

NEWSLETTER

Meeting Location

*The location and time of our regular monthly meetings have changed. From now on we will meet at the **Royal Canadian Legion, Westboro Branch at 391 Richmond Road, between Churchill and Roosevelt Avenues.** The parking is on the neighbouring streets.*

The next meeting is on Thursday, September 4 at 7 PM. The meeting room is upstairs.

"HayBay Larry" Swan will talk to us about walleye fishing! He makes fine spinnerbaits – small and musky-sized plus walleye spinners and spoons. Larry will be bringing along some of his lures and I gotta tell ya', they are priced right!

Upcoming Club Fishes

Sat. Sept.10 – White Lake

Wed. Sept. 14 – Reeve Craig

Sun. Sept 24 – Mississippi Lake

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Dick Bell Park Results

No reports.

Saturday, August 13 – Wendover

A good turn-out. Jim Lumsden and Bob Stoddard were there early.

Fishing was tough. A decent pike for Jim and the striped woodland kitty for Bob.

Michel and Phil Belley fished from 8 to 4 (they must be unionized!) Michel got a nice 23"+ walleye.

Greg and Allison came later. They found a sheltered bay where Greg scratched out 4 Club-legal bass and a pike. Allison got 3 strikes and a visit from the woodland pussycat.

Moe and I wandered around looking for fish. I finally got a nice smallie.

Moe missed a good walleye.

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NEW MEMBER

Welcome to the Ottawa Fishing Club.

Geoffrey Jones
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He has a fishing partner and is a shore fisherman.

FOR SALE

Package includes the boat with storage space, built-in cooler. 2 padded seats (NEW), one pedestal seat at the bow. New front casting deck (cedar wood) with semi-new carpet (last year). The boat comes with early 1980's 20 HP Mercury tiller O/B and a 33lb thrust Minnkota trolling motor (not foot-controlled), gas tank (older aluminum) with gauge. Hummingbird Fishfinder with brand new hi-speed transducer. One oar, anchor, bilge pump, navigation lights and spot light.

Only exclusions are the speed/temp addition to the fish finder and battery (or we can work something out)

Now, here is the "down" side of the boat: It leaks a bit, but with the bilge pump you are done. Actually I have gone fishing for over 4 hours (with 2 persons over 200 lbs. in the boat) and I don't have to turn the bilge pump not once. Of course at the end of the trip, the pump is working for about 2 or 3 minutes. I think the pump is a 400 gal. per hr (not sure).

Package comes with a trailer with working light system in excellent condition and a boat cover in fair condition.

All this for \$1500 FIRM.

For pictures send me an email at r_briones@rogers.com

News from the Competition Front

Sue and Skip Lafreniere have won the Silver Division of Renegade Bass Association on the Mississippi, Ottawa River and Rideau River (Kemptonville), as well as a second place finish on the St. Lawrence River.

Skip and Sue attribute their success to the prep work done in the Ottawa Fishing Club for initially getting them involved in the sport and helping them evolve their fishing abilities and encouraging them to be able to move to the next level of competitive tournament fishing.

Sue and Skip want to thank everyone for their help on the learning curve.

They hope to see more of the club members now that the series is done for the year.

Club Fish Results (Continued)

Wednesday, August 24 – Reeve Craig

Heather & Neil McColl launched at 6pm – weather was great, water calm, no bugs, no boats, NO FISH!

Heather tried out her new Shimano Solstice reel and Berkley rod – found it was a keeper, so Neil will have to find a replacement. No complaints – great boating evening – relaxed and wondered why we don't do this more often. Neil will be working this weekend, trying to finish house & deck painting before winter.

Ian and Jim arrived at 10 and fished to 4pm. Michel and Philippe Belley got to Reeve Craig at 2 or 2:30 and left at 8:30. Michel got a perch and Philippe got 2 largemouth- 14 and 14.5" and 1 pike- 21.5" and missed a 24 incher.

Jim got a 26" pike and a 10" lm bass. Ian only got a bite off on a plastic worm. Tough fishing. The police boat was out and checked them.

BUMPER STICKERS

"Roses are red, violets are blue, I'm schizophrenic and so am I"

"Next time you think you're perfect, try walking on water"

"I'm not an alcoholic, I'm a drunk. Alcoholics go to meetings"

" If you want to see our credit manager, go to Helen Waite"

"If you can read this, I've lost my boat"

"It's a fact – scum rises to the top"

"I hear voices and they don't like you"

"4 out of 5 cannibals agree that vegetarians taste better"

"Of all the things I've lost, I miss my mind the most"

"If you object to logging, try wiping yourself with plastic!"

THEY WALK AMONG US!

Maybe they can't read?

In a semi-rural area, the local township office received a call requesting the removal of a "Deer Crossing" sign.

The reason? Too many deer were being hit by cars and maybe if the sign was taken down, they wouldn't cross there anymore.

There's some logic here, but I seem to miss it...

I was at the airport, checking in at the gate when an airport employee asked me, "Has anyone put anything in your baggage without your knowledge?"

I replied, "If it was done without my knowledge, how would I know?" He smiled knowingly and nodded, "That's why we ask."

