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Club WEB Site / e-mail

http://www.wofgpa.org e-mail: wofgpa1@wofgpa.org



Boating Safety Courses

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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.

Presi dent's Message September 2005

Summer is almost over.

This is the time of year when children get ready to go back to school. The adults are glad the youngsters are going to be in school and are making plans for things to do in the fall.

WOF&GPA does not hold summertime functions as everyone usually takes their vacation at this time. I would not want you to miss out simply because you were at the cottage, the beach or went to visit Grandma and Grandpa.

Beginning in September, the General Meetings start up again on the second Thursday of each month. Euchre starts up again. A Fall Trout derby has been planned. We will be stocking the pond with Trout once the water cools. One suggestion has been to hold a Karaoke night in the new year.

I would like to hear about some of your ideas for social functions for the adults or the children. After all, this is your club so let us make the most of it.

Stan Gibbs 668-2609

BOAT SAFETY COURSE

September 21, 2005 6:30 pm start time

Phil Gingrich is offering a boat safety course at the club on September $21^{\rm st}$. 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 successfully taken this course and provide proof by showing their card when requested.

Why not take the course now in the early fall and be ready for the boating season next year. So do not delay.

The course runs from 6:00 till 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



This guest managed to catch a catfish while fishing at WOFGPA. The insert shows what the fish looks like laying on the dock.

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.

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

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

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FOR SALE

We just got central air and no longer need our window units. Four air conditioners priced to sell at \$ 75.00 each or best offer:

- 1 5000 BTU
- 2 8000 BTU
- 1 10,000 BTU

I also have a Trailer with too many details to list. The price has been reduced to \$ 1800 OBO.

Call Tony Dukic at 451-2602 for more details and to see any of these items.



EUCHRE IS BACK AGAIN!

DATE: Saturday, September 24, 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.

FOR SALE

Maytag washer that is in excellent condition and used less than 5 years. Asking \$ 250.00 OBO.

A high quality computer chair in good condition, asking \$25.00 OBO.

Call Don at 686-9559 to see these items.

FOR SALE

Trolling motor battery for sale for \$ 150 OBO. Call Chris at 636-9800

FALL TROUT DERBY

Mark your calendars and do not miss this one as your angling expertise could make you the winner of this years fall trout derby.

DATE: Sunday, October 16, 2005

DERBY TIMES: 7:30 am till Noon

REGISTRATION: 7:00 am NO EARLIER

You may put your boat in the water earlier but are not allowed to fish until the derby begins.

COST:

Members: \$ 12.00 Non-members: \$ 15.00 Child (age 12 and under) \$ 5.00

Paid entrance fee includes lunch and door prizes. For more details, call Tom McGill at 652-2875.

All efforts will be made to stock with Trout before the derby, but it cannot be done unless the water temperature drops. Watch the bulletin board for details.

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#### **WOF&GPA WEAR**

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

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| 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.

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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.

OFAH ANNUAL MEETING

Many events are planned for the weekend of the OFAH Annual meeting. Please check out the website at ofah.org for more details.

Date: September 17 – 18, 2005 **Place:** Dunnville Hunters and Anglers

237 McGlaughlin Road

Dunnville (905) 774-1138

Cost: \$50 per couple or \$25 for single.

For more details of the weekends events and to register, please contact:

Rob Culp RR#5 Dunville, ON N1A 2W4

Trout Stocking

By now all the avid anglers are starting to wonder just when WOFGPA will be doing trout stocking.

We will be monitoring the water temperature closely and the fish will go in when the water reaches 58°C (approximately). Due to the very hot summer, that we have had so far, the water temperature is high. Cooler days and some colder nights help reduce the temperature significantly. If the water temperature is too high, it will cause the trout to go into shock and die within a very short time.

We will try to keep you posted by newsletter as the time gets closer BUT remember to watch the bulletin boards at the club for more details.

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#### Water Quality

The water in the pond at WOFGPA has been tested for levels of certain significant bacteria (namely E. coli, Fecal streptococci and Pseudomonas aeruginosa). The water samples were collected at each of the three docks in late August. The results show very low levels of bacteria, which is very typical of a pond, with no evidence of human sewage contamination.

The bacteria levels are considerably lower than the last tests done in 2003.

We feel that the Shoreline restoration area has limited the access points for the geese. This in turn has greatly reduced the level of bacteria at the dock areas, which is where most of the angling is done. If you want more information, please contact Teresa Couture at 668-6257 or Stan Gibbs at 668-2609.

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.

#### **Chicken Rice Casserole**

Layer the bottom of a greased casserole dish with Long grain rice.

Pour orange juice over the rice to well cover it. Add boneless and skinless chicken breasts on top.

Spoon a tin of tomato soup on top of the chicken.

Spread a drained tin of mushroom pieces on top of the tomato soup.

Sprinkle the contents of a Onion soup mix on top.

Cover with foil and bake at 350°F for 1-1/2 hours.

Pat & Ken Lockrey

#### **Peanut butter Pie**

You need:

9 " pie shell, baked and cooled.

1 c. peanut butter

1 1/4 c. icing sugar

8 oz. Cream Cheese

½ c. whipping cream

2 tsp. Vanillla

6 oz. Semi-sweet chocolate

#### Topping:

Microwave whip cream with chocolate (uncovered) for 2-3 minutes. Refrigerate uncovered.

- Beat cream cheese until easily stirred. Add Peanut butter and 1 cup of icing sugar. Beat till it is well mixed and slightly lightened.
- In a small bowl, beat ½ cup whipping cream until soft peaks form when the beaters are lifted. Gradually beat in the remaining icing sugar and vanilla. Continue to beat until peaks form.
- 3. Pour mixture into baked, cooled pie shell.
- 4. Add topping and chill. Serve chilled.

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