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THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING,

First Thursday of each month, October to June,
 September exception -> second Thursday

Thursday

June 2, 7:30 pm

AT THE CLUB HOUSE,

THE CLUB HOUSE is: on the
 Lincoln Park Road,
 in the township of Georgian Bluffs, or
 {082535 Side Road 6}, or
 {217567 Concession 3 Side road,
 behind Gord Maher Centre}

Hot dog night starts at 5:30 pm.
 Free - all you can eat with a cash
 bar. **Auction** to follow.

Come on out and bring along all
 that good stuff you haven not
 used in years.

*Playing the stock market no
 longer provides for your old age,
 but it does hasten its arrival!*

President's Message (June 2016)

As spring fades and summer comes upon us we can only hope for warmer weather to enjoy the great outdoors. Don't forget the Annual June meeting Auction held by world famous auctioneer Jack Doherty. Bring out what you wish to entice fellow members with and help the club to make a few extra bucks. This meeting will be the last for the summer break and return again in September. As always I know the Derby is looking for volunteers to help for the 10 day event, but mostly we can mostly use extra hands on the final Sunday night and the Monday to pack up and transfer back to the club all it takes to put on this event. This is always followed up on Monday with a barbeque and a couple of coolers of cold drinks for those assisting. Enjoy the summer camping, boating or just relaxing, see you back here in the fall and most of all stay safe.

Scott Grimodlby

Projector

The club is looking for a projector that our speakers can use with their lap tops.

Our club members have a lot of knowledge in a lot of diverse topics so if you have any recommendations, good or bad, please let us know.

Maybe you have a good one that you just do not use anymore and would sell it to the club. Anyway you get the idea.

If you can help out please contact Mike Prevost at
 mbprevost@hotmail.com or
 519-376-7368. Thanks

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Please inform John Ford if your address, phone number, or email changes!

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May 5, 2016

PRIZE DRAW WINNERS

- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Hammer | Brian Fulford |
| 2. Leather gloves | Dave Skelton |
| 3. Working gloves | Doug Van horne |
| 4. Knife | Ken Miersch |
| 5. Pruners | Dave Grolla |
| 6. Knife & case | Shane Ruther |
| 7. Folding knife | Bob Esplen |
| 8. T- shirt | Fraser Murray |
| 9. Towels | Jim Cline |
| 10. Fishhead holder | Wyatt Farquason |
| 11. 4 flashlights | Stan McLean |
| 12. Muskol | Bill Colborne |
| 13. Off clip on | Al Hillis |
| 14. Off clip on | Fred Geberdt |

Red tag - \$50.00 Gift Certificate
 Giant Tiger Guy Doherty

Thanks to all for participating -
Brian Clements



Fred Geberdt rounded up some volunteers to plant cedars on a SSA Foundation property.



OSSS Help Needed

The 29th Annual Owen Sound Salmon Spectacular is only a few months away as it begins on August 26 and finishes on September 4.

We need help to complete the many tasks involved. If you are interested in working in the weigh-in station, please contact Lillie Bates at 376-5264.

As well, Al Hillis looks after the bar. His number is 371-3825. There may be a few places available on the P R and merchandise booth. Tom Carrick is the Chair and his number is 372-0260.

Two very important dates are Wednesday August 24 and Thursday August 25 as they are the set up days for the Spectacular. The tent will go up on Wednesday morning. We will need any and all hands to make this a success.

The start up time is 8:00 am.

John Ford and Wayne Gallagher planted some replacement apple and oak trees on the club Demonstration property.



Some highlights of the May Awards Night general meeting.



Photos- thanx to Mike Prevost



What would a chair look like if your knees were bent the other way?

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SSA EMERGENCY FISH & WILDLIFE SUPPORT COMMITTEE REPORT

Monday, May 9th 2016 saw the Emergency Fish & Wildlife Support Committee swing back into action for the 2016 Spring Season.

A report of trapped fish in the culvert at Morrison Creek was confirmed and rescue action was required. Committee members Jim Hastie (Confirmed Space Expert) Ron Robb, John Ford and John Momeau were present.

After netting six rainbow (all in good condition) and placing them in our rescue water tub with an aerator going, Ron Robb quickly transported these fish to the mouth of Bothwell's Creek at the Leith Store where they were released.

All of the fish survived to spawn another day.

