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Next LHFC General Meeting

Please join us for our upcoming general meeting for November 10th, which will take place at Underwood for 7:30 P.M.



Public Meeting—Truax Dam

Public consultation meeting to discuss proposed removal of the Truax Dam. It will include a presentation of the fishery by the MNRF. Members of LHFC will also be available to provide information and answer questions. It will take place on October 5th at 7:00pm at the Walkerton Fire Hall Meeting Room.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

THIS IS AN URGENT CALL TO OUR FELLOW MEMBERS OF THE LHFC.

The people that run the Chantry Chinook Classic need help! And lots of it. Simply put, if some of our members do not step up and help, the Chantry Chinook Classic Salmon Derby of this past summer will likely be the last. I will remind everyone that without the funds the Club receives from the Chantry, both of our hatcheries will close. Once that happens, the salmon, steelhead and brown trout fishery will be lost on the eastern shore of Lake Huron.

The Derby committee meets once a month in the evening for two hours. I have to think that there are six members out of a pool of over 400 that enjoy fishing Lake Huron and its tributaries enough to commit to helping out a few hours a month. We have been very lucky as a Club to have enough volunteers at both hatcheries to rear our fish and the Executive Board of Directors have as well, so we are good in those departments. Although, we are always looking for more help. But the URGENT help is needed to keep the largest source of our funding, The Chantry Derby, alive. Simply put, either step up or the Lake Huron fishing Club and its stocking program will come to an end. The math is very simple folks—no money, no more stocking.

There are two areas of concern for the derby committee. Preparing promotional materials, derby updates for the newsletter, compiling and spreading media information. The second area is sponsorships.

Co-ordinate corporate and local sponsorships along with sponsor mailing. Contact/canvass and collect funds along with prizes.

I know this sounds large, but the committee members will guide and assist in all functions of these areas. I myself was a member and found it to be a very rewarding contribution to the club, but the workload as President is just too much to do both.

So PLEASE step up and give them some assistance.

The Pig Roast was a success with 92 people attending. The cost for the function was \$920 so breaking even is what we strive to do. Thanks everyone for the contribution. I also had a chance to meet Eugene Lo and his father-in-law at the Roast. A very pleasant experience since Eugene makes up the Newsletter when we feed him the monthly information. I had only known Eugene by email so it is nice to put a face to the name.

The rotary docks will have been removed or coming out when this is being read, Sept. 29th and Oct. 1st.

The salmon hatchery should be geared up with fertilized eggs for the year. We will likely have a couple of tanks to install around the week of October 24th or 29th.

We will have the ends of the Quonset Hut sided by the time this letter is read and as you can see we are very busy.

Yours in Conservation,

Phil Hahn
LHFC President

LHFC ANNUAL PIG ROAST

It was a pleasure to have participated in my first LHFC Annual Pig Roast! Food and company were both in abundant supply! Being able to meet the people at our club events is WAY better than reading them in our newsletter. I fully encourage all of you to attend at least one event during the calendar year and as many events as you can. Participating and knowing your fellow club members will

give you the most out of your LHFC membership. New friendships will be formed—guaranteed!

I tip my hat to all involved with organizing the pig roast. The setup, cooking, organizing, and cleanup were certainly not easy tasks. My sincere thanks and admiration for making this possible!

Eugene Lo



Cooking up a storm!



A phenomenal success!



HAINES DAM REMOVAL

We have completed the Haines dam removal project as of today. The remains of the old dam abutments on east side of river are visible on right hand side of picture. The project done in 3 and a half weeks. While no fishermen in photo, they have been fishing through this stretch as of today once the safety fencing and signage removed.



Haines Dam.

Jeff Graham
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TROUT HATCHERY UPDATE

It has been a relatively quiet time at the hatchery for the past month. The fish are healthy and growing fast. It will soon be time to get ready for releasing our brown trout. We wait until the lake temperature matches the hatchery temperature of 10°C.

Over the past 20 years this time period is amazingly consistent as being the last week of October. If any member would like to get involved with a brown trout fish release they can let me know. Our releases are all made in the early evening, just before dusk. This way the gulls and terns have gone to bed and the fish will have all night to disperse before the birds show up again.

I am still hoping to have members step forward to take on additional job coordination duties at the hatchery. I will train and work with whoever is willing to try

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LHFC SCHOOL HATCHERY PROGRAM UPDATE

Things are looking up for the LHFC School Salmon Hatchery Program, but there are a few spots that need some people to help out. Al has said he can no longer run the schools in Kincardine and there are three of them there: Huron Heights, KTTSP, and St. Anthony's School. I'm hoping they can stay in the program, but with the weather in the winter around here I can't guarantee I could get there and last year I was running 14 schools with a few more being added this year.

