



# BEAVER COUNTY SPORTSMEN'S CONSERVATION LEAGUE

September 9, 2021 Minutes  
Meeting Location – Ambridge



## MEMBER CLUBS & AGENCIES

P = Present, A = Absent

P	Aliquippa	Guy Cable	P	Five Points	Jim Farland	A	Pine Run	Rob Smith
	(Alt)	Mike Harcher		(Alt)	Dan Losco		(Alt)	Dick Smith
P	Ambridge	Tim Watson	P	FOAC	Craig Holdren	A	Pittsburgh Down Riggers	Andy Theodore
P	(Alt)	Tim Reichl		(Alt)	Clinton DeLuca		(Alt)	Ed Lamb
A	Beaver Falls	Larry White	A	Forrest Grove	Mike Karkalla	P	Rochester	Dan Householder
	(Alt)	Frank Eder			Tim Hartzell	P	(Alt)	Jerry Hooks
P	B.V. Archers	Walt Ketterer	P	Green Valley	Vic Gurinowitsch	A	Sewickley	Mark Crevar
	(Alt)	Jack Weisman		(Alt)	None		(Alt)	None
P	B.V. Rifle & Pistol	Bob Oles	P	Midland	Mark Benzio	A	Southside	Louie Muller
	(Alt)	Rich Wall		(Alt)	Dave Knight		(Alt)	None
A	Conway	Brian Lippert	A	N. Boroughs	Harry Norton	P	PGC	Matt Kramer
	(Alt)	Jacob Lippert		(Alt)	None	A	PFBC	Jeremy Allen

## OFFICERS

	President		Vice President		Treasurer		Secretary
P	Tony Rich	P	Rich Kerlin	P	Mark Benzio	P	Tonya Cable

Call to Order - 7:00pm

Host Club Welcome – Ambridge Delegate, Tim Watson

## GUESTS

- None

## Last Month's Minutes

- Motion to Approve, Aliquippa / Rochester. Passed.

## Treasurer's Report – Mark Benzio -

Motion to Approve, Ambridge / Aliquippa. Passed.

## ELECTION – NONE

(July – appoint nominating committee & October – Elections)

Treasurer & Vice President up for election in October.

Nominating committee: Craig Holdren

- To nominate someone, contact Craig Holdren at 724-312-7463 or [craig@craigholdren.com](mailto:craig@craigholdren.com)

## COMMUNICATIONS

- South Fayette Township – special hunt for physically impaired hunters and / or disabled veterans to be held on 10/21 – 10/23/21.

Motion to donate \$150 towards this hunt by Aliquippa. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ambridge. Passed

- Mentioned that 3 members from the local Beaver County Sportsmen Clubs will be attending this hunt.

## STATE AGENCIES

### PA GAME COMMISSION – Matt Kramer - [REPORT](#)

- Youth Pheasant hunt – ONLY 8 kids registered. Need more youth in attendance so we can keep the program going. It is a well-organized program. To be held on October 9, 2021. – [Sign up here](#)
- Free Webinars available through the PA Game Commission (Pheasant Hunting 101)
- Reviewed the PGC safety guidelines for handling wildlife properly. More details in attached report.
- DMA (CWD) limiting the spread. You cannot bring any high-risk parts (spinal or brain matter) into PA from any state or providence.
- 90% of the CWD is being seen with-in DMA 2. See attachment for more detail.
- Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup> will be the Board of Game Commissioners Meeting at the South-West Region Office.
- Doe tags go over the counter September 13, 2021 (1A is sold out) (2A & 2B still have tags available)
- Rededication of “Game Lands 93” – directly across from the Flight 93 Memorial in Somerset County to be held on Friday, September 10, 2021. A US Fish & Wildlife Service Agent was on that flight 93 in 2001 and he was called in to action that day.

### [PA Hunting and Trapping Digest](#)

### PA FISH & BOAT COMMISSION - Jeremy Allen

- Absent

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOOKLET - Rob Smith

- Absent

Tony

- New book to be worked on in 2022. Clubs need to get their biography turned in with updated information for the new book.
- Need more / updated pamphlets, too.

GAME - Mike Harcher

- Absent

POLLUTION - Mike Harcher

- Absent

FISHING DERBY - Mike Zon

- No report

FISH COMMITTEE - Mike Zon

- Absent

CONSERVATION CAMP - Breanna Edmiston

- Absent

Camp is cancelled for 2021.

ARCHERY - Walt Ketterer.

- May be looking for someone to help run the youth archery shoots.
- 3 D archery shoots – last one will be Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> 2021.

EVENTS COORDINATOR - Craig Holdren

- If your club has something that needs posted on the BCSCSCL website, get the info emailed to Craig Holdren at [craig@craigholdren.com](mailto:craig@craigholdren.com) and Frank Kelly at [itame@itame.com](mailto:itame@itame.com)

LEGISLATIVE - Bob Oles – [Handout](#)

- [Video 1 by Colion Noir](#)
- [Video 2 by Tucker Carlson](#)
- Join FOAC to help support those that are fighting to keep our freedom. [application](#)
- Chipman got withdrawn from heading the ATF.
- Letter was sent to Elder Vogel requesting that he push the following bills (Constitutional Carry, Right to Keep and Bear Arms Protection Act & Strengthen the Preemption) Followed by a phone call.

