

# OCTOBER 2012 NEWSLETTER



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## OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Thanksgiving Monday	9	10	11 General meeting	12	13 1 <sup>st</sup> Trout stocking
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Euchre (one week early)
21 Trout derby & Photo draw	22	23	24	25 Executive meeting	26	27
28 Kids Only Halloween Party	29	30	31 Halloween			

## NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 General meeting	9	10
11 Remembrance Day	12	13	14	15	16	17 Fall Clean- up and Tree lot set-up
18	19	20	21	22 Executive meeting	23	24 Euchre (hosts needed) & Tree sales begin
25	26	27	28	29	30	

**REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR MEMBERSHIP VALID TO AVOID BEING ON A WAITING LIST TO REJOIN**

**Western Ont. Fish & Game Protective Association Executive & Committees for 2012 - 2013**

**Executive**

<b>President</b>	
Stan Gibbs	519-668-2609
<b>1st Vice President</b>	
Lawrence Lainchbury	519-681-7199
<b>2nd Vice President</b>	
Brian Ernteman	519-453-3641
<b>Secretary</b>	
Teresa Couture	519-668-6257
<b>Treasurer</b>	
Steve Couture	519-668-6257
<b>Directors</b>	
Andre Koch	519-685-5725
Howard Pearcey	519-280-3080
<b>Past Presidents</b>	
John Manvell	519-455-3627
Bill Rodrigues	519-455-7905
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**Committees**

<b>Entertainment</b>	
Teresa Couture (Chair)	519-668-6257
Mary Degan	519-438-8104
Brian Ernteman	519-453-3641
Valerie Grahl	519-453-0659
Andre Koch	519-685-5725
Cora Thompson	519-455-6461

<b>House</b>	
Howard Pearcey (Chair)	519-280-3080
Don Colborne	519-686-9559
Lawrence Lainchbury	519-681-7199
Gord Spotton	519-439-9450
Todd Stewart	519-668-8442

<b>Grounds</b>	
Todd Stewart (Chair)	519-668-8442
Steve Couture	519-668-6257
Joe Crombeen	519-686-7386
Brian Ernteman	519-453-3641
Howard Pearcey	519-280-3080
Bob Smale	519-457-6644
Henry Van Eerdewijk	519-432-4239

<b>Ponds</b>	
Stan Gibbs (Chair)	519-668-2609
Ron Dennis	519-668-6430
Brian Ernteman	519-453-3641
Andre Koch	519-685-5725
Howard Pearcey	519-685-6044
Bob Smale	519-457-6644

<b>Welfare</b>	
Tom & Shirley McGill	519-652-2875

<b>Boat Rack</b>	
Don Colborne	519-686-9559

<b>Membership</b>	
Valerie Grahl	519-453-0659

<b>Newsletter</b>	
Teresa Couture	519-668-6257

<b>Fundraising</b>	
Andre Koch	519-685-5725
Steve Couture	519-668-6257

<b>Club Merchandise</b>	
Andre Koch	519-685-5725

<b>Public Relations</b>	
Lawrence Lainchbury	519-681-7199

<b>Political &amp; Environmental Research</b>	
Steve & Teresa Couture	519-668-6257
Stan Gibbs	519-668-2609
Lawrence Lainchbury	519-681-7199

<b>Firearms Certification / Safe Hunter</b>	
Emad Hazboun	519-317-4132

<b>On-Site Caretakers</b>	
Bob and Paulette Schmidt	519-681-2370

**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 and minerals, its waters, forests, air and wildlife, & to obey all fish and 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, are welcome to attend all club 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.



**Smoking is not permitted within 5 metres (about 15 feet) of all club entrances.**

**The club newsletter is available at [www.wofgpa.org](http://www.wofgpa.org)**

Please visit our website and let us know what you think about it and how we can improve it. All feedback from the membership is welcomed. Our website is [www.wofgpa.org](http://www.wofgpa.org). Our site contains our club history, updated information about functions; links to other groups, a photo library and of course our newsletter.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It seems that the summer has come and gone once again. The days are shorter and the nights are getting longer. It is sad to think that all the warm weather will be put on the shelf until next spring; there will be many things to be done before the cold weather sets in.

This fall, the front dock will undergo some needed repairs. Trout stocking will be Oct. 13 with a derby on Oct. 21. Immediately following the derby will be the draw for the framed Egret photo taken by Paul Brewer.

