





### **Photos from the Outdoor Show**

Top Left — Corey Chestnut Taxidermy display.

Top Center-President Andy Madison presents the Ernie Clay Award to 2023 recipient Chris Brandt

Top Right—US Coast guard Auxiliary display on boating safety

Bottom Left—Junior members Levi and Phoenix Clay draw the Money Raffle winning tickets.

T-shirt Fishing Humor

Happiness is a **BIG** fish!

(and a witness)



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Andy Madison President 1st V-President Chris Kuba 2<sup>nd</sup> V-President Doug Alichwer

Chris Brandt Treasurer Secretary Craig Sunday

Rick Fetchko Stocking Mgr.

Nursery Mgr. Randy Raudabaugh

#### **General Membership Meeting**

1st Tuesday each month except December 7:00 PM at the Nursery

**Directors Meeting** 1st Tuesday each month after Members meeting



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#### Second Quarter 2023

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#### **New Officers and Directors elected**

Annual elections were held at the Members meeting on April 4. The following officers were elected by acclimation as all were running unopposed:

President—Andrew Madison 1st Vice President—Chris Kuba 2nd Vice President—Doug Alichwer Secretary—Craig Sunday Treasurer—Chris Brandt

The following members will serve as Directors for the 2023 - 2024 term.

Dan Abel John Mauro Bob Moyer Richard Sauder Paul Dunne

Elected in April 4: Rick Fetchko Steve Knaub Jack Myers Mike Ritts Don Sheaffer Mark Tetkoskie Jim Thornton Joel Williams

The president will appoint four individuals to serve a one year term to complete the sixteen member board in May.

#### **Membership Report** As of 4/4/23

Adult 1,157 Junior 92 Life 29 **Total 2023 members 1,278** New members for 2023 212

# **Spring Stocking Schedule**

**NEWSLETTER** 

Sorry! The Stocking Schedule is a privi lege of YBAC membership. The stocking schedule appears here in the newsletter mailed to members each quarter Check our website for instructions on how to become a member of the top rate ed trout nursery in Pennsylvania. Adults \$20 per year. Juniors \$3. Join today!

Thank you to Ashley Lidle of TCO Fly Shop and Justin Pittman of Precision Fly and Tackle for their generous donations of the ten dollar gift card door prizes at the 2023 Outdoor Show.

#### **Money Raffle Winners**

Second—\$600 Dick Kuhn Third—\$400 James Thornton Fourth—\$300 Rick Basking Fifth—\$200 Dennis Watson Sixth—\$100 Rod Taylor Seventh—\$75 John Aigeldinger Eighth—\$50 Joseph J. Senft Jr. Ninth—\$50 Martin Shoop Tenth—\$25 Douglas Lees

First - \$1,200 Timothy Wilson

Congratulations to the winners and thank you to everyone who sold and bought tickets.

#### **YBAC Gun Raffle**

The second annual YBAC gun raffle is now underway. This year the raffle contains twenty-five rifles and shotguns. All guns are "all state" friendly. There are no pistols. Tickets are available from Chris Kuba and at YBAC stocking events this Spring. We are again selling one thousand tickets. The drawing will be held on September 16 at the nursery during our annual pig roast. Gun Raffle tickets include a meal at the pig roast. Further details of the event will appear in the August newsletter. Contact Chris Kuba at 717-747-4990 or chriskuba1965@gmail.com

#### Goin fishin?

Please keep the stream clean. Take your snack wrappers, plastic bottles, and old line with you when you go. Respect the water and the land. If we abuse it, we'll lose it.

# Printed on recycled paper **Outdoor Show a Success**

The 2023 Outdoor show took place on Saturday. March 18. Attendance exceeded last years' total by a small margin; 618 to 604. Over one hundred show visitors also visited the nursery that day for a tour and to feed the fish. Randy Raudabaugh, Rick Fetchko and Steve Knaub handled the nursery tours. Show visitors participated in raffles from several vendors including Ducks Unlimited, Mountain creek Trout Člub, and the PA Trappers Association District 8, as well as our own YBAC raffles.

A variety of seminars were presented. The most well attended were fishing related. "Find and Catch Big Trout" with Craig Hull was extremely popular. His room couldn't hold anymore crowd. The seminars on Bass and Catfish were similarly well attended. The presentation by Bill Skilton on the 'History of Fly Fishing in PA" was likewise very popular.

Visitors this year were encouraged to go on our website to complete a short survey on what they liked or disliked and make suggestions for improvement next year. Their comments will help us improve the show for 2024.

We also asked for feedback from our vendors. Many asked to sign up for next year before the show even closed for this year.

