

# MARCH 2001 NEWSLETTER



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## *MARCH 2001*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5 Entertainment committee meeting 7:30pm	6	7	8 General Meeting 7:30pm	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Jiggs •Dinner 6pm
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**Directors of the Western Ont. Fish & Game Protective Association Executive**

**President**

Ron Earle 672-0765

**1st Vice President**

Stan Gibbs 668-2609

**2nd Vice President**

Brian Allen 668-1908

**Secretary**

Steve Couture 668-6257

**Treasurer**

Lawrence Lainchbury 681-7199

**Immediate Past President**

Gloria McDonald 686-5496

**Directors**

**General Membership**

Tom Bird 681-7957

Don Colborne 686-9559

**Past Presidents**

George Fenner 433-8840

Harold LaPointe 672-6733

Bill Rodrigues 455-9785

**Committees**

**Entertainment**

Teresa Dodge (Chair) 668-6257

Valerie Grahl 668-7620

Gloria McDonald 686-5496

Cindy Gibbs 668-2609

Bonnie Earle 672-0765

Janice Reichstein 686-4388

Karen Anderson 685-9217

Pat Lockery 681-1656

**House**

Don Colborne 686-9559

**Grounds**

Gord Spotton 439-9450

Vince LeFavre 681-8468

**Ponds**

Brian Allen 668-1908

**Welfare**

Gary Carew 681-7558

**Boat Rack**

Stan Gibbs 668-2609

**Membership**

Valerie Grahl 668-7620

**Newsletter**

Karen Anderson 685-9217

**Public Relations**

Tom Bird 681-7959

**Safe Hunter Training**

Philip Ginrich 668-1130

**OFAH Rep**

Bill Rodrigues 455-7905

**Onsite Managers**

Russell & Sheena Fralick 681-2370

**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.



**Tagged Fish**

We have put in 5 tagged trout in the pond.

If you catch one (and you'll probably notice when you do) you can claim \$15.

To verify the catch & claim the \$15 call Brian Allen at 668-1908. Only 1 has been caught so far!

**Treasurer's Report**

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



**NOTICE**

There is no smoking during meetings or during meals at Club Events. **Don't forget to wear your Badge!**

## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

March 2001

This is my last column of my term in office, and I wish to thank everyone who helped make it an enjoyable experience.

A lot was accomplished during the past year, and 2001 looks like another promising year, with many projects and upgrades planned.

The dedicated volunteers on the Executive and committees spend many hours to keep WOF&GPA operating at its present high level. They give of their private time because they believe in what this Club represents and hope to maintain its future. They ask nothing for their services, but it would certainly be refreshing to see some support from you, the members.

By attending the occasional general meeting (usually less than one hour), you not only learn what is happening, but it would make your directors feel their time spent is worthwhile and appreciated.

**WHY NOT COMMIT TO ATTEND AT LEAST 2 MEETINGS IN 2001. START WITH MARCH 8, ELECTION NIGHT.**

Come out and vote in your Executive for 2001.

At the February general meeting, besides the Executive, there was one member in attendance, and he was a past President. Imagine how discouraging it is to be in the director's position and see turnouts such as this. A new Executive will be put in place at the March 8 meeting, and I ask you to give them your support.

If attendance at general meetings remains at such a poor level, it is quite possible that these meetings will be eliminated. Your Executive attend a minimum of 22 meetings a year. Can't you get out for a few?

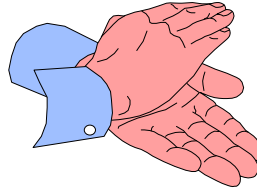
I realize that most members joined WOF&GPA to fish and relax, but remember, it takes a lot to keep the Club viable, and without competent leadership, WOF&GPA would cease to exist, and no one would be fishing. **SUPPORT YOUR ELECTED OFFICERS..** That's

my last sermon of my term. I hope some of our members take it to heart.

Ron Earle, President.

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### Thanks to.....



