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### LHFC General Members Meeting

Please mark your calendar for the first general meeting for 2019. Join us on September 12<sup>th</sup>, which will take place at Underwood for 7:30 P.M.



### Spring Fish Fry

Our annual Fish Fry is happening on June 8<sup>th</sup> at the Baie Du Dore Quonset Hut. Dinner starts at 6:00 P.M. Please bring your own refreshments, plates, and cutlery. Those with last names starting with A to M bring a dessert, and those with the last names starting with N to Z please bring a salad. All are invited and the cost is \$15 per person, children 6-12 is \$8, and children under 5 are free.

### Derby BBQs

Our joint derby BBQs will take place on June 29<sup>th</sup> over at Rowland's Your Independent Grocer and Tiverton Reunion. Everyone is invited to attend!

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Spring has arrived and the club has hit its busy time of year. We held our spring general meeting and were pleased that Karl Redin President of the Ontario Steelheaders travelled up to join us and make a wonderful donation of \$5000 to our hatchery operation on behalf of their membership.

Adopt a Road was carried out with 14 volunteers helping keep our roads tidy. Thank you very much for keeping Bruce County pristine.

The weather didn't cooperate in April and the lakes and rivers stayed cold making it hard to get the rainbow and brown out of both hatcheries and making it hard to collect steelhead eggs at Denny's Dam. Loads of fish were moving but with the cold water, many were "green" and the high level and flow of the Saugeen made it impossible to lower the cage to collect fish.

Once conditions improved the Kincardine crew moved out 53,315 rainbow out for stocking but had to wait a few weeks more for side roads to dry up enough to get the remaining 6,147 rainbow out. Port Elgin moved out 9,173 rainbow and 3,824 brown on April 25<sup>th</sup>. These fish were brought up last October from Kincardine to have them over winter and grow a bit larger. These rainbow averaged 27 grams and the brown 92 grams at release.

To date we are waiting for Huron to warm a bit so Kincardine can stock some 3,545 brown they still have to get out.

LHFC members along with the great help of some Ontario Steelhead members collected steelhead rainbow eggs over the first weekend of May. The LHFC operates the lift trap at the Denny's Dam fish way to collect these eggs and the Bruce Peninsula Sportsmen Association, Sydenham Sportsmen Association and our club all obtained their egg quotas of just over a 100,000 eggs each for this year. As of Monday May 6<sup>th</sup> Matt Luckhart and crew at the Kincardine Hatchery had 112,206 eggs fertilized and setup

in trays ready to raise until this time next year.

We have photos of these events from Rachel Kellard and some other folks but we'll have those made up and ready for the June issue of the newsletter so... stay tuned!

The Kincardine club docks just outside the Trout Hatchery were put in this past weekend and finished up on Wednesday. Thanks very much to all those who took the time to help and get these in for the summer.

Great work folks! A lot of time, dedication and effort is focussed into a very few weeks each spring!

We are very grateful to receive help from Ontario Power Generation every year. Their donation of \$5000 along with the great annual donation from Ontario Steelheaders goes straight into our hatcheries.

A big thank you has to go out to our local media as well who make a point of getting out to our many activities. Check out the Saugeen Times coverage of the LHFC helping stock the Port Elgin Town Pond with brown and brook trout from the MNRF hatchery in Chatsworth at this web site: <https://saugentimes.com/something-fishy-in-port-elgin>

See you at our Baie Du Dore Quonset hut on Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> for our Spring Fish Fry!

**Yours in Conservation,  
Kelly Mullen - LHFC President**

Photo courtesy of The Saugeen Times online news.



OPG donates to fishery project: (L-R) Wayne Weatherall, Jerry Durand, Robert Harrison, Dick Verrips, Dave Myette and Kelly Mullen (OPG Lynda Cain absent).

## RAINBOW EGG COLLECTION

On Sunday, May 5, 2019, seven members of the BPSA arrived at the fish way at Denny's Dam on the Saugeen River and worked with host club Members of the Lake Huron Fishing Club to obtain this year's quota of Rainbow Trout eggs and milt.

Spawning fish were secured in a holding trap and transferred to a work area where the fish were evaluated, sexed and scale samples taken for the MNRF. The "ripe" fish were relieved of eggs and sperm (milt) before being released above the dam unharmed.

