NOVEMBER 2026





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November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Remembrance Day	12 General meeting	13	14 Fall Clean up Tree lot setup
15	16	17	18 Tree delivery	19	20 Tree sales begin	21
22	23	24	25	26 Executive meeting & Bucket List trip info	27	28
29	30					

December

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 Ronald McDonald House Volunteer Night	19
20	21 Executive Meeting (early)	22	23	24	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day
27	28	29	30	31 New Years Eve		

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

Western Ont. Fish & Game
Protective Association
Executive & Committees for 2026-2027

Executive

President	
Stan Gibbs	519-709-9413
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Marco Liberatore	519-680-1222
2nd Vice President	
Lou Liberatore	519-649-1988
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Steve Couture	519-668-6257
Directors	
Lawrence Lainchbury	519-681-7199
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Entertainment	
Jeanette Jurasek (Chair)	519-685-0237
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Angela Liberatore	519-680-1222
Tracy McCaw	519-438-8884
Julie Thursby	519-473-5506
House	
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Stan Gibbs	519-709-9413
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Marco Liberatore	519-680-1222
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Lawrence Lainchbury	519-681-7199
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Ron Dennis	519-577-8888
Joe Isenor	519-681-4301
Murray Lane	519-681-8309
Lou Liberatore	519-649-1988
Lawrence Lainchbury	519-681-7199
Steve Robertson	519-872-4671
Bob Thursby	519-473-5506
Welfare	
Teresa Couture	226-224-6351
Boat Rack	
Don Colborne	519-686-9559
Membership	
Valerie Grahl	519-453-0659
Newsletter	
Teresa Couture	226-224-6351
Merchandise	
Marco & Angela Liberatore	519-680-1222
Fundraising	
Stan Gibbs	519-709-9413
Youth Committee (Adult Mentor)	
Jeanette Jurasek	519-685-0237
Website Administrator and Public Relations	
Lawrence Lainchbury	519-681-7199
Political & Environmental Research	
Steve & Teresa Couture	519-668-6257
Stan Gibbs	519-709-9413
Lawrence Lainchbury	519-681-7199
Wreath Brigade	
Stan Gibbs	519-709-9413
Angela Liberatore	519-680-1222
Club Caretakers	
Ray and Barb Smith	519-681-2370

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.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Bucket List Trip

Have you ever considered or would like to do a fly in fishing trip.

Before the start of our Executive Meeting in November, Jon Grace, owner/operator of the Old Post Lodge will be joining us to discuss his operation. He will inform us of the great pike and walleye fishing opportunities at his camp, what tackle to use and how to organize your trip out to his camp in northern Ontario.

Let's have a good crowd for Jon, to make his appearance worthwhile.

Yours in Conservation
Stan Gibbs

GOODWILL

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.

We hope that Bob Merrow is feeling like his old self soon as he recuperates at home.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS AND CHANGE OF CONTACT INFORMATION

There seems to be confusion as to the grace period permitted to pay dues. If your renewal date on your renewal notice is November 1, 2026, then your membership period ran from November 1, 2025 through October 31, 2026. Your membership will lapse on November 30, 2026, which is the one-month grace period permitted. At the end of the grace period, your name will be removed from the membership list. If you choose to rejoin the club, your name will be added to the waiting list.

The new membership rates (effective April 1, 2026) are:

Family	$ 175.00
Single	$ 155.00
Senior	$ 150.00
Youth (16-18 Yrs)	$ 75.00
Boat Rack	$ 60.00 (unchanged)

ANNUAL MEETING DRAW

For each General Meeting that you attend, you can complete a ballot for a free one-year membership (no cash value). The draw is done each year at the Annual Elections in March of each year.

ANNUAL PORK DINNER
Sat. Oct 3

Thank you to all who made this evening a success. The meal and camaraderie were amazing.

The winner of the evening was:

Flowers	Darlene Keating
Potted Mums	Joe Ruscio
Pies	Nancy Sod and Jeff Jurasek
Farm Boy Basket	Adam Mohammed

50/50 $ 105 Mike Small who generously donated the money back for fish stocking.



Adam Mohammed with the Farm Boy Gift basket

Lou Liberatore placed the winning Silent Auction bid for the custom Rainbow Trout painting on wood plank.



Lou Liberatore is pictured with the artist, Diane Sing.

FALL CLEAN UP & TREE LOT SETUP
Sat., Nov. 14
8:30 am (rain or shine)

Lots of work needs to be done in cleaning the grounds prior to setting up the tree lot.
Please bring a rake if you have one.
Gloves and refreshments are provided.
If you can come, please confirm with Lou Liberatore.

CLUB MERCHANDISE

The club is now loaded with plenty of new swag for its members, family and friends. This is the club's 150th anniversary so come and get your collectable swag.

