NOVEMBER 2007 NEWSLETTER







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November 2007

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December 2007

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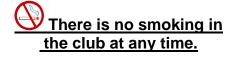
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General meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30pm, except for the months of July and August. The Executive meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month. Remember that you, as a member, can attend any of the meetings. Your input is highly valued and appreciated.

Treasurer's Report

Steve Couture presented the Treasurer's Report at the General and Executive meetings, showing the accounts are in order. If you wish to receive a copy of the full report, please attend either of these meetings.



President's Message

In previous President's Messages, I have thanked different people for jobs that were done at the Club. Most of these were very noticeable and greatly appreciated.

At this time I would like to thank all the people that do jobs around the Club that nobody really knows about. There are some members that without being asked will do such jobs as picking up trash that has been left by others, emptying the garbage pails, weeding and caring got the gardens, cleaning and maintaining storage rooms and trailers and many other small jobs that I am not fully aware of.

These wonderful members are the ones who keep our Club House and grounds looking so good. So to you I tip my hat and say thank you on behalf of all of our members.

I have been very pleased with the attendance at our monthly General Meetings. I am sure that the addition of guest speakers is one of the reasons for this. In the month of November we will try to do the carving demonstration again, I have been promised a very enlightening and informative talk.

On a final note, our Christmas tree lot set up and sales are almost upon us. Please see Don Colborne and put your name on his volunteer list.

Yours in Conservation **Stan Gibbs**

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Effective January 1, 2008, an electronic copy of the monthly newsletter will not be sent to members. You may obtain the newsletter by visiting the club website at www.wofgpa.org
If you have never visited the club website, now is the time. This site contains our club history, updated information about any functions; links to other groups, a photo library and of course our newsletter.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Boat Rack is now managed by Jim Morrow instead of Stan Gibbs. Please direct any enquiries about boat rack spots to Jim.

PLEASE PATRONIZE THE BUSINESSES THAT ADVERTISE WITH WOF&GPA



DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDARS

Mid October until?

Volunteer scheduling for Christmas tree sales has begun and will continue until all time slots are filled. The shifts are just a few hours long.

Sat. Nov. 24th @ 9:00 Tree lot set-up.

At least 12 men are needed to set up the tree lot. If you have access to a cordless drill, please contact either Steve or Don (numbers below). We will supply hot coffee throughout the set-up morning and a lunch for all the helpers.

Sat. Dec 1st Tree Sales start and continue until we are sold out.

This year <u>all</u> the trees will be delivered at one time during the last week of November. Don is hoping to have the names of young, strong men to unload these trees on a weekday. Many volunteers will make light work of this task.

The Christmas tree sales are our largest fundraiser of the year. The profits from this venture help to keep your membership dues so low and also funds many events and functions throughout the year. It also helps to ensure a continuous stock of fish in the pond.

This is your chance to meet and greet many people in the area as they come to buy trees. Enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow Club volunteers. Have the satisfaction of knowing you are doing your part to make this club the gem that is.

If you can assist with unloading trees, tree lot set up or sales, please contact:

Until Nov. 17 – Steve Couture at 519-668-6257 After Nov. 17 – Don Colborne at 519-668-9559

The tree sales volunteer sign up list will be available at all functions.

We are pleased to announce that on November 8, immediately following a shortened General Meeting, Herman Szielasko will have a short talk and demonstration about his favorite hobby, wood carving.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 8, 2007 Served from 9:00 till 11:00 am



Invite your friends, neighbours, hockey team and coworkers to a great club cooked breakfast.

Your hot and fresh breakfast consists of:

Bacon and eggs,
Hash browned potatoes
Toast (white or whole wheat)
Orange juice
Tea or coffee

The cost is very reasonable at:

- Adults \$ 3.00
- Children \$ 1.50 (2 to 6 year olds)
- Children under two years old no charge

There are crafts and colouring for the little ones (or the young at heart) while they wait for the visit from Santa. Each child will receive a treat from Santa.

After this, the family can go outside to pick out their fresh cut and trimmed Christmas tree from the Tree lot.

Hope to see everyone there!

Turkey Roll

Thursday, December 13, 2007

(Following a shortened General Meeting)

We once again are having our annual Turkey Roll with 20 turkeys weighing between 4 - 5 kgs. each. Thanks to Bill Rodrigues for organizing the purchase of all the turkeys for this year.

Tickets for each draw are only \$ 1.00 each.

Come out for a great social evening with lots of laughs, cards and good company.

Hope to see everyone there!

FALL TROUT DERBY

On October 14, the club was fortunate to have 53 anglers test the waters. The weather was great but unfortunately the Trout just weren't very hungry. A total of nine Trout were caught.

The winners of the Adult Division were:

1st place Wes Giernacki 2nd place Nathan Wales 3rd place Bob Smale



Nathan Wales and his catch of the day

Youth Division:

1st place Ben Jaleski



Alyssa Lauzon (Honorary 2nd place Youth winner) and

If you have an item listed for sale or an article to share with other members: contact Teresa

Couture by phone at 519-668-6257 (evenings) or by email at teresa.dodge@sympatico.ca

Euchre is now in full swing. The winners of the October 27th euchre games were:

High Man – Bob Smale
High Lady – Ruth Anne MacGregor
Mystery Man – Don Colborne
Mystery Lady – Shirley
Most Lone Hands – Gord Spotton
50/50 Draw – Janice Colborne

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.

The next euchre is Sat. November 24th. Remember that the games start at 7:30 pm SHARP! To ensure that you get a seat to play, please arrive no earlier than 6:45 pm. The cost is only \$ 5.00 per player.

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.

WOFGPA Merchandise is once again available. All the merchandise is good quality and very moderately priced. For more details about available stock, please see Tom McGill at a meeting or function or call him at 519-652-2875.

We are looking for many ideas to keep our members coming to our General Meetings. On way, was for members to share their love of their hobby with others by giving a short and informal talk or demonstration. If you have any ideas that you would like to share, please contact Stan Gibbs by telephone in the evening.

The General Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm (except July and August). Please plan to attend and add your input so that informed decisions can be made about YOUR club. You may also attend the Executive meeting held on the 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm.

The winners of the October General Meeting monthly draw were: Stan Gibbs and Donovan Maudsley. Congratulations!

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

or

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

Upcoming Events at WOFGPA

November 24 - Christmas tree lot set up

November 24 – Euchre

December 1 – Christmas Tree Sales begin and continue until all trees are sold (or Christmas arrives)

December 8 - Breakfast with Santa

December 13 - Turkev Roll

Our waiting list continues to grow by leaps and bounds. Do not let you membership lapse. If your membership does, you must ask to have your name added to the waiting list until an opening is available. If you have a boat in the Boat Rack, it must be removed, as you are no longer a member in good standing.

The newsletter can also be obtained online at www.wofgpa.org

Please visit our website and let us know what you think about it and how we can improve it. Feedback from the members, whether good or not so good is welcomed.

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