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President's report

Well, it looks like summer is finely here. It has been a very long winter. We are having our meetings at the clubhouse again . Both general meetings have had guest speakers and were very interesting. The Derbys are finished with moderate success, it seems like a lot of work for the money we collect. I think we should take a long look at what we can do to increase the revenue of the Derbys. We need other members to step forward with new ideas and fresh enthusiasm. This money is required to run our club and do the necessary repairs to our grounds, clubhouse and hatchery. The electrical work is complete at the hatchery. Now we have to redo the interior in vinyl siding. This will make it easy to clean and give it a new and brighter look and a showcase of our work in raising and releasing fish.

I hope we have a very good turn out on June 6th for our clean up and BBQ. There is a lot to do. We need everyone's husbands ,wives and children to assist. When the work is done the Club will supply the BBQ and refreshments.

I would appreciate suggestions for prizes or something at the end of the day. We have a very beautiful clubhouse and pond. Lets use it to it's maximum.

Get out and see how beautiful it can be. On a clear day the view goes on forever.

See you on June 6th, until then keep your tip up. Gary Lawrence, President
Contact me at windowswindows.ca 705-445-5292

Buildings and Grounds report

Doug Parton reported that parking in front of the gate has been an issue a few times this winter. Signage was discussed and we will check with the NVCA to see if we can post no hunting and no trespassing signs and we will obtain a new sign for the entrance with a contact number. The telephone was repaired, the line was left above ground and Bell has now placed it underground. An answering machine will be purchased and a regular check will be made for messages. New locks will be installed and keys will be controlled. Rodent control is an issue and rodent proof containers will be utilized for storage. The trophies in the cases have to be updated with proper plaques. The picnic tables are all finished. MacDonald's of Meaford is donating us a used refrigerator and the NVCA is looking at replacing our furnace. On our cleanup day is June 6th from 9 am to 3 pm, there will be many tasks to complete and refreshments and lunch will be served.

Hatchery report

About 12,000 specks that were raised over winter were stocked in April in a number of local areas. We have 12,000 specks that we will keep over the winter again and release them at about 9 inches in size. As well, there are 140,000 rainbow and

140,000 browns in various stages of hatch and growth. Frank gave members several ideas on how food and water needs to be handled daily at the hatchery and he is working on screens to prevent frogs from entering the water lines and plugging them. The electrical work has been completed in the hatchery using rodent proof wire and the panel was cleaned up. We need signs for the door, a bell for the telephone and the walls will be covered with plastic sheets

Membership Report

Thank you to those who have submitted their 2009/2010 membership fees. For those who have not yet submitted their fees there is an application enclosed. My apologies to those who have paid, but are not yet in my hands.

Our 2008/2009 membership totaled 114. The new membership fee schedule is:

Single membership including OFAH membership \$65

Family membership including OFAH membership \$80

Single membership excluding OFAH membership \$30 *

Family membership excluding OFAH membership \$35 *

All GTAA members must be members of the OFAH.

* You have to provide your OFAH membership number when you pay your membership fee.

There are no longer any discounts for early payment or seniors. New members (who have not been former members) who join in December or later will not pay until May 31st of the second year. For example: if you joined on December 15, 2008, your membership will be valid until May 31, 2010.

The benefits of OFAH include: \$3 million liability insurance; the Ontario Out of Doors magazine; the Angler and Hunter Hot Line; OFAH membership card and decal; potential of 20% savings on all home, cottage and vehicle insurance; potential of savings on health and dental coverage; potential savings on hotels and resorts; use of an OFAH MasterCard which supports conservation, angler and hunter rights with each purchase; savings on taxidermy, discounts at the Brick, Marks Work Warehouse, Hakim Optical, Thrifty and Hertz rentals and OFAH member discounts on merchandise. For more detail, check the OFAH website and click on membership.

Stream Rehabilitation

Dave Hodgetts reported that there have not been many dams in the area streams this year. If you know about any, please contact him.