In later October, will be a night of Euchre and a Kids Only Halloween Party. Preparations for the Christmas tree lot set-up and fall cleanup are in the making. Even the Wreath Brigade is making plans.

The Executive is actively working toward making the club accessible to all. This will involve installing a ramp, specialized doors and washroom renovations.

So, watch you Newsletter for upcoming activities and give some time to your club. I hope you all had a wonderful summer, hope to see you around at the club.

Yours in conservation,

Stan Gibbs

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.

Our condolences to the Rossi family after the sudden passing of Luigi in late August.



## KIDS ONLY HALLOWEEN PARTY

Sun. Oct. 28  
(Ages 11 and under)

Advance registration done by Sunday, October 14 is mandatory to get an accurate head count.

**Time:** 2:00 pm til 4:30 pm  
All children must have adult accompaniment.  
**Cost:** There is no cost for the children.  
There is a nominal cost of \$ 3.00 for each adult to cover their refreshments and snacks.

A fun filled afternoon Halloween party is planned for the ghosts, goblins and other scary creatures that are aged 11 and under. This party is open to the children of WOFGPA members, their families and guests. There will be games and prizes throughout the party and a goody bag for each child.

Come join us for a "hauntingly" scary time.

To keep in the "spirit" of Halloween, we are asking that volunteers for this party be in costume.

Pre-register by contacting Teresa Couture at 519-668-6257

## FALL TROUT DERBY

Sun. Oct. 21

**Registration:** 7:30 am (No earlier please)  
**Derby times:** 8:00 til noon  
**Cost:** \$ 5.00 Youth (12 and under)  
\$ 12.00 Members  
\$ 15.00 Non-members

The rules are really quite simple.

•The longest total length of 3 Trout caught will determine the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards in each division. Of course, there will also be the Mystery Fish.

•Your paid registration includes a hot lunch with refreshments. Your name will also be entered to win one of the many door prizes.

•During the derby, only registered anglers in the derby will be allowed to fish. Trout caught during the derby will count only for the derby and not daily catch limits.

•Once the derby has ended, all members are invited to fish and all regular catch limits for your membership type will apply.

For more details about the derby, contact Stan Gibbs at 519-668-2609.

## TROUT STOCKING

The first Trout stocking of the fall is scheduled for Sat. Oct. 13. The fish will arrive about 11:00 am.

If you are able to assist with unloading the fish, please be dressed ready to be splashed. The stocking happens quite quickly to minimize the stress on the Trout.

If you decide to watch the stocking, please stand clear of those involved with stocking.

A second stocking of Trout will occur later in the fall. Details will be posted on the Bulletin Boards.

## EUCHRE

The first Euchre game of the season was a great success with 32 players coming out for an evening of cards and fun. Thank you to the Coutures for hosting the evening.

The winners of the evening were:

**High Man:** Tony Dukic (70). Tony also had 5 lone hands.  
**High Lady:** Bonnie Earle and Glenda (67)  
**Mystery Man:** Pete Tolsma  
**Mystery Ladies:** Deb Parker, Cora Thompson, Mary Degan, Annette and Lois  
**Most Lone Hands:** Fred Sanders (5)  
**50/50 draw:** Robert Welch

The next Euchre is Sat. Oct. 20. This is one week early due to a hall rental. The new start time is 7:00 pm. The hall will be open at 6:00 pm to allow for socializing before the games begin. The hosts for the evening will be Andre Koch, Mary Degan and Cora Thompson. Hope to see everyone there.

The Meat Shoot for Turkeys which was scheduled for Sat., Sept. 29, was cancelled due to lack of interest.

## RAFFLE FOR FRAMED PHOTO OF EGRET

Draw Date: Sun. Oct. 21, 2012

Approximate Time: 12:30 pm

A local photographer, Paul Brewer has offered a stunning photo of an Egret for raffle to WOFGPA members only. This photo has been beautifully framed and can be viewed at every function and meeting until the draw on Oct. 21 at approximately 12:30 pm. The draw will follow the Trout Derby.

This fundraising venture, started by Andre Koch, is one of the many things that WOFGPA members does to assist in keeping club membership dues low and to keep the pond stocked for other members. Please support this very worthwhile cause.

