

NOVEMBER 2004 NEWSLETTER



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 London, Ontario N6E 1A8
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November 2004

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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7	8	9	10	11 General meeting	12	13 Tree Lot Set up
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Boat Safety Course	23	24	25 Executive meeting	26	27 Euchre Xmas Craft Sale Tree sales begin
28	29	30				

December 2004

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5	6	7	8	9 General meeting & Turkey Roll	10	11 Breakfast with Santa
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 London Knights Hockey Stick Raffle Draw
19	20	21	22	23 Executive meeting	24	25 Christmas Day
26	27	28	29	30	31 New Years Eve	



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 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 the Executive meetings.



**THERE IS NO SMOKING
IN THE CLUB AT ANY TIME**

President's Message

As all of you are aware, most of our club rules are based on the honor system. This applies to guest privileges, out of season bass fishing, culling and fish quotas.

It seems to me that every time we stock the pond with trout and there is an abundance of fish, some anglers like to take more than their share, or get the biggest available.

Unfortunately, this kind of behavior is not fair to most of the members who abide by the rules. If you take more than your fair share, or cull to obtain the bigger fish (most trout released will die from mishandling), the angler next to you misses out.

Remember the worms that were offered at the club for a very reasonable price? They are no longer there because the honor system of paying for them was abused.

I hope we do not have to take some kind of drastic measures that would take the enjoyment out of a great day of fishing at our club.

Please take the trout that you catch within your membership limits. This will ensure that there is trout for everyone.

Stan Gibbs
668-6209

ATTENTION BOATERS

The next boat safety course will be held at the club on Monday, November 22, 2004 from 6:00 pm to 10:30 pm. The cost is \$ 40.00 for members and \$ 45.00 for non-members.

To sign up, call Phil Gingrich at 519-668-1130 or email him at phil.gingrich@sympatico.ca

IT IS EUCHRE TIME AGAIN!

Thirty-six players came to play euchre on Saturday, October 23rd.



The winners were:

- High Man:** Jim Douglas
- High Lady:** Junie Shiels
- Mystery Man:** Dave Jefferies
- Mystery Lady:** Elaine Lockrey
- Most Lone Hands:** Jim Arnold
- 50/50 Draw** – Debbie Parker

The games are open to both members and non-members.

You do not need to have a partner or a foursome to play.

Be sure to arrive early (but not any earlier than 6:45 pm) to ensure that you get a seat.

There is a light snack served during the break and door prizes at the end of the evening. A donation of a door prize or dessert is always welcomed.

Progressive euchre is a fun filled evening with good company, good cards and a lot of laughter. Hope to see you at the next euchre.

DATE: Sat. November 27, 2004

TIME: 7:30 pm SHARP

COST: \$ 5.00 per player

There is no euchre held in December due to the Christmas holiday season. The next euchre after that will be in January 2005.

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The winner of October General meeting draw was Joe Richard, who won a vest and lure (generously donated by Jim Douglas). Congratulations Joe !!!

Attend a general meeting and your name is entered to win a one-year membership. One ballot per membership per month is allowed. The draw will be held in March of each year, immediately following the elections.

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

WOFGPA COOKBOOK

What I need from you is that great secret recipe or the old family favorites. I am getting recipes from members and their friends and families but I would like to see more. Don't be shy.

I am going to publish a cookbook / collection of recipes that will be shared with other club members and their families.

The categories are: Appetizers and Condiments, Main Courses, Soups and Salads, Desserts, Snacks, and Barbeque Time.

Please submit your recipes to me by email at teresa.dodge@sympatico.ca You can write it down and give it to me at a club meeting or function, or leave it at the club in an envelope addressed to me. Please include your name (and number) so that you will get credit from someone other than your family for being such a good cook.

Teresa Dodge

FALL TROUT DERBY

800 pounds of Trout were put in the pond on October 15th just before the derby on the 17th. Forty three anglers came out to try their luck on such a beautiful fall morning. The winners of the derby were:

Adult Division:

- 1st Nathan Wales (116cm)
- 2nd Mike Lemanski (112.5 cm)
- 3rd Ron Earle (112 cm)

Junior Division:

- 1st Ben Jelski (62.5 cm)

On behalf of WOFGPA, I would like to thank Fred Pearce for all his hard work making contacts for sponsorship. I would also like to thank the following for their sponsorship: Angling Sports, CAW Local 1520, About town Transit, Canadian Tire Stores, Labatts Breweries, the London Knights, Gord Spotton and Gary Pratt. Thanks also to the volunteers that assisted with the running of this derby.

Please remember to record your catch in the Fish Log Book located just inside the side entrance.

Please review the Fishing rules 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 by the washrooms. Any of the Executives can clarify any questions you have. Please call them (names and numbers listed at front of newsletter).

WOF&GPA WEAR

Why not get that special someone a polar fleece jacket or a warm hooded sweatshirt or a toque for Christmas.

Please place orders for Christmas by December 4th. It takes two weeks to get delivery of items ordered if we do not have it in stock.

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 or for more info, call Tom McGill at 652 -2875.

Over 25 % of the members are receiving their newsletter by email. This has greatly reduced the cost of postage and printing.

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

NEW BADGES

Effective May 1, 2004, new badges are being issued for new members and for renewal memberships only. After you have paid your renewal fee, you may obtain your new badge by attending a meeting, contacting the caretakers, Russel and Sheena Fralick or by contacting Stan Gibbs.

