

AUGUST 2019



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August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5 Civic Holiday	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Executive Meeting	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Labour Day	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 General meeting	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Executive meeting	27	28 Euchre
29	30					

REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR MEMBERSHIP VALID TO AVOID BEING ON A WAITING LIST TO REJOIN

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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 and minerals, its waters, forests, air and wildlife, and 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, are welcome to attend all club meetings. Your input is highly valued and appreciated.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report is presented at the Executive meeting and questions and comments are always welcome. If you wish to receive a copy of the full report, please attend this meeting.



Cigarette smoking is not permitted within 5 metres of all club entrances. Smokers are asked to use the containers provided for cigarette butt disposal. Cannabis use and vaping is not permitted anywhere on club property.

SUMMERTIME MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS AND CHANGE OF CONTACT INFORMATION

Just a reminder that General Meetings are not held in the months of July and August.

The date for the Executive meeting in August is Thurs., August 22. In order to pay your membership dues, you must attend the club at 7:00 pm (just before the scheduled meeting) in order to remain a valid member in good standing. If you are unable to attend, a friend or family member could bring your annual dues to the club at the designated time. Special arrangements for payment can be made only by contacting the Membership Chair, Val Grahl.

Any payments that are mailed or left at the club will not be accepted and will be returned to you. If you are unable to attend the club to pay your dues on either of these dates,

It is very important that you send any and all changes in mailing address, email or phone number to Val Grahl (membership committee). WOFGPA will not be responsible if your membership lapses due to incorrect contact information.

If you choose to rejoin the club, your name will be added to the waiting list which is currently has over 200 names on it and a 4-year wait.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A Unique Fundraiser

Later this summer, we will be offering you the chance at owning one of our club's signature pieces of jewelry.

There will only be 250 tickets printed for the draw that will be held at our December General meeting. There will be one ring and one pendant/ charm offered. Both pieces are near pure silver, and the pendant/charm has a small stone in it. The sizing of the ring and the chain or bracelet for the pendant/charm is included. The cost of each ticket will be \$5.00.



The silver for these pieces was donated by one of our own members, and the jewelry was custom made for a very reasonable price by Ron Huxley, a jeweler who designed and produced all pieces to date.

There are less than 10 rings and 3 pendants/charms made so far.

Tickets will be offered starting later in August and should be available at all meetings and functions. One of these would make a very special Christmas gift.

Yours in Conservation
Stan Gibbs

GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

For each General Meeting that you attend, you will receive a ballot for the free one-year membership draw. The draw is done each March during the Elections.

WELFARE

Many club members who aren't able to attend the club for meetings or fishing might welcome a quick call to say "Hello and what have you been up to?"

If you know of a club member or their immediate family who could use some cheering up or has reached one of life's many milestones, please contact Teresa Couture who will gladly make contact on behalf of the club.

Our heartfelt condolences are with Joanne Stevenson and her family after the passing of her husband Mack on July 24th. Joanne and Mack were the owners of Rainbow Springs Trout Hatchery and the supplier of Trout for the club for many years.

Our hopes for healthier days ahead are with Bert Smit and George Maudsley.

ONTARIO HUNTER EDUCATION & BOW-HUNTING COURSES

Emad Hazboun teaches these courses for a very reasonable cost. He offers a discount if you are a WOFGPA club member.

For more information and the starting date of the next course, please contact Emad by phone at 519-317-4132 or by e-mail at emadhaz@heafs.com or visit his website www.heafs.com

ANNUAL BASS DERBY Sun., July 14

Only a handful of anglers came out to display their angling skills. Thank you to all the volunteers who came out to assist.

The winners of the day were:

Adult Division

- 1st place Jeff Ziesner
- 2nd place Stan Gibbs
- 3rd place Marco Liberatore

Youth Division

- 1st place Drew Carson
- 2nd place Ashante Dixon

Big Bass Austin Clark

FISHING LEAGUE MEETING

The fishing league meets each Tuesday evening at 5:00 pm in the parking lot by the boat rack. New members are welcome anytime. The target fish changes each week.



EUCHRE RESUMES

Calling all euchre players to the first progressive euchre game of the season so mark your calendars.