Thanks to all of the above members who helped with the rescue project. Also, a big thanks to Jim Hastie for going through the culvert four times.

Thirty-seven fish have been rescued to-date by our committee. (A job well done!)

Yours in Conservation, **Chair: John Morneau**

On May 21 Jim Hastie, Walley Cunningham, John Ford and Ron Robb rescued 3 adult Rainbow Trout from a culvert on Concession A, former Sydenham Township, and returned them to Leith at Bothwells Creek.

All were in fine condition to spawn another day. Thanks to all of our Volunteers who came out and give of their time to do the projects such as releasing Rainbows from the Hatchery, cleaning out the Kidney Pond at the Hatchery and rescuing stranded fish from sure death for without these members giving of their time a lot of these projects might not get done.

Thanks to everyone of you! **Ron Robb, Hatchery Manager**



ARCHERY PROGRAM

Archery Update:

Please be advised that the Archery Walk-through range is in the process of being moved from its current location over to were the old Sporting Clay Range

was. This move will take several weeks to finalize, so we will be without this Range for approximately 3 weeks. We will send out a notice to all members once the move and sign age is completed and the new range is available for usage.

The Archery Practice Facility at the bottom of the hill will remain in its current location and has been refurbished last week so it's in great condition and can be used anytime.

Bill Douglas, Range Co-Chair.



Photos- thanx to John Morneau

Volunteers - Thank you -

The Sydenham Sportsmen's Association would not function, if it were not for its many volunteers. Thank you to everyone that helps with our fund raising ticket sales, shooting range improvements, fish hatchery maintenance, wildlife projects, the Salmon Derby and the many other things that keeps our club going.

The SSA Executive

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Surplus SSA Property

The SSA Board of Directors at their May 2016 meeting declared the following club assets surplus.

Quantity of 10 Lincoln hand throw sporting clay trap machines.

These machines are currently part of the old sporting clays course and will be available starting June 1st 2016. Each trap will be sold at a cost of \$250.00 per machine. SSA members will have first opportunity to purchase between June 1st and June 15th after which the traps will be offered to the general public. Payment is required prior to pick up and the machines must be removed from the property upon purchase.

For further information or to purchase please contact Gord Fraser 519-794-2303

Approx 250 Cedar Posts

A large quantity of unpeeled cedar posts of various sizes are available to purchase as a single lot. The posts are currently located on the SSA property and can be viewed at any time. The successful bidder will be required to remove the posts from the club property at his/her own expense no later than June 30th, 2016.

Please submit your sealed offer marked "Surplus offer" to property manager Wayne Gallagher in person or to the club mail box at PO Box 264 Stn Main, Owen Sound Ontario, N4K 5P3 no later than June 14th, 2016. The bids will be opened at the June Board of Directors meeting on June 16th. Please note the highest bid or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

If no bids are received or accepted by June 16th, the lot of posts will be offered for sale to the general public.

For more information or to view the posts please contact Wayne 519-374-5100



Guelph Apr 01, 2016

Officials say it's likely all ash in Guelph are now infested with the killer beetle. The losing battle against the emerald ash borer continues in Guelph and the surrounding area, as forestry experts take measures designed primarily to protect the public. Nothing much can be done now to keep the little green bug at bay and the trees alive, those experts say.

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SSA Club Work Party to be held on Sunday, June 5th at 9:30 am until approx 1pm. There are several jobs that need to be completed around the clubhouse property. Club members are asked to help out and there will be a free BBQ lunch that day for those who volunteer. It is recommended to bring along a pair of work gloves and bug spray. If you happen to have items like a chain saw, tree trimmers etc.. they may come in handy as well.

All volunteers meet at the clubhouse.



SSA Youth Shooting Program.

Looking for young club members between the ages of 12 and 18 who would be interested in participating in shooting activities this summer.

If you are interested or for more information please contact Jeff Caldwell jrc870@gmail.com or 226-668-4720.



Minutes at the table does not put on weight - it is the seconds!

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Thanks to those submitting material for this newsletter.

Anyone with articles for this Newsletter should get them to me by the 20th (or sooner) of the preceding month.

*Dave Skelton 519-376-9554
dskel@golden.net*

An **Application Form** may be obtained by using the link below.

<http://www.sydenhamsportsmen.com/> Top menu Bar -> **Membership**

Just fill in the form, and mail to the address on the front page of this newsletter, c/o **John Ford.**