Volunteer Awards Program

Rick Baldry reported that if you have not done so, please record your hours and get them to him. Our grants depend upon us providing hours worked on the many activities. Hat hooks or pins are available to those who complete 35 hours or more.

Ways and means report

Rick Baldry and Gary Lawrence reported on our two derbies.

GEORGIAN TRIANGLE SPRING DERBY REPORT

We have come to the end of another spring derby, thank you to everyone who participated. Our final Sobeys big fish of the day winner is Mike Vent with a 7.18lb rainbow.

Heaviest Trout

1st place: Pam Raymond Lake Trout 10.99lbs

2nd place: Brian Henwood Rainbow 10.26lbs

3rd place: John Baldry Rainbow 10.08lbs
4th place: David Brooks Rainbow 9.60lbs
5th place: Mike Yates Rainbow 9.14lbs

Heaviest Salmon

1st place: Paul Lang 11.54lbs

Sobeys Big Fish of the Day

Fri, April 17, 2009: Russel Weldon, Rainbow, 6.22lbs
Sat, April 18, 2009: Mike Yates, Rainbow, 9.14lbs
Sun, April 19, 2009: Walter Campbell, Laker, 7.56lbs
Mon, April 20, 2009: no fish
Tue, April 21, 2009: David Brooks, Rainbow, 9.60lbs
Wed, April 22, 2009: Morris Hepburn, Rainbow, 5.90lbs
Thur, April 23, 2009: Pam Raymond, Laker, 10.99lbs
Fri, April 24, 2009: John Baldry, Rainbow, 10.08lbs
Sat, April 25, 2009: Stacey Hemstock, Rainbow, 5.87lbs
Sun, April 26, 2009: Paul Bryce, Rainbow, 7.04lbs
Mon, April 27, 2009: Brian Henwood, Rainbow, 10.26lbs
Tue, April 28, 2009: Dean Youanoviev, Rainbow, 7.98lbs
Wed, April 29, 2009: Mike Laycock, Laker, 7.50lbs
Thur, April 30, 2009: Mike Vent, Rainbow, 7.18lbs

Prizes were presented at the Firefighters Derby Dinner May 1st, 2009 at the Collingwood Legion # 63

GEORGIAN TRIANGLE ANGLERS ASSOCIATION FIRE FIGHTER'S DERBY

Thank you to everyone who participated, there were 47 fish weighed in. The prizes were as follows:

1 st fish weighed in	Jim Dufton	5.78
1 st place firefighter	Shawn McGuire	5.96
1 st place largest rainbow	Tim House	6.78
2 nd place rainbow	Scott Kirkpatrick	6.10
3 rd place rainbow	Roy Russell	5.88
4th place rainbow	Jim Dufton	5.78
5 th place rainbow	Paul Barker	5.78
1 st place salmon	Gary Richardson	10.24
Smallest fish caught by smallest angler	Ty Durham	0.64

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The guest speaker was Dave Mercer, the professional angler, fishing funny-man and host of television's Facts of Fishing® THE SHOW and the Facts of Fishing Tip Series. Dave spends over 250 days a year fishing for just about anything that swims. He lived up to his reputation as one of today's most sought-after seminar speakers and his off-the-wall blend of entertainment had us all laughing. Thanks to Steve Amis and Subway for arranging for Dave to attend. Subway graciously gave a gift card to everyone in attendance.