DATE: Saturday, September 28th
TIME: Doors open at 6:00 pm with the games starting at 7:00 pm
COST: \$ 5.00 per player

Progressive euchre is a fun filled evening with good company, good cards and a lot of laughter. The games are open to both members and the public. You do not need to have a partner or a foursome to play. There is a light snack served during the break and door prizes at the end of the evening. A donation of a door prize or dessert is always welcome.

If you are interested in hosting a Euchre night on the fourth Saturday of the month, please speak with Teresa Couture for details. When you host an evening, one of the Executive will be present. Hosts are needed to host evenings throughout the season.

ANNUAL PIG ROAST Sat. Oct. 5 (New Date)

It may seem early in August but tickets for the annual Pig Roast are in limited number and sell out early.

The cost of the Pig Roast dinner is only \$ 25 per ticket which includes your meal with all the trimmings, wine with dinner, entertainment for the evening and door prizes.

All tickets are advance purchase only and should be available for sale very shortly through one of the Executive members.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please remember that General Meetings are not held in July and August. If you have to pay your membership dues during the summer months, make sure that you attend the club at 7:00 pm on Thurs., Aug. 22 (the 4th Thursday of each month)

Mon., Aug. 5	Civic holiday
Thurs. Aug. 22	Executive meeting
Mon, Sept 2	Labour Day
Thurs, Sept 12	General Meeting
Thurs, Sept 26	Executive Meeting
Sat, Sept. 28	Euchre resumes
Sat, Oct 5	Annual Pig Roast
Thurs, Oct 10	General Meeting
Mon, Oct 14	Thanksgiving Monday
Thurs, Oct 24	Executive Meeting
Sat, Oct 26	Euchre
	Fall Trout Derby
Thurs. Oct 31	Halloween

Helping out is also a great way for the new members to meet others in a relaxed and friendly setting when they aren't fishing.

Be an active member of WOF & GPA and reap the all the benefits this club has to offer and not be just a "name" on a committee.

FISHING ETIQUETTE

Please do not crowd other anglers on the docks. Moving a few feet closer will not entice the fish to bite on your line instead of your neighbour's. Junior anglers find it quite intimidating to be crowded on the docks by an adult. Remember some anglers tend to need a larger area to cast. Fly fish in suitable areas and way from other anglers.

The north and the main dock have new benches installed for members use. If you prefer to use a lawn chair, please take it home with you when done fishing. At no time are tree stumps to be used on the docks.

Each angler may use only one rod at a time. Culling your catch and the use of live bait is not permitted.

If you are fishing on the north dock, be aware that members with boats and canoes have the right-of-way. Please stop fishing or fish elsewhere while they are taking their boat in or out of the water.

All Trout can be cleaned at the steel cleaning table by the north dock. We ask that any fish wastes be tossed into the bushes where it will be considered as the "daily delicacy" by resident raccoons or the red-tailed hawk who watched intently as you cleaned it. Please rinse the table thoroughly with water when you are done cleaning your catch. The water at the cleaning station is pond water and should not be used for drinking. When done cleaning your catch, use hand sanitizer or wash your hands thoroughly in the washroom.

Observe your daily catch limits as determined by your membership type. Record your catch in the Log book located in the small vestibule on the east side patio area. This book will also give you an idea of what bait that trout currently find attractive in an effort to increase your chances of getting a big one to take home.

All trout caught must be kept, without exception. If you choose not to keep the trout, it may be given to another angler who is present at the club. You are still required to record your catch in the Log Book as part of your daily catch limit.

If you have any questions or comments, please speak with the Ponds committee or any Executive member.

HALL RENTALS

Did you know that the WOFGPA hall can be rented for your next "special" occasion for a very reasonable price?

The hall has a maximum seating capacity of 80 persons, which makes it just the right size for a small wedding reception, bridal and baby showers, your next meeting, anniversary party, family reunions and get-togethers, Christmas party and birthdays.

The hall is available to members or their families to get together after the passing of a loved one. In certain circumstances, a special reduced rate may apply. Members receive a discount on rentals which occur on Friday or on a Saturday evening only.

The hall offers full kitchen facilities, except dishwasher. Professional bar service is offered in the wet bar.

Please contact the club caretaker, Barb at 519-681-2370 to get the low rental rates and availability of the hall.

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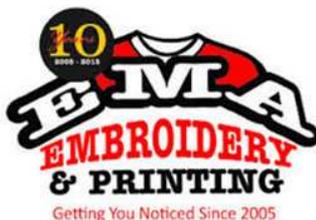
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