2024





**Boyer's Junction Community Center** 

## Current Membership – 135 Adults and 50 Juniors

Greetings Members,

We hope everyone had a safe, happy, and healthy holiday season! It is our job, as the Board, to serve you to the best of our abilities. We hope you are pleased with what we have accomplished so far and look forward to continuing to serve you. Next elections will be held in December 2024.

The cost of everything is still increasing. I am sure we will see the cost of fish increase again this year, as well as our taxes. However, I am happy to say that the cost of BJCC membership will remain the same!!

Much happened during the 2023 season. We faced a substantial increase in the cost of fish (and everything else), continued to cut many dead trees that had fallen (thanks to the ash borer beetle), held two successful chicken/ pork dinners, a record Golf Outing, added TWO catfish tournaments, had a tree fall on our outhouses, and installed our new aerator. Unfortunately, we experienced some serious electrical issues that damaged our aerator. We will be getting the aerator repaired but need to address our electrical shortcomings. Originally, we considered upgrading our existing service. It was quite involved and, due to the current price of conduit, was over \$7000! This choice was not a guarantee against surges and was also limiting to any future electric needs. We decided to have Met-Ed install new service to the pond side of the park. This will be a 2-part process. An area has been cleared to run the new line. Once the new line is completed by Met-Ed, the electrician we are working with will run the new electric from the new pole, to where it is needed. This will ensure that we will not be faced with power fluctuations to our aerator, as well as allow for our future electrical needs. The outhouses are in the process of being repaired.

Once again, we ended 2023 in the black!! Even with our electrical issues! This is greatly attributed to corporate sponsorship, chicken/pork dinner profits, and the money received from Tim's Golf Outing. Also, we were able to rent the use of our Clubhouse for storage to an auctioneer for two months, which brought in an additional \$400. Member help and support will continue to be needed for fundraisers. We will continue to seek out additional sponsors this year. Please let us know if you have a business in mind that we could contact.

The spring clean-up was well attended. Several members not only fulfilled their service requirements but went above and beyond. We had members that paid the buy-out and still came out to help. Most members that agreed to perform service, honored their commitment. Those that did not will be required to pay an additional \$35 to renew their membership. Fall clean up was also well attended.

We will continue the virtual option of our meetings, allowing members to attend online rather than in person. Also, remember to check out Facebook and our website: <u>www.boyersjcc.com</u>. If you have any photos or stories you would like to share, please email them. We will gladly post them.

Even though the cost of fish had increased, it was our continued goal to try to have fish in the pond all summer to extend fishing time. We stocked 998 fish spending \$7475.50 (for larger fish), not including the 200+ fish left from Topton. It is our hope to increase that number this year.

We will not be making any changes this year to the membership profile. The following will continue:

- Membership is one cost and includes fishing badge
- Family Memberships consist of 2 Adult/ 2 Junior OR 2 Adult/ 3+Junior. Each option contains NO more than 2 Adults.
- Existing Lifetime Memberships include a \$25 fishing fee.
- No tournament fees, but a \$10 donation is requested to help defray overhead costs.
- Members must attend at least one Board Meeting a year.
- Mandatory Service requirement/ Buy-out ADULT MEMBERS ONLY. Adult members are
  required to provide three (3) hours of service to the club each year. This does NOT include
  members 75+ and/or handicapped. If you are unable/unwilling to provide this service, you
  may pay the \$25 buy-out fee. There are many ways to fulfill this commitment without doing
  manual labor. If you agree to perform service, and do NOT fulfill your commitment or contact
  us, you will be required to pay a \$35 fee to renew your membership. This is only fair to those
  who either fulfilled their obligation or paid the \$25 buy-out.

We will be holding two Chicken Dinner/Pulled Pork fundraisers again this year. You may purchase tickets in advance with your membership renewal. We are asking that each member purchase two (2) tickets in advance. The cost is \$12 each. If you are not available on those dates, consider sending a \$10 **donation** to cover the profit of two (2) dinners.

Once again this year, we will be allowing Topton Fish and Game to hold their Rodeos at our pond. As of yet a date has not been set, but we will make sure that it does not interfere with our members or our fish. The food stand will be open for their events, with increased prices, to be used as a fundraiser. We will send out an update as soon as it is finalized.

We will continue to address some major projects such as finalizing our new electric line, updating the clubhouse, construction of a legitimate campground site and updates to the food stand. Trees have continued to fall and we expect a lot more this winter/spring so we will email for help. We are hoping to add more member events as well. Please consider providing us with an email address, if you have not done so already. This is the quickest, easiest, cost-effective way to update all members, as well as our Facebook and website pages. Tim planned a couple off site fishing trips last year. These were well attended and received. Scott Moyer will be planning more fishing trips for the upcoming year due to continued interest.

We are always open to new fundraising ideas, so please, send an email, make a call, or come to a meeting. One of the ideas presented again last year was to sell spots for a yard sale. If anyone is interested in executing this, please contact us.

We would like to see all members at Board meetings. **Meetings will continue to be held on the third MONDAY of every month at 7pm.** Meetings will be held at Ruscombmanor Fire Company November thru April. Meetings will be held at BJCC May thru October. **The first meeting of 2024 will take place January 15, at 7pm, at Ruscombmanor Fire Company.** We will still have the meeting available through Microsoft Teams. Please **NOTE** all members are required to attend a **minimum** of one meeting a year to be considered an active member. Hope to see all members there!! We are looking forward to another year of fun, friendship, and FISHING!!

## Current 2023 BJCC Officers

President: Tim Talarico --- 610-944-5775 Office/484-880-8140 Cell <u>timmertalarico@gmail.com</u> Vice President: Todd Pugliese --- 484-824-3668 or <u>Pugbear77@yahoo.com</u> Treasurer: Adrienne Baldassare --- 610-743-0948 or <u>BJCCFish@gmail.com</u> Secretary: Greg Scott ---

Current Members may rent the Clubhouse for \$50.00 a day.