

SEPTEMBER 2018



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September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Labour Day	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 General Meeting	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 Euchre
23/30	24	25	26	27 Youth Committee & Executive Meeting	28	29

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 Annual Pig Roast
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 Fall Trout Derby	22	23	24	25 Youth Committee & Executive Meeting	26	27 Euchre
28	29	30	31			

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

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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 and minerals, its waters, forests, air and wildlife, and 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, 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 Executive meeting and questions and comments are always welcome. If you wish to receive a copy of the full report, please attend this meeting.

 **Smoking is not permitted within 5 metres of all club entrances. Smokers are asked to use the containers provided for cigarette butt disposal.**

MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT & CHANGE OF CONTACT INFORMATION

You must attend the club at 7:00 pm on the night of either a General or Executive Meeting (2nd or 4th Thursday of the month) to pay your membership dues and renew your badge sticker.

Any payments that are mailed or left at the club will not be accepted and will be returned to you. If you are unable to attend the club to pay your dues on either of these dates, special arrangements for payment can be made only by contacting the Membership Chair, Val Grahl.

It is very important that you send any and all changes in mailing address, email or phone number to Val Grahl (membership committee). WOFGPA will not be responsible if your membership lapses due to incorrect contact information.

If you choose to rejoin the club, your name will be added to the waiting list which is currently a 4-year wait.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Many Thanks

On August 26th, 2018 our club hosted our annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner which was catered by Belmont Restaurant & Catering. This event was in recognition of the great job that was done by all of our members who donated time and effort in support of our club. Over the past year, our volunteers log thousands of hours in an effort to keep our operating costs down, the end result of this is that the membership fees stay reasonable, and more capital projects can be completed. So, the next time the opportunity arises for you to volunteer, remember it helps us all.

A special thanks should go out to Hermann Szielasko, and Bert Smit, as together they produced a very attractive hand carved "Welcome" sign to go over the front door to the hall. This sassafras wood carving should welcome members, guests and visitors to the club for many years to come. They did an amazing job and I hope it will be up in the near future for all to see.



Hermann Szielasko (R) and Bert Smit (L) display the new "Welcome" carving

Yours in Conservation
Stan Gibbs

WELFARE

Many club members who aren't able to attend the club for meetings or fishing might welcome a quick call to say "Hello and what have you been up to?" 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 Teresa Couture who will gladly make contact on behalf of the club.

Our wishes for healthier days ahead go out to: Tom McGill, Bert Smit and Rob Sharpe. We hope that each of you is back to their best soon.

ONTARIO HUNTER EDUCATION & BOW-HUNTING COURSES

Emad Hazboun teaches these courses for a very reasonable cost. He offers 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 e-mail at emadhaz@heafs.com or visit his website www.heafs.com



EUCHRE IS BACK AGAIN

Calling all euchre players to the first progressive euchre game of the season so mark your calendars.

DATE: Saturday, September 22nd
TIME: Doors open at 6:00 pm with the games starting at 7:00 pm
COST: \$ 5.00 per player

Progressive euchre is a fun filled evening with good company, good cards and a lot of laughter. The games are open to both members and the public. 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.

If you are interested in hosting a Euchre night on the fourth Saturday of the month, please speak with Teresa Couture for details. When you host an evening, one of the Executive will be always present should their help be needed.

Hosts are needed for the 2018 – 2019 season in order for this event to continue.

ANNUAL PIG ROAST Sat. Oct. 13

Word has spread about the amazing Annual Pig Roast that WOFGPA holds each year. Due to its popularity, the tickets are in high demand.

The cost of the Pig Roast dinner is only \$ 25 per ticket which includes your meal with all the trimmings, wine with dinner, entertainment for the evening and door prizes.

Don't delay and please speak to Andre Koch to get your tickets before they are sold out. All tickets are advance purchase only.

CLUB MERCHANDISE - NEW PRICING

Lanyards	\$ 5.00
Toques	\$ 10.00
Baseball caps	\$ 12.00
Bucket Hats	\$ 15.00 – while supplies last
Camo hats	\$ 20.00
Short sleeve T-shirts	\$ 15.00
Long sleeve T-shirts	\$ 20.00
Hoodies	\$ 30.00
Zippered Hoodies	\$ 40.00
Wiki Golf shirts	\$ 25.00 – while supplies last

The club has pens, patch crests and key chains available in stock. Lined jackets with an embroidered club crest and your name are available as custom orders only. Custom orders can be placed at any time. Current selection includes larger sized hoodies and T-shirts (sizes up to 3XL).

