

## JUNE 2021



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### June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 General Meeting	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Executive Meeting	25	26
27	28	29	30			

### July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Canada Day	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Executive Meeting	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

**REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR MEMBERSHIP VALID TO AVOID BEING ON A WAITING LIST TO REJOIN**

**Western Ont. Fish & Game Protective Association  
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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 and minerals, its waters, forests, air and wildlife, and 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, are welcome to attend all club meetings. Your input is highly valued and appreciated.

**Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report is presented at the Executive meeting and questions and comments are always welcome. If you wish to receive a copy of the full report, please attend this meeting.



Cigarette smoking is not permitted within 5 metres of all club entrances. Smokers are asked to use the containers provided for cigarette butt disposal. Cannabis use and vaping is not permitted anywhere on club property.

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

According to our records and information in our archives, some of our first members raised birds for hunting and fish for angling in and around our pond. Your Executive has taken a step back into the past and started a pilot project of raising some trout to be released in our pond.

We have acquired 100 trout fingerlings that we hope to raise over the summer and into the fall for release. These fry are about 1 inch long at present and we hope they will be 3 to 4 inches in the fall.

I am looking for some volunteers to assist in the care of these trout. They will have to be fed twice a day, and the tank and pump checked. The total time to do this normally will only be a couple of minutes. If you are interested in helping out, please let me know when you would be available, for example you could commit to one shift or one day, or combinations. I would meet with interested members and give instructions on duties.

Yours in Conservation  
Stan Gibbs

## **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS AND CHANGE OF CONTACT INFORMATION**

Currently, the province is under Stay At Home regulation. As such, some members have been granted an extension on their grace period to pay their dues. These individuals have been contacted by Val Grahl, Membership Chair. The province will soon start their 3-step plan of opening things. Additional dates have been designated for members to pay their dues in June. All memberships will be up to date as of the end of June.

The new membership rates (effective April 1, 2021) are:

Family	\$ 160.00
Single	\$ 140.00
Senior	\$ 135.00

For example, purposes: if your renewal date on your notice is June 1, 2021. Your membership ran from June 1, 2020 through May 31, 2021. Your membership will lapse at the end of June, which is the one-month grace period permitted and your name removed from the membership list. If you choose to rejoin the club, your name will be added to the waiting list which is currently has an estimated 4 year wait time.

It is very important that you send any and all changes in mailing address, email or phone number(s) to Val Grahl (Membership Committee). WOFGPA will not be responsible if your membership lapses due to incorrect contact information on file.

All membership renewal notices are sent electronically, and mailed only to those persons without an email on file. Please bring your notice with you when paying your membership dues. The club will accept cheques, debit and credit card payments but not e-transfers. Mailed payments and late payments will not be accepted and will be returned to you.

## **WELFARE**

Many club members who aren't able to attend the club for meetings or fishing might welcome a quick call to say "Hello and what have you been up to?" This is especially important during the pandemic as many of our members venture outside or visit friends and family infrequently and would likely welcome a call.

If you know of a club member or their immediate family who could use some cheering up or has reached one of life's many milestones, please contact Teresa Couture who will gladly make contact on behalf of the club.

Wishing for speedy recovery and healthier days ahead for those individuals affected by Covid-19 and other health issues. All are recovering at home.

Our heartfelt condolences to Brian and Terry Allen and their family after the passing of Brian's brother Ken. Our heartfelt condolences are with Ray and Barb Smith after the passing of Ray's brother. Our thoughts and prayers are with these families during these difficult times.

## **CANCELLED EVENTS**

Just a note to inform members about events that have been cancelled due to government restrictions. The province will soon implement a 3-stage plan for opening up the province. As things open, there will be updates on the news and the Middlesex London Health Unit website.

The Executive has decided that all club functions will be cancelled until we are in "Stage 3". Until that time, the Annual Tackle Swap, the Black Crappie Derby and the Youth Activity Day have been cancelled.

## **MERCHANDISE**

Black mask with embroidered "fish" logo.

Cost is \$ 13.00 each or 2 for \$ 25.00. This item is in limited supply. Please contact Stan Gibbs about mask purchases.

The club has pens, lanyards, T-shirts, hoodies, sweatshirts, toques, patch crests and key chains available in stock. Lined jackets with an embroidered club crest and your name are available as custom orders only. Custom orders can be placed at any time. Current selection includes larger sized hoodies and T-shirts (sizes up to 3XL).

Andre Koch can be reached at home by phone. Stan Gibbs is present at meetings.



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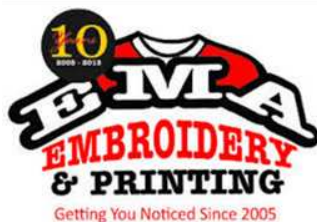
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