



GRIFFITH & MATAWATCHAN FISH & GAME CLUB NEWSLETTER

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With the arrival of Spring, or should we say Summer, the black flies have arrived safely. We sure wouldn't want to miss out on them. The bonus is with the heat, it didn't take long for the Dragon Flies to arrive, as well as mosquitoes and now Deer Flies. Such a small price to pay for being in Paradise!

We also have 112 paid members so far for 2018. Get your memberships from any board member or at Griffith General Store.

The Hunter Safety and Firearm's course was a success again this year. A total of 21 people took the course and the club, with the assistance of the OFAH paid for 12 juniors.



Congratulations Everyone!...and Thank you Kevin White for a Great job again!

We are bringing back an old event this year! On Saturday, June 9th we will be holding a Birdhouse Building at the home of Holleran's at 264 Hutson Lake Rd in Matawatchan at 10:00 am. All are welcome, especially Children, this is a free event. Hot dogs and pop will be served for lunch. Patterns are available for blue bird houses, butterfly and bat houses, as well as wood duck nests. Come and build a house with us and help out our environment! Rain or Shine!

Another of our annual events is quickly approaching as well! The Kid's Fishing Derby will take place on Saturday, July 7th at Aird's Lake. Participants under the age of 17 will all go home with a prize.

The event takes place from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm and is Free as well, worms are included.

Hot dogs and Hamburgs will be available for a nominal fee and drinks are free.

Aird's Lake boat launch is located past Snider's Tent and Trailer Park, follow the signs!

Feel free to bring a boat, a canoe or just fish off shore. We look forward to seeing you there!

Our Annual Pork Roast will take place on Saturday, August 4th this year. Usual spot at Holleran's, 264 Hutson Lake Rd., Usual time with Redneck Golf beginning at noon and dinner at 5:00 pm.

Another Free event with donations accepted, bring your lawn chair and your cooler!

Members and non-members are welcome, although we may try and sucker you into purchasing a membership.

The Fish and Game Club will be purchasing an enclosed trailer to hold all of our equipment and supplies. We're sure Brian and Sandy will enjoy the extra storage at home that they lost years ago. This will enable easier access and more time at every event without numerous trucks loaded up.

The Walleye Watch was next to impossible this year. The water has reached 19 degrees now so the spawn should be complete. Water levels went above the ability to spot the fish.

On a good note, the Snow Gauge System is wrapped up for the season. Brian has supplied the MNRF with all required information and the conclusion is that the deer had a fairly easy winter. The low number of doe tags already in these areas will not be decreased.

Did you know that 100% of all fishing license purchases go towards fish stocking? I've just learned this and was pretty excited to hear it.

Linda Lennie enjoyed her time with this little fellow. On a "feel-good-note" this fawn was rescued and with the help of Helen Madigan and others is thriving at the rescue centre in Napanee. It's mother was killed on the highway.



We encourage you to join OFAH through the club at a reduced rate. The savings you get by purchasing through the club will more than cover your fish and game membership.

The cost of memberships through the club is:

Adult Membership \$41.20 from \$52.40

Family Membership \$51.20 from \$64.40
Youth Membership \$36.70
To join the OFAH, contact Sandy Sutcliffe at 613-333-9564

Check us out and feel free to share on our Facebook page at "Griffith & Matawatchan Fish & Game Club" for local upcoming events and articles!

By purchasing Nevada Tickets at the Griffith General Store, you are also helping our club. Thanks again Duayne and Linda for your support!

Board members can be reached at the following address:

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To contact board members, phone numbers are as follows:

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We've lost two of our long standing members of the Community and the Fish and Game Club since our last Newsletter.

Harrison Madigan and George Lutomski will be missed very much!

Not sure yet how Harrison's deer will fair out next winter, especially Daisy, we'll have to figure something out.

You can expect your next Newsletter in September! Have a safe and happy Summer!