

APRIL 2004 NEWSLETTER



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April 2004

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4	5	6	7	8 General Meeting	9	10 Easter Breakfast and Craft corner
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Spring Clean up and Trout stocking
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Courses Include course instruction, testing and Canadian Coast Guard Pleasure Craft Operators Card (Course and testing takes approximately 4 hours)

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phil.gingrich@sympatico.ca

<http://www3.sympatico.ca/phil.gingrich>

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These courses are offered once a month through February, March, April, May, September, October and November. If there is sufficient demand, extra courses are scheduled.

For more information and dates for the next course contact:

Emad Hazboun 519-685-7496

ehunting@sprint.ca

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Member discounts, OFAH and additional family member discounts are available. Discounts cannot be combined.

All courses held at: Western Ontario Fish & Game, 790 Southdale Rd. E. London

**WEAR YOUR MEMBERSHIP BADGE
AT ALL TIMES**

Poaching is a serious problem. Anyone not visibly wearing a valid membership card should NOT be fishing in WOF & GPA water. If you see anyone fishing with no visible card, ask to see proof of valid membership. **If you do not have a valid card, you should expect to be told that you must leave the premises immediately.**



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Our Conservation Pledge

I give my pledge as a Canadian to save and faithfully defend from waste the Natural Resources of my Country, its Soils & Minerals, its Waters, Forests, Air & Wildlife, & to obey all Fish & Game Laws.

Our Purpose

- To promote true sportsmanship by the protection, breeding, propagation, and conservation of fish and game.
- To obey the Fish and Game Laws of Ontario.
- To promote reforestation and conservation.
- To maintain a club and pond for the accommodation and enjoyment of the members and friends.

Meetings

General meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30pm, except for the months of July and August. The Executive meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month. Remember that you, as a member, can attend any of the meetings. Your input is highly valued and appreciated.

Treasurer's Report

Steve Couture presented the Treasurer's Report at the last meeting, showing all bills are paid up to date and the bank balance in order. If you wish to receive a copy of the full report, please attend either the General or the Executive meetings.



**THERE IS NO SMOKING
IN THE CLUB AT ANY TIME**

President's Message

So, we start a new year!

The elections are done, and as you can see by the list, there are a few new names on the Volunteer roster. I was very pleased with the turn out of voters. It is evident that our club participation is growing and the overall interest in our club is expanding. Basically, the Executive Body of the club remained the same as last year. This tells me that we did a good job and the members were pleased.

As I am writing this column, our committee members are hard at work scheduling this year's activities. Please follow your monthly newsletter for upcoming events and give your support as often as you can, whether it is in a volunteer status or just attending the event.

As a final note, the ice is finally off the pond and the long winter seems to have run its course. I am really looking forward to enticing one or two trout into the frying pan.

See you on the water.

Stan Gibbs
668-6209

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The draw for a one-year free family membership was won by Tony Dukic. Congratulations Tony!

Why not attend a meeting and try your luck. Anyone attending the General meetings can have their name entered to win a one-year membership. The draw takes place immediately following the Elections in March. **One ballot per membership per General Meeting.**

The winner on the March General Meeting Draw was Don Finch, who won Walleye tackle and a hat. Congratulations Don! Ticket sales generated \$ 76.00.

**Please patronize the businesses that advertise with us.**

## WOF&GPA WEAR

|                                                             |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Lined jacket with embroidered Club crest.....               | \$ 45.00 |
| Lined jacket with embroidered Club crest and your name..... | \$ 49.00 |
| Tee shirts with Club crest.....                             | \$ 10.00 |
| Hooded sweatshirt with Club crest...                        | \$ 28.00 |
| Polar Fleece jacket with crest                              | \$ 30.00 |
| Sweatshirt with Club crest.....                             | \$ 26.00 |
| Ball hats with embroidered Club logo .....                  | \$ 12.00 |
| Touques with embroidered crest - navy only                  | \$ 12.00 |
| Club embroidered patch crest.....                           | \$ 5.00  |
| Lanyard.....                                                | \$ 5.00  |
| Key chain.....                                              | \$ 5.00  |

