December 2000 Newsletter







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DECEMBER 2000

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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10	11	12	13	14 General Meeting 7:30pm Turkey Roll	15	16 Breakfast with Santa
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24	25 Xmas Day	26	27	28 Executive Meeting 7:30pm	29	30
31New Years Eve						

JANUARY 2001

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Protective Association Executive	
Protective Association Executive President	
Ron Earle	672 0765
1st Vice President	672-0765
Stan Gibbs	669 2600
2nd Vice President	668-2609
Brian Allen	660 1000
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Secretary Steve Couture	((0, ()57
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Treasurer	691 7100
Lawrence Lainchbury	681-7199
Immediate Past President	COC 510C
Gloria McRonald	686-5496
Directors	
General Membership	<04 5 0 5 5
Tom Bird	681-7957
Don Colborne	686-9559
Past Presidents	
George Fenner	433-8840
Harold LaPointe	672-6733
Bill Rodrigues	455-9785
<u>Committees</u>	
Entertainment	
Teresa Dodge (Chair)	668-6257
Valerie Grahl	668-7620
Gloria McRonald	686-5496
Cindy Gibbs	668-2609
Bonnie Earle	672-0765
Janice Reichstein	686-4388
Karen Anderson	685-9217
Pat Lockery	681-1656
House	
Don Colborne	686-9559
Grounds	
Gord Spotton	439-9450
Vince LeFavre	681-8468
Ponds	001 0.00
Brian Allen	668-1908
Welfare	000 1700
Gary Carew	681-7558
Boat Rack	001 7550
Stan Gibbs	668-2609
Membership	000 2007
Valerie Grahl	668-7620
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Karen Anderson	685-9217
Public Relations	063-9217
Tom Bird	691 7050
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Safe Hunter Training	660 1120
Philip Ginrich	668-1130
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Onsite Managers	70
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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.



We have put in 5 tagged trout in the

If you catch one (and you'll probably notice when you do) you can claim \$15. To verify the catch & claim the \$15 call Brian Allen at 668-1908. Only 1 has been caught so far!

Treasurer's Report

Lawrence presented the Treasurer's report at the last meeting showing all bills are paid up to date and the bank balance is in order. If you wish to receive a copy of the full report, this is available at either the General or Executive meetings.

NOTICE

There is no smoking during meetings or during meals at Club Events. Don't forget to wear your Badge!

Thanks to.....

- Teresa dodge for her work in putting the Christmas Craft Show & Bazaar together
- Valerie Grahl, Brian Allen, Ron Earle, Stan Gibbs, Steve Couture, Howie Anderson & Teresa Dodge for decorating the hall for Christmas.
- Ron Earle, Stan Gibbs, Steve Couture, Lawrence Lainchbury, Brian Allen, Steve Glass, Don Colborne, Gord Spotton, Jim Douglas, Howie Anderson & Gord Foster braving the elements and getting the tree lot set up. (Hope I didn't miss anyone) if so please accept my apologies.
- Bill Rodrigues & Harold Lapointe for their work on the Turkey Roll
- And to all those who offered their time to sell Christmas Trees.

Christmas Tree Sales Start Dec. 2, 2000!!

Get your trees & tell your friends
Open

Monday to Friday 1pm - 8pm Saturday & Sunday 9am - 5 pm

Don't Forget!

Each General Meeting you attend gives you a chance to win a 1 year free membership!

Next meeting is our Turkey Roll Dec. 14, 2000 @ 7:30pm

20 Turkeys to be Won!

Come out & Bring your Friends!

\$1.00 gives you a chance to win your Xmas turkey

Refreshments - Cards - Comradry - Fun

All await you at the next general meeting.

A Note On Our Tree Sales

Real Christmas trees are a renewable resource. As our Club is conservation Oriented, we feel farm-grown trees are a great replacement for artificial trees that eventually find their way to our already overburdened land fill sites. Mulching recycles natural trees. Our trees are purchased from sources that harvest and replant Spruce and Scotch Pine Trees strictly for the Christmas season. As each acre is harvested, it is replanted and the process continues.

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Pond Committee Report

Just one step outside with just your socks on and you will definitely know that the season has changed. With the dropping of the temperatures there will be some very cold water out there, and then comes ice fishing! Yes, I'm stating the obvious, and I don't want to preach, but we can't stress enough about safety on the ice. If you choose to venture out onto the pond this winter, please make yourself familiar with all aspects of safety - YOUR LIFE DEPENDS ON IT. We don't recommend going out on less than 4" of HARD, CLEAR ice. Still there may be other factors to respect. If you are unsure of anything, then we expect you to stay off the ice. Should something go wrong, there is a phone inside the door where you register the fish. Call 9-1-1 immediately. Hypothermia can disable a person in a very short time - just step outside in the next blizzard with just your socks on, and no coat!

The attendance at our meetings is still very low. Even with the attendance at our Fall meetings still not picking up, the people who put on the presentations are still willing to help out and share their knowledge and time with anyone interested. Wray Ramsey will do a fishing rod building course. Also, Jason Newell and Stu Jefferies will do some fly tying and fly casting instructions. So after the Christmas season, if you are looking for something interesting in the New Year - join in. These will demonstrations will be set up at times convenient to the presenters and those willing to come out. You can call Brian at 668-1908.

To get on the list for notification of the Ice Fishing Derby, call Brian at 668-1908. If we can get it into the newsletter, we will.

Brian Allen Pond Committee



Don't Forget! NO Euchre in December

Meet New Friends..... Renew old acquaintances



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NEXT EUCHRE

Saturday, January 27, 2000

Starts 7:30pm sharp

Winners of last months Euchre:

High Lady Marjorie Baker & Heather Anderson

High Man Dud Simmons
Low Lady Bonnie Earle
Low Man Bill Rodrigues
Loan Hands Larry Latford

Heather Anderson won Draw the 50/50 and 38 Door Prizes were given away. All who attended won a prize. Thanks to Steve Couture & Teresa Dodge for hosting the evening.

