

Spawn to Splash

Fourth Edition

SPRING/SUMMER 2011

Welcome to the fourth edition of our newsletter from the North Hastings Community Fish Hatchery. We are a community owned and volunteer driven organization created to raise and release healthy lake trout into our local lakes. There is a unique genetic strain of Lake Trout native to this region called the Jewell that the Hatchery is rearing. This year we also received brook trout eggs (Dickson Lake strain, Algonquin Park) to raise and release to a yet-to-be determined lake(s). These trout will be released in the spring of 2012.

PIG AND LAMB ROAST

This year's dinner will be bigger and better than ever! It's our 4th dinner and it will be held on Friday July 8th at the Curling Club. This is our large fundraising event and provides us with well over ½ of the operating funds for the next year. Our major dinner sponsors are Marg McGibbon and catering team who so admirably handle the meal, Ron Heleniak at Norwick Packers (meat) and Dwayne and Julie at Red Steer (deboning and wrapping) plus Magnotta Winery Woodbridge. Mark Bonokoski will be our MC again this year and Brad Denure will be our auctioneer. Our local businesses and contributors have been a constant source of support throughout the years. Without the assistance of all, we would not be able to provide such a great meal, auction and raffle prizes. Tickets are available from board members, volunteers and at Vance Motors from our fundraising chair, Kevin Vance 613-332-1410.



North Hastings
COMMUNITY FISH HATCHERY

"LOCAL FISH FOR LOCAL LAKES"

Help to create better local fisheries by joining in the fun
at the fifth annual Fundraising Dinner!

Pig and Lamb Roast



Games, Raffles,
Silent & Live Auctions
~ Bancroft Curling Club ~

Friday, July 8th, 2011
Doors open 5:30pm—Dinner 6:30pm

\$25/person \$60/family with children 12-18, children under 12 free

For tickets call: Vance Motors 613-332-1410, Denis Brown 332-1716,
Mary Le Feuvre 332-4084, Larry Byers 332-1154,
Jen Card 332-3940 ext 260, Ron Bowman 332-5735

All proceeds go to North Hastings
Community Fish Hatchery

www.fishhatchery.ca

HATCHERY EXECUTIVE FOR 2011

President - Ron Bowman 613-332-5735

Vice President - Kevin Vance 613-332-1410

Secretary/Treasurer - Mary Le Feuvre 613-332-4084

Directors:

Blane Harvey – Vice-President Academic, Fleming College

Glen Pomeroy – Membership Chair 613-332-6194

Denