

AUGUST 2005 NEWSLETTER



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August 2005

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September 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5	6 Labour Day	7	8	9 General Meeting	10	11
12 Senior's Visit Day (tentative)	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 Boat Safety Course	22	23 Executive Meeting	24	25 Euchre
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Club WEB Site / e-mail

<http://www.wofgpa.org>

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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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668-1130

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 the accounts are 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

August 2005

It has been a very hot summer this year and I hope that everyone is enjoying it despite the extreme heat and humidity at times.

Some members have expressed their concerns about not catching as many bass this year as in previous years, although they are still caught. There could be many reasons for this phenomenon. First, the bass are there but not interested in the bait or lure offered by the angler. Remember that fish are attracted to lures and bait that are similar to what they are currently eating. Secondly, the bass could have gone deeper, due to the hot weather, where the water is cooler. Another possibility is that the number of bass has reduced due to the natural processes of Mother Nature or they may have been over fished. Some of these possibilities were discussed at the July Executive meeting. We will be following up with discussions from other groups to see if they have observed the same thing in the waters in their area and will keep the members informed of any developments.

Remember - Bass are catch and release at WOFGPA.

As you continue to enjoy the last half of the summer, please remember to use sun block and insect repellent, stay hydrated, wear your life jacket while on the water and always make sure that there is a worm on your hook. Happy angling.

Stan Gibbs
668-2609



Jayden McCoy spent his 7th Birthday landing this beautiful 20-inch Trout, with his dad David's help.

Chili Sauce

(Makes 8 pints)

- heaping 6 qt basket of ripe tomatoes (peeled and chopped)
- 2 cups of each:
 - diced celery, red peppers, green peppers, cooking onions
- 3 cups brown sugar
- 2 cups white vinegar
- 4 Tablespoons pickling salt
- 1 teaspoon of each:
 - ground allspice, cinnamon powder and ground cloves
- ½ teaspoon ginger powder

Combine tomatoes, peppers, celery and onions in large pot. Heat to boil and continue for 1 to 1½ hours. At this point, you may want to drain off some of the excess juice (the juice can be used as a pretty decent soup base later). Add all other ingredients from sugar to ginger powder. Stir thoroughly and continue to gently boil until desired thickness is reached. To speed up the thickening process, you can cheat by adding a bit of water-dissolved cornstarch to the mix. It can also be made in roasting pan in oven – judging the cooking time, as you like.

Don & Marion Colborne

BOAT SAFETY COURSE

September 21, 2005
6:30 pm start time

Phil Gingrich is offering a boat safety course at the club on September 21st. Phil provides all instruction and course materials and the test. Upon passing, he will issue your card.

It will soon be the law that boaters, jet skiers, etc must have taken this course and provide proof by showing their card when requested. So do not delay.

The course runs from 6:00 til 10:30 pm. The cost is \$ 40 for members and \$ 45 for non-members.

To enroll in the course, call Phil at 668-1130 or email him at phil.gingrich@sympatico.ca

Please remember to record your catch in the Fish Log Book located just inside the side entrance. Review the Fishing rules occasionally 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. Happy angling.

The newsletter can be obtained online at www.wofgpa.org 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 Couture (Dodge) by phone at 668-6257 (evenings) or by email at teresa.dodge@sympatico.ca



EUCHRE IS BACK AGAIN!

DATE: Saturday, September 25, 2005
TIME: 7:30 pm SHARP (arrive earlier to ensure you get a seat to play).
COST: \$ 5.00 per player

The first euchre game of the season starts soon so mark your calendars.

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 non-members.

You do not need to have a partner or a foursome to play. Be sure to arrive early (but no 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 welcome.

Salmon Pie

(Makes two pies)

- 5 lbs potatoes
- 3 large onions
- 3 small cans salmon (optional - remove bones & skin)
- 4 pie shells
- salt and pepper to taste

Boil potatoes until they can be mashed. Use butter or margarine only, do not add milk. Add diced carrots and salmon. Stir together well. Generously fill 2 pie shells, then cover with the other two pie shells, pinch edge and trim. Bake at 425 F for 35 minutes. Let cool and eat with ketchup (lots). Store in the refrigerator (day old is better and more firm).

When I was growing up there were two things you could count on at Christmas, (besides presents), meat pies and salmon pies. Now over the years, I have heard of meat pies but never salmon pies. I still make them every year at Christmas time. They are good anytime and are a crowd pleaser.

David McCoy

Two auditors are needed from the membership to audit the club books.

If you are interested in doing this or would like more information as to what is required, please contact Steve Couture (evenings) at 668-6257 or Stan Gibbs at 668-2609 or come to a meeting.

PLEASE PATRONIZE THE BUSINESSES THAT ADVERTISE WITH US.

7th ANNUAL BASS DERBY

A good number of anglers came out for the July 10 derby despite the very hot weather.

The winners were:

Adult Division

1st place:	Stan Gibbs	130.5 cm
2nd place:	Nathan Wales	123.0 cm
3rd place:	Patrick Blewett	93.0 cm

Junior Division

1st place:	Brandon Blewett	111.0 cm
2nd place:	Brandon Medeiros	89.0 cm
3rd place:	Ryan Kennedy	45.5 cm

Mystery Fish Length:

Jason Vosdingh	30.0 cm
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Largest Bass:	Brandon Blewett	32.0 cm
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Brandon Blewett caught the largest bass and his name will go on the trophy that is on display in the main hall of the club. Congrats to all the winners.

Thank you to Stan Gibbs, Steve and Teresa Couture and Gord Spotton. Thank you also to our corporate sponsors for this function.

Remember that the next derby is the Fall Trout derby in October. Details to follow in the September and October newsletters.

Worms are available for \$ 3.00 per dozen from the vending machine at the club.

WOF&GPA WEAR

Time to start outfitting yourself and your family in our fashionable WOF&GPA Wear. The costs are very low while the quality is high.

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 call Tom McGill at 652 –2875.

If you attend a general meeting and complete a ballot, your name is entered to win a one-year membership.

Only one ballot per membership per month is allowed. The draw is held in March of each year, immediately following the elections.

Draw prizes available at each General Meeting.

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