MAY 2001 NEWSLETTER







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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6 Bird Feeder Building 10am-12	7	8	9	10 General Meeting 7:30pm	11	12
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20	21	22	23	24 Executive Meeting 7:30pm	25	26
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JUNE 2001

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Yard Sale & Paint the Club Day
3 Still painting	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Family Day 1204pm	11	12	13	14 General Meeting 7:30pm	15	16
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Directors of the Western Ont. Fi	sh & Game
Protective Association Executive	
President	
Stan Gibbs	668-2609
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2nd Vice President	
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Valerie Grahl	668-7620
Cindy Gibbs	668-2609
Bonnie Earle	672-0765
Karen Anderson	685-9217
Pat Lockery	681-1656
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Don Colborne	686-9559
Grounds	
Brian Allen	668-1908
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Gary Pratt	680-0403
Welfare	080-0403
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Political & Environmental Research

Our Conservation Pledge		
Russell & Sheena Fralick 681-	-2370	
Onsite Managers		
Steve Couture	668-6257	
Lawrence Lainchbury	681-7199	
Stan Gibbs	668-2609	

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

Steve presents the Treasurer's report at the meetings, 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 Executive meetings.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

May 2001

Has spring finally arrived? I think the last few mounds of snow have finally melted. I'm sure we are all looking forward to several months of sunshine, warm days & GREAT fishing. We started the spring season with our annual Spring clean-Up on Saturday, April 7th. The lawns were raked and the area around the sheds were cleaned up. Although the weather was cold and wet, the following people braved the elements and lent a helping hand. I would like to thank the following members who donated their time: Steve Couture, Tom McGill, Jim Douglas, Don Finch, Mike Lemanski, Don Colborne, Gord Foster, Ron Earle, gord Spooton, Lawrence Lainchbury, Russ Fralick and Brian Allen.

Remember, if you would like to help us at any club function, please contact myself or any member of the Executive. We are always looking for new volunteers and new ideas. If you are a new member or you have not had the opportunity to attend some of the Club's functions, please do so. We would enjoy meeting you and we know you and your family will enjoy the benefits of this beautiful spot in our city.

Stan Gibbs President

Worms

Worms are once again available at the Club for a nominal fee of \$2.00 per dozen. They are located in the cooler beside the COKE machine. Considering they are at the Club and always fresh, the \$2.00 fee is a good deal. Once again, the payment should be put in the mail slot in the fish registry door. This is on the Honour System, so please remember to pay when you take the worms.

Brick Layer Wanted:

Is there a member out there that would be willing to submit a reasonable price for rebuilding our chimney at the Club; It is in dire need of attention. Please submit quotes to the Club, attention President.

Upcoming Events

Watch for further details

May 6/01	Bird Feeder Building
Jun.2-3/01	Paint the Club
Jun.10/01	Family Day
Jul.8/01	3rd Annual Bass Derby
Sept. 9/01	Seniors Visitation Day
Sept. 22/01	Euchre
Oct.6/01	Trout Stocking
Oct. 21/01	Annual Fall Trout Derby
Oct. 27/01	Euchre
Nov.17/01	Christmas Bazaar
Nov.24/01	Christmas Tree Lot Setup Euchre
Dec. 1/01	Tree Sales Begin
Dec. 13/01 Dec.15/01	Turkey Roll at General Meeting Breakfast with Santa

NOTICE

Boat Owner Found: I am sorry for the inconvenience that anyone went through biding on the unclaimed boat at the Club. The owner was found and was very thankful that his boat was not sold. To make sure that this does not happen again, please renew your membership on time, and if you are not renewing, please remove your watercraft immediately. Stan Gibbs, President

The Last Euchre (until fall) was held on Saturday, April 28/01. A fantastic Pot Luck Dinner started at 6:00pm followed by Euchre at 7:30pm

It was a great night and thanks to all who brought food and helped to make the night enjoyable. Thanks to Bonnie & Ron Earle for organizing the food once again. A job well done.

This is one of the fun activities of the Club so be sure to come out again in September. Hope to see you there!

Beetle Watch!!!

Any science enthusiasts in the group? We have a project to monitor regarding the Beetle release on the Purple Loose Strife.. We need on or two volunteers to monitor and assess the progress of the beetles. This could be an interesting Science project for a student. If you are interested in this project, please contact Stan Gibbs at 668-2609 for further details. High Man – Herb Kukings High Lady – Mary Mack Low Man – Bill Rodrigues & Don Colborne (tied) Low Lady – Susan Brown Lone Hands – Bill Day

50 –50 Draw – Gail Gifford 28 Great Door Prizes were awarded! Thanks to Stan Gibbs & Steve Couture for helping out with the evening and keeping us all updated on the Leafs score.

PAINT THE CLUB WEEKEND

We are looking for volunteers to assist us. If you can donate any time for this project, we would really appreciate it. The project is planned for June 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} .

Please contact Stan Gibbs at 668-2609 or Don Colborne at 686-9559.

