

Broome County Sportsmen's Association

**CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF PROMOTING
SPORTSMANSHIP AND CONSERVATION**

Quarterly Newsletter

JANUARY-FEBRUARY-MARCH 2020

President's Letter

Our association of likeminded sportsmen has completed its 100th year, and what a year it was. The club will be holding a youth rifle class, see the ad in this newsletter for details. I bring this up, as it is important to train our young to be proficient and not afraid, but to respect and be careful with firearms. Without passing on our tradition of rifle use, the club will not be here after another 100 years passes. Society seems inclined to take away our rights. Next, I wish to tell of very positive noticeable changes, which have taken place and are to come.

- 1) Director Jim Fitch, put countless hours into planning and supervising the berm work that began in the fall of 2018; it has been completed pending some small final grading of the dirt in the spring when it dries out. The rifle range berm is taller, the middle range (former running game range) has been cleared of the buildings and the berms are longer and taller.
- 2) The drainage at the back end of the ranges is complete. The dirt for the range construction came from cutting back the hill.
- 3) The running game shed was moved to its present position on the archery/air rifle range. We had a number of volunteer club members help with jacking up the building, installing a floor. Then moving it to its current location using two tractors.
- 4) The club, upon examining it needs, and financial situation, and through the generosity of its members over the years, has determined to build the promised new club house this year. More details to come.

Thank you all for your continued support and membership in OUR association. Meetings are 7:00 PM on the third Wednesday of each month, you can take part in this endeavor too, as we start our next 100 years, one year at a time.

Jeffrey Culver
B.C.S.A.President

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NRA Membership

If you are not a member of the National Rifle Association (N.R.A.) and are considering joining, we offer discounted N.R.A. Membership fees as the Broome County Sportsmen's Association is an N.R.A. Recruiter. If you are already a member and renew through the B.C.S.A. you will be entitled to the discounted fee as follows:

1 year -\$35 (reg. \$45) 3 year -\$85 (reg. \$100)
5 year -\$125 (reg. \$150) Life - \$1000 (reg. \$1,500)

If you are planning on joining the NRA (or renewing), an application with a business reply envelope can be mailed to you if you phone me at 607-204-0611 or send a request via e-mail (preferred method) to me @: members1@bcsportsmen.org

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MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:

The Broome County Sportsmen's Association can always use new members as the club runs on the dues we collect. If there is somebody you know that you think would like to join the club please let them know all about it. If you have a Guest Membership, bring them down to the club and show them around. If you do not have a Guest Membership please contact one of the Board Members or myself so we can make arrangements for a tour. They can also check out our Facebook page at **Broome County Sportsmen's Assn. Inc.** or our web page **www.bcsportsmen.org**.

The quarterly newsletter will continue to be mailed through the US Postal Service. **It can also be e-mailed to you, if you prefer, by our webmaster or conveniently be viewed on our website www.bcsportsmen.org.** If you would like to change your newsletter delivery method, please make a note on the renewal form or send me an e-mail (the preferred method) which would save on postage and paper. When you contact me, give me your name, address and membership # and let me know if you would like it e-mailed or if you prefer to read it on the web page.

Thank you
Jamie Szenher
Membership Director

NRA Basic Rifle Instruction

Attention young (and old) shooters,

The **NRA Junior Rifle instruction class** will be held over a six week period starting February 2020.

The classes will be held on Thursday nights between 7 and 9 PM sharp. The participants will **learn the basics of firearm safety, position shooting and competition.** Students will have to be 12 years of age when the classes begin (but you do not have to be a child to take the class, we have had teenagers and adults take the class but preference is given to younger persons) and also be Junior members of BCSA (\$5 membership). The club will supply the equipment and ammunition for all the shooting.

Students will **need to bring eye and ear protection** to each class.

Please contact Ken Gill at 723-8849 if you are interested in this program that will **start in February 2020.**

Calendar of Events

January

IPA Pistol Match	Friday	3	7 – 10 PM
CMP Indoor Rimfire	Saturday	4	8 AM – 3 PM
Longarm Concealed Carry	Thursday	9	4:30 – 5:30 PM
IPA Pistol Match	Friday	10	7 – 10 PM
BCSA Membership Meeting (Board meeting right after membership meeting)	Wednesday	15	7 PM
IPA Pistol Match	Friday	17	7 – 10 PM
CMP Indoor Rimfire Sporter Match	Saturday	18	8 AM – 3 PM
Longarm Concealed Carry	Saturday	18	4:30 – 5:30 PM
IPA Pistol Match	Friday	24	7 – 10 PM

February

CMP Indoor Rimfire Sporter Match	Saturday	1	8 AM – 3 PM
Longarm Concealed Carry	Thursday	6	4:30 – 5:30 PM
IPA Pistol Match	Friday	7	7 – 10 PM
IPA Pistol Match	Friday	14	7 – 10 PM
CMP Indoor Rimfire Sporter Match	Saturday	15	8 AM – 3 PM
BCSA Membership Meeting (Board meeting right after membership meeting)	Wednesday	19	7 PM
Longarm Concealed Carry	Saturday	22	4:30 – 5:30 PM
IPA Pistol Match	Friday	28	7 – 10 PM
CMP Indoor Rimfire Sporter Match	Saturday	29	8 AM – 3 PM