- Ron Earle, Lawrence Lainchbury, Brian Allen and Steve Couture for representing our club at the General Marine tackle Swap
- Tom McGill for tying the flies to sell at the show
- Mike Wales for donating the rod
- Ron Earle & don Colborne for attending the meeting at City Hall in regard to the Dearness Home development
- Brian Allen for organizing another Fine Ice Derby (at least a fish was caught this time)
- Gord Spotton & Jeanette Cronkwright for the soup enjoyed at the Derby
- Derek Schram for flooding the rink

Also just to go back and name a few others as a page was missing from the January Newsletter thanking the following members. Apologies to all for the delay in these thankyou's . Your efforts are very much appreciated.

- All those who helped with tree sales & those who helped to dismantle the lot including Gary Carew & Russ Fralick
- Teresa Dodge, val Grahl, Bo Grahl, Bonnie Earle, Brian Allen, Wayne Horner, Karen Anderson, June & Gord Foster for helping to make the Breakfast with Santa a huge success.
- June Foster for the candy cane reindeer
- Carol & Jim Pearce for the stuffed animals
- Doug James for making sure Santa arrived on time



Family	\$115.00 per year
Single	\$95.00 per year
Senior Citizen	\$65.00 per year
Youth	\$50.00 per year **
Sponsor Youth	\$10.00 per year ##

\*\* Attachment only to above Primary  
## Non-Family less than 16 yrs of age

Note: Arrangements can be made to split the payments using POST DATED CHECKS

**Courses Available to Members**

Hunter Education \$75.  
Canadian Firearms Safety \$70.  
Exam for each course \$30.

One Stop (Hunter Safety)  
Total \$115.00

Take Advantage of the Reduced Rates  
Firearms Verification - No Cost  
Contact Phil Gingrich @ 668-1130

**Club Members**  
Reduced Rates for OFAH Membership

\$24.00 (includes Ontario Out of Doors Magazine & Insurance)  
An Extra \$5.00 for an OFHA Cap



**WEAR YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD**  
Anyone not visibly wearing a membership card should **NOT** be fishing in WOG&GPA waters.  
**POACHING IS A PROBLEM.** If you see anyone fishing with no visible card. Ask to see proof of membership or contact a member of your Executive.

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**Deadline for Newsletter Submission is the 4th Thursday of the month.**

**HALL RENTAL FEE SCHEDULE**  
**General**  
**Daily Rates = \$ 300.00**  
**Membership**  
**Daily Rate = \$ 210.00**  
**Hourly Rate = \$ 25.00 / Hr.**  
**(Note: A Minimum Charge of \$75.00 Applies)**  
(Note: Security Deposit is required)  
Please call for details

Note; The above is a general rate table only.  
A more detailed schedule is available for specific functions. All Rates Are Subject to House Committee Approval.



**BUY - SELL - TRADE**  
Place your free ad in the newsletter by calling **Karen Anderson at 685-9217**, or **submit in writing** or by **email AnderKaren@aol.com**.  
**FAX 661-0972**  
Please submit your entries for the newsletter as soon as possible. Remember the **DEADLINE** is the fourth Thursday of the month. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Submit all materials to Karen Anderson.

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!**  
Election night is **March 8, 2001**. Please be sure to attend and elect your 2001 Executive.  
People are needed to assist on all WOF&GPA committees:

1. Entertainment
2. House
3. Ponds
4. Grounds
5. Membership
6. Newsletter
7. Welfare

Don't make a few members do it all. Give a few hours and bring our club to it's full potential. You don't have to help with all the events, but do a bit whenever you can. Committees can never have too much help.

**MEMBERSHIP**

**PLEASE READ THIS**

Renewals are trickling in for the rest of the season. Please return your membership renewals as soon as you receive them, via mail or drop off at the Club mailbox. If there are any problems, please call me, as it is important that we maintain an accurate membership listing. **Also, if one of your family members should turn 16, please let us know, because he/she becomes a YOUTH member and he/she requires their own membership card in order to fish. A YOUTH Member cannot use a PRIMARY MEMBERS BADGE. As of July 1, 1999, YOUTH Membership costs \$50.00. Please carry your card with you while on Club Grounds.** Spread the word that membership is always open and your valued membership is required to meet the goals and commitments of the Association.