WE THE PEOPLE – Jerry Hooks / Tony Rich

- Join We the People of America. Be part of the movement. [application](#)
- September 30, 2021 – “We the People” Meeting to be held at Rochester Sportsmen’s Club @ 7:00 pm. All are WELCOME to come. September 23, 2021 will be the directors meeting.
- Handbook is almost complete.
- An email address has been established.
- Like and follow the Facebook page “We the People of America” [Click Here](#)
- Mission statement and purpose is complete.

Motion to approve the funds in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Rally account be transferred to the “We the People of America” account to continue the efforts to protect our freedoms.

Motion by Rochester; Second by BVRP. Some discussion. Unanimously passed by all individual club delegates (in attendance).

#### HUNTER EDUCATION - Mike Zon (Absent)

Guy

- Hunter Education Classes Scheduled
  - Aliquippa Bucktails on September 18, 2021 from 9 am to 4pm
  - Baden Legion on October 2, 2021 from 9 am to 4 pm
  - Green Valley on October 9, 2021 from 9 am to 4 pm
- Sign up [HERE](#)

#### CONSERVATION DISTRICT - Dick Smith (absent)

Tony

- Dick Smith and George Sullivan request that the BSCSL nominate them for director positions at the Conservation District.

#### YOUTH FOUNDATION – Mike Zon – absent

Guy

- Met on August 19<sup>th</sup> 2021
- Youth Foundation elections in October
- Some discussion on a future gun ticket fundraiser.

Jerry

- Sporting Clay Fundraiser Shoot to be held on 9/11/21 at Rochester. [Flyer](#)
- Jerry’s brother-in-law passed and the family had requested that donations be made to the youth foundation in lieu of flowers.

#### FUND RAISING – Guy Cable

- “Wolf Print” ticket Raffle to go off on Thanksgiving Day with the PA evening 3-digit number. 10 numbers on a ticket. 100 tickets to sell. \$ 5 a ticket. Contact Guy Cable for tickets. (724) 494-6464

#### YOUTH MENTORED HUNTS - Rich Kerlin - [Details](#) [Sign up here](#)

RE: Pheasant Hunt

- Jr Pheasant Hunt will be on October 9<sup>th</sup>; registration will be on PA game Commission website beginning August 1<sup>st</sup>. Only 8 kids signed up so far. Deadline for registration is September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Hoping for 28 kids.
- Must be a “**licensed**” junior hunter.
- To be held in the same location – Nichol Road / Doak Field (Property at Racoon State Park).
- There will be 2 separate check-ins
- There will be no food. Only a cooler of water.
- May or may not order an additional 12 pheasants from Gobblers Knob. Depends upon number of kids registered for the hunt.
- Sign up sheet passed around for help on the day of the hunt.
- May or may not have bird cleaning station.

RE: Goose Hunt

- News release is to come out about the goose hunt. It will be put on the website and face book page.
- Archery permits are available at the ice arena in Brady's Run, to hunt Brady's Run, Economy Park and Brush Creek.
- Not sure of exact dates yet. (Most likely end of October – beginning of November.)
- Will have a set up day a week before the hunt.

YOUTH FIELD DAY – Tonya Cable

- Met with the Trapping guy that used to set up. We will be in touch to bring him back.
- Would like to see each club support and be featured at a station at the field day in July 2022.
- Looking for donations for the raffle table to be set up at the Field Day.
- Working on Field Day email group for better communication.

BANQUET - Tony Rich

- No report

BIG KNOB FAIR - Guy, Tonya & Chayce Cable - [REPORT](#)

- \$3910.00 given to Mark Benzio for deposit on 9/9/21.
- \$3910.00 less \$ 693.67 (expenses – booth & raffle items) = \$3216.33 profit.
- Need to pay for our booth for next year before June 1<sup>st</sup> 2022 to get the discount.
- Thanks to those of you who helped / volunteered time at the Big Knob Fair.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Continue to like the BCSCS youth Foundation Face Book page so your activities and events can be shared.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Skip Motts, Regional Director will not be running the NWTF banquet.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

- Ambridge has a raffle ticket on a Springfield Hellcat 9 mm with 1,000 rounds of ammo.
- Bucktails is hosting the basic pistol course on September 11<sup>th</sup> 2021. Also, protection in the home will be held in October and protection outside of the home will be held in November. Sign up on the NRA site. Also, on Saturday, October 16, 2021 “America's Rifle Challenge (ARC) Clinic 9am -1pm. [ARC Details](#)
- Bucktails is hosting a HTE (Hunter Trapper Education) class on September 18<sup>th</sup>.
- 5 Points thanks the league for their donation of targets for “Hunt of a Lifetime” fundraiser. Raised over \$21,000
- Bob Oles offered to send links for the videos shown earlier to all clubs interested.
- Bucktails thanks Tony for the phenomenal wild game dinner for the \$250 county league dues.
- Midland – Sunday, September 12, 2021 Wild Game and turkey shoot.

**50/50 DRAWING**

- None

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

- Rochester / FOAC. Passed. 9:20 pm

January 7	Aliquippa Bucktails – <b>not held due to COVID Restrictions</b>	May 6	Southside	Sept 9	Ambridge
February 4	Rochester – <b>not held due to COVID Restrictions</b>	June 3	Pine Run	Oct 7	Conway
March 4	Rochester – North Boroughs Hosting – <b>not held due to COVID Restrictions</b>	July 1	Rochester BVRPC Hosting	Nov 4	Beaver Falls
April 8	B.V. Archers	Aug 5	Midland	Dec 9	Five Points

**BCSCL 2021 Meeting Dates & Locations – These dates will be reviewed and / or confirmed at each monthly League meeting.**

Tonya Cable, Secretary BCSCL