Each ticket is only \$ 2.00 each and there is a limit of 200 available tickets.

Please see Andre Koch to purchase your tickets before they are all sold.

Please contact Andre Koch or any of the Executive body to offer any suggestions or your support for future fundraising endeavours.

## FOR SALE

### ITEM # 1

Paulette is selling a large wooden dining room set. The table measures 65" x 42" and has extensions. There are 6 chairs in the set.

She is asking only \$ 250 or is willing to trade for a smaller table and chair set of equal value.

Paulette can be reached at 519 - 681 - 2370

### ITEM # 2

Dan is selling a 2011 - 14 foot Tracker John boat. It comes with padded seats and a 2 HP Evinrude 2 stoke motor.

He is asking \$ 1,000 or best offer.

If you are interested, Dan can be reached at 519 - 659 - 2374

## PELLET GUNS AND POACHING

Recently, club members have reported the sound of pellet guns being discharged in the woods to the west of the club. It is suspected that whoever is shooting the gun is targeting the geese in the area. If you hear a pellet gun, please notify the Police immediately.

Poaching is a serious problem. Only members wearing their valid membership cards, and their guests, are allowed to fish on the pond. 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 by the caretakers or any other member to immediately stop fishing.

Non-members caught fishing on club property is subject to prosecution for trespassing and poaching.

Visit the club website at [wofgpa.org](http://wofgpa.org)

It contains historical items, current updates, newsletters, event calendar and photos.

## KNIFE / SCISSOR SHARPENING

Hermann Szielasko is offering his skills to sharpen your knives, tools and scissors for your satisfaction at no charge to you.

In lieu of payment, he is asking that you make a donation to the Club Christmas Wreath Brigade, which will assist in offsetting costs for the next season.

Please contact Hermann at 519-681-6507 to make arrangements.

## WREATH BRIGADE

It is almost that time of year again. As soon as the Christmas trees arrive in late November, the Wreath Brigade will swing into full speed in the club basement.

A few years ago, Hermann Szielasko came up with the idea of making real wreaths from the trimmed branches of the Christmas trees. With the assistance of many volunteers and donated Christmas trimmings, the wreaths took shape. Now they are in demand and are hung seasonally on the doors of many homes and businesses.

Details will follow in the November newsletter if you wish to come and assist. If you have any unused Christmas ribbons or trinkets that you wish to donate; mark them as "Wreath Brigade" and leave them at the club or bring them to any meeting or function.

## CLUB MERCHANDISE

The club has pens, lanyards, Tee shirts, hoodies, sweatshirts, and toques, patch crests, key chains available in stock.

Items available by custom order are: lined jackets with embroidered club crest, with or without your name.

In stock items and custom ordered merchandise is available by contacting Andre Koch, at most club meetings and functions or by phone at 519-685-5725.

Remember that 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 as one of the first duties of the new President. Come to a General meeting and get your name on a ballot.

The winners of the monthly meeting draw for September were:

Tom McGill - Ice fishing Rod and Reel with carrying case

Dan Chatterly Jr. - \$ 10 Tim Horton's card

Congratulations Tom and Dan!

## ONTARIO HUNTER EDUCATION AND BOW-HUNTING COURSES

Emad Hazboun will be teaching these courses for a very reasonable cost. There is a discount if you are a WOFGPA club member.

For more information and the starting date of the next course, please contact Emad by phone at 519-317-4132 or by email at [emadhaz@heafs.com](mailto:emadhaz@heafs.com) or visit his website [www.heafs.com](http://www.heafs.com)

**GENERAL PAINT**  
**located at**  
**1074 Dearness Drive**  
**London, ON**

General paint would like to welcome WOFGPA members to visit their store. General Paint is a local business that is now offering a very generous discount on paint purchases to club members.

Please drop in the store soon and let them know that you are a club member.

Other ways to contact them are:  
 Phone 519 – 686 – 6666  
 Visit their site [www.generalpaint.com](http://www.generalpaint.com)

**UPCOMING EVENTS AT WOFGPA**

Please remember to mark your calendars so that you don't miss an event. For most events, a contact is named. As the date of each event gets closer, the details will be printed in the newsletter and posted on the Bulletin Boards at the club and on the website.