Andre Koch can be reached at home by phone and is present at club meetings and functions.

FISHING LEAGUE

The Fishing League meets each Tuesday night from 5:00 pm till dusk. The list of target fish changes each week. The cost is \$ 2.00 per week with half of the proceeds going to the winner.

You can join at any time as the scoring is cumulative and ends after the Fall Trout Derby. If you want to come out for just an evening of comradery and fishing, please come with your rod and tackle.

FALL TROUT DERBY Sun. Oct. 21, 2018

Members are not allowed to fish the pond in the morning prior to the start of the derby.

Mark your calendar and tell your friends that our derbies are open to members and the general public.

Registration:	7:30 am (NO EARLIER PLEASE)
Derby Times:	8:00 am until Noon
Cost:	Members - \$ 15.00
	Non-Members - \$ 18.00
	Youth (12 & under) - \$ 5.00

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.
- 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. Once the derby has ended, everyone is invited to fish and all regular catch limits for your membership type will apply.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The draw for the fly rod, reel and all accessories will be done during the awards portion of the derby. The tickets were incorrectly printed stating the draw date as Sat. Oct. 20th and not the correct date of Sun. Oct. 21st. As a reminder, the prize details are: A Scientific Angler – 6 weight – 9 ft rod with a loaded 6 weight reel, rod case, tapered leaders, fly box and flies. (All donated by Lambeth Rod and Tackle, Angling Sports and a few WOF&GPA members). Included also is fly fishing instruction time, if required.

HALL RENTALS

Did you know that the WOFGPA hall can be rented for your next “special” occasion for a very reasonable price? The hall has a maximum seating capacity of 80 persons, which makes it just the right size for a small wedding reception, bridal and baby showers, your next meeting, anniversary party, family reunions and get-togethers, Christmas party and birthdays. The hall is available to members or their families to get together after the passing of a loved one. In certain circumstances, a special reduced rate may apply. Members receive a discount on rentals which occur on Friday or on a Saturday evening.

The hall offers full kitchen facilities, except dishwasher. Professional bar service is offered in the wet bar.

Please contact the club caretaker, Barb at 519-681-2370 to get the low rental rates and availability of the hall.

The club hall is not available for Stag and Doe parties or outdoor weddings.

POACHING

Poaching is a serious problem. Only club members wearing their valid membership cards, and their guests, are allowed to fish on the pond.

If you see anyone fishing with no visible membership card, ask to see proof of valid membership. Members who do not display their valid membership card should expect to be told by the caretaker or any member to immediately stop fishing.

Non-members caught fishing on club property could be charged with trespassing and poaching.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2018

A new event calendar for the 2018 – 2019 season is available on the club’s website at wofgpa.org

Mon. Sept. 3	Labour Day
Thurs. Sept. 13	General Meeting
Sat. Sept. 22	Euchre resumes
Thurs. Sept 26	Executive Meeting
Mon. Oct. 8	Thanksgiving
Thurs. Oct 11	General Meeting
Sat. Oct 13	Pig Roast (Tickets are available now)
Sun. Oct 21	Fall Trout Derby
	Draw for Fly Rod and reel and accessories
Thurs. Oct 25	Executive Meeting
Sat. Oct. 27	Euchre (hosts are needed)
Thurs. Nov. 8	General Meeting
Sat. Nov. 17	Fall Clean up and tree lot set up
Sat. Nov. 24	Euchre (hosts are needed)
Sat. Nov. 24	Christmas Tree sales and Wreath Brigade begin
Sat. Dec. 8	Breakfast with Santa
	Bake Sale
Thurs. Dec. 13	General Meeting & Turkey Roll
Thurs. Dec. 27	Executive Meeting

Helping out is also a great way for the new members to meet others in a relaxed and friendly setting when they aren’t fishing.

Be an active member of WOF & GPA and reap the all the benefits this club has to offer and not be just a “name” on a committee.



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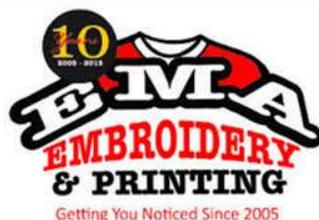
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