The derby results to date were presented at a recent general meeting. The GTAA Spring Trout Derby revenues totaled \$4,400 and expenses totaled \$3,090.30 for a net profit of \$1,309.70. There is still about \$800.00 in sponsor money outstanding. The Firefighter's Derby revenues totaled \$11,399.00 and expenses totaled \$7,746.46 for a net profit of \$3,652.54

Youth activities report

Dave Fields reported that this has been a very busy spring for youth in our area. On May 13th, students from Jean Vanier and Collingwood Collegiate Institute helped plant 500 trees on Black Ash Creek. Fred Dobbs, Dave Field and Gary Reid from the Blue Mountain Watershed Trust helped with the planting. On May 15th, there was a dam removal work project with Jean Vanier students on the Pretty River. On May 19th, Dave Field worked with the Elmvale District High School students to make 100 birdhouses for Huronia Centennial School grades 4, 5 and 6. On May 20th, 30 students from Stayner Collegiate High School Green Team planted 500 trees at the Public Works sewage lagoon area in Stayner on Lamont Creek. On June 15th, Dave Field will be getting another birdhouse project underway at Birchview Dunes in Wasaga Beach assisted by the Elmvale District High School Outdoor Club.

Coming events

Executive meetings Tuesday June 9, 2009 7:00 pm Clubhouse
 Tuesday July 14, 2009 7:00 pm Clubhouse
 Tuesday August 11, 2009 7:00 pm Clubhouse
 Tuesday September 8, 2009 7:00 pm Clubhouse
 All members are welcome!

General meetings Wednesday June 17, 2009 7:00 pm Clubhouse
 Wednesday September 16, 2009 7:00 pm Clubhouse
 Wednesday October 21, 2009 7:00 pm Clubhouse
 Wednesday November 18, 2009 7:00 pm Clubhouse
 Wednesday December 16, 2009 7:00 pm TBC
 All members are welcome!

Spring clean up Clubhouse and Hatchery Saturday June 6, 2009 refreshments and B.B.Q .lunch

Kids Fishing Day is June 27th

Members camping weekend August 15 -16, 2009 Clubhouse & grounds

Family Fishing Weekend July 10-12, 2009

Information of note

On April 15th, our guest speaker, Mr. Ted Robinson of Banrock Station Wines who has the brand "Help us help the earth" was introduced again and spoke about the Lake Ontario Atlantic Salmon Restoration Program. Banrock Station Wines is located in Southern Australia and part of every sale of Banrock Station wine goes to over 90 environmental projects in 14 countries around the world. The "Bring Back the Salmon" Lake Ontario Atlantic Salmon Restoration Program, an initiative to restore Lake Ontario's native Atlantic Salmon populations

wiped out in the 1898 by development degradation of habitat, is supported in part by Banrock Station Wines with a \$1.5, 4 year commitment.

Four main partners, Banrock Station Wines, Bring Back the Salmon Lake Ontario, LCBO and OFAH, are joined with over 40 other partners.

There are 4 phases to the project;

- Fish production and stocking
- Habitat restoration and water quality enhancement
- Research and monitoring and
- Education and outreach.

It is hoped that there will be a self sustaining population in 15-20 years. Already Atlantic salmon have returned to some of the local rivers in the project, a full year ahead of schedule. Gary thanked him for coming to speak to us.

On May 20th, our guest speaker, Mr. Bill Milne of Alex Milne Associates Ltd. was introduced. His father started the business 40 years ago and Bill took it over 29 years ago. They manufacture and market water based environmental marine care products that meet the Clean Marine initiative. Their products are available at Bass Pro, Home Hardware and Marinas throughout Ontario. Other products include repair sticks, battery equalizer, mosquito products, no weed mats, zebra mussel products and fortress anchors.

Bill sold products for a 50% discount over the retail price and donated a box of products to be used as prizes at a subsequent meeting. Jay thanked him for coming to speak to us.

Editor's message

Thank you to the President and Committee Chairs for getting their reports to me for your Tri-Angler News. The Tri-Angler News deadlines are as follows:

February 15th for March 1st

May 15th for June 1st

August 15th for September 1st

November 15th for December 1st

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Volunteer of the Year



President Gary Lawrence (on the left) presented the 2008/2009 volunteer of the year award to Bruce Green (on the right). Bruce was a member of the Board from 1992 to 2009. He was in charge of the hatchery and stocking the fish raised into the local streams, ponds and rivers. Congratulations Bruce!

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