GET YOUR NEW W.O.F.&G.P. KEY RING, ONLY \$5.00 Buy one NOW & support your Club Singly\$95:00 pervearSenior Citizen\$65:00 per yearYouth\$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.

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.

FOR SALE

Johnson Motor 15 HP. Fully reconditioned. Gas tank & hoses included along with the Manual. \$495.00 or Best Offer Call Leo Joseph 659-8576

Styrofoam Needed

If you have access to any styrofoam pellets, we need them to fill the barrels for the new dock. Drop them off at the Club. See Russell or any member of the Executive to put them in a holding area. Thanks! Sprin Sprin arriv of ac Club As

Spring has finally arrived and with it lots of activity around the Club.

As you have probably noticed, we stocked the

pond with 1500 trout over two days, April 12 & 13th without a single casualty. Thanks to everyone who came out to help & watch. Aime & Rosa Jacques Trout Farm came through again with huge healthy fish. All in all a great experience. Please note there are two books for recording fish now, one for Trout and a new one for Perch and Crappie. Please help us monitor the pond fish populations.

Thanks.

The New Pond Guy

Spring Derby 2001 Winners! Senior 1st Kurt Shea

1st Kurt Shearme 2nd Steve Couture 3rd Janice Reichstein

Junior

Kyle Carew Andrew Romanchik

2nd Andrew Romanchik 3rd Emelio Romanchik

Big Bubba Award (Largest Trout) 46cm Je

John Hleba

1st

There were 56 fish caught by 57 busy fishermen & fisherwomen. Many thanks to everyone who came and helped. A special thanks to Ken Amaral from Angling Sports of London for all the great Door Prizes and my apologies to anyone who didn't get a Hot Dog. Everyone must have had a whale of an appetite. I will be better prepared next time. Great weather, Good Fun. Gary Pratt, Ponds Committee





Call Teresa Dodge @ 668-6257 to reserve your table. Cost \$10.00/table . Time to clear out your basement. Order your table now!

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 April: Theo & Yoland Groenweg & Family Edward & Sandra Strzalkowski & Family Paul & Suzanne Currie & Family Jeff & Tara O'Hagan & Family Darinka Korosec & John Waite & Family

Todd Besterd Malvin Knight Dmystro & Agata Pyluta Mike McCormack Jason Thibodeau

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

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!

Buy one now and Support your Club!

Check them out at the next meeting

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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

For further information call Dan Carraro at 433-5484

Brick Layer Wanted: Is there a member out there that would be willing to submit a reasonable price for rebuilding our chimney at the Club; It is in dire need of attention. Please submit quotes to the Club, attention President.

What a Concept!!

Starting in September watch for details on the new format of our

General Meetings! You won't want to miss one ever again!

Special Thanks to Jason Newell for putting on the fly tying course. There was not a great turnout. Hopefully should we do this again in the future, there will be greater interest. Thanks for all your work.

On a lighter note

I Am Thankful

- For the teenager who is not doing dishes but is watching TV, because it means he/she is home and not on the streets
- For the taxes that I pay, because it means that I am employed
- For the mess to clean after the party, because it means I've been surrounded by friends
- For the clothes that fit too snugly, because it means I have enough to eat.
- For a lawn that needs mowing, windows that need cleaning, and gutters that need fixing, because it means I have a home.

- For the parking spot I find at the far end of the lot, because it means I'm capable of walking and that I've been blessed with transportation
- For my huge heating bill, because it means I am warm.
- For the lady behind me in church that sings off key, because it means that I can hear.
- For the pile of laundry & ironing, because it means I have clothes to wear.
- For weariness and aching muscles at the end of the day, because it means I have been capable of working hard.
- For too much e-mail, because it means I have friends who are thinking of me!

Words to Inspire:

"Coming together is a beginning, Keeping together is progress, Working together is success!" -Henry Ford

Another Tagged Fish is Caught!

Last Sunday Steve Couture and John Anderson spent a relaxing morning fishing at the Pond. After just a few short hours they caught their limit & a surprise. Congratulations to John Anderson for catching one of the remaining tagged fish!

Kid's Bird House Building



Pre cut bird Houses will be available for the kids to assemble. A great gift for Mother's Day. No charge for the kits and we will assist in assembly. Hang yours at the Club or take it home. Materials are donated by Copps Buildall and the Club. Members and friends Welcome.

Pre-registration is necessary so we know how many kits to have available. You will need to bring a hammer for each child to use. To register, please call Ron Earle at 672-0765.



children or grand children out for a fun afternoon.

Once again our Easter Egg Hunt & Breakfast was a great success.

Thanks to our special guest, The Easter Bunny for dropping by, and to all those who helped cook & serve



breakfast: Brian Allen, Valerie Grahl, Betty Joseph, Karen

Anderson, Pat Lockery, Teresa Dodge. Thanks to Ron Earle for helping sell tickets and Cindy Gibbs for helping with the Easter Eggs; also thanks to Steve Couture, Wayne McRonald, Gloria McRonald for all the all the work in putting this day together.

Special thanks to Jim & Carol Pearce for the donation of the stuffed animals.