A partnership have been formed with Bluewater Anglers and

they will start another School this year. Forest City Bassmasters are going to do a school in Komoka for their Conservation Project and would like to do one in London. Also, there are two schools in Milton: one is a school for the deaf and one is a secondary school. BPSA is going to take over the Wiarton School with Richard Gawel running it. SSA have two schools that are looking at getting started, but I'm still talking to Dennis there. Chesley will be added this year and it looks like Mildmay will be back on board and Gore Bay is looking into starting another one on the Island. Still working with a guy on the Milton Schools from down that way, but things are looking good. GTAA is interested in starting one in Collingwood and are in the initial stages of contacting the staff there.

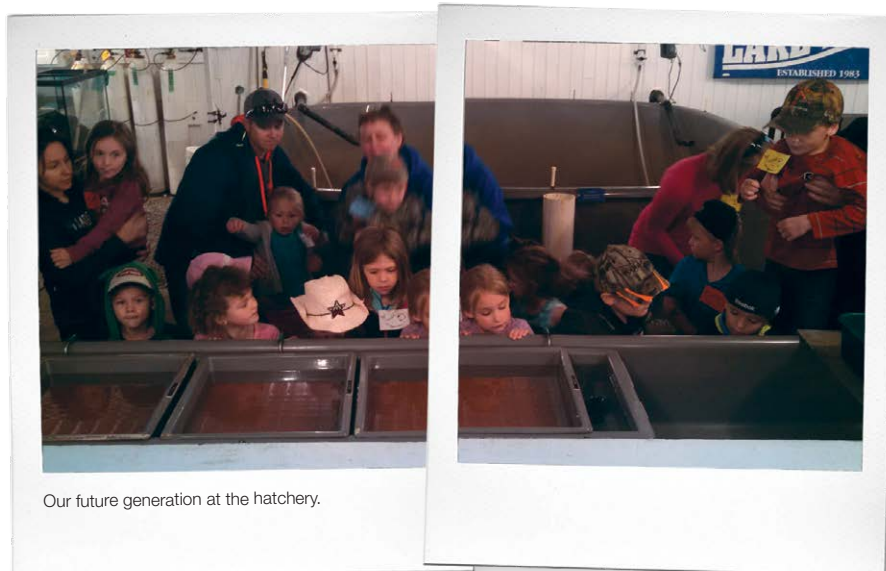
Word is really getting out and more people are approaching me every year. If you can help out with one of the new schools or one of the existing ones let me know. Thanks to BRUCE POWER for stepping up to the plate with funding.

Thanks!

Richard

LHFC School Hatchery Program Co-ordinator

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Our future generation at the hatchery.

H.A.C. UPDATE

The Hepworth Anglers Club participated in the Open Doors heritage events, held in the Town of South Bruce Peninsula on September 17.

Despite the rainy conditions, the group enjoyed guided tours of Spring Creek Restoration sites seeing diverter, lunker box, woody debris, boulder, and riffle bed installations—the aeration project and the two largest springs. Spring Creek is a major contributor to the migratory sports fishery in the Sauble River watershed, providing natural reproductive habitat for rainbow trout, coho, and chinook salmon.

Best regards,
Bill Nafziger

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

It's time to start thinking about your membership renewal. Members who receive their newsletter through the mail should check the Mailing Label on the their envelope and if your membership renewal date is highlighted then your membership is due Jan 1, 2017. Members who receive their newsletter via email will receive an email if your membership is due in the next few days. If you don't receive an email your membership is good.

Don't forget you can renew your membership on the internet. Just visit our website www.lakehuronfishingclub.com or here is a direct PayPal Link <http://64.177.125.54/LHFC/purchase.htm>.

Bob

New Members

Murray Hahn
Derek Woods

Guelph, ON
Toronto, ON

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Executive Meeting Dates:

~~January 21, 2016~~

~~March 17, 2016~~

~~May 19, 2016~~

~~July 21, 2016~~

October 20, 2016

General Meetings:

~~February 11, 2016~~

~~April 14, 2016~~

~~June 9, 2016~~

~~September 8, 2016~~

November 10, 2016

Special Events :

~~Adopt a Highway – April 23, 2016~~

~~Spring Fish Fry – June 11, 2016~~

~~Derby Media Day and Sponsor Appreciation – July 8, 2016~~

~~Derby – July 23 – August 7, 2016~~

~~Derby Awards – August 7, 2016~~

~~Pig Roast – September 10, 2016~~

Christmas Party – December 8, 2016

Special Projects:

~~Docks in – April 29, 30, 2016~~

~~Docks out – September 30th and October 1st, 2016~~

Chinook egg collection – TBA

Rainbow egg collection – TBA

Chinook release – TBA

Rainbow release – TBA

Brown trout release – TBA

Road cleanup – TBA

Baie Dore Docks – TBA

2016 Conservation projects – TBA