



THE SPORTSMAN

“Conservation is Our Aim”



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THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING,

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

Thursday

November 3, 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}

President’s Message - *Scott Grimoldby*

Fall has arrived and the next season will be soon upon us. I hope all have had success in the past outdoor offerings and are looking forward to what will be upon us shortly. We wrapped up another successful Owen Sound Salmon Spectacular and **thanks** to all who helped out to run such a large event. A big thanks to Keith who demonstrated his sausage making craft at our last General meeting, and I know the members enjoyed the results. With that being said, don’t forget that our December General meeting will be “Nibble Night” and as in the past the evening will have many tasty dishes being offered. Stay safe and be careful at night driving with the deer movement that will be ever increasing in the near future.

SPEAKERS CORNER: For several years the MNR have collected data from fish caught during the OSSS derby (and the Chantry as well). Chris Davis, Lake Huron and Superior MNR biologist, will present how this data has provided information about the changes in the food web (lake wide including the U.S. waters) and a linkage to salmon sizes and salmon abundance.

Jim Hastie.

O.F.A.H Conservation Lottery Tickets

We will have these tickets available at the November meeting. Tickets are three dollars each or thirty dollars for a book of ten for a chance at a lot of great prizes. They are an easy solution as a gift for someone. The club gets \$ 9.00 for each book sold which is one of our easier fund raising projects so please plan on helping us out again. Thanks

Jim Hastie.

Over 60 Years Promoting Conservation



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

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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
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Monthly Meeting Draw Prize Winners



October 6, 2016

PRIZE DRAW WINNERS

- | | |
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| 1. Wood duck print | Peter Robson |
| 2. Gloves | Rick Wardrop |
| 3. Moose print | John Snook |
| 4. Folding knife | Dave Grolla |
| 5. Tin snips | Iva Lois Manley |
| 6. Scissor set | Dennis Green |
| 7. Multi tool | Ken Miersch |
| 8. Fish head | Dennis Wiseman |
| 9. Rope | Scott Grimoldby |
| 10. Moose head | Don Fosbury |
| 11. LED lamp | Carol Wiseman |
| 12. Tarp | Larry Fischer |
| Red tag - \$50.00 Food Gift Certificate | George Albrocht |

Thanks to all for participating...

Brian Clements



Early Bird Membership Draw

J Ford

At our November meeting we will be selling 2017 memberships. You can pay with your credit or debit card, by cheque or with cash. Membership fees remain the same as in 2016 i.e. Families \$135, Adults \$110, Seniors \$95 and spouses an additional \$25. If you pay in November you will receive 3 chances on the early bird prizes. We have 3 prizes to be drawn in January. They are a free year's membership, a Mobicool cooler and a lifejacket.

If you wish to join by calling me and paying with your credit card, my number is 226 664 0960.



Plovers on a quest for safer nests
What's black, white and endangered all over? If you guessed a small bird native to North America called a **piping plover**, you're right.

Thanks: to

Bill Coburn, Jim Hastie, Ron Robb and Ted Lougheed for donating to the October General SSA meeting so that our chef, who was to demonstrate sausage making, could have some real stuff to work with...

From... The attendees.



Updated Contact Information:

As you are probably aware, a number of email blasts are sent to our members throughout the year.

In order for you to get these, we need to have your current email address.

As well, if you move, please send me your updated address and telephone number.

My email address is johnrichardford5@gmail.com

Thanks for your help!



SSA Gate Keys

Your current gate key (blue key spotter) will work for the time being. However, we will start make the new key available in March 2017. This key will have a purple key spotter on it.

Your executive has decided that the cost of the key will be \$5. If you want to turn in your old key(s) to avoid confusion, we will recycle them for you. Next spring, the keys will be available at the meetings, at the Maher Centre and at Watson's Tackle House.

John Ford

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Derby Winners
Mike Prevost

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Someone started in on the Appreciation Dinner cake.
Mike Prevost

December is Nibble Night

The hunting season is upon us so start thinking about bringing along a wild game dish to our Nibble Night at the December general meeting. Maybe you can use some of the tips for making sausage we learned from our October guest speaker.

Mike Prevost

' POLICE YOUR BRASS '

These notices are posted on all of our ranges. For those unfamiliar with this term, it is the short form for '...if your Mommy isn't with you today to pick up after you , please pick up all (lots of it) empty brass that you have on, under and around your shooting position and put it in the container provided for that very purpose '. This will ensure that the next member to use the range will not have to spend twenty minutes cleaning up your mess before being able to use the range, or have to put your membership number in the little black ' naughty ' book .

And, on the same theme, the sign in book is locked up for the security and protection of all members and must not be left open and out in the rain for all to see (same person).

These infractions were observed recently on the 25 yard range, all of the other ranges being well cared for, thank you.

Signed:
GRR
(Grumpy Range Regular # 583)



Local Bank of Nova Scotia

representatives present a cheque for \$5000 to Salmon Derby committee members. Staff from the bank not only volunteer for two days at the derby bar and food both but the the bank also generously matches the funds that they raise those two days up to a maximum of \$5000.



