



BEAVER COUNTY SPORTSMEN'S CONSERVATION LEAGUE

April 7, 2022 Minutes

Meeting Location – Beaver Valley Archers



MEMBER CLUBS & AGENCIES

P = Present, A = Absent

P	Aliquippa	Guy Cable	P	Five Points	Jim Farland	P	Pine Run	Rob Smith
	(Alt)	Bobby Berl		(Alt)	Dan Losco		(Alt)	Dick Smith
P	Ambridge	Tim Watson	A	FOAC	Craig Holdren	A	Pittsburgh Down Riggers	Andy Theodore
	(Alt)	Tim Reichl		(Alt)	Lee Gower		(Alt)	Ed Lamb
P	Beaver Falls	Larry White	A	Forrest Grove	Mike Karkalla	P	Rochester	Dan Householder
	(Alt)	Frank Eder			Tim Hartzell		(Alt)	Jerry Hooks
P	B.V. Archers	Walt Ketterer	P	Green Valley	Vic Gurinowitsch	P	Sewickley	Mark Crevar
	(Alt)			(Alt)	Michael Sabat		(Alt)	
A	B.V. Rifle & Pistol	Rich Wall	P	Midland	Mark Benzio	A	Southside	
	(Alt)			(Alt)	Dave Knight		(Alt)	
P	Conway	Ray Eppinger	P	N. Boroughs	Harry Norton	P	PGC	Matt Kramer / Mike Yeck
	(Alt)			(Alt)	Robert Zeman	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 – Pete Vorderbrueggen, President of Beaver Valley Archers

GUESTS

- None

Last Month's Minutes

– Motion to Approve, 5 Points / Aliquippa. Passed.

Treasurer's Report – Mark Benzio –

- 4 checks written
- Will be sending an invoice to the PFBC for the dinner that was provided at the President's Meeting per their request.

Motion to Approve, BVA / Pine Run. Passed.

ELECTION

(July – appoint nominating committee & October – Elections)

COMMUNICATIONS

- No report

STATE AGENCIES

PA GAME COMMISSION (PGC) – Mike Yeck – [Report Page 1](#) [Page 2](#)

- Deer harvest estimated 376,810 white tail deer statewide.
- Avian Influenza detected in bald eagle in Chester County.
- Concern that Avian Influenza viruses can lead to sickness or death in turkey, grouse, hawks, eagles, crows, gulls, ravens, ducks and geese. Potential to affect the commercial poultry industry. Report sick or dead birds to the PA Game commission at 610-926-3136 or pgcwildlifehealth@pa.gov
- 3 “Learn to Hunt Spring Gobblers” on-line seminars available. 1st seminar was held on 4/6/21. If interested in the 2nd & 3rd seminar; advanced registration required at <http://bit.ly/pgclearntohunt> These seminars can be watched on game commission you tube channel.
- Excise tax monies being spent on wild life habitat and game lands expanded accessibility.
- Commissioner Meeting to be held on 4/8/22 & 4/9/22 (taking public comments for the April 9th meeting)

[PA Hunting and Trapping Digest](#)

PA FISH & BOAT COMMISSION - Jeremy Allen

- Absent

[PA Fish and Boat Commission](#)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOOKLET – Craig Holdren – Email craig@craigholdren.com Phone (724) 312-7463

- Absent

GAME - Mike Harcher

- State of Virginia had its first Elk Hunt.
- Feeding in Allegheny National Forest banned due to promoting CWD in wildlife.
- Deer tick found to carry virus originating from white footed mice.

POLLUTION - Mike Harcher

- Concern with road salt polluting the streams.

FISHING DERBY - Mike Zon – absent – [Poster](#)

- April 30th at Hopewell Community Park
- 8 am – 12 pm
- Ages 15 and younger
- 24 tagged for prizes for the kids
- Obtained fish commission permit
- Bait for sale & concession stand open that day.
- 50/50

FISH COMMITTEE - Mike Zon – absent

- No report

CONSERVATION CAMP - Breanna Edmiston

- Camp is booked: Dates are 6/19/22 – 6/25/22
- 25th year anniversary this year
- Lots of help needed for Sunday 6/19/22 beginning at 12:00 pm and throughout the week.
- Need kids signed up! ONLY have 3 kids signed up so far. Asking all clubs to promote and take applications back to their clubs.
- Need counselors.
- Looking for conservation guest speakers.

ARCHERY - Walt Ketterer

- 3 D archery shoots started at Beaver Valley Archers.

