

# JULY 2005 NEWSLETTER



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## AUGUST 2005

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## Boating Safety Courses

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Courses Include course instruction, testing and Canadian Coast Guard Pleasure Craft Operators Card (Course and testing takes approximately 4 hours)

For more information and dates for the next course contact:

Phil Gingrich (519) 668-1130

[phil.gingrich@sympatico.ca](mailto:phil.gingrich@sympatico.ca)

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

## Firearms and Hunter Safety Courses

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

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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 the accounts are 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

## July 2005

From time to time an incident will happen that just makes me shake my head in disbelief. As most of you know our club just finished spending a great deal of money on Club Flags to be proudly displayed on the club grounds. The flag was up for about two weeks, until someone decided that the flag would look better some where other than our flag pole. If anyone knows where our missing is flag please contact me personally. If the person that borrowed our flag would like to return it there would be no questions asked.

On a lighter note, a talented new member of our club was commissioned to do an oil painting of our clubhouse and grounds. At the June Executive Meeting, the finished painting was presented. I would like to thank Morgan Moore for a wonderful job and excellent artistry. The painting should be on display in the near future.



**Morgan Moore and Stan Gibbs**

By the time you receive this News Letter the Family Day celebration would already have taken place. I hope that if you attended, all had a good time.

*Stan Gibbs*  
668-2609

Our sympathies are with Tom & Shirley McGill after the sudden loss of their son in late June.

The website is up and running. You can log on at [www.wofgpa.org](http://www.wofgpa.org). Please visit it often. Lawrence Lainchbury would like to have some pictures, articles or stories about the club to post for all to see. Any submissions can be sent to Lawrence by email at [lw.lainchbury@sympatico.ca](mailto:lw.lainchbury@sympatico.ca)

### BOAT SAFETY COURSE

September 21, 2005  
6:30 pm start time

Phil Gingrich is offering a boat safety course at the club on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Phil provides all instruction and course materials and the test. Upon passing, he will issue your card. It will soon be the law that boaters, jet skiers, etc must have taken this course and provide proof by showing their card when requested. So do not delay. The course runs from 6:00 til 10:30 pm. The cost is \$ 40 for members and \$ 45 for non-members. To enroll in the course, call Phil at 668-1130 or email him at [phil.gingrich@sympatico.ca](mailto:phil.gingrich@sympatico.ca)

### WOF&GPA WEAR

Time to start outfitting yourself and your family in our fashionable WOF&GPA Wear. The costs are very low while the quality is high.

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
Ball hats with embroidered Club logo	\$ 12.00
Toques with embroidered crest – navy only	\$ 12.00
Club embroidered patch crest	\$ 5.00
Lanyard	\$ 5.00
Key chain	\$ 5.00

**To purchase items call Tom McGill at 652 –2875.**

Please remember to record your catch in the Fish Log Book located just inside the side entrance. Review the Fishing rules occasionally as a reminder of the catch limits allotted to each membership type. These rules are posted in the Fish Registry Room and just inside the main building.

**The newsletter can be obtained online at [www.wofgpa.org](http://www.wofgpa.org)** If you would like to receive your newsletter by email, would like to update your email address, have an Item for Sale or an article to share with other members: contact Teresa Couture (Dodge) by phone at 668-6257 (evenings) or by email at [teresa.dodge@sympatico.ca](mailto:teresa.dodge@sympatico.ca)

Two auditors are needed from the membership to audit the club books.

If you are interested in doing this or would like more information as to what is required, please contact Steve Couture (evenings) at 668-6257 or Stan Gibbs at 668-2609 or come to a meeting.

## FIRST ANNUAL KID'S DERBY Sunday, June 12, 2005

The first annual kid's derby was a great success. It was good to see the children enjoying their morning and honing their angling skills with the assistance of an adult.



Emily Clark tells President Stan Gibbs that she just wanted to play with a real live fish.

This event was so popular that it will become an annual derby for all our young anglers. The winners of the derby were:

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Adrian Hardy	636 cm
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Adam McGee	511 cm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Ryan Kennedy	478 cm
Mystery Fish	Emily Clark	45.5 cm

Thank you to all the helpers. They are Tom & Shirley McGill, Steve & Teresa Couture, Jim Douglas, Stan Gibbs and Lawrence Lainchbury.

### BBQ Meat Draw

Thurs., June 9<sup>th</sup>

Nothing tastes better than steaks done up on the barbeque except for the steaks that were won. Ten meat packages were available to be won at the June General meeting. The winners were: Brian Logie, Teresa Couture, Gord McCurdy (twice), Tony Dukic, Bill Smith, Gord Foster, Gord Spotton, Shirley McGill, and Stan Gibbs. Happy grilling!

