

# May 2005 NEWSLETTER



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## May 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Trout stocking
8	9	10	11	12 General Meeting	13	14
15 Trout Derby	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Victoria Day	24	25	26 Executive Meeting	27	28
29	30	31				

## June 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4 Bow Course
5	6	7	8	9 General Meeting and meat draw	10	11 Garage Sale
12 Kids Derby- no adult fishing during derby	13	14	15 Boat Safety course	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Executive Meeting	24	25
26 Family Day	27	28	29	30		



## 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](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

[emadhaz@hotmail.com](mailto: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.

# President's Message

May 2005

The warm weather is almost here and it is time to start considering all the warm weather activities that you will be able to do. WOFGPA has just added quite a few more fun-filled events to your calendar.

Over the next couple of months, we have planned fishing derbies and trout stocking. Family Day is our biggest family oriented event of the year. One of our members has planned Boat Safety Courses and a Non-discharge Bow course. The details for these and many more things are outlined in the newsletter. Assistance is always needed for our functions. Come out and get involved in YOUR club. You get to meet others and to have an active part in making WOFGPA better.

Contact any of the Entertainment group, the Executive or attend a meeting and let us know some ideas of ways to improve your club. We want to have a variety in the functions offered and welcome your ideas.

Please wear your Badge while on the property so that everyone can see that you area member. If you see anyone not wearing a valid badge, please approach him or her and ask him or her to display his or her badge. If they do not have one, politely ask them to leave as they are considered trespassing. If you see anything unusual, please report it to our club custodians or call any of our Executives. Remember to record all Trout caught in the Fish Log Book, which is located just inside the Registry Room at the side of the building.

Happy angling.

*Stan Gibbs*  
668-2609

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Jim Morrow won Panther Martin Lures at the General Meeting in April. 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.  
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Condolences are sent to the Lainchbury family after the passing of Donna's mother.

Best wishes go to Sylvia Lewis as she recovers at home following surgery.

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**POT LUCK & EUCHRE**

The evening began with a potluck dinner which was truly amazing thanks to all those in attendance. The winners of the April 26<sup>th</sup> game were:

- High Man: Ken Lockrey
- High Lady: Sandra Foster
- Mystery Man: Rick Foster and Jim Douglas
- Mystery Lady: Sylvia Lewis
- Most Lone Hands: Gail Gifford
- 50/50 draw: \$ 31.00

The next euchre is September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2005. Have a safe and happy summer and hope to see everyone in the fall.

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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)  
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**WOF&GPA WEAR**

Time to start outfitting yourself and your family in our fashionable WOFGPA 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.**



**There is no smoking in the club at any time.**

**BOAT SAFETY COURSE**

Phil Gingrich is offering a boat safety course at the club on June 15<sup>th</sup>. 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)

**BOW TRAINING COURSE**

Phil Gingrich is also offering a **Non-Discharge Bow course** on Saturday, June 4 at the club. To enroll in the course or to get more information about this course, contact Phil at 668-1130 or email him at [phil.gingrich@sympatico.ca](mailto:phil.gingrich@sympatico.ca).

**Attention Boat Owners**

A new system of numbering the boats is going to be implemented. Please note that your boat may be assigned a new number although its position in the boat rack will remain unchanged. Please make sure that your boat is securely locked in the boat rack. If you have any concerns about this change, please call Stan Gibbs.

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.

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)

**FOR SALE**

Jim Morrow has a 7 month old, sable coloured German shepherd for sale. This dog is neutered with all its shots. The asking price is \$ 100 OBO. Call Jim at (519) 425-8712 to arrange to meet this dog.

**You will not be allowed to fish without a valid new badge even if your dues are paid.** As your membership comes up for renewal, you will be sent a reminder. The new badges/stickers can be obtained from the Fralicks or by attending a meeting.

**Spring Trout Derby  
Sunday, May 15th**

The derby will run from 7:30 am til noon. Registration is at 7:00 am. **(NO EARLIER)**  
The fish will still be in the pond no matter what time you show up to fish.

The cost is:

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|----------------------|----------|
| Members              | \$ 12.00 |
| Non Members          | \$ 15.00 |
| Youth (12 and under) | \$ 5.00  |

The derby is open to both members and nonmembers (although non-members are charged a higher entrance fee). There will be plenty of prizes and a light lunch. Come out and happy angling.

**TROUT STOCKING ON SATURDAY, MAY 7.  
PLEASE CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARD AT  
THE CLUB FOR THE TIME.**

**New!!!  
FIRST ANNUAL KID'S DERBY  
SUNDAY, June 12**

The derby will run from 7:30 am til noon. Registration is at 7:00 am.

Cost is only \$ 5.00

The derby is open to children aged 12 and under only. There are prizes and a light lunch.

**No adults are allowed to fish the pond during the few hours of the Kid's Derby.** Regular fishing begins at noon hour on June 12. Thank you for your understanding.

For more details, please contact Tom McGill at 652-2875.

**Spring Clean Up**

On April 23<sup>rd</sup>, we had an outstanding group come out and brave the elements for the Spring cleanup. Thank you to Stan Gibbs, Steve Couture, Ron Earle, Don Colborne, Jim Moore, Gord Spotton, Brian Erntemen, Sanders family, Jim Douglas, Herman Szielasko, Gerry Lampman, Ed Tower, Lawrence Lainchbury, Bill Lewis and Abdul Harb. Please accept our apologies if your name was missed.