Maybe it's an IQ test?

When I went to the dealer to pick up my new car some months ago, I was told that the keys had been locked in it.

At the service department, I found a mechanic working feverishly to unlock the driver's side door. As I watched from the passenger side, I instinctively tried the door handle and discovered that it was unlocked.

"Hey," I announced to the mechanic, "It's open!"

"I know," he replied, "I already got that side!"

Another IQ Test?

At a corner near our place, the stoplight buzzes when it's safe to cross the street. There are a lot of elderly people in the neighbourhood now. In fact, many of the people that I used to know have become elderly over the years. But I digress ...

I was standing there the other day with an old dear and she asked me what the buzzer was for.

I explained carefully that it signals blind people when the light is red. Appalled, she responded, "What on earth are blind people doing driving?"

I admit that I couldn't think of a polite answer.

I guess that I failed the IQ test.

Maybe it's different in Saskatoon?

My daughter was visiting us from Saskatoon recently. She and her husband were out seeing relatives and decided to stop at a Taco Bell (the location shall remain a secret).

My daughter ordered a taco and asked the person behind the counter for "minimal lettuce."

The attendant replied, "I'm sorry, but we only have iceberg lettuce."

With only a momentary pause, my daughter said, " Oh, I guess that will be all right."

I gotta admire her savoir faire.

Around The Rideau

The Kemptville Creek watershed is the subject of a macro stream assessment. This survey records basic stream bank and biological characteristics in sections of Kemptville Creek, The North Branch and Barnes Creek.

The streams will be sampled in 100-metre sections. Information gathered includes GPS coordinates, air temperature, water temperature, stream width and depth, observations on land use, man-made alterations, bottom characteristics and in-stream vegetation, bank characteristics and bank vegetation, tributaries, agricultural impacts, and presence of wildlife. Each site will also be photographed. The final report will be ready late fall and plans are to have it available at www.rideauvalley.on.ca . For more information, call Cliff ext.1134, cliff.craig@rideauvalley.on.ca.

The Beaver Management Pilot Project began in 2003 with an assessment of 47 dams on the Kemptville Creek. The study looked at fish habitat, bank erosion, vegetation and water levels above and below the dam. Dam removals on three stretches of the Kemptville Creek were approved by DFO and trapping began that fall. In 2004, trapping and dam removal concentrated on the North Branch and above the Oxford Mills dam.

Flooding from the September 9, 2004 storm (Hurricane Francis) wiped out or submerged many dams. In 2004, for example, there were over 20 dams on the Kemptville Creek, whereas by 2005 only eight remain. Only six dams remained on the North Branch this year.

The dams will be examined this fall to assess their status and see if there is any new beaver activity. The final report on the beaver pilot project will be ready late this fall. For more information, call Cliff.

The Guys' Rules

We always hear "the rules" from the female side. Now here are the rules from the male side. These are **Our Rules!**

Please note... these are all numbered "1" ON PURPOSE! FIGURE IT OUT!

1. Learn to work the toilet seat. You're a big girl. If it's up, put it down. We need it up; you need it down. You don't hear us complaining about you leaving it down.
1. Sunday sports. It's like the full moon or the changing of the tides. Let it be.
1. Shopping is NOT a sport. And no, we are never going to think of it that way.
1. Crying is blackmail.
1. Ask for what you want. Let us be clear on this one: Subtle hints do not work! Strong hints do not work! Obvious hints do not work! Just say it!
1. Yes and No are perfectly acceptable answers to almost every question.
1. Come to us with a problem only if you want help solving it. That's what we do. Sympathy is what your girlfriends are for.
1. A headache that lasts for 17 months is a problem. See a doctor.
1. Anything we said 6 months ago is inadmissible in an argument. In fact, all comments become null and void after 7 days.
1. If you won't dress like the Victoria's Secret girls, don't expect us to act like soap opera guys.
1. If you think you're fat, you probably are. Don't ask us.
1. If something we said can be interpreted two ways, and one of the ways makes you sad or angry, we meant the other one.
1. You can either ask us to do something or tell us how you want it done. Not both. If you already know best how to do it, just do it yourself.
1. Whenever possible, please say whatever you have to say during commercials.
1. Christopher Columbus did not need directions and neither do we.
1. ALL men see in only 16 colors, like Windows default settings. Peach, for example, is a fruit, not a color. Pumpkin is also a fruit. We have no idea what mauve is.
1. If it itches, it will be scratched. We do that.
1. If we ask what is wrong and you say "Nothing", we will act like nothing's wrong. We know you are lying, but it is just not worth the hassle.
1. If you ask a question you don't want an answer to, expect an answer you don't want to hear.
1. When we have to go somewhere, absolutely anything you wear is fine... Really.
1. Don't ask us what we're thinking about unless you are prepared to discuss such topics as baseball, the shotgun formation, or monster trucks.
1. You have enough clothes.
1. You have too many shoes.
1. I am in shape. Round is a shape.

Thank you for reading this. Yes, I know, I have to sleep on the couch tonight, but did you know men really don't mind that? It's like camping.