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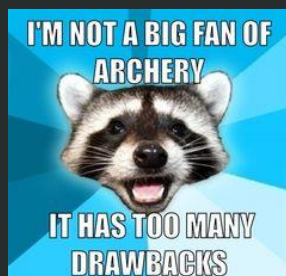
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Clubhouse Phone Number

845-728-0084

Bethlehem Rod & Gun Club



ARCHERY NEWS



Sign in and out when you use the Archery Range or 3D Course at the sign in station. Guests must pay a \$10 fee and be accompanied by a regular member.

ARCHERY RANGE

The archery range is currently open from sunrise to sunset. There is a new target made from blocks of Styrofoam located on the 10 yard line. This target is there for young shooters and enables people to shoot at 10 and 20 yards at the same time from the same shooting line. Broadhead target is available for use. Crossbows may be used on the range (**bag targets only**). Use crossbow bolts and arrows with **field points only**. The yellow chain is to stay up to designate a possible live archery range. Need people to cut grass on the range and general clean up on the archery range and 3D course for work hours.



3D RANGE

The 3D Course is open sunrise to sunset. Bows only with field tips, no crossbows or broadheads. We lost a couple of shooting stations for various reasons, so currently there are now 28 stations.

Youth Archery Team - S3DA

The youth archery team participated at the tri-county shoot at Black Rock and had a great time. We are exploring the possibility of hosting a 3D event at Bethlehem. Registration is open and always looking for more participants, coaches and volunteers. See registration form in newsletter.

TRI-COUNTY ARCHERY

Our next shoot is July 30, 2023. Registration is from 7am to noon. Volunteers are always welcome and needed. See flyer.

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Challenge Shot
Different challenge each shoot
Win a free Lunch

Beginner's Clinic, 9am – 10am
Not at all shoots, call to confirm

WATER and FOOD
AVAILABLE

TRI-COUNTY 3D



Archery



@ BETHLEHEM ROD & GUN CLUB

**** Rinehart Targets** Family Fun!!**



2023 Schedule

7/30, 8/27, 9/24

Registration: 7:00am - 12:00 pm

Adults \$15.00

Juniors (12 – 17) \$ 5.00

Under 12 Free



Archry Raffle - Drawing will be September 24th
(\$5 per ticket/\$20 for 5 tickets)



1st prize
Deer



2nd prize
IMP



3rd prize
First Aid/Trauma Kit

**RIFLE – PISTOL RANGE WILL BE
CLOSED UNTIL 2:00pm**

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Bunny Clark Fishing Trip

Thursday, May 25, 2023

Danny DellaMonica and I ran the marathon trip today.

At 3:00 AM EDT the air temperature was 49°F, the sky was mostly cloudy, the wind was out of the northwest at twelve knots or more and the visibility over the ocean seemed excellent.

It was a choppy ride to the fishing grounds. The wind blew out of the north at fifteen to twenty knots. At about the ten mile mark, seas were about four feet in chops, give or take. It was fairly uncomfortable. The sky was mostly clear with few clouds, the visibility was excellent and the air temperature mild, somewhere in the mid 50s.

On the grounds, seas were chops of four or five feet with an occasional queer one. The wind was still out of the north. The wind blew about fifteen to twenty knots. But there was a spell where it blew over twenty knots. This didn't last very long. And after a couple of hours the wind started to back off. Seas dropped. By noon, the wind had backed out of the north northwest and was only blowing about ten knots or more. Seas diminished to two feet. By the time we were ready to head home, there was maybe five knots of north northwest wind. The air temperature reached a high of 58°F. The visibility was at least thirty miles. The tide (current) was strong and into the wind. The surface water temperature reached a high of 49°F.

Ashore, these were the air temperatures in selected New England cities: In Boston, Massachusetts (**Logan International Airport**) the high air temperature was 66°F (with a low of 51°F). The Concord, New Hampshire's high temperature was 65°F (with a low of 39°F). The high air temperature at the **Portland International Jetport**, Portland, Maine was 64°F (with a low of 44°F).

The fishing was very good, staying out of the excellent category only because of the wind and sea condition. There were few dogfish. The catching and landings were excellent. Most legal fish landed were pollock, by far. We could hardly catch anything else. And they were larger than normal. Whenever we tried to catch haddock, the pollock would find us. Legal landings also included fourteen haddock, two cusk, a whiting and a mackerel. Released fish included a dogfish, twenty-six cod of 5 pounds or more, two small cod, two sub-legal haddock, fifty-eight small pollock and a couple legal pollock. Drifting was untenable until the very end of the day. So we anchored for every stop but one. Jigs and flies was the terminal gear of choice. And it was very effective.

Jim Jarvis, Sr. (MA) was high hook with the most legal fish. He ended up leaving tangle central, in the cockpit, to fish alone in the bow. He was up there for over an hour alone until he was joined by **Mitch Bresett** (MA) later on. The two teamed up gaffing each other's fish and helping me by cleaning the bow. **Jim** had the largest fish of the trip, what looked like a 30 pound pollock. It was caught early so after I saw a few of the other pollock, I would probably say it was more in the 25 pound class than as big as 30 pounds. I was right near the gaff rack when I tried to lift his pollock out of the water with the jig. It was so large that the jig just pulled out of the meat of the fish without lifting it at all! I went for the nearby gaff but **Jim** was already trying to scare it away with the tip of his rod.