**To purchase items or for more info, call Tom McGill at 652 -2875.**

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The use of email greatly reduces the cost of printing and postage. If you would like to receive your newsletter by email, an Item for Sale or an article to share with other members: contact Teresa Dodge by phone at 668-6257 (evenings) or by email at teresa.dodge@sympatico.ca
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## Jigg's Dinner

The Jigg's Dinner on Sat., March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004, was sold out again this year.

The Executive body served the members and their guests a dinner of corned beef and cabbage, roast beef, potato and veggies, roll, salads, deserts, tea or coffee. Thank you to the many members who brought a desert to share. The members were entertained by the talented John Anderson after such an amazing meal.

Thanks go to all the ladies involved with cooking. You did a great job with your culinary skills and managing to get all the food served hot. Thanks also go to those involved with setting up and the clean up after the meal.

Hope to see everyone again next year.

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Newsletter submissions or email addresses (or changes) can be given to Teresa Dodge at 668-6257 or teresa.dodge@sympatico.ca



EUCHRE RESULTS

On March 20th, 40 players came out for an evening of cards, good company and lots of fun.

The final euchre of the season is a Pot Luck and will be held on April 24th. The meal is at 6:00 pm with cards at 7:30 SHARP! Please contact Ron and Bonnie Earle to let them know what you will be bringing for the Pot Luck.

The winners on March 20th were:

- High Man:** Jim Douglas
- High Lady:** Heather Anderson
- Mystery Man:** Bill Rodrigues
- Mystery Lady:** Rheta Brule
- Most Lone Hands:** Don Colborne
- 50/50 Draw:** Jim Douglas - \$ 28.00

Admission is only \$ 5.00 and is open to both members and nonmembers. Late arrivals will be unable to play. A contribution of a door prize is always welcomed.

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**Bird House Building**  
**Sun. April 25, 2004**  
**9:00 am**

**There is no cost to participants but pre-registration is mandatory.**  
**Contact Ron Earle at 672-0765.**

Why not make Mom a bird house for Mother's Day! We supply everything and help you make it. You get take it home to decorate it in time for Mom's Special Day.

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Trout Stocking

The pond will be stocked with Trout on Sat. April 17th. The delivery times will be posted on the Bulletin Board at the club as the date gets closer, so check it. Help is always needed getting the Trout into the water with little stress.

Mark your Calendar!!!
SPRING CLEANUP

Mother Nature always tosses a few surprises at us over the long winter months. Well, it is time to do a bit of spring cleaning.

The Spring Clean up will be held on Sat. April 17th. It starts at 8:00 am and the men usually work until early afternoon (or when things get done). You aren't obligated to stay the whole time but it is a great way to get involved and meet some other members and make new friendships.

We will supply the lunch and refreshments if you supply the elbow grease.

Please dress casually but warm. If you have a few hand tools or a rake, please bring it.

Contact Steve Couture at 668-6257 (evenings) if you have any questions. Hope to see you there!

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**Spring Trout Derby**

It is time to start heating that frypan for the trout that you will catch during the derby. We know that there are trout in the water but will still be stocking. It's time to change the line on your reel and come out for the morning of fishing.

**Date:** Sun., May 2, 2004  
**Time:** 8:00 til noon  
**Registration:** 7:30 am (no earlier please)

**Cost:** Members \$ 10.00  
Non-members \$ 12.00  
Youth (under 13) \$ 5.00

**Contact:** Stan Gibbs 668-2609  
or Steve Couture 668-6257

Lunch is provided and prizes will be awarded. Happy angling!

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Welcome to all the new members over the past few months. I hope that you will begin to get involved with your club at one of our many functions. You will meet others that share similar interests.

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