Blue zippered hoodies	$ 55
Blue sweaters	$ 30
Blue, long-sleeved T-shirts	$ 30
Blue, short sleeved t-shirts	$ 20
Blue Hoodies	$ 40
Ball caps	$ 15 - $ 35
Winter Toques	$ 15

Some items can be custom ordered such as jackets with name for an additional cost. Please see Marco or Angela Liberatore at any meeting or function.

FALL TROUT DERBY
Sun. OCT. 18

The winners of the day were:

Adult Division

1st	Jacob Bylow	114.5 cm
2nd	Gord Spotton	111 cm
3rd	Kurt Boys	102.5 cm

Youth Division

1st	Harlow Zinn	110 cm
2nd	Jasper Blair	36.5 cm

Largest Trout Noah Romanczak 46.5 cm

50/50 $ 175 Steve Robertsen



Noah Romanczak is congratulated by Joe Isenor for angling the largest Trout of the derby.



The final door prize was an Ugly Stick which was donated by Mike Small. Unfortunately, the ladies name was not recorded.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Lou Liberatore is heading the Grounds Committee. He is asking that those interested in helping with the grounds come each Wednesday morning at 9:00 am.
The project will be announced each week.
Many hands make light work.

CLUB MEDIA PRESENCE

Stan Gibbs has noted that the club should be looking at ways to update its presence in the newsletter, website and possibly on social media platforms directed at its members and the public. He is hoping to oversee a group that can come up with and implement fresh ideas. No meetings have been set as yet but if you would like to be involved, please contact Stan Gibbs at presidentwofgpa@gmail.com

FIREWOOD

Nancy Shaw has firewood that she is selling. She is generously donating 20% of sales to the club. Please contact her at 519-476-7521.

RONALD McDonald HOUSE VOLUNTEER NIGHT
FRI, DEC. 18

If any members interested in volunteering at the Roanld McDonald House on Fri., Dec. 18th, please contact Marco or Angelea Liberatore by Nov, 27th at 519-680-1222.

Volunteers will be preparing and serving a meal under the guidance of the Ronald McDonald House staff.

Your name will be entered into a draw and then you will be contacted is you are selected to volunteer. Only 8 participants are required and will be selected.

TREE DELIVERY
Wed, Nov. 18

The truck will arrive early morning fully loaded with trees which need to be unloaded in a timely manner. Once unloaded, the netting need to be removed from some as they are stood up on the tree lot.

Many hands make light work. Work gloves, refreshments and comradery abound. Hope to see a great turnout of able-bodied persons.

Tree sales begin on Fri., Nov. 20

TREE SHIFT SCHEDULING

Don Colborne is the main contact for scheduling persons for tree shift selling.

Don is asking that members call him on the phone to discuss their shifts.

The shifts last only a few hours and cover morning, afternoon and evening shifts.

Only one person is required to handle cash in the trailer per shift. Lots of help is needed on the lot to sell trees, trim and bag trees and help get the tree to the car or truck. This is especially true on weekends and after dinner hour weekdays.

There always seem to be a race to get assigned the best shifts so don't delay in contacting Don Colborne.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
Sat. Dec 5
9:00 til 11:00 am

Come out for a great club cooked breakfast before the family heads to the tree lot to pick that perfect tree for this Christmas.

Santa will arrive for a visit with the children around 10:30.

Cost:
Adults $ 10
Children $ 6 (ages 5 to 10)
No charge for children aged 4 and under

RENTALS

Did you know that the WOFGPA hall can be rented for your next "special" occasion for a very reasonable price?

The hall has a maximum seating capacity of 80 persons, which makes it just the right size for a small wedding reception, bridal and baby showers, your next meeting, anniversary party, family reunions and get-togethers, Christmas party and birthdays. Professional bar service is offered in the wet bar.

The club hall is unavailable for Stag and Doe parties, engagement parties or outdoor wedding photoshoots.

Please contact Barb Smith, the club's resident caretaker to discuss hall availability and rates. The hall is available to members or their families to get together after the passing of a loved one. In certain circumstances, a special reduced rate may apply. Members get discounted rates on Friday and Saturday evening rentals and not on hourly rate rentals.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The event calendar for the 2026 – 2027 year is available and posted on the club website www.wofgpa.org. Details are also posted on club bulletin boards.

Wed, Nov 11	Remembrance Day
Thurs, Nov 12	General Meeting
Sat, Nov 14	Fall Cleanup
	Tree lot setup
Wed, Nov 18	Tree delivery
Fri, Nov 21	Tree sales begin
	Wreath Brigade begins
Sat, Dec 5	Breakfast with Santa
Thurs, Dec 10	General Meeting & Turkey Roll
Fri, Dec 18	Ronald McDonald House Volunteer Night
Mon, Dec 21	Executive Meeting (held early due to holidays)
Fri, Dec 25	Christmas Day
Sat, Dec 26	Boxing Day
Thurs, Dec 31	New Year's Eve

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