

## Monthly Newsletter

September 2021

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# Bethlehem Rod & Gun Club

## NOMINATIONS FOR ALL OFFICERS AND FOUR DIRECTORS TO BE HELD TODAY

September 18<sup>th</sup>

Terms for All five Officers (one-year term) and four Directors (two-year term) will expire next month. Directors with terms expiring are Brian Hatherly--Pete Crisci--Gene Hecht-- Ron D'Aprile

## 2021 Trap Championship

September 19<sup>th</sup>

Shoot starts at 10am and will be a 100 bird event 25 trap --25 wobble-- 50 handicap.

Call Mike Hall with questions @ 845-527-5229

## October Membership Meeting

Saturday October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2PM

Annual elections will be held at the meeting per our Bylaws with ballots handed out at sign-in and collected at 2:15.

Voting will be for all five Officers (one year term) and four Directors (two-year terms).

Ballots cast for Directors will be pooled

## 2021 Pig Roast

October 23<sup>rd</sup>

Pig and fixins will be served at 12noon prior to the October Membership Meeting that starts at 2pm.

Members George and Gus Mustakas from East Fishkill Provisions have donated the pig again this year.



## Annual Kids Fishing Derby

October 24<sup>th</sup> 10 am - 2:00 pm

Open only to club members and families  
Ages... infants to 14 years old

Gifts to all kids who participate.  
Trophy's given to each age group for;

1. Most fish
2. Largest fish
3. Smallest fish

Casting contest open to all kids.  
Prizes awarded to each age group.

Lunch provided for everyone!!

Everyone who came to the derby last year had a great time.  
We had 57 kids who caught 79 trout in total between them.

If you could not attend last year, please join us this year, you and the kids will have a good time.

If you would like to help with the derby, please register with  
Jim Hutlock 845-245-0341

Kids required to preregister with  
Jim Hutlock 845-245-034

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## Hunting Reminder

It is the hunter's responsibility to know where they are. Hunt only on Bethlehem Property. Respect the boundaries. We have had a slight issue with our neighboring landowners and do not want a problem. Do not cross onto another property without express permission. Do not shoot across the property lines. Be respectful good hunters. And always look beyond the target- be safe.

Thank You. The Board of Directors.

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## Pheasant 2021-2022

We have secured the lease of the Hoekstra Farm again this year. We will be holding several additional hunts and will hold a youth hunt. Hunting is from 9a till dark. Remember to keep dogs under control (leashed) until you begin hunting and after you have finished in order to not disturb the farm animal or other hunters. There are cows, calves and ducks, guinea hens, and turkeys raised by the farmer. Any farm animal killed will have to be reimbursed- please don't let this happen. We are also only allowed to hunt pheasant and chukar so no shooting ducks, turkey, rabbits etc. Don't ask the farmer about hunting other species- he has been asked and offered but we can't afford to pay. He does allow several persons to deer hunt. No, we cannot. Enough said. We have expanded hunting to the entire week after stocking (we used to be limited to four days). Also please don't shoot near the cows or across the property borders. Please remember to sign in and sign out- it is really important to provide usage reports. Please come out and help stocking!! Good Hunting. Below is the Stocking schedule and lease rules. The following can also be found on the website is a map of property, directions, rules, and stocking dates.

If you have any questions, ask the Chairperson- Bob Bready 845-883-5935

## Bird Lease Rules

1. Lease hunting hours are 9am till sunset
  - a. Lease use is the release dates and the week following.
  - b. Lease is for birds only- no other game is authorized.
2. Lease is for club members only- no guests or family members allowed.
3. All members must sign in, record dates and times, record take and sign out.
4. Members must wear club button during hunting.
5. Members must have NYS hunting license, display back tag and wear hunter orange.
6. Eye protection must be worn.
7. All firearms must remain unloaded until safely in the fields.
8. No hunting or discharge within 500 feet of house.
9. All dogs must be in control at all times.
  - a. Aggressive or out of control dogs will be asked to leave.
10. Be aware farm has cows, ducks, guinea hens and domestic turkeys.
11. Keep the lease clean
  - a. Pick up empty shot shell hulls
  - b. Remove garbage-if you brought it in, take it out.





12. All members must sign out and record take and time.
13. Park in allocated parking area.
14. Head of stocking work detail will sign off on work hours.
  - a. Members must present membership card at time of work detail.
15. Members not complying with rules may face DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS AND POSSIBLE EXPULSION FROM THE CLUB. The Board of Directors will review any complaints and has final decision.
16. No use of the property for any reason other than authorized bird hunting.
17. Bird Limit is 2 pheasant daily and 2 chukar daily.

### Pheasant Stocking Schedule

10/02/21	50 Pheasant	20 Chukar
10/09/21	30 Pheasant	20 Chukar
10/10/21 Sunday	20 Pheasant	
10/16/21 Youth Day	40 Pheasant	20 Chukar
10/17/21 Sunday	30 Pheasant	20 Chukar
10/23/21	40 Pheasant	20 Chukar
10/30/21	30 Pheasant	20 Chukar
11/6/21	25 Pheasant	20 Chukar
12/11/21	25 Pheasant	
1/8/22	25 Pheasant	

**Stocking is at 7am** on the date above.

Hunting starts at 9am, thru sundown

Badges must be worn at all times.

**Limit is 2 Pheasant and 2 chukar per day per person.**

NYS Hunting License/backtag and club badge are required. Hunter Orange required.

