

BGSL Dues Change

At the July 7 General Membership Meeting, the membership of the Blue Grass Sportsmen's League voted unanimously (with one abstaining vote) to approve the dues change recommended by the BGSL Board of Officers and Directors. The members of the board are grateful to the membership for this display of trust and commitment to keeping the Blue Grass Sportsmen's League one of the finest clubs of its type anywhere in the world.

According to the League's Constitution, there will be a 30 day period between the adoption of a change and its taking effect, so the approved dues change will become effective August 7, 2020. At that time annual dues will be set at \$290 per year for new members and renewals. In the following four years, the 5% cost of living adjustments will become effective on the same date (August 7) of each year.

What to Expect from the Change

Everyone will naturally be curious as to when and how this change will affect them in particular. The guiding principle behind the implementation of this change is to honor the annual dues rate current on your annual renewal date which is the date on which you joined BGSL.

No one who has already joined or renewed and paid (annual payment) or is paying (monthly payment, etc.) for their annual dues this year will be charged retroactively for the increase or have their payments increased before their next annual renewal date.

If your annual renewal is **due and paid** before August 7, 2020, you will not see the increase in dues until your annual renewal in 2021. This applies to all payment schedule options, i.e. monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, and annual.

For example if you just joined BGSL as a new member in May of 2020, and pay your dues monthly, your recurring payments --based on annual dues of \$240 at the time you joined, will remain the same until your annual renewal date in May of 2021, at which point your annual dues will change to \$290 per year, with recurring monthly payments based on that amount.

Alternately, if your annual renewal date falls in November, your dues will increase to \$290 dollars per year at your next renewal in November of 2020.

