

# November 2010 Newsletter



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## November 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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7	8 Wreath Brigade meeting	9	10	11 General meeting / Remembrance Day	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Xmas Tree Lot set up
21	22	23	24	25 Executive meeting	26	27 Xmas tree sales begin Euchre
28	29	30				

## December 2010

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 Executive meeting	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Christmas Day
26	27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	

**KEEP YOUR MEMBERSHIP VALID TO AVOID BEING ON A WAITING LIST TO REJOIN WOF&GPA**

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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**

The Treasurer's Report is presented at the General and Executive meetings, showing the accounts are in order. If you wish to receive a copy of the full report, please attend either of these meetings.



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

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The newsletter and up to date club information can be obtained on our website at [www.wofgpa.org](http://www.wofgpa.org)

**THE BUSINESSES THAT ADVERTISE  
WITH US WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR CONTINUED PATRONAGE.**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Volunteerism.

I know that I have written about volunteerism many times in the past, but I thought these people need a special pat on the back. In recent months, a few members of our Club took some initiative and brought forward some ideas for some new functions, acted on them and seen them through with great success.

Alex Duffitt and Andre Koch has been a pair of busy boys. I am not 100 percent sure whose idea was whose, but both men were instrumental in the two Meat Shoots we have had this year. They also tried to organize a dart league, which unfortunately was put on the back burner for now. Recently they hosted a Euchre Night at the club. They also seem to be available for anything that needs attending or doing at the Club. It is refreshing so see members take an idea and go with it.

I would like to thank Ron Dennis for his personal commitment to our Ponds Committee. Ron has helped me tremendously in all aspects of fish stocking. He has done daily reads of the water temperature to ensure that the fish were put in at the right time, and he has been instrumental in finding alternative fish suppliers so that we might enjoy a few larger fish and a very special fish that was recognized at the Trout Derby. Ron has done this and so much more just because he enjoys the Club and wants all to do the same. Ron is a humble man and doesn't like a lot of fuss over something he sees as part of being a member, and I am sorry if I am embarrassing you Ron, but I felt your efforts needed recognition.

Last but not least I would like to give praise to everyone involved on our first Halloween party for the children of our club. Unfortunately I was unable to attend, but the hall set up was tremendous and the activities planned sounded like a lot of fun. I am not sure whose original ideas it was for the party, but it was a good one that should carry on for many years to come. Many thanks to everyone.

All of these events were the result of some great ideas that were brought to light at one of our meetings.

Yours in conservation  
Stan Gibbs

Our condolences are sent to the family and friends of one of our members, Jack Gerard, who passed away on October 31 after lengthy illness.

If you know of a club member or their immediate family who could use some cheering up or has reached one of life's many milestones, please contact Tom and Shirley McGill who will gladly make contact on behalf of the club.

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**Club website is**  
[www.wofgpa.org](http://www.wofgpa.org)

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

You may obtain your valid membership sticker when you pay your membership renewal at any meeting or through special arrangements with Stan Gibbs only. **Reminder, do not mail your payment or leave cash / cheque with Russell and Sheena, the Club's caretakers.**

I would like to thank all the members that contributed the extra money to purchase the larger fish this fall.

I received a total of \$ 350.00 from several members, which enabled us to purchase 150 pounds of 1½ to 2½ pounds fish. (That was the largest available size at this time).

We paid \$ 2.00 per pound with a delivery charge of \$ 50.00 and we received a couple of "scoops" extra at no charge.

So again, thank you to all of you who contributed ... every little bit helps.

Ron Dennis

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**WREATH BRIGADE**  
**Mon. Nov. 8**  
**7:00 pm**  
**Club office in basement**

Hermann Szielasko has planned the first orientation meeting of the wreath-making brigade. At this time, not only will the plans be started for the wreath making, but also, Alex Martin has agreed to come in to show everyone techniques on blow painting cones for making wreaths.

Hermann Szielasko wants to teach others to make Xmas wreaths and swags, which will be sold during the Xmas Tree sales. Hermann is hoping to sell 200 wreaths.

If you are interested in learning how to make real wreaths or you have a donation of ribbon and bows, please come to the meeting on Nov. 8 or contact Hermann at 519-681-6507.

This is a great way to meet other members, to learn new techniques and contribute to such a worthwhile venture. Kudos to Hermann Szielasko for using his ingenuity and talent for the betterment of the club.