EVENTS COORDINATOR - Craig Holdren

- Absent

LEGISLATIVE – Bob Oles – Absent

- No report

WE THE PEOPLE – Tony Rich

- We the People of America – [website](#)
- Nearly 19,000 members strong and growing
- Check website for meetings dates and times.
- Employee handbooks for our legislators are complete.
- Met with West Moreland County Sportsmen's conservation League; they are looking to join "We the People".
- Zelenople / Harmony Sportsmen's' Club looking to join the League.
- Constitutional Carry & Preemption passed the House and the Senate & the Governor vetoed it.

HUNTER EDUCATION - Mike Zon – absent

- Sylvania Hills Baptist Church – April 9, 2022 (9 am – 4 pm)
- Pine Run – June 4, 2022 (all conservation campers that need this class can attend)

Hunter Trapper Safety Instructors can now purchase a hunting license for \$1.00

REGISTRATION is online [PGC](#)

Let Mike Zon know if your club would like to host a hunter-trapper education class.
Contact Mike at 724-683-5880 (call or text)

CONSERVATION DISTRICT – Dick Smith

- Absent

YOUTH FOUNDATION – Mike Zon – absent –

Guy:

- Met March 17th
- Beaver Valley Archers presented with certificate for donation made to the youth foundation
- April 15th gun raffle tickets all sold
- Planning the Annual Sporting Clay Fundraising Shoot at Rochester in the fall
- The youth foundation decided to purchase flash lights only due to the rising cost of supplies and shipping. This will allow us to stay within the \$2000 approved budget that was voted on by the delegates.
- Next meeting April 21, 2022

FUND RAISING – Guy Cable

- Raffle ticket All sold for: Stoger P3000 bottom land camo 12 ga pump shotgun (acquired through the NWTF banquet).
Ticket will be based on the 7 pm PA lottery 3-digit number held on April 15, 2022.
- All monies received for this raffle to be given to youth foundation treasurer for deposit. All in agreement.

YOUTH MENTORED HUNTS - Rich Kerlin

- No report
- Will place call to Beaver County Commissioners to see if they received the letter regarding the Goose hunt mishap last year.

YOUTH FIELD DAY – Tonya Cable – [Poster](#)

- To be held on July 16, 2022 at Midland Sportsmen's Club
- 8 am – 4 pm with 7 am registration
- Ages 8 – 17
- Registration is on line [HERE](#)
- 58 openings remaining
- 7 stations (some are dual stations)
- 2 Presentations (Kerlin Kanine & Beaver County Coon Hunters)
- Detailed emails sent out to all station leaders.
- Received a Grant Award valued at \$1,000 for ammo for the field day from "Friends of the NRA"
- Next committee meeting @ 6:00 pm 3rd Thursday of April & May prior to the youth foundation meeting.
- Let Tonya know where you want to help on the day of the field day.
- Working on raffle table items.

BANQUET –

- Discussion on a Banquet dinner vs. a picnic.

BIG KNOB FAIR – Guy, Tonya & Chayce Cable

- Received check for BCSCCL table registration.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Further discussion regarding whether or not to move the Hereford Manor Funds raised by the League to the BCSCCL Youth Foundation 501c3 to be monitored and controlled by the clubs that belong to this league. Waiting to here how much funding is there and how much money has been accrued through the investment where it resides currently.

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion regarding the need for bonding the youth foundation officers.
- Taxes currently being filed on line. All clubs with 501c status MUST file electronically.
- Subjects to look further into that were results of discussion at the presidents meeting:
 - Lead issues
 - Club Insurance cost

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Central Valley High School Trap Team – 23 youth shoot every Wednesday night at Bucktails.
- April 30th – Stop and help with the Hopewell Fishing Derby.
- History of “Hunt of a Lifetime”. 5 Points does a great job raising money. Tickets available. See Jim.
- Bucktails “Tony Rich” Dinner May 13th
- 5 Points “Tony Rich” Dinner May 23rd
- Those attending the NWTF banquet to wear League Shirts.
- Notify Tonya if you are NOT receiving the minutes. Contact info for Tonya is gtcttc@yahoo.com or 724-494-6465
- Rich is now a proud grandfather of a baby girl! Congratulations, Rich!

50/50 DRAWING

- \$49.50 to the winner

MOTION TO ADJOURN

- Conway / Rochester. Passed. 9:40 pm

2022 Meeting Schedule

January 6	Aliquippa Bucktails – confirmed	May 5	Southside – confirmed	Sept 8	Ambridge
February 3	Rochester – confirmed	June 2	Pine Run	Oct 6	Conway
March 3	Rochester – North Boroughs Hosting	July 7	Rochester BVRPC Hosting	Nov 3	Beaver Falls
April 7	B.V. Archers – confirmed	Aug 4	Midland	Dec 8	Five Points

BCSCL 2022 Meeting Dates & Locations – These dates need confirmed by each club.

Tonya Cable, Secretary BCSCL