

# July 2004 NEWSLETTER



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## July 2004

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## August 2004

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## Boating Safety Courses

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**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

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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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**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 all bills are paid up to date and the bank balance 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

I hope that our Annual Family Day activities were enjoyable for all who attended. The weather was sunny and not too hot or humid. We had a number of new displays and demonstrations and events held throughout the day.

Have you considered how much planning and time goes in to organizing an event of this size? Contacts must be made for demonstrations and prizes. Food must be purchased and prepared, the grounds must be cleaned and set up and there must be enough volunteers available throughout the day. At the end of the day, everything must be taken down and the grounds cleaned again. As you can see, each function that our club organizes involves many hours and individuals to ensure that our members enjoy themselves.

As President, I would like to personally thank all of our volunteers (both members and nonmembers) and the various sponsors for the superb effort they give to this organization.

Assistance, whether it is for a few hours, a day or more regularly, is always welcomed and very much appreciated. I would like to hear from members as to things that they would like to see or events to hold in the future. If you are a new member and would like to get involved but are not sure how, please feel free to contact any of the Executive.

**THIS IS YOUR CLUB. GET INVOLVED. GIVE NEW IDEAS TO MAKE YOUR CLUB THE VERY BEST IN LONDON.**

*Stan Gibbs*

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Please welcome the following to WOFGPA: the McFalls family, the Pacheco family, Nick Rutkevich, Nels Wilsher, the Poirier family, the Neilson family, the McCoy family, the Hennessy family, Bill Kelly, the Caines family, the Giernacki family, Matt Martin, the Bright family, the Sweet family, the Wright family, the Power family, the Ng family, the Liddard family.

**Please patronize the businesses that advertise with us.**

## MEMBERSHIPS

A waiting list has been implemented as we have reached our cap of 225 primary members. This cap has been set to avoid over-fishing and stressing the property. The early summer months is our biggest time for membership renewals. If you know of anyone that is considering joining, please tell him or her to leave their name on a waiting list with the on-site caretakers. The waiting time to become a member usually is not long.

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**NEW BADGES**

**Effective May 1, 2004, new badges are being issued for new members and for renewal memberships only.** After you have paid your renewal fee, you may obtain your new badge by attending a meeting or by contacting Stan Gibbs only. There is no General Meetings in July and August. **You will not be allowed to fish without a valid new badge even if your dues are paid.** As your membership comes up for renewal, you will be sent a reminder to obtain the new badge. Please have patience, as it will take a year to completely replace all badges.

The winners of the June General Meeting Draw were Ray Ward and Nancy Dilts, who both took home a Barbeque utensil set. Congratulations!

Why not buy a ticket for the monthly draw when you attend the General Meetings. In addition, anyone attending the General meetings can have their name entered to win a one-year membership. The draw takes place immediately following the Elections in March. **One ballot per membership per General Meeting.**

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**NO CULLING AT WOFGPA**

It has come to the attention of the Executive that some members and / or their guests have been culling for Trout. This practice is not allowed and must stop. The fishing rules are posted in the Fish Registry Room and inside the club vestibule by the washrooms for your convenience. Please take a few moments to review these rules and daily limits that apply to your membership. Disobeying the rules could result in disciplinary actions and / or the termination of your membership.

## BBQ Meat Draw

Thurs., June 10<sup>th</sup>

Immediately following our June General Meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup>, we held a draw for BBQ Meat packages (Granny Packs from Courtesy Meats). Congratulations to the following winners: Pat & Ken Lockrey, Art Vowles, Russ Fralick, Ford Foster, Ron Earle, Gerry Lampman, Steve Couture and Rick Foster.

## WORMS FOR SALE

\$ 2 per dozen

Worms will be sold at the club for \$ 2 per dozen for members. The worm sales have been taken on by an adult member. Please pay for the worms as you take them. **Credit is not extended for worm purchases.** If too many worms go unpaid for, their availability will stop.

## Three eyed trout in WOFGPA pond.

Who ever heard of such nonsense? We really have four of these three-eyed trout. One of them was caught by John Findlay. If you happen to catch one of these legendary specimens, keep the third eye and call Tom McGill 652-2875. Three eyed trout are worth something and you get to keep the Trout. Happy angling.

