

JUNE 2026



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June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Yard Sale
7	8	9	10	11 General Meeting & BBQ Meat Draw	12	13
14 Father's Day	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Executive Meeting	26 set up – Youth Activity Day	27 Youth Activity Day
28	29	30				

July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Canada Day	2	3	4 Bass Derby
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Executive Meeting	24	25
26	27	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.

IMPORTANT: GENERAL MEEETINGS ARE NOT HELD IN JULY AND AUGUST. YOU MUST ATTEND THE CLUB ON THE 4TH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH (EXECUTIVE MEETING) TO PAY YOUR MEMBERSHIP.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Now that the spring weather has arrived, many of you that have been hibernating will be able to get out and enjoy the club, the pond and all that it has to offer.

There is nothing to compare the quiet and tranquility of a couple of hours of fishing off the dock or drifting around the pond in your watercraft searching for the next big catch. Take time to show junior anglers some of your techniques to keep them interested. Those juniors may be the future Executive body. If your legs need a stretch, there are endless trails around the club to explore, with many forms of wild life, birds, and unique plants to see. While on your walk, consider being a good steward and pick up any garbage you may see.

Please remember to respect what we have to offer and participate in good stewardship around our club.

Keep your eyes on the newsletters for functions that may interest you.

Yours in Conservation

Stan Gibbs

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS AND CHANGE OF CONTACT INFORMATION

There seems to be confusion as to the grace period permitted to pay dues. If your renewal date on your renewal notice is June 1, 2026, then your membership period ran from June 1, 2025 through May 31, 2026. Your membership will lapse on June 30, 2026, which is the one-month grace period permitted. At the end of the grace period, your name will be removed from the membership list. If you choose to rejoin the club, your name will be added to the waiting list.

The new membership rates (effective April 1, 2026) are:

Family	\$ 175.00
Single	\$ 155.00
Senior	\$ 150.00
Youth (16-18 Yrs)	\$ 75.00
Boat Rack	\$ 60.00 (unchanged)

If you need special consideration regarding payment of dues, contact Val Grahl before your membership lapses. If you must pay dues, please attend prior to the General or Executive meeting each month, held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. WOFGPA will not be responsible if your membership lapses due to incorrect contact information on our files. The club will accept cheques, debit, and credit card payments but not e-transfers. Mailed payments and late payments will not be accepted and will be returned to you. The caretakers, Ray and Barb will not accept membership renewals.

ANNUAL MEETING DRAW

For each General Meeting that you attend, you can complete a ballot for a free one-year membership (no cash value). The draw is done each year at the Annual Elections in March of each year.

GOODWILL

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.

LADIES ONLY DERBY

On May 11, 17 ladies attended the derby and angled 43 trout in total.

The winners of the day were:

Adult Division

1 st	Jeanette Jurasek	114.5 cm
2 nd	Crysania Huber	113.5 cm
3 rd	Tracy Hall	109.5cm
	Debbie McIntosh	109.5 cm

Youth Division

1 st	Lejla Lemanski	117.0 cm
2 nd	Emelyn Lane	113.0 cm

50/50 draw Tracy McCaw \$ 100.00



Jeanette Jurasek – Adult 1st place



Lejla Lemanski – Youth 1st place



Darlene Keating and friends enjoy morning of fishing on the pond

Thank you to all the volunteers who made the Ladies Only Derby so memorable.

**ANNUAL YARD SALE
Sat. June 6th
8:00 start (Rain or shine)**

It is time to gather all unwanted items and make a few dollars at the club's annual yard sale. You might even pick up a bargain or two yourself.

Tables are \$ 10 each and can be reserved by contacting Val Grahl.

**BBQ MEAT DRAW
Thurs., June 12th
(Following a short General meeting)**

The format is the same as the Turkey Roll in December.

There are 10 BBQ meat packages portioned for 1 – 2 persons.

Ticket prices have increased to \$ 2.00 for each draw due to rising costs of meat.

There will be door prizes and a 50/50 draw, snacks and refreshments.

**APPLIANCE REMOVAL AND
SCRAP METAL PICKUP**

For those aged 55 and over, I will remove any unused appliances at no cost if the appliance is already outside. I will charge only half price of \$ 35.00 if the appliance is inside. I will also remove any scrap metal that you have. Please call me to discuss the details and pricing

Tom Carriere 519-520-0767

**YOUTH ACTIVITY DAY
Sat., June 27**

Pre-registration is mandatory to have an accurate head count and the cut-off to register is Sat. June 20. You may pre-register by contacting Stan Gibbs.