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**FIREARMS AND HUNTER**  
**SAFETY COURSES**

Ed Connor (Senior Instructor / Examiner) is now offering courses in Firearms Safety Certification, Restricted Firearms Certification and Hunter Education.

All courses will be held at the club and are open to both members and non-members.

Please contact Ed Connor at 519-680-9872 for more information and to register for one of these courses.



## BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 11, 2010

9:00 till 11:00 am

Invite your friends, neighbours, hockey team and co-workers to a great club cooked breakfast.

The cost is very reasonable at:

- Adults - \$ 3.00
- Children - \$ 1.50 (2 to 5 years)
- Children under two years old – no charge

Your hot and fresh breakfast consists of:

Bacon and eggs,  
 Hash browned potatoes and baked beans  
 Toast (white or whole wheat)  
 Orange juice  
 Tea or coffee

There will be colouring pages for the little ones (or the young at heart) while they wait for the visit from Santa. After this and for a very reasonable price, the family can go outside to pick out their fresh cut and trimmed Christmas tree from the Tree lot.

## TURKEY ROLL

Thursday, December 9, 2010

At 7:30 pm

Immediately following a shortened General Meeting

Once again, we are having our annual Turkey Roll with 15 turkeys weighing between 4 - 5 kgs each. Tickets for each draw are only \$ 1.00 each.

Light snacks and door prizes will be available. Come out for a great social evening with lots of laughs and good company. Refreshments available.

Hope to see everyone there!

The monthly WOFGPA newsletter is a great place to advertise as this newsletter reaches over 225 member families and publicly on our website ([www.wofgpa.org](http://www.wofgpa.org)) each month. The price is very reasonable. If interested in placing an ad or you would like more information, call Teresa Couture at 519-668-6257 (evenings) or by email at [couture.house@hotmail.com](mailto:couture.house@hotmail.com)

At each General Meeting you attend, you will get a ballot per membership for the free one-year membership draw. The draw is held annually on Election night at the March General meeting.

The winners of the October General meeting draw were: Stan Gibbs – Box of lures and Power Bait, and Gord Spotton – Tee shirt (donated by Larry Holtzman).

## CHRISTMAS TREE SALES

\$ 28 each – any type

\$ 40 – larger 8 – 10 ft trees  
(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.

### Currently

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

### Sat. Nov. 20th

Tree lot set-up.

At least a dozen people are needed to set up the tree lot. If you have access to a cordless drill, please let Don Colborne know. We will supply hot coffee throughout the set-up morning and a hot lunch for all the helpers.

### Nov. 23 – 24 (date is approximate)

One load of 950 trees will be delivered to WOFGPA. Assistance will be needed in unloading these trees. Don Colborne will advise of the exact date as time gets closer and it will be posted on Bulletin Boards at the club. Please contact Don to confirm your assistance on this delivery.

### Sat., Nov. 27th

Tree Sales start and continue till all 950 trees are sold.

This is our largest fundraiser of the year. It is what keeps your membership dues so low and funds many events throughout the year. It ensures a continuous stock of fish in the pond. Join the fun!

Please leave your name with Don Colborne if you can assist with set-up or tree sales.

## CLUB MERCHANDISE IS AVAILABLE

For purchase and in stock; we have pens, lanyards, Tee shirts, hoodies, sweatshirts, toques, patch crests, key chains available in stock. We can also order in lined jackets with embroidered club crest, with or without your name.

These items make ideal gifts and stocking stuffers. Jackets just be ordered by mid November to ensure a delivery in time for Christmas.

Please contact Tom McGill to order any items listed as soon as possible.

## KIDS HALLOWEEN PARTY

The first Halloween party for our younger WOFGPA members (and their parents) was held on the afternoon of Oct. 30th. In total, 22 children came dressed to “party”. The costumes ranged from goblins to clowns to Tinkerbell and Peter Pan. It was great to see the number of parents that got into the spirit and came dressed as well.

The hall was decorated and scary sounds could be heard throughout the hall. Of course, the children played “bobbing for apples” and “Make your own Mummies”. Each child managed to squeeze in the time to paint their own pumpkin, which they took home. One boy decided that his pumpkin looked much better black than orange.

A huge thanks to Alex Duffitt, Roseanne Parent, Justine Duffitt, Tina Squire, Travis Eveland and Teresa Couture (all in costumes) for making the party so enjoyable for the children and their escorts.