## WOF&GPA WEAR

|                                                             |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 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<br>- navy only                | \$ 12.00 |
| Club embroidered patch crest.....                           | \$ 5.00  |
| Lanyard.....                                                | \$ 5.00  |
| Key chain.....                                              | \$ 5.00  |

**To purchase items or for more info, call Tom McGill at 652 -2875.**

## WOFGPA Website

The website is up and running. You can log on at [www.wofgpa.org](http://www.wofgpa.org). Please visit it often. Lawrence Lainchbury would like to have some pictures, articles or stories about the club to post for all to see. Any submissions can be sent to Lawrence by email at [lw.lainchbury@sympatico.ca](mailto:lw.lainchbury@sympatico.ca)

Over 30 % of the members are receiving their newsletter by email. This has greatly reduced the cost of postage and printing (especially since the printer just raised their prices). 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 Dodge by phone at 668-6257 (evenings) or by email at [teresa.dodge@sympatico.ca](mailto:teresa.dodge@sympatico.ca)

## DOCK REPAIR WORK PARTY

Sat, June 12

A great big thanks is extended to Stan Gibbs, Steve Couture, Tom McGill, Don Colborne, Lawrence Lainchbury, Gord Spotton, Ron Earle, Gord Foster, Don Finch, Fred Pearce, Gerry Lampman, Joe Richard, Ed Tower, Jim Morrow, Stan Winters, Matt Martin, Lloyd Sangster, George Maudlsey. These men spent almost a whole day repairing the back dock, installing new floats and a fish cleaning table. Some work had to be completed the next day. If you see them around the club, please shake their hand and let them what you think of their handiwork. Job well done!

## NEW FISH CLEANING TABLE

The Executive have provided a stainless steel table for cleaning fish by the back dock. The table is to be used by all members and it would be appreciated if you could rinse it after each use. As you clean your catch of the day, please toss all unwanted parts into the bushes or shallow water and the raccoons will routinely eat these trimmings. **Do not put these wastes in plastic bags or in the garbage cans as they will only smell and attract bugs.**

## FAMILY DAY 2004

Annual Family day was held on June 27 and was attended by 77 adults and 58 children. The day was warm and sunny.



The best burgers, dogs and fries in town all cooked under the watchful eyes of Chef Gord.



Thanks to Brenda and Tim Locke for using their talents to entertain the children and adults.



The Snake Lady brought a whole menagerie of creepy crawly things for the group to touch and hold or just watch.



John and Karen Anderson and the Travellin' River Boat provided the music and entertainment for the day.

### Canoe Races



The Canoe Race was won by Rochelle and Rick Foster



The London Fire Department provided a truck and met the members.



The London Police Force – Canine Unit Officer Poole, Officer Wakeland and Sabre did a superb demonstration for all onlookers.



Upper Thames River Conservation Authority (UTRCA) and Greg Balch had displays inside the building, which dealt with wildlife and species at risk.

**Balloon Toss winners:**

Peter Kloczko and Taylor Peeters

**Casting competition winners:**

Junior division – Brandy Manyon

Senior Division – Peter Kloczko

The planning for this event began in the winter months. It took many meetings and phone calls.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who worked so hard in making this day a success.

Hats off to;

Stan and Cindy Gibbs, Ron and Bonnie Earle, Karen and John Anderson, Steve Couture and Teresa Dodge, Val Grahl, Don Colborne, Dave Jefferies, Brenda and Tim Locke, Rob and Jeff MacFarlane, Tom and Shirley McGill, Pat and Ken Lockrey, Tony Dukic, Greg Balch, Gord Foster and Don Finch.

**Children’s Prize Winners were:**

CJ Locke, Michele Thibert, Dillon Manyon, Isaih Clarke Rapetti, John DeLuca, Niki Frazer, Michael Power, Brandy Manyon, Angela Barraclough, Ian Locke, Natasha Clarke, Dylan Wright, Khayria Mansouri, Vanessa Eddy, Donovan Maudsley, Dylan McCurdy, Jesse Hardy, Abby Hennessy, Peter Kloczko, Suroor Mansouri, Jesse Pinkney, Rob MacFarlane, Pauline DeLuca.

**Adult Prize Winners were:**

Pat & Ken Lockrey, Dominic DeLuca, Durand Beevers, Bill Lewis, George Maudsley, Sue Baldinelli, Ralph DeLuca, Lisa Power, mark Wright, George Ulrich, Chelsea Belanger, Don Colborne, Ron Earle, Susan Frazer and Tony DeLuca.

WOFGPA would like to thank the following organizations and individuals for their generous sponsorship to this day: The Lockrey family, Swiss Chalet, Dairy Queen, Stacey’s Heating and Plumbing, Anderson Entertainment Agency, the Parker family, the Couture family, Copp’s Buildall, the Earle family, the Grahl family, the Foster family, East Park Golf Gardens, Western Fair IMAX, Greg Balch, London Fire Department and London Police Force – Canine Unit and Upper Thames River Conservation Authority. Please accept my apologies if your name has been missed.

We hope to see everyone at Family Day next year.

Have a safe and happy summer.

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 Thank you to Art Vowles for generously donating a much needed security device to the club.  
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**6<sup>th</sup> Annual Bass Derby**

**Date:** Sun. July 11, 2004

**Time:** 8:00 til Noon  
 (Registration begins at 7:30 am, **no earlier**)

**Cost:** \$ 5.00 per person and is open to members and their guests.

There will be youth and adult divisions.

Lets try to beat last year’s record.

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