

July 2006 NEWSLETTER



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Boating Safety Courses

Canadian Coast Guard

Accredited

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

<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

emadhaz@hotmail.com

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

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

Cost verses Time

This is a choice that we as Club Members will have make in the near future.

A while ago, a member of our club brought it to our attention that we enjoyed one of the cheapest annual dues rates of almost all the Clubs in the surrounding area. It is quite remarkable that we can enjoy the lake, grounds, hall, great functions, and good tasting Trout for such a nominal fee.

As I have written many times, our club depends greatly on volunteer hours to keep the cost of operating our club to a minimum. Unfortunately, our volunteer base seems to be shrinking and getting a little older. Even though the helpers we have give a 110%, we need help from some of the other members who could help lighten the load. If this trend continues, we may be forced to raise the membership dues to cover the cost of repairs and renovations that the volunteers usually handled. This may be as much as three times as what you are paying now.

Do you enjoy all that the Club has to offer? If so ... **LETS GET INVOLVED**

Thanks.

Yours in Conservation

Stan Gibbs

The next time you are in the main hall at the club, check out the new addition that is hanging on the wall. One of our new members, Bob Fawcett, generously donated a very old whale harpoon to the club. The harpoon originally belonged to Bob's grandfather, who, as a whaler used it regularly throughout his life. When you meet Bob, ask him to tell you the interesting story about it. Once again, thank you Bob.

WE HAVE WORMS!

The worms cost just \$ 3.00 per dozen. If you have any issues with the machine or the worms, please contact Steve at 519-668-6257 (evenings). Steve regularly checks the machine and feeds the worms.



There are no General Meetings during July and August.

Draw prizes available at each General Meeting. 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 winners of the Barbeque Utensil sets are: Bob Fawcett and Gord Spotton.



2nd Annual Juniors Derby

On Sunday, June 11, this derby was open to children only, aged 12 and under. Each of the twenty-five child anglers was assisted by one adult, who was there to assist only.

The rules were very simple: the total length of all fish caught determines the winners of 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize. The weather was just great for all who came out to enjoy the morning angling.



Catching fish off the dock

The winners are:

First place:	Taylor Mitchell	349 cm
Second place:	Cody Stewart	270 cm
Third place:	Alex Sweet	264 cm

The newsletter can also be obtained online at www.wofgpa.org

Family Day

June 25, 2006

Yet, another successful Family Day has come and gone. For a change, Mother Nature gave us a beautiful warm day with a light breeze to enjoy.



Many thanks to the many volunteers who came out to make this day memorable one for the members and their families. These volunteers are: Stan & Cindy Gibbs, Danielle ? & Justin Gibbs, Steve & Teresa Couture, Karen & John Anderson, Val Grahl, Lawrence Lainchbury, Don Colborne, Jim Morrow, Tom & Shirley McGill, Peter Dakin, Pat & Ken Lockrey, Steve, Tara and Coulton Strong, Tim & Brenda Locke, Rebecca Anderson, Rob & Jeff MacFarlane, Tony Dukic and Roberto Foti.

Please accept my apologies if your name was missed although with such a busy day, your assistance was definitely appreciated.

Thanks to Greg Balch for his wildlife taxidermy display. Thanks to the Cloud Whompers: Professor Nimbus, Coulton Strong and his assistant, Tara Strong for their fantastic job of making it rain and entertaining both the children and adults. Thanks to Karen Anderson for arranging the 4-piece band and Steve Seguin, the juggler, to entertain the guests. Thanks also to Dan Clarke for supplying all the toys for the young children to play on. Thanks to OPP Constable R. Allen for coming to entertain the group. Due to unforeseen circumstance, the Snake Lady was unable to attend but hopes to return next year.

Many events were held throughout the day. The winners of these events were:

Canoe Race: Dad and Emily Clark

Pie Eating Contest: Coulton Strong

Water Balloon Toss: David Barraclough and Nick DeLuca

The prizes were donated by Karen & John Anderson, Steve & Teresa Couture, Don & Deb Parker, Peter & Audrey Dakin, National Sports, Wal-Mart, Canadian Tire, East Park Golf Gardens and Hully Gully, UTRCA, Lambeth Rod & Tackle, Sumner Home Hardware, Stacey's Heating and Plumbing, Foster Automotive, Swiss Chalet, and Dairy Queen.