March

Longarm Concealed Carry	Thursday	5	4:30 – 5:30 PM
CMP Indoor Rimfire Sporter Match	Saturday	14	8 AM – 3 PM
BCSA Membership Meeting (Board meeting right after membership meeting)	Wednesday	18	7 PM
Longarm Concealed Carry	Saturday	21	4:30 – 5:30 PM
CMP Indoor Rimfire Sporter Match	Saturday	28	8 AM – 3 PM

Sporterifle is each Tuesday from 5:15 – 7:15 PM through March 17



The relocated running game shed on the archery range!

A Safety Reminder

No cross shooting on indoor or outdoor ranges!

Maintain your shots to the lane you are on. Cross shooting creates errant shots that will cause damage to the building on the indoor range and out of bounds shots on the outdoor range with no protection.

As always please be aware of what is behind your target and beyond.

There have been a lot of errant shots into the ceiling of the indoor range that have caused damage to the rafters, ceiling tiles, lights and range equipment. Please take careful aim and keep your shots from ricocheting into ceiling or firing directly into the ceiling.

Construction Update

Early in December Gorick Construction was low bidder on a project to raise unsafe berms, fill in gaps in the berms from the creek that was filled in over 10 years ago, and demolish concrete structures on the unused running target range. The work also included excavating behind the 50 yard pistol target line and former running target range to provide better drainage down range for the pistol, running target, and rifle ranges.

The goal of this project was to provide safer ranges at BCSA, and put an unused range on our property back in use. The running target equipment had deteriorated from over 20 years of not being used, and very little of the equipment was salvageable.

The former running target range will be usable in early summer after final grading is complete. The new "middle range" will be used for handgun calibers (no magnums or P+) and 22 rimfire only.

Please continue to check the website and facebook pages for range closings needed to complete this project. Your co-operation is appreciated.



BROOME COUNTY SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

Membership Year: September 1st to August 31st

Please Print Clearly and Use Ink. **Incomplete applications will be returned**

Mr. _____

Mrs. _____

Miss _____

First Name

M.I.

Last Name

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip + 4 (All 9 Digits) _____

Phone Number (_____) _____ - _____ E-mail Address _____

Date of Birth (M/D/Y) ____ / ____ / ____ Occupation _____

Vehicle License Plate #(s) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Are you an NRA Member? _____ If yes, NRA Number _____

Are you a registered Voter? _____ If yes, did you vote in the Last Election? _____

Please Indicate your Interests in our Organization:

Rifle _____	Outdoor Pistol _____	Trap _____
High Power Rifle _____	Indoor Pistol _____	Junior Program _____
.22 Rifle Silhouette _____	Sporter Rifle _____	Archery _____
Air Rifle _____	Club Upkeep _____	Other _____

Are you a Former BCSA Member? Yes ____ No ____

Were You Ever Convicted of a Felony Yes ____ No ____

General Membership \$53.00
Guest Membership \$53.00 Additional
Junior Membership \$ 5.00
Life Membership \$795.00
Optional Indoor Range \$85.00 additional

Make Checks Payable to: BCSA
Do Not Send Cash
Mail to: **BCSA Memberships**
P.O. Box 1794
Binghamton, NY 13902-1794

Applicant's Signature Date

Your signature on this application and the Waiver signifies that you will follow club rules

FOR CLUB USE ONLY:

Check Number _____ Bank: _____ Card # _____ Issue Date: _____

Date Rec'd _____ Amount: _____ Indoor Range _____

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I understand that shooting sports activities may entail risks of injury or death to myself. I understand that the description of these risks is not complete and that other unknown or unanticipated risks may result in injury or death. I agree to assume responsibility for myself for the risks identified herein and for those risks not specifically identified. My participation is voluntary and I elect to participate in spite of risks.

I have read and understood the BROOME COUNTY SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED Safety and Membership Rules. Which have been provided to me in writing and are also available to me on the Club's website listed above.

I agree that prior to participating in any shooting sports activity, I must be familiar with the safe operation of any firearm that I will use and understand the safety and shooting procedures applicable to that activity. I agree that I must be physically capable of safely participating.

I assume full responsibility for myself for bodily injury, death, and the loss of personal property and expenses thereof as a result of those inherent risks and dangers and/or of my own negligence.

I have read, understood and accepted the terms and conditions stated herein and acknowledge that this agreement shall be effective and binding upon myself.

MEMBERS (or Guest Members) NAME _____

(please print)

MEMBERS (Guest Members) SIGNATURE x _____

(If Juvenile, Parent or Guardians Signature)

DATE ____ / ____ / ____

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Fill Dirt Needed

We are still looking for fill dirt donations to be used to raise and fill in existing berms. If you have a source or know of a nearby project, please call Jim Fitch at 607-759-9842.

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