If you attend a general meeting and complete a ballot, your name is entered to win a one-year membership. **Only one ballot per membership per month is allowed.** The draw is held in March of each year, immediately following the elections.

Two sets of Barbeque utensils were the door prizes this month. The winners were June Foster and Don Finch.

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## FOR SALE

This 13 foot Bonaire travel trailer, complete with electric and water hookups and wind-up hitch, will sleep two people comfortably. It has a propane fridge and stove (with 2 tanks), a port-a-potty, table and sink. If interested and wish to see this trailer, call Morgan Moore at (519) 435-1792.

You will not be able to take it on vacation this year if you delay.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

### 7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL BASS DERBY

**When:** Sunday, July 10, 2005

**Time:** **Registration:** 6:30 am

**Derby:** 7:00 am til Noon

**Cost:** Member - \$ 12.00

Non-member - \$ 15.00

Child (12 and under) - \$ 5.00

#### Rules:

Limit of five fish, culling is allowed (Bass Only). Fish must be alive when measured and then released (if not, then fish is disqualified).

1<sup>st</sup> place winner name goes on the plaque in Club House.

The person that catches the largest bass gets their name on the Bass trophy in the case.

The Mystery Fish gets cash.

**NO MINNOWS ARE ALLOWED AS BAIT!** Worms are available for purchase at the club for \$ 3.00 per dozen from the vending machine.

Participants may win in only one category. There will be both an adult and junior division. All prize presentations are done after lunch is served.

## WANTED

10 – 14 foot boat or non-tippy canoe as I have a young family. Call Martin at 457-6102 if you have one to sell.

## FOR SALE

Almond fridge and electric stove. White Maytag clothes dryer. All in excellent working condition. Also one very good beer fridge. A selection of VHS original Disney movies.

For more info, call Don Colborne at 686-9559.

**FAMILY DAY**  
**Sunday, June 26, 2005**

Although the day was very warm with high humidex values, it was still a great day with lots to do and see. Here are just a few pictures to remind those that did come out just how much fun they had. For the members that were unable to make it, make a note to come out next year.



London Fire Department engine and crew to check out.



Constable McCormick Smith and Argo from the London Police – Canine Unit met members and explained their life and training for the Canine Unit.



There is always lots of food thanks to our chefs.



Even the Shriner's Trumpet Band dropped by to entertain us.



Greg Balch, an environmentalist and live trapper had an amazing taxidermy display. His knowledge of the different animals is interesting and unending.



The Forest City Fly fishing club gave demonstrations in the club.

Thank you to all our sponsors: Preferred Insurance, Dairy Queen Harveys, McDonalds, Burger King, Talbot Ford, The Beer Store, Stacey's, Copp's, Home Hardware, Kellogg's, SloPitch City, Dilts Jewellers, Ziggy's Hair Styling, IMAX, Sunoco, the Parkers, the Rodrigues, Rick Foster, Lonnie Schieding, Tony Dukic, the Fosters, the Andersons, the Coutures, the Lockreys, Jack Schering, Cora Thompson,

Walt Seliski and Val Grahl. Please accept apologies if your name was missed.



Johnny Toronto entertained us by juggling an apple, a knife and flaming torches while on a unicycle.



The Snake Lady brought all kinds of "pets" for everyone to meet. Even Moms are not afraid of snakes.



The winners of the Water Balloon Toss were David Barraclough and Ralph DeLuca.

The Canoe Race winners were Rob MacFarlane and Justin Gibbs.

The winners of the children's prizes were:

Kathleen Price	Sports chair
Pauline DeLuca	Mr. & Mrs. Rabbit dolls
Emily Copeland	Dart Game
Clarissa Fegans	T-shirt and jacket
Mackenzie MacKellar	Game mat
Teresa Barraclough	Wading pool
Tony DeLuca	Fog Blaster
Jalen Ellison	Water shooter
Devon Fegan	Racing Car
Angela Barraclough	Activity Fun Set
Rob MacFarlane	Kellogg's gift bag
James Price	Kellogg's gift bag
Jeff MacFarlane	Watch set

After the children's prizes were drawn, all names were reentered to win the child's grand prize, a trike. The child's grand prizewinner was Siobhan Braithwaite.



Grandpa John checks out the Trike won by his granddaughter, Siobhan Braithwaite.

Thank you to all the volunteers that put in so many hours to help make this a special and fun filled day for our members and their families.

Remember to keep an open spot on next year's calendar so you don't miss all the fun and excitement. Hope to see everyone at next year's Family Day and sooner at other functions.

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