The eggs and milt were transferred to the BPSA Hatchery where the eggs were fertilized, treated with disease prevention chemicals, counted and placed in special trays with 10,000 eggs in each tray. Two trips to Denny's Dam were required to secure this year's allotment of 147,000 eggs.

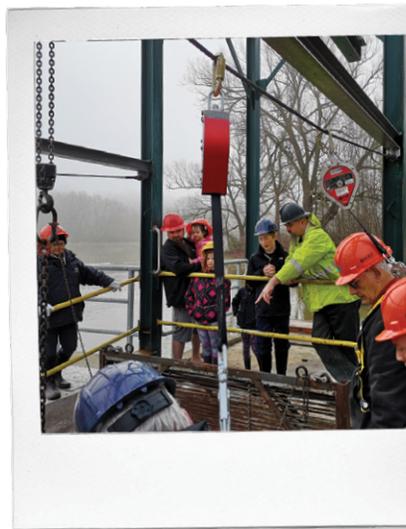
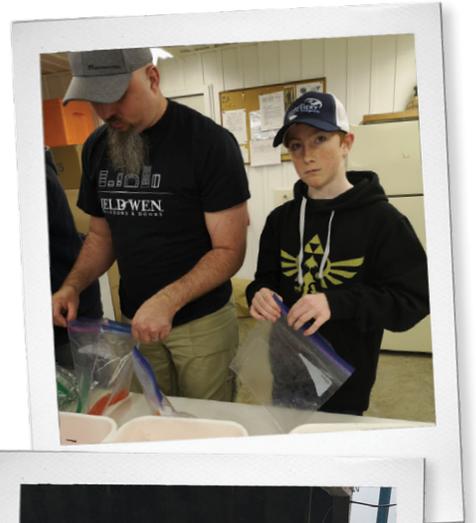
This year's team included: Allan Sutter, Ray Marklevitz, Murray Garniss, Gord Smith, Stan McNeil, Kevin Harders, and Junior Member Ben Thurtell.

Special thanks go out to the members of the Lake Huron Fishing Club who

devote their time each year to help ensure the BPSA and other area Club's secure the eggs so vital to their hatchery operation's success.

The attached photos show club members working at the holding trap, removing the eggs and milt and preparing the eggs at the BPSA Hatchery.

**Submitted by Al Hunter,  
photos by Kevin Harders**



## LHFC SCHOOL SALMON HATCHERY UPDATE: TWO-HEADED SALMON



Lincoln Heights Public School, in Waterloo, is one of the schools picked up so far and they had a two-headed Chinook last until the end. Other ones we've had have died in February or March—pretty cool. I've put it in a jar to preserve it to add to our samples to show others. Class trips start this Thursday in Kincardine and switch to Port Elgin next Monday and Tuesday, with more to be booked.

**Richard Elliot**

*LHFC School Hatchery Program Co-ordinator*

*Richard*

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## 2019 CHANTRY CHINOOK CLASSIC SALMON DERBY COMMITTEE MAY UPDATE

The 36<sup>th</sup> annual 98 the Beach Chantry Chinook Classic, brochure along with other promotional information has been printed. The brochure will be mailed to the 2018 participants sometime in May. Hopefully mailed to one per household and only to those that gave us a proper and legible address.

The Derby committee will be participating in a brochure swap day hosted by Grey and Bruce Tourism at 10 AM on May 8<sup>th</sup> at Cobble Beach. This venue allows us to distribute brochures to many tourist outlets across the region in one stop.

Derby tickets will be distributed to all the ticket outlets, along with posters and the derby brochures in the next few weeks. Tickets are only \$35 for a single and \$80 for a family. For information on outlets look in the brochure or visit our website. Please support our outlets and sponsors, as without them there would be no derby. Tickets are also available by completing the registration form in the brochure and sending your cheque as indicated or visiting our website and purchasing online via PayPal.

By purchasing a Derby ticket you are supporting conservation, as all monies raised by the Derby goes to the Lake Huron Fishing Club to help operate the 2 fish hatcheries with the salmon and trout restocking program, along with the other conservation efforts of the club.