The 2023 show made more money for the club than any to date. One reason is that all expenses were covered by business sponsorships. Ranging from \$50 to \$500, from nineteen businesses, sponsorships totaled \$5,250, more than covering our expenses and making everything we took in on show day a 100%

Finally, thank you to all of the members who gave their time on Friday and Saturday to make set-up and tear down quick and easy. Ways and Means has already had a post show meeting to outline our plans for next year and correct tom of our mistakes. Thank you to these members for all of the time they donated for YBAC: Dan Abel, Doug Alichwer, Mike Ritts, Joel Williams, John Aigeldinger, Paul Dunne, John Mauro, Chris Brandt, Ed Lewandoski, and Andy Madison.

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A membership card will be mailed to you for the cost of membership: \$20 adult \$3 Jr. (under 16). If you want the club membership button or lapel pin mailed to you there is a \$3.50 s/h fee. Multiple items can be sent for a single \$3.50 charge. Memberships, buttons, patches, and lapel pins can be obtained at club functions without additional postage fees. All donations, whatever amount, are gratefully accepted. Our original "Feed the Fish for a Day" program has become quite expensive, almost \$100. A bag of feed is about \$40 so let those figures guide your giving and thank you very much for any donation you may afford.

Sustaining Member Club Donations	
Rainbow(\$25-\$49)Brook(\$50-\$99)	
Brown(\$100 +)	
Amount donated \$	

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If you aren't able to attend meetings each month, you may not be aware of some important issues on the Yellow Breeches Creek happening right now. Fisherman are gradually loosing access to the stream through the carelessness and abuse by a small but thoughtless group of people for whom occasional fishing is just a lark. Within the last year YBAC has lost two stocking stops around Craighead House on Old York Road through property closures due to abuse of the landowners rights. Up the Pine a new 20' wide x 44' long garage for Road, there is limited parking until you reach Barnitz Mill Park and the stocking truck and other equip-Barnitz United Methodist church. There are long stretches of the creek which we stock and you can fish, but have no parking access without a lo demolition of the existing garage and

**Editorial** 

I recently spoke with a landowner who said she and her husband decided to close their property to public fishing because of too much trash and dead fish left behind. When the culprits are confronted they choose crude verbal abuse instead of cleaning up their messes.

Lately, at Brandtsville, where PA 74 crosses the breeches, tires and a discarded microwave oven were pulled from the stream. The two stocking spots we lost recently had worse conditions to deal with including human waste.; left behind. Would any of us put up with it? I think not.

While I find it impossible to believe any YBAC members would be guilty of these acts, we need to be aware that these things are taking place since we will get the blame anyway. It goes back to the old advice we all received after September 11, 2001. "If you see something, say something."

YBAC has a stellar reputation for raising and stocking big, colorful, healthy fish. We can't afford to have that reputation ruined by inconsiderate and ugly behavior by others. The Fish and Boat Commission has a shortage of WCO's at this time, and none in our area currently. If we don't step up, who will? Unfortunately, raising and stocking fish may not be enough anymore.

Craig Sunday, Secretary

## **News Clips**

### Garage project to start in June

The latest upgrade project at the nursery is slated to begin on June 5 after Spring stocking activities have ended. The project includes building ment, driveway for the garage, partial repair of the floor in the main section. The current garage will become the new storage room for our fish feed and allow purchasing in bulk to save costs. Once up, th new building will be finished inside by YBAC members. The bulk of the project will be paid for with a grant of \$50,000 from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which we received with the assistance of Senator Mike Regan.

#### Website Upgrade in progress

At the March 7, Directors meeting, a plan to upgrade the website so we can sell memberships and merchandise online was approved. The new website is 95% operational and should be live by the time you read this. Thanks to Ed Lewandoski, Doug Alichwer and Chris Brandt for their work.

#### **New Website**

Have you had the chance to check out the YBAC webpage? You should! There is a lot of great info on our pages. The Home Page is kept up-to-date with club happenings and upcoming events. Membership information is available along with the list of our Sustaining Member Donors. You can find stream information for the Yellow Breeches including what to fish and stream flows. A link is also available to the PA Fish Commission website to see when they are stocking. There is a great "How To" section. It is loaded with fishing related articles and videos for spin casting and fly fishing. If you missed a newsletter, they are posted on our website as well. (The upcoming club stocking dates are removed from the newsletter we post to our webpage. Members receive the dates via the mailed newsletter) Finally, we even post some fishing humor to the website so if you are in need of a little chuckle or just some club information, check out the YBAC website! Our address https://ybacnursery1.wixsite.com/mysite or just Google- Yellow Breeches Anglers