Come out & enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship. All members & friends are welcome. It's not a competition, but a fun night. All levels of skill are invited. It's progressive euchre, so you will meet a number of people over the evening. We play 10 games with a lunch break after the 7th game. Cash Prizes, Refreshments, Snacks, & Fun are all part of the evening. See you on the 27th.

Non players are welcome to watch the proceedings or help in the operation of the evening. It's one of the fun activities of the Club so come out & give it a try.

Anyone wishing to supply a dessert or small door prize are always appreciated. This helps to make the evening a success.

If you have any questions, please call Ron or Bonnie Earle @ 672-0765. Hope to see you there!

NOTICE

A CANOE HAS BEEN LEFT ON THE LOT FOR WELL OVER A YEAR. THERE ARE NO MARKINGS ON THIS BOAT AND THE OWNER IS NOT KNOWN. Numerous attempts have been made to try to locate the owner. Notice is hereby given that if this boat is not claimed and the back fees paid up, the said boat will be sold in the New Year to the highest bid to recover the cost of arrears.



Don't Forget Breakfast With Santa Dec. 16, 2000 9am

Bring out your children and grandchildren, friends and family. Join us for breakfast and a visit from Old St Nick. All children will receive a little something from Santa himself.

Also Thanks to Trudy Anderson for her generous donation of baskets of candy for the kids.



General Marine Boat House Sale Saturday, February 3, 2001

Mark your calendar to attend this flea market type sale. Many fishing & boating items to be sold. Once again WOF&GPA will be putting in a table.

Have a look through your basement & garage for any items you may wish to donate; new or used; tackle or sporting goods. All donations welcome.

Family \$115.00 per year Single \$95.00 per year Senior Citizen \$65.00 per year Youth \$50.00 per year ** Sponsor Youth \$10.00 per year ##

** Attachment only to above Primary ## Non-Family less than 16 yrs of age

Note: Arrangements can be made to split the payments using POST DATED CHECKS

Courses Available to Members

Hunter Education \$75.

Canadian Firearms Safety \$70.

Exam for each course \$30.

One Stop (Hunter Safety) Total \$115.00

Take Advantage of the Reduced Rates Firearms Verification - No Cost Contact Phil Gingrich @ 668-1130

Club Members
Reduced Rates for OFAH Membership

\$24.00 (includes Ontario Out of Doors Magazine & Insurance) An Extra \$5.00 for an OFHA Cap

WEAR YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD

Anyone not visibly wearing a membership card should **NOT** be fishing in WOG&GPA waters. **POACHING IS A PROBLEM**. If you see anyone fishing with no visible card. Ask to see proof of membership or contact a member of your Executive.

Deadline for Newsletter Submission is the 4th Thursday of the month.

HALL RENTAL FEE SCHEDULE

General

Daily Rates = \$ 300.00 Membership Daily Rate = \$ 210.00 Hourly Rate = \$ 25.00 / Hr.

(Note: A Minimum Charge of \$75.00 Applies)

(Note: Security Deposit is required)
Please call for details

Note; The above is a general rate table only. A more detailed schedule is available for specific functions. All Rates Are Subject to House Committee Approval.

BUY - SELL - TRADE

Place your free ad in the newsletter by calling Karen Anderson at 685-9217, or submit in writing or by email AnderKaren@aol.com. FAX 661-0972

Please submit your entries for the newsletter as soon as possible. Remember the **DEADLINE** is the fourth Thursday of the month. NO **EXCEPTIONS!** Submit all materials to Karen Anderson. Thanks for your help. Ron Earle

Don't forget Come out to the General Meetings.

MEMBERSHIP

PLEASE READ THIS

Renewals are trickling in for the rest of the season. Please return your membership renewals as soon as you receive them, via mail or drop off at the Club mailbox. If there are any problems, please call me, as it is important that we maintain an accurate membership listing. Also, if one of your family members should turn 16, please let us know, because he/she becomes a YOUTH member and he/she requires their own membership card in order to fish. A YOUTH Member cannot use a PRIMARY MEMBERS BADGE. As of July 1, 1999, YOUTH Membership costs \$50.00. Please carry your card with you while on Club Grounds. Spread the word that membership is always open and your valued membership is required to meet the goals and commitments of the Association.

*Please remember to notify us of a change of address in order that you receive your newsletter promptly.

New members for the month of November:

Tom & Heather Carter & Family

Welcome to all.

If you are a new members come to the next General Meeting to be sworn in.

IF YOU MOVE, PLEASE CONTACT ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO YOU CAN RECEIVE THE NEXT NEWSLETTER

Valerie Grahl	668-7620
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SAFE BOAT REGULATIONS

(EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 1999)

For Canoes, Kayaks, Rowboats & Rowing Shells:

Personal Protection Equipment

- 1. One Canadian approved personal floatation device or lifejacket of appropriate size for each person on board.
- 2. One buoyant heaving line of not less than 15 m in length.

Boat Safety Equipment

- **1.** One manual propelling device **OR** an anchor with not less than 15 m of cable, rope or chain in any combination.
- 2. One bailer or one manual water pump fitted with or accompanied by sufficient hose to enable a person using the pump to pump water from the bilge of the vessel over the side of the vessel.

 Navigation Equipment
- **1.** A sound signaling device or a sound signaling appliance.

Navigation lights that meet the applicable standards as out in the *Collision Regulations* if the pleasure craft are operated after sunset and before sunrise or in periods of restricted visibility.