The Derby committee is hosting 2 fundraising BBQs this year in support of the derby. The first will be held May 18<sup>th</sup> at the Home Hardware & Building Centre in Port Elgin. The second will be held June 29<sup>th</sup> at Your Independent Grocer in Port Elgin. The cost for food and drinks is by a donation to the derby. Please support these very worthwhile events, do some shopping in these stores to show your support for their generosity.

The Derby and the Club will be represented with a booth at the annual Marine Heritage Festival in Southampton on July 27<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to Harold for taking on that extra responsibility the first day of the Derby.

With any event such as this derby, it is all about volunteers to make it a success. Volunteers play a major role in many aspects for this event, not just committee members. People are needed to work in the weigh stations and coordinate and to assist for special events, such as Media Day and Kid's Day. Remember our Kid's Day on August 3<sup>rd</sup> has always been a huge hit for our younger generation anglers.

Committee members continue to work hard on securing sponsorship for the derby, now focusing on local sponsorship. Sponsorship, no matter how large or how small, helps in putting together the prize packages for the leader board and special events.

The 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Fish Kincardine Derby is

being held from Friday May 17<sup>th</sup> to Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup> with a number of special fishing days plus Fish of the Day and Daily Hidden Weight Prizes. Derby Tickets are available at Kincardine Canadian Tire, Lake Huron Rod and Gun, J & S Tackle, Junction 4 & 19 and online. Grand Prize is a \$5000.00 shopping spree at Kincardine Canadian Tire. Top Salmon and Top Trout are each a \$1000.00 shopping spree at Lake Huron Rod and Gun. For further information go to their website at [www.fishkincardinederby.com](http://www.fishkincardinederby.com).

Time is fast approaching for the start of our derby. At this time, it is less than 3 months away. Mark your calendars for our first event: Sponsor/Media day on July 5<sup>th</sup> at the Whitney Crawford Community Centre, Tiverton. All club members are invited and encouraged to attend.

Now that the fishing season is upon us, don't forget to check the expiry date of your Outdoors card and fishing license.

The next Derby committee meeting will be held May 21<sup>st</sup> at the Salmon Hatchery in Port Elgin.

Watch for further updates in next month's newsletter or for continuous updated information on the derby, visit our website at [www.chantrychinook.com](http://www.chantrychinook.com).

Follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/chantryderby>. 

**Bert Kuntz**



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Executive Meeting Dates:

~~May 16, 2019~~  
October 17, 2019

### General Meetings:

~~April 11, 2019~~  
September 12, 2019

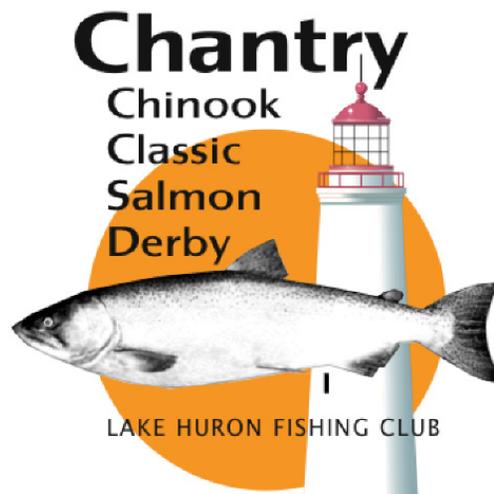
### Special Events :

~~Adopt A Highway - TBA~~  
Derby BBQ at Home Hardware - May 18, 2019  
Spring Fish Fry - June 8, 2019  
Derby BBQ at the Tiverton Reunion 2019 - June 29, 2019  
Derby BBQ at Rowland's Your Independent Grocer - June 29, 2019  
Derby Media Day/Sponsor Appreciation - July 5, 2019  
Derby - July 27 to August 11, 2019  
Derby Awards - August 11, 2019  
Pig Roast - September 7, 2019  
Christmas Party - November 22, 2019

### Special Projects:

~~Docks in (Kincardine) - May 4 & 5, 2019~~  
Docks out (Kincardine) - September 13 & 14, 2019  
Chinook & Rainbow egg collection - TBA  
Chinook, Rainbow, Brown release - TBA  
Baie Dor Docks - TBA  
2019 Conservation Projects - TBA

**THE 36TH ANNUAL DERBY WILL BE  
HELD FROM JULY 27 TO AUGUST 11**



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