The winners of the Children's prizes were:

Emily Copeland, Liam Braithwaite, Ian Locke, Carson Gracey, Adain Cronkwright, Connor ?, Teresa Barraclough, Jaien Ellison, Tory McLaughlin, Sara Teasdale, Jessie Pinkney, Jenna Pinkney, Stephanie Morrow, Emily Clark, Katrina Clark, Alicia Stewart, Rachel Lane, Emily Copeland, Angela Baraclough, Tina DeLuca and Pauline DeLuca.

The names were not recorded for the adult draw prize category.

It was very good to see teenagers getting involved with the day's activities. These young individuals could end up being active adult committee or Executive members in future years. They will also be viewed as adult leaders to the next generation of teenagers.

The adults should do everything they possibly can to inspire other adults and young people about the rewards of being involved and giving of our time, whether it is at WOFGPA or with other community organizations.

The joy and rewards are priceless and endless to you and to others.

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 by phone at 519-668-6257 (evenings) or by email at teresa.dodge@sympatico.ca

Please patronize the businesses that advertise with us.

WOF&GPA WEAR

Time to start outfitting yourself and your family in our fashionable WOF&GPA Wear. High quality gear and goodies at a great low price.

Lined jacket with embroidered crest	\$ 45.00
Lined jacket with embroidered crest and 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 – only	\$ 12.00
Club embroidered patch crest	\$ 5.00
Lanyard	\$ 5.00
Key chain	\$ 5.00

To purchase items call Tom McGill at 519-652-2875.



Bass Derby

When: Sunday, July 16th

Derby Times: 7:00 am until Noon

Registration: 6:30 am (**NO EARLIER**)

Costs: Members: \$ 12.00
Non-members: \$ 15.00
Youth (12 and under): \$ 5.00

All registered anglers will receive a lunch and refreshments and are eligible to win door prizes. Call Tom McGill at 519-652-2875 for more details or check the Bulletin Board at the club.

One of our members, Brian Logie has been working very hard for quite a few months on research involving the history of Westminster and Delaware Townships. Numerous hours have been spent in libraries and talking to many people who have old records and photos about these townships. The hard work of many people is finally ending, as they get ready to publish a two-volume set. If you are interested in getting more information about this set or would like to reserve a copy for yourself, please contact Brian Logie by email at brianlogiehockey@rogers.com

Have a safe, happy and healthy summer. Have fun.

Barbeque Meat Draw

At the June General meeting, on Thursday, June 8, we held the Barbeque Meat Draw. Those who will be enjoying their next few barbeques are: Teresa Couture, Brian Ernteman (twice), Shirley McGill, Don Finch, Peter Dakin, Brian Allen, Tony Dukic, Bill Smith, Gord Spotton.

CRAFT SUPPLIES NEEDED

Karen Anderson is collecting craft supplies to be used for the children. Items of interest are old, scratched CD's, yarn, felt, material pieces and notions. Leftover pieces from your crafts are also welcomed. Call Karen at 519-685-9217 if you can assist her with any donations.

Summertime safety

A day at the park, the cottage or the beach can be very enjoyable in the summertime. We should, however pay attention to the effects of too much sun and heat.

Young children and the elderly are especially at risk. This does not mean that a strong, healthy person is safe from too much sun or heat exposure.

Watch out for the signs of heat stroke, heat exhaustion and/or dehydration in yourself and your families. These symptoms can include any combinations of dry mouth, excessive thirst, scant urinary output, muscle pain or spasms in the legs, shoulders or abdomen, vomiting, hot and red skin, absence of sweating, fever and rapid shallow breathing.

If at all in doubt, contact a doctor or health care professional or visit the emergency room **IMMEDIATELY**. If you are wondering if there is cause for concern, err on the side of caution at once. An affected person's condition can rapidly deteriorate in a very short time.

Always protect your skin from damaging UV rays by wearing sunscreen with a minimum spf 45. Reapply sunscreen according to the directions on the container.

Stay out of the sun during the hottest part of the day (11:00 am till 3:00 pm).

Protect your eyes by wearing sunglasses that have a UV protective coating.

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