Mon. Oct. 8	Thanksgiving Monday
Thurs. Oct. 11	General meeting
Sat. Oct. 13	1 <sup>st</sup> Trout stocking. Watch bulletin boards for details and the date of a 2 <sup>nd</sup> stocking.
Sat. Oct. 20	Euchre (held one week early) – Hosts are Andre Koch, Mary Degan and Cora Thompson
Sun. Oct. 21	Fall Trout Derby (host Stan Gibbs)
Sun. Oct. 21	Draw for framed Egret photo
Thurs. Oct. 25	Executive meeting
Sun. Oct. 28	Kids Only Halloween Party
Thurs. Nov. 8	General meeting
Sun. Nov. 11	Remembrance Day
Sat. Nov. 17	Fall Clean-up and Christmas Tree Lot set-up. The date of the tree delivery is yet to be confirmed.
Thurs. Nov. 22	Executive meeting
Sat. Nov. 24	Euchre (hosts are needed) Christmas Tree Sales begin
Sat. Dec. 8	Breakfast with Santa
Thurs. Dec. 13	General meeting and Annual Turkey Roll
Thurs. Dec. 20	Executive meeting (held a week early due to Christmas holidays)

**2013 EVENTS**


Thurs. Jan. 10	General meeting
Thurs. Jan. 24	Executive meeting
Sat. Jan. 26	Euchre (hosts are needed)
Sun. Feb. 3	Superbowl Party
Thurs. Feb. 14	Valentine's Day
Sat. Feb. 16	Tackle Swap
Mon. Feb. 18	Family Day
Sat. Feb. 23	Euchre
Thurs. Feb. 28	Executive meeting
Sun. in Feb.	Hockey Day in Canada – the exact date is yet to be announced
Thurs. Mar. 14	General meeting and Annual Elections
Sat. Mar. 23	Euchre (hosts are needed)
Thurs. Mar. 28	Executive Meeting
Fri. Mar. 29	Good Friday
Sat. Mar. 30	Easter Breakfast
Mon. Apr. 1	Easter Monday
Thurs. Apr. 11	General meeting
Sat. Apr. 20	Jigg's Dinner
Thurs. Apr. 25	Executive meeting
Sat. Apr. 27	Pot Luck dinner and Euchre (hosted by the Coutures)

The dates of any ice fishing derbies held this winter will be determined by ice conditions. If you wish to be notified of ice derbies, please leave your name with the Ponds Committee chair.

Watch your newsletter and check the club Bulletin board for details of upcoming events.

Please contact an Executive member or a Committee Chairperson or attend a meeting to offer some new and fresh ideas. Get involved and make your club the best it can be.

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 LOCAL BUSINESSES THAT ADVERTISE  
 IN THE WOFGPA NEWSLETTER.**

<p><b>George Bray Sports Association Inc</b></p> <p><i>A Hockey Program for Children with Special Learning Needs A Parent Participating Non-Profit Organization</i></p> <p><b>Murray Howard, President</b> 2 Jutta Cr. London ON N6E 3R2 Phone: 519-685-3392</p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:murrayhoward@execulink.com">murrayhoward@execulink.com</a></p> <p>Serving the Community since 1968</p>	<p><b>St. Croix Upholstering</b> Since 1978</p> <p>Your guarantee The job's not done 'til we're satisfied</p> <p>Daren St. Croix 519-457-4712</p> <p>1676 Trafalgar Street London N5W 1X3</p>	<p><b>YOUR AD PLACED HERE COULD REACH OVER 225 WFGPA MEMBERS EACH MONTH</b></p>
<p><b>THE CLUB HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR REASONABLY PRICED AFTERNOON OR EVENING RENTALS. FOR DETAILS, CALL PAULETTE AT 519-681-2370</b></p>	<p><b>Mr. Leaks</b></p> <p>Alex Duffitt 519-200-6452 <a href="mailto:alex.mrleaks@gmail.com">alex.mrleaks@gmail.com</a></p> <p>Fast and reliable 24 hour service</p> <p>General property maintenance and repair including: Basement leaks and dry wall repairs, mold removal, eaves trough repairs and cleaning, fence repair, painting, plumbing, exterior caulking</p>	<p><b>Foster Automotive Repair Ltd.</b></p> <p>All Major &amp; Minor Repairs Class "A" Mechanic</p>  <p>Rick Foster 519-452-3511</p>
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