. The cost is \$20 now for the T shirts. We can order assorted colors and sizes. Minimum of 6 order quantity does apply per the provider in special colors and odd sizes.

Please advise at appps314@gmail.com or on BVFG Hotmail address.

Most apparel comes in M, L, EX and 2XL some larger frames on most items available. BVFG Crewneck sweatshirts, Light denim shirts, T Shirts, some fleece jackets. Camo and orange baseball style hat in also in blaze orange. Also, plenty of available hooded sweatshirts, full zip, for sale at the club meeting. Let me know via email link on website if preference for more colors. Also have a couple of Arctic Hooked sweatshirts, super warm and high quality made in the USA, for \$80. We can get them, but the lead time is a few months, hopefully improving soon.

Summer is still here, but brisk mornings are already happening. Please enjoy the Labor Day weekend with friends and family. Please enjoy the great weather. Lake Ontario is heating up for Salmon and into September. St. Lawrence River for walleye and small mouth both are great places to wet your line.

Regards, Paul S. PR Membership Committee/Director/Financial Secretary

Outdoor Ranges

This month's High-power match will be held on Sunday the 24th and will be of the offhand variety. Service, match, sporting, and target rifles will be allowed. The match will consist of two targets at 100 yards, 25 shots each, with a short break period between them. Match begins at 9 AM.

Black Powder shooters will meet on Sunday the 3rd at 9AM for the usual informal event. Muzzleloaders and black powder cartridge firearms qualify for this shoot.

I have had a couple of reports about members (and guests) disregarding safety procedures at the outdoor range. You are only allowed to go down range after all firing has ceased, all firearms are made safe, unhandled, and flagged, and the safety lights are blinking. Stay focused.

Starting this month nominations are open for all line officer seats and two seats on the Board of Directors.

Shoot safely or stay home.

Bob Gular blkpdbob@comcast.net

Grounds Committee

The Grounds Committee is looking forward to fall. We desperately need your help with grounds care this year.

Please consider stepping up to do some mowing and grounds work. A few volunteers would make the job that much easier.

For specific details and to put your name on the list please reach out to Mike Reiner or any Board Member.

Mike Reiner - mikereiner@comcast.net
215-237-4187

Legislative Updates

It is up to each one of us to keep track of what our elected representatives are up to and let them know our opinion. One of the best and easiest methods is to sign up at the Gun Owners of America (GOA) web.
page: <https://www.gunowners.org/action/>

There is no cost, and you do not have to join the organization. GOA will send you email alerts when any bills (pro and con, US and State) come up for votes, inform you of executive actions and more.

If you also enter your physical address, it will tailor pre-written reply to letters to your specific US and PA reps and senators. You can always write your own reply text or alter the pre-written version as you see fit. You can look up voting records, voter guides, legislative info, etc. It is a great resource to help keep track and quickly let your opinion be known.

Remember, Freedom Is Never Free!
Jim Hildenberger

BVFGFA Trap

Trap is Back on Wednesdays!

Hours: Wednesdays, 6:00- 9:30-10:00PM

Cost: 25 birds \$ 6.00 Call your own. If cold temperatures below 25F, rainy, we do not open.

If there is a poor turnout, we close earlier.

The Shotgun Committee needs helpers for Wednesday evening shoots.

Please contact Larry @ 267-424-0295

Please reach out and thank Larry for continuing to make this event happen.

Presidents Corner August 2023

Good end of summer members of BV,

As I mentioned last month, we are getting closer to the archery opener in southeast Pa. Most of us are already sighting in or readying our equipment and buying what we lost or broke last year.

Speaking of deer hunting, it was just a handful of years ago the game commission, after a ten-year long debate legalized the use of a dog to help recover wounded game. But over the past few months I have watched on TV several shows that a company rents their services using highly sophisticated drones to do the work of recovering the game. Now I am all for whatever means to recover an animal, but...

Here is my fear. Outlaws can also use these drones to watch and track animals for their criminal ways. Now I have full faith in the game commission, it will be debated for years before a decision is voted on.

Just a note, there has been one ruling regarding the use of drones, in PA it is already unlawful to operate a drone on or above state game lands.

Let's see some harvest photos on the tack board in the meeting room.

Have a great month and I will see you at the meeting.

Garry Englemann President

Attachments

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2024 Member Renewal

Next Club Meeting October 3, 2023

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2024 Annual Membership Renewal Form

2024 Dues Schedule

- Family: \$120.00 (include 2 raffle tickets)
- Adult single: \$105.00 (includes 2 raffle tickets)
- Juniors: \$20.00 with parental slip no raffle tickets issued for juniors.
- **Senior Couple \$90.00 Husband/Wife Age over 65 with 5 consecutive years membership. (Includes 2 raffle tickets)**
- Guest pass: \$70.00 (One (1) Adult, Family or Senior Membership)
- Renewals received after December 31, 2023, subject to \$50.00 late fee

Renewal Procedure

- Download and Print the Renewal Form
- Fill out (please print clearly)
- Mail with your check and **self-addressed stamped envelope** to:

BVFG&F P.O. Box 182 Perkasie, PA 18944
RE: 2024 Membership Renewals

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2024 Renewal (please print clearly)
FOR CURRENT MEMBERS RENEWALS ONLY

Primary Membership Name: _____

Dependent children family under 18: _____, _____, _____, _____
(Include children name And Date of Birth) _____, _____, _____, _____

Address: _____

Member Number: _____ Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Occupation: _____ Able to help on _____ Committee

Membership Type:	_____ Family	Need _____ Cards	\$120.00	Under 18 yrs. of age
	_____ Single		\$105.00	
	_____ Senior		\$50.00	
	_____ Senior Couple		\$90.00	
	_____ Junior (Include Parental slip)		\$20.00	
	_____ Guest Pass (One Guest per pass Only)		\$70.00	
	_____ Late Fee (post marked after 12/31/23)		<u>\$50.00</u>	

Total enclosed: _____ \$ _____

Raffle tickets: Should we (Select one):

_____ Mail Uncompleted Cards _____ Fill Out for Me

Send Completed Form WITH SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE to:
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SORRY, NO TIME TO WRITE OUT ENVELOPES. PLEASE FOLLOW THE PROCESS.**