This is the second year they have helped us and have already agreed to do so next year.

I think this says a lot for the Bank of Nova Scotia's commitment to our community and conservation.



Hobarts BBQ

As in past years, on October 13 th, the management of Hobart Food Equipment Group Owen Sound thanked their valued employees for another productive year by hosting a fish fry and bbq lunch prepared by derby committee volunteers which in turn raises funds for our conservation efforts. For many years, Hobarts has been a strong supporter of our club and hatchery with donated equipment. It is good to have partners like this.

Mike Prevost



Did you hear of the monkey that left bits of his lunch all over the computer? His Dad went bananas!

For more SSA Pictures: Connect to the SSA website using
<http://www.sydenhamsportsmen.com/> then click SSA Gallery Images (right side)

SSA RENEWAL FORM FOR 2017 (TO BE COMPLETED BY 2016 MEMBERS ONLY)

(For your convenience SSA Renewal Memberships can be purchased directly on our website after Nov 1, 2016)

We need you to take a few minutes to help us update our records.

If you have a rural address, Canada Post requires your fire number and road as well as your rural route.

Membership Fees for 2017:

Memberships are based on the Calendar Year (January until December).

Family	Adult, Spouse, Children, includes full time students under 21	\$135.00
Adult	Individual	\$110.00
Senior Citizen	Age 60 & over	\$95.00
Student	Age under 21 or in full time study; (no magazine)	\$40.00
Add a Spouse	Additional fee	\$25.00
Junior	12 and under; no magazine	\$35.00
Juniors & Students	Magazine available for Juniors & Students for an extra	\$8.00
Property Gate Key	(With or without of the return of last year's key)	\$5.00

Check off your selections above

Total

Note: Help us save money and select to view the Newsletter on our website, please update your email address below. YES ___ NO ___

Please use reverse side for additional names, ages etc. for family memberships

NAME: _____	TELEPHONE: _____
ADDRESS: _____	POSTAL CODE: _____
EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ (Please Update your Email Address)	
DATE OF BIRTH: _____ (Juniors & Students only)	

Wildlife Advisory Committee	Derby Committee	Fishery Advisory Committee
Public Relations Booth	Shotgun Shooting	Hatchery
Tree Planting	Social Activities	Derby Weigh In
Board of Directors	Fishing	I D P A shooting
Derby Fish Fries	Trap Shooting	Skeet Shooting
Sporting Clays Shooting	Cowboy Action Shooting	Handguns
Black Powder	Boat Draw Ticket Sales	Archery
Property Care	Wildlife Enhancement	Stream Work
Fish stocking	Hunting	Junior Activities
High Power Shooting	Earth Day	Fall Fair Gates
Computer	Other Interests (List Below)	Expertise (List Below)
Retired	Have ATT	Telephone Committee

TO MAINTAIN A STRONG AND VIABLE ASSOCIATION, ALL MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE. Please select activities of special interest to you from the list above. This information is used in planning work parties, committees, etc.

If you would like to purchase your renewal by credit card, please enter the number and expiry date below.

Name on Card: _____

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiry Date: _____

Security Code as it appears on the back of the Credit Card: _____

Thanx! For the OSSS help.

Members of our Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association joined several hundred other volunteers as the Sydenham Sportsmen thanked them for their help during the 2106 Owen Sound Salmon Spectacular.



Derby Co-Chair Fred Geberdt expressed the gratitude of the SSA saying " we could not run this derby without your help. We are very very appreciative of your hard work".

The annual SSA appreciation barbecue is held after the Salmon Spectacular as a nod to the hundreds of people who volunteer their time and energy at what's called "the biggest event of the year in Grey-Bruce." The annual OWEN SOUND SALMON SPECTACULAR attracts 50-thousand people to the giant derby tent as well as 5 thousand anglers who help pump more than a million dollars into our regional economy during the ten days of the derby.



Again this year our Wiarion conservation club helped get the big tent up and taken down in fine style.

More than two dozen members of the Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen's Association (BPSA) showed up August 24 at the Owen Sound waterfront. They helped raise the 340-foot long tent that houses all events for the Owen Sound Salmon Spectacular derby and festival. This is an annual effort for both clubs. The Sydenham Sportsmen and BPSA members often work together on projects including the stocking of millions of fish for the thriving Grey-Bruce sports fishery.



This year the big tent was up in four hours. The weather co-operated. There were no problems; the tent is rented from Big Top Tent Rentals in London. The 120-foot wide enclosure hosted 50-thousand guests before the festival wrapped up September 4th. The Salmon Spectacular Festival attracts thousands anglers from across Ontario, Quebec and Michigan to Owen Sound and nearby Colpoys Bay near Wiarion. Total value of prizes given away is 150-thousand dollars.

BPSA President Martell says "once again we were very proud to be able to help our neighbouring club make its biggest fund raiser a success". "Our guys have fun doing the work and we know that profits from this big event go right back into conservation which we are all about". This derby provides ten days of family fun.



Thanks - Stu Patterson BPSA

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.**