**\*Please remember to notify us of a change of address in order that you receive your newsletter promptly.**

**New members for the month of January:**

**Kenneth Dennis & Julie LaBrash & Family  
Joe & Tabatha Medeiros & Family  
Bruce & angie House & Family**

**Welcome to all.**

**If you are a new members come to the next General Meeting to be sworn in.**

**IF YOU MOVE, PLEASE CONTACT ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO YOU CAN RECEIVE THE NEXT NEWSLETTER**

**Valerie Grahl 668-7620**

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**SAFE BOAT REGULATIONS  
(EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 1999)**

For Canoes, Kayaks, Rowboats & Rowing Shells:

**Personal Protection Equipment**

1. One Canadian approved personal floatation device or lifejacket of appropriate size for each person on board.
2. One buoyant heaving line of not less than 15 m in length.

**Boat Safety Equipment**

1. One manual propelling device **OR** an anchor with not less than 15 m of cable, rope or chain in any combination.
2. One bailer or one manual water pump fitted with or accompanied by sufficient hose to enable a person using the pump to pump water from the bilge of the vessel over the side of the vessel.

**Navigation Equipment**

1. A sound signaling device or a sound signaling appliance.  
Navigation lights that meet the applicable standards as out in the *Collision Regulations* if the pleasure craft are operated after sunset and before sunrise or in periods of restricted visibility.

# Just New Out Get yours NOW

The Club has just received a new supply of Key Rings. Only \$5.00  
Be the first to get yours!  
Check them out at the next meeting

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Don't forget March 17<sup>th</sup>  
Come Out & join us for the annual Jiggs  
Dinner 6:00pm  
Lots of food & Fun



Further Info Call Teresa Dodge @ 668-6257

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Attention All Bass Fishermen

## **The Canadian Open Pro A m Bass Tournament** **J uly 13, 14, & 15, 2001** **A t the** **Civic Terrace in Windsor**

This is your chance to fish and learn with the Pros.  
The top Pros from Canada, the U.S. and Mexico will be there.  
This is an excellent opportunity to gain some valuable  
experience.  
Lots of Prizes including a 16' Boat & 20 HP Motor; fishing  
equipment & much more! Weight is accumulated over the 3  
day period. The amateur slots are \$500.00 to enter. For further  
information call Dan Carraro at 686-3879. Also watch for further  
details to follow here.

**Financial Advice ( a new column??)**

**Are your investments in order? Below are some of the latest rumors from Wall street – in the wake of recent big mergers deal, here are more we can expect to see.**

**Polygram Records, Warner Brothers and Keebler Crackers merge to become Polly-Warner-Cracker.**

**3M and Goodyear merge to become MMMGood.**

**John Deere & Abitibi-Price merge to become Deere Abi.**

**Zippo Manufacturing, Audi Motors, Dofasco, Dakota Mining merge to become Zip Audi Do Da.**

**Honeywell, Imasco, and Home Oil merge to become “Honey I’m Home”.**

**Denison Mines, and Alliance and Metal Mining merge to become Mine All Mine.**

**Federal Express and UPS merge to become FED UP.**

**Fairchild Electronics and Honeywell computers will merge and become Fairwell Honeychild.**

**3M, J.C. Penny, and the Canadian Opera Company will merge and become 3 Penny Opera.**

**(N o, perhaps not .....)**

**March 2001**

**POND COMMITTEE**  
**REPORT**

Won't this winter ever go by? If it wasn't for the earlier sunrise, and the later sunsets, would we ever see an end in sight? Well anyway, it won't be much longer till the Spring gets here.

Until it gets here, you could be tying up some new trout flies, or, if you don't know how then you could be learning how to. One of our members is an accomplished tyer, and he has offered to spend a couple of evenings teaching some basic fly tying. Then after the ice clears, he will show and help with fly casting.

After two derbies, someone finally caught a trout; youngster Devon Rameau brought up a nice 18" trout to win our 2001 Ice Derby. The ice fishing has been pretty slow this year, but on the bright side, there were two nice-weather derbies with some really tasty home made soups prepared by Jeanette Cronkwright. Thanks Jeanette.

When Spring does arrive please keep in mind our gentle reminder about water safety, and deteriorating ice conditions. If it looks like ANY risk, STAY OFF.

Brian Allen  
Pond Committee