**Youth Day** Saturday Oct 16 hunting for youth 16 years and under only until 1PM. Adults after 1PM. Please register your youth by calling the Chairperson Bob Bready 845-883-5935





## ARCHERY NEWS



### ARCHERY RANGE

**Sign in when you use the range or 3D course (RED MAILBOX).**

There is a new sign in station at the range and the \$10 guest fee is in effect. Please use the envelopes and place the envelope with the fee in the mailbox. The range is looking good, there are yard markers for 20, 30, 40, 50 & 60 yards. The archery range is currently open from sunrise to sunset. Crossbows may be used on the range (bag targets only). Use crossbow bolts and arrows with field points only. Styrofoam blocks that have been tied together are on the range and may be used as a target for broadheads. The yellow chain is to stay up as a caution to designate a possible live archery range.



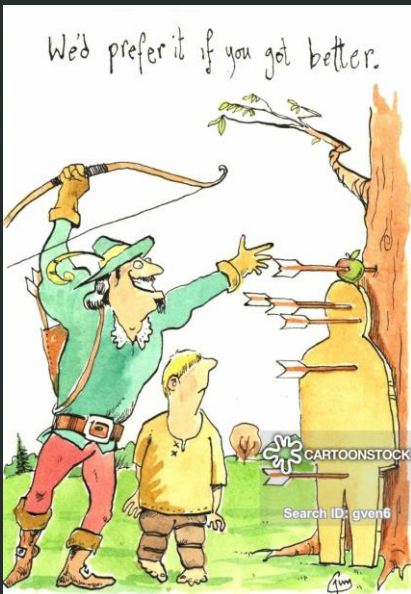
### 3D RANGE

The 3D course is closed. All the targets have reported to the infirmary for a well-deserved rest.

### TRI-COUNTY 3D SHOOT

Our 3D Shoots are over. We had a great season, which included starting a youth program and introducing Vinnie LoPiccolo (Dawn thru Dusk Bow Addiction Archery) to our club, conducting a raffle to support the club, added a long shot contest to the shoots and some new targets.

If you would like to join the archery committee or volunteer to help out at our club events, setting up the 3D course and general maintenance of the facilities contact Ed Malle. The next work party will be August 8<sup>th</sup> (the event) starting at 6:30am – 1pm (come and put in whatever hours you can). It's a great way to get your work hours in while having fun hanging with some new friends.



Edward Malle, [emalle1178@aol.com](mailto:emalle1178@aol.com), 845-541-6775



## Range News

Range hours are 10 am until 9 pm except for Trap, Monday night 5 pm until they stop, and Sunday 10 am until 1pm.

Big game season is coming. Range hours will be 10 am until 2 pm then 1/2 hour after dark until 9 pm from November 20 through December 12,

You must sound the horn on the wall before shooting and be safe.

I have spoken to the instructor for the Range Safety Officer Course. Anyone who is interested can sign up in the club house. The clip board is on the wall.

Thank you

Jeff Pearl

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## PRESIDENTS CLUB RAFFLE

**Presidents "A" Club**

August Prize (Drawing #6) #47

**Presidents "B" Club**

August Prize (Drawing #4) #56

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## September 2021 Membership Report

**Current Club Membership Status**

**350 Regular Members**

**160 Senior Members**

**81 Spouse Members**

**44 Junior Members**

**28 Life Members**

**663 Total Memberships**

Currently there are 102 applications for membership on file. If you want to sponsor a prospective member, please get an application in to me. If you need an application, call me at 845-236-7349, email me at [Tiredaddy01@gmail.com](mailto:Tiredaddy01@gmail.com), or write me John Mazza Jr, 2 Dragotta Road, Marlboro, NY 12542 and I'll get an application out to you.

**Thank You**

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## Work Detail from August

We had a great day and turn out for a work party on August 28<sup>th</sup>. Work completed included burning 2 old rotten docks, mow and trimming, removing rocks that were interfering with the mower and others in the parking lot that were a trip hazard and impediment while snow plowing. Member John Grzibowski, owner of Treco Inc tree service, cleared brush on the east side of the driveway. Member Robby Betanzos and his son will be clearing back and defining the storm swale on the side of the driveway. The roadwork will allow storm water to flow freely and help maintain a smooth, safe, and solid driveway for the club. Bob Vogel spent a day of therapy cleaning out 2 storm pipes that cross our drive.

Write up and pictures by Mike Barton











## New York Pistol Permit Recertification

Recertification for pistol permit holders started in 2017 with the deadline being Jan 31, 2018. If you recertified in 2017 it will expire this year. You may receive notice from the State--you may NOT! Recertification is your responsibility. To check your status or to renew go to--- [www.firearms.troopers.ny.gov](http://www.firearms.troopers.ny.gov)---select check recertification status.

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## Poker League

Anyone interested in starting a poker league this fall, please contact Greg Fisher by Text at 845-519-4409. Time and days of the week to be determined

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## Annual Game Dinner

The BRGC annual game dinner will be held during winter, please save some of this year's harvest to either cook or donate.

More info to follow. Thanks Bob Bready, chairman



Photos by Joseph Valastro





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### **About Our Organization**

We are a sportsmen's club located in the beautiful Town of Plattekill, Ulster County, New York. Our objectives are: 1) Promote good fellowship among club members, 2) Make a better environment for hunting and fishing, 3) Obtain and retain the goodwill of landowners, and 4) Honestly work for the conservation and propagation of fish & game.

We offer a clubhouse located on 180+ acres of land; a ten acre stocked lake with boats and fishing for bass, pickerel, pan fish and trout; trap shooting; 100 yd. rifle/pistol range with range house; 3D archery targets; picnic areas; pavilion; private pheasant preserve.

For membership info checkout our website:

<http://www.bethlehemrodandgun.com>