Please note that all children must be accompanied by an adult throughout the day.

This date is open to both members and non-members. There is no cost to the children in attendance although there is a nominal cost for adult's lunch of \$ 15. Members will not be permitted to fish the pond prior to the Youth Activity Day Derby.

Registration for the derby will begin at 8:00 with fishing lasting until 11:00 am. Children will accumulate points for each species of fish that are caught rather than the number and size of fish.

A BBQ lunch will be served following the derby. The afternoon will be filled with a variety of activities such as fly tying, bird house building, target casting and a water balloon toss to name a few. These events should finish midafternoon.

**SUMMER BASS DERBY
Sat. July 4**

Members are NOT allowed to fish on the morning of a derby, including before the derby starts. After the derby ends, members may fish with their daily catch limit determined by your membership type.

DATE:	Sat., July 4
TIME:	Register at 7:00
DERBY:	7:30 till 11:30
COST:	Adults \$ 25
	Derby is open to members and friends
LUNCH:	11:30 til 12:00
	Lunch is included with registration
	Non-anglers' lunch is \$ 15
PRIZES	Noon
RULES	Five bass limit, culling allowed
	No minnows for bait.
	Combined length determines score.
	Fish must be alive & released promptly.

Only those anglers participating in the derby will be allowed to fish during the derby.

All fish caught during a derby do not count towards the member's daily limit.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Lou Liberatore is heading the Grounds Committee. He is asking that those interested in helping with the grounds come each Wednesday morning at 9:00 am.

The project will be announced each week. Many hands make light work.

CLUB MERCHANDISE

The club is now loaded with plenty of new swag for its members, family and friends. This is the club's 150th anniversary so come and get your collectable swag.

Blue zippered hoodies	\$ 55
Blue sweaters	\$ 30
Blue, long-sleeved T-shirts	\$ 30
Blue, short sleeved t-shirts	\$ 20
Blue Hoodies	\$ 40
Ball caps	\$ 15 - \$ 35
Winter Toques	\$ 15

Some items can be custom ordered such as jackets with name for an additional cost. Please see Marco or Angela Liberatore at any meeting or function.

CLUB MEDIA PRESENCE

Stan Gibbs has noted that the club should be looking at ways to update its presence in the newsletter, website and possibly on social media platforms directed at its members and the public. He is hoping to oversee a group that can come up with and implement fresh ideas. No meetings have been set as yet but if you would like to be involved, please contact Stan Gibbs at presidentwofgpa@gmail.com

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. Professional bar service is offered in the wet bar.

The club hall is not available for Stag and Doe parties, engagement parties or outdoor wedding photoshoots.

Please contact Barb Smith to discuss hall availability and rates. 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 get discounted rates on Friday and Saturday evening rentals and not on hourly rate rentals.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The event calendar for the 2026 – 2027 year is available and posted on the club website www.wofgpa.org. Details are also posted on club bulletin boards.

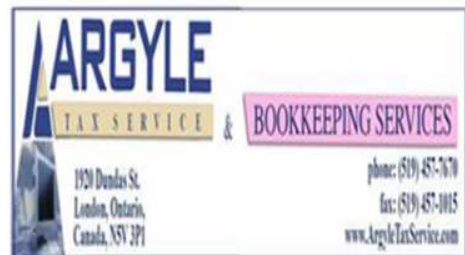
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Sat. June 6	Yard Sale
Thurs. June 11	General Meeting & BBQ
	Meat Draw
Sun, June 14	Father's Day
Thurs, June 25	Executive Meeting
Sat, June 27	Youth Activity Day
Wed, July 1	Canada Day
Sat, July 4	Bass Derby
Thurs, July 23	Executive Meeting
Mon, Aug. 3	Civic Holiday
Thurs, Aug 27	Executive Meeting
Sat. Aug 29	Volunteer Appreciation Day (by invitation only)
Mon, Sept 7	Labour Day
Thurs, Sept 10	General Meeting
Thurs, Sept 24	Executive Meeting

Be an active member of WOF & GPA and reap the all the benefits this club has to offer and be not just a "name" on a committee list. Volunteers with a common purpose are the core reason why the club has existed for nearly 150 years.



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