And he was successful as I saw it swimming to bottom when I looked over the side with gaff in hand. Some of **Jim's** other fish included an 11 pound pollock, an 11.5 pound pollock and a 12.25 pound pollock.

Dave DeGraw (NY) won the boat pool for the largest fish with the largest fish, a 20.5 pound cod. This is the **Bunny Clark's** largest cod of the fishing season so far. I took a picture of **Dave** with his fish just before he released it alive. This digital image appears on the left. **Dave** had already caught two other cod of 10 pounds each before he caught the big one. **Bob Vogel** (NY) won the boat pool for the second largest fish with the second largest fish, an 18 pound pollock. This is the **Bunny Clark's** largest pollock of the season to date. He caught this fish as part of a double that included another pollock of 9.5 pounds, both fish on the same line at the same time. This is the **Bunny Clark's** second largest double of the season so far. **Bob** didn't start the day out on such a good note. I found him in a bunk on the ride out where he had hurled all over himself. He was a bit embarrassed about it. He shouldn't have been as it happens more often than I care to know. Obviously, he came out of it as he did famously all day. If I were to give **Bob** some advice though, I would suggest that he chew his food more at breakfast before swallowing!

Kayla Paulin (MA) should have won the boat pool for the third largest fish. She did catch the third largest fish, a 16 pound pollock. But she didn't enter the boat pool! This is tied for the **Bunny Clark's** fourth largest pollock this season so far and her largest fish ever. **Chris Schetter** (NY) won the boat pool for the third largest fish with the fourth largest fish, a 14.5 pound pollock. I also weighed a 12 pound pollock for him.

Other Angler Highlights: **Scott Onorato** (VT) was the king of the bait fisherman. He actually caught more pollock on bait than some of the jig fishermen. Some of **Scott's** fish included a 10 pound pollock (the second fish I weighed today), a 12.25 pound pollock and a 13.25 pound pollock. **Jonathan "Griff" Griffin** (MA) caught our largest whiting of the season today, a Maine state trophy of 4 pounds! I took a picture of **Griff** holding his trophy whiting. This digital image appears on the right. I also weighed an 11 pound pollock and an 11.5 pound pollock for **Griff**. **Allen Foster** (NY) caught a 10 pound pollock. **Ny Nhath** (VT) caught two pollock of 12 pounds each and a 12.5 pound pollock. **Anthony Schetter** (NY) boated a 12.25 pound pollock. **John Mazza** (NY) caught a pollock that I would estimate was about 11 pounds. I didn't weight it at the time because so much was going on! **Ed Vross** (NY) caught the fifth largest fish of the trip, a 14 pound pollock. **Karl Joslin** (NY) caught a double that included a 12.5 pound pollock and a 10 pound pollock. Actually, there were quite a few doubles today. **Jim Jarvis, Jr.** (MA) landed the hard luck award for never wetting a line today. He wasn't the only one who got sea sick today. But he was certainly the worst. He never made it out of the forecandle! Ouch!

Mike Schetter (NY) was there fishing with his two grandsons. I considered **Mike** our second mate today as he was fixing tangles and gaffing fish more than he was fishing!

I received a collective donation of \$100.00 from **John Mazza**, **Mike Schetter** and **Bob Bready** (NY) sponsoring me in the [Pan-Mass Challenge](#) today. Thank you all so much for taking the trip and for your generosity and kindness. I appreciate having you all on the boat so much. But your thoughtfulness is the cherry!



Fishing at the Club

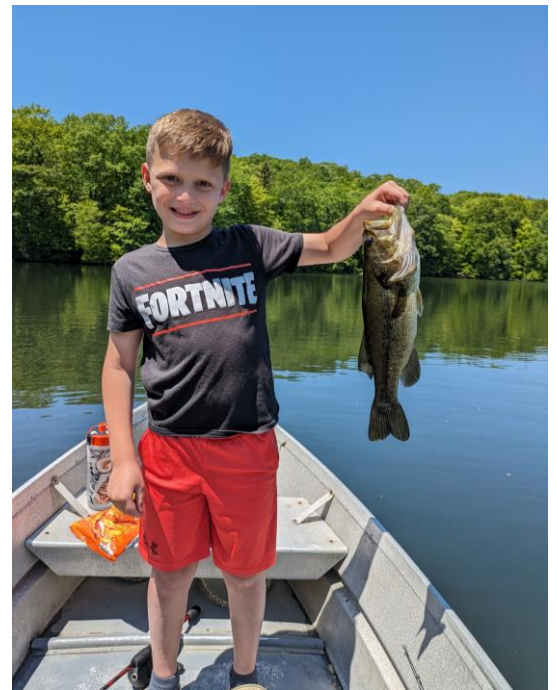


**Great club Fisherman, catching and releasing...
and willing to provide lessons or advice.**

22-inch, 4.4 lb rainbow trout caught
by member Jazmyn Toombs at the
club on 6/20/23



Thanks Joe Valastro



Above photos by Bob Bready



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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>