



# BEAVER COUNTY SPORTSMEN'S CONSERVATION LEAGUE PRESIDENT'S MEETING



March 22, 2022 Minutes

Meeting Location – Aliquippa Bucktails

## MEMBER CLUBS & AGENCIES

P = Present, A = Absent

P	Aliquippa	P	Five Points	P	Pine Run
P	Ambridge	P	FOAC	P	Pittsburgh Down Riggers
P	Beaver Falls	P	Forrest Grove	P	Rochester
P	B.V. Archers	P	Green Valley	P	Sewickley
P	B.V. Rifle & Pistol	P	Midland	A	Southside
P	Conway	P	N. Boroughs	A	PGC
				P	PFBC

## 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 – Rich Kerlin, Aliquippa Bucktails President

## **GUESTS**

- Zelenople Harmony Sportsmen's Club – WELCOME

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

- None

## **STATE AGENCIES**

PA GAME COMMISSION (PGC)

### **PA Hunting and Trapping Digest**

PA FISH & BOAT COMMISSION - Jeremy Allen

### **PA Fish and Boat Commission**

## **FISHING DERBY**

- Joe Craig Memorial Fishing Derby
- April 30<sup>th</sup> at Hopewell Community Park
- 8 am – 12 pm
- Ages 15 and younger
- 24 tagged for prizes for the kids
- Admission is FREE

## **Special Welcome to PA Fish & Boat Commission (PFBC)**

- Tim Schafer, Executive Director
- Officers of the Law to include a Sargent & Officer
- Presidents, Past Presidents and Commissioners of the PFBC

Award Presentation by Tim Schafer to Rocco Ali for his long-time dedication to service & commitment to excellence to southwestern PA and the PFBC.

Rocco served the anglers, boaters and aquatic resources of southwestern PA. Among many things, he was responsible for the 2 fish cleaning stations on the shore at Lake Erie (Walnut Creek & North East Marina).

CONGRATULATIONS ROCCO!

## **Picture**

Welcome Rocco's wife, Karen & granddaughter, Anna

Update and discussion on Herford Manor.

## **WE THE PEOPLE**

- We the People of America – [wtpoa](#)
- Holding 2 meetings every month.
- Employee handbooks ready to be presented to our legislators.
- We all share our Freedom and the status of being an America long before choosing a political party.
- "We the People of America" trifolds / brochures available for joining.
- Armstrong County League & Beaver County League joined "We the People of America".
- Recently met with West Moreland County League (they have an additional 5,000 members).

## CONSERVATION CAMP

Breanna Edmiston, Camp Director: contact email – [bbarcaskey@gmail.com](mailto:bbarcaskey@gmail.com)

- To be held at Racoon State Park
- Camp dates are 6/19/22 – 6/25/22
- Ages 13 – 15
- 25<sup>th</sup> year anniversary this year
- Posters available – [poster](#)
- Applications for campers – [application](#)
- Hunter Safety course is required for all campers prior to attending camp.
- Will need ADULT kitchen HELP

## LEAD ABATEMENT & SPORTSMEN'S CLUBS

- Clubs that have been affected shared information.
- Discussion on concern of bald eagles getting lead poison coming from the prey they eat and the gut piles left by hunters.
- Look up best management practices and keep a book of records of all efforts.
- County League willing to set up a meeting with the clubs to work through this lead issue.

## CONSTITUTIONAL CARRY

- Defined as “do not need license / permit to carry concealed fire arm”.
- Preemption & Constitutional Carry bills for PA were passed through the House & the Senate; both bills were vetoed by the Governor Wolfe.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Rally will be September 12, 2022. “Stay Free, Stay Armed”

## FISH COMMITTEE

- Blue cat fish will be on the stocking list for the Ohio River this year.

## YOUTH FIELD DAY – [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](#)
- 75 openings for youth to sign up
- 7 stations (some are dual stations)
- 2 Presentations (Kerlin Kanine & Beaver County Coon Hunters)

## RECAP of ALL YOUTH EVENTS

- Fishing Derby
- Conservation Camp
- Field Day
- Pheasant Hunt
- Goose Hunt

Remember, the BCSC Youth Foundation will support “Field Days” for the clubs in the county.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Discussion regarding club concerns with high cost of insurance.
- Hereford Manor Funds raised by the League. Working on getting a figure of the balance as it has been growing over the past years. Discussion on the plan for monitoring these funds.
- Escrow account still marked for Hereford Manor.

## NEW BUSINESS

- None

## GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Petitions for Representatives Marshall & Kale available to sign.
- Ambridge – Annual trout derby to be held April 15<sup>th</sup> 7:30 am – 2:00 pm; \$30 entry fee
- Aliquippa Swap Meet – March 26<sup>th</sup>
- Aliquippa Ham Shoot on April 9<sup>th</sup>
- NWTF Banquet on April 9<sup>th</sup> held at Ambridge

Motion for the purchase of a table at the NWTF for \$800: Ambridge 2<sup>nd</sup> by Aliquippa. passed.

- Aliquippa Bucktails have a program called “Young Bucks” for kids ages 10 – 17 meets monthly (annual \$15 dues) – raffle tickets available for \$5
- Aliquippa is the host club for Central Valley High School Trap Team
- BCSCCL Facebook page available to share your event. Like the page so we can share your events.
- Contact Tony Rich if your club has anything that you would like the league to help you with.

## 50/50 DRAWING

- Winner \$143 - donated it back to the League. Thanks Ed!

## MOTION TO ADJOURN

- BVA / Ambridge. Passed. 9:35 pm

# 2022 Meeting Schedule

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

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

Tonya Cable, Secretary BCSCCL