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 to obtain the new badge.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT & BAKE SALE

Saturday, November 27 at 8:00 am

Note: The date has been changed from Nov. 20, as was previously advertised in last month's newsletter. This date will coincide with the first day of tree sales.

This is your chance to make extra money for Christmas.

I am sure that all the crafty and handy members, the great cooks, their family or friends could all use a little bit extra at this time of year.

You can reserve an eight foot table for only \$ 15.00 each by contacting or Karen Anderson at 685-9217 or Teresa Dodge at 668-6257.

RAFFLE FOR A SIGNED LONDON KNIGHTS HOCKEY STICK

Tickets are \$ 1.00 each

Draw to be held on
Saturday, December 18th
at Noon
at the Christmas Tree Lot

Ms. Stephanie Turnbull of the London Knights organization has generously supplied us with a hockey stick signed by London Knights Forward # 17 Robbie Drummond (valued at \$ 300).

A limited number of tickets will be available for purchase. You may purchase tickets at any of the following:

- From any of the Executive
- At a euchre
- At the Breakfast with Santa
- At the Turkey Roll
- At the Christmas Tree Sales
- At a General or Executive Meeting

Do not Delay!

Turkey Roll

Thursday, December 9, 2004

(Immediately following a shortened General Meeting at 7:30 pm)

We once again are having our annual turkey roll with 20 turkeys weighing between 5 to 7 kgs. each.

Tickets for each draw are only \$ 1.00 each.

Come out for a great social evening with lots of laughs, cards and good company.

Hope to see everyone there!

WOFGPA Website

The website is up and running. You can log on at 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

MARK YOUR 2005 CALENDAR

Karaoke Night

Sat. Feb 5, 2005

Karen and John Anderson are organizing a Karaoke Night to help break up the mid-winter blues. Remember to practice your singing voice and to mark this date on your calendar. Tickets will be available for \$ 5.00 per person and are available by contacting Karen Anderson at 685-9217. Prizes and door prize draws. Refreshments, munchies and a light lunch will be served. Watch your newsletter for further details.

OFAH - ZONE J MEETING

Sunday, January 9, 2005 at 9:00 am SHARP!

This meeting is open to OFAH members only.

Meet your OFAH board, other OFAH members from affiliate clubs and hear about some of the key issues and initiatives that others are involved with.

Refreshments and a hot lunch will be served for a nominal fee. For more details, contact Bill Rodrigues (OFAH rep) at 455-7905 or Teresa Dodge at 668-6257.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 11 from 9:00 til 11:00

Come out and enjoy a hot breakfast of bacon, eggs, hash browns, toast, orange juice and coffee.

The cost is very reasonable at:

- Adults - \$ 3.00
- Children - \$ 1.50 (6 years and under)
- Children under two years old – no charge

There are crafts and colouring for the little ones (or the young at heart) while they wait for the visit from Santa. Each child will receive a treat from Santa.

After this, the family can go outside to pick out their Christmas tree.

Hope to see everyone there!

TREE LOT SET UP

**SET UP DATE: Saturday, November 13th
at 9:00 am.**



Christmas Tree Lot - December 2003

A lot of assistance will be needed to set up our Christmas Tree Lot on Saturday. Please bring some of your tools if you are available to help. Framework needs to be built to support the trees. Straw must be spread. Strings of decorative lights must be hung.

Lunch and refreshments will be served. Dress appropriately for the weather.

The Entertainment committee will be decorating the main hall for Christmas at the same time.

If you have any questions or would like to confirm your availability, please contact Ron Earle at 672-0765. WOFGPA Executive would like to thank Don Colborne for doing all the updates and repairs on the trailer this year.

CHRISTMAS TREE SALES

SALES BEGIN: Saturday, November 27th

Tell all your friends, neighbors and co-workers that we are selling fresh cut Christmas trees again this year.



Trimming Trees - December 2003

**Spruce trees
Scotch pine trees
Balsam trees**

\$ 20 each – any size
(Trimmed the way you like it).

Xmas tree bags - \$ 2.00 each

Candy canes are free

Our volunteers will trim your tree to your specifications and give you tips on how to care for the tree over the holiday season.

Volunteers are needed to assist with tree sales. The shifts last only a few hours. It is a great way to meet other members and to help our organization make its biggest fund raising event of the year successful.

If you can help out in any way, please contact Ron Earle at 672-0765.

Do not delay as the time slots are quickly filling up.

<p>George Bray Sports Association Inc <i>A Hockey Program for Children with Special Learning Needs</i> <i>A Parent Participating Non-Profit Organization</i> Stan Gibbs, Vice-President 48 Parliament Cr London ON N6C 2Y1 Phone: 668-2609</p> <p>Email: stangibbs@execulink.com</p> <p><i>Serving the Community since 1968</i></p>	<p>City Centre 519-672-0550 380 Wellington St London, ON N6A 5B5</p> <p>TED DILTS JEWELLERS <i>"Your Personal Jeweller"</i></p> <p>DIAMONDS, GOLD FINE JEWELLERY, APPRAISALS</p>	<p>A.E.A. Anderson Entertainment Agency</p> <p><i>John Anderson</i> 600 Southdale Rd E <i>London, ON N6E 1A6</i></p> <p>(519) 685-9217 aeamusic@aol.com</p>
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