**AUDITORS NEEDED !**

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 come to the May General Meeting.

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**DONATIONS REQUESTED**

It is very difficult to raise funds, obtain donations of door, and draw prizes for our Family Day, derbies, euchres or any of our other functions. It is only through the goodwill of sponsors that allows us to have these door prizes and draws.

It would be appreciated if yourself as a business owner or your employer were able to either donate an item or give a monetary amount for any one of our functions.

A formal letter of request is available if required by the sponsor. We are fully accountable for all donations received.

If you can assist, please contact Karen Anderson at 685-9217 or Teresa Couture (Dodge) at 668-6257.

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The Executive and members will be discussing the budget and projects for the 2005 – 6 year at the next General Meeting on May 12th. We want input from members so please attend and help us decide which projects, if any, are going to be implemented.

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**WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM YOUR CLUB???**

The Executive and the Entertainment committee would like your input as to what you want from your club. What kind of things would you like to see at WOFGPA. How about a dance or two? How about a summertime potluck barbeque? Would you like to see more family oriented functions? Would you like to see more conservation-oriented functions? Would you like to see less of something? Please contact any of the Entertainment Committee or the Executive and tell them your ideas. It is your club and let us all make it the best.

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WOFGPA now has its flag hanging on the new flag pole on the grounds. If you see Fred Sanders at the club, remember to thank him for his artwork, which helped design the flag. Thank you Fred.

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**RAFFLE**

Cora Thompson has spent countless hours crocheting a beautiful table cloth (about 3 feet diameter). She has generously donated this to the club for a raffle. This table cloth will be raffled off at Family Day on June 26th. Tickets will be available from the membership booth.

Thank you very much Cora for all of your generosity.

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**GARAGE SALE**

**Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>  
RAIN OR SHINE**

Time: 8:00 am til ?

Tables are available for only \$ 15.00 each and can be reserved by contacting Karen Anderson at 685-9217 or Teresa Couture at 668-6257. Tables are reserved quite quickly, so do not delay.

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**BBQ MEAT DRAW**

Nothing tastes better than steaks, done up on the barbeque except for the steaks that were won. Immediately following our June General Meeting on June 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm, we will be drawing for BBQ Meat packages. The format is similar to the Turkey Roll that is held in December of each year. Each meat package contains a variety of meats. Why not come out to get your new badge, meet other members and try your luck.

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**Family Day Meeting**

The Entertainment group has scheduled the next meeting for May 18 at 6:30 pm in the main hall at the club.

This group organizes many functions throughout the year. If you would like to join this group or if you can only give a little bit of time, please contact them (phone list at front of newsletter) or come to one of their meetings.

Extra assistance is always needed for Family Day as we have over 300 people on the grounds on this date.

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**PLEASE PATRONIZE THE  
BUSINESSES THAT ADVERTISE  
WITH US.**

**FAMILY DAY**  
**Sunday, June 26, 2005**  
**Noon til 4:00 pm**

On this day, all members, their families and guests are invited to enjoy the afternoon filled with events, displays and demonstrations that are sure to please all ages.

The children will receive food tickets and goody bags so the only cost is the adult lunches and refreshments and the purchase of draw tickets.



Get your face painted (2004)

A few things on the agenda for this year are; displays and demos by the City of London Emergency Services, Canoe Races (other members donate the use of their canoe and we supply everything else).



Sing along with John Anderson and the Travelling Riverboat (2004)

We hold games like Balloon Toss, where everyone tends to get a little wet. Greg Balch is an environmentalist and a live trapper. Greg will have a host of taxidermy specimens on display in the club and gives a very informative and interesting presentation.



Going for a "Gold" at WOFGPA



"The Snake Lady" (2004)

The "Snake Lady" Val Williams is well known by most children as she regularly visits the schools within the city. She will be bringing a whole menagerie of creepy crawly things for you to see (and handle, if you aren't too squeamish).



City of London – Canine Unit demonstration (2004)

**Many more surprises in store this year.**

**Mark you calendars !**

**Hope to see everyone at Family Day on Sun., June 26<sup>th</sup>.**

<p><b>George Bray Sports Association Inc</b>  <i>A Hockey Program for Children with Special Learning Needs</i>  <i>A Parent Participating Non-Profit Organization</i>  <b>Murray Howard, President</b>  2 Jutta Cr.  London ON N6E 3R2  Phone: 685-3392</p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:murrayhoward@execulink.com">murrayhoward@execulink.com</a>  <i>Serving the Community since 1968</i></p>	<p>City Centre 519-672-0550  380 Wellington St  London, ON  N6A 5B5</p> <p><b>TED DILTS</b>  <b>JEWELLERS</b>  <i>"Your Personal Jeweller"</i></p> <p>DIAMONDS, GOLD FINE  JEWELLERY, APPRAISALS</p>	<p><b>A.E.A.</b>  Anderson Entertainment Agency</p> <p><i>John Anderson</i>  <b>600 Southdale Rd E</b>  <i>London, ON N6E 1A6</i></p> <p>(519) 685-9217  <a href="mailto:aeamusic@aol.com">aeamusic@aol.com</a></p>
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