Judith and Brian Ernteman generously donated many of the Halloween decorations to the club and for this, we owe much appreciation.

Here are just a few photos from the afternoon’s festivities.



Welcome to the party – Come on in



Mummy making takes lot of practice



Becoming a mummy is tough work



A lot of mummies at WOFGPA



Even more mummies



**Pumpkin artists needs help now and then holding their pumpkin at just the right angle**



**... And to think that the kids ate "Brain Food" and liked it.**



**Such an effort went in to painting their pumpkin just right**



**Halloween is truly a family affair**



**And just think**

**... only a year until we get to do it all over again!**

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 Display a valid card, observe your fishing limits and record your catch in the Fish Registry Logbook. If you know of anyone wishing to become a member, ask him or her to contact Stan Gibbs so that he can add his or her name to the waiting list.  
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 Money should be put into the worm machine slowly to avoid jamming up the mechanism inside the machine.  
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**FOR SALE**

12-foot older aluminum boat with a 1 ½ Year old Monkota motor, 1½ year old battery, safety pail, paddle and anchor. It is already for fishing at your favorite spot.

I am asking \$ 800 or best offer. To see this boat or for more information, call Andre at 519-685-5725.

## FALL TROUT DERBY

Eighty anglers came out to try their luck in the unseasonably warm weather at the fall trout derby.

The results of the derby were:

### Adult Division

1 <sup>st</sup> place	Ron Mellon	117 cm
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	AJ Seong	112.5 cm
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Cora Thompson	112 cm

### Youth Division

1 <sup>st</sup> place	Presley Delellis	40.5 cm
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	Anne Jurasek	34.5 cm

### Mystery Fish

Wesley Giernacki who landed the only albino trout, which was purchased from money received from members who wanted to see additional larger trout in the water.

**50/ 50 draw** Ron Dennis



Wesley Giernacki proudly displays the albino trout which was filleted by mid-morning.

Thanks again to Roseanne Parent, Mike Harb and Teresa Couture for their fantastic job, cooking lunch for the anglers. Thanks also to Jeanette Cronkwright for once again making delicious soup for the day.



## EUCHRE

Alex Duffitt and Andre Koch and Shania Legge hosted the Euchre games held on Sat. October 23.

The results were:

High Man – Peter Tolsma (76)  
 High Lady – Joan Latchford (74)  
 Mystery Man – Archie Graham (42)  
 Mystery Lady – Deb Parker (41)  
 Most Lone Hands – Bob Powers (6)  
 50/50 draw – Teresa Couture

If you would like to host a Euchre in the New Year, please let Teresa Couture know. Euchre is held on the fourth Saturday of the month.

Progressive Euchre is a fun filled, social evening with good company, good cards and a lot of laughter. The games are open to both members and non-members. The cost to play Euchre is only \$ 5.00 per player.

The games start at 7:30 pm sharp. Arrive early enough to socialize with others. You do not need to have a partner or a foursome to play. 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 welcome

The next Euchre game is Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup> so mark your calendars.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

General Meetings and Executive Meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursday, respectively. Members are encouraged and invited to attend and participate in all meetings.

Please note that ice-fishing derbies will be scheduled according to ice conditions. Often time does not allow to notify everyone by newsletter. Fishing derbies will be posted on the website ([www.wofgpa.org](http://www.wofgpa.org)) and on the Bulletin boards at the club.

Thurs. Nov. 11	General Meeting and Remembrance Day
Sat. Nov. 20	Xmas Tree Lot setup
Nov 23 – 24	950 Xmas trees will be delivered to WOFGPA
Thurs. Nov. 25	Executive meeting
Sat. Nov. 27	Euchre – Ken and Pat Lockrey to host
Sat. Nov. 27	Tree Sales begin
Thurs. Dec. 9	General meeting and Turkey Roll
Sat. Dec. 11	Breakfast with Santa
Thurs. Dec. 23	Executive meeting
Thurs. Jan. 13	General meeting
Thurs. Jan. 22	Euchre
Thurs. Jan 27	Executive meeting
Sun. Feb. 7	Superbowl party at WOFGPA
Thurs. Feb. 10	General meeting
Sat. Feb. 19	Tackle Swap
Thurs. Feb. 24	Executive meeting
Sat. Feb. 26	Euchre

**Get informed, get involved, have fun and enjoy all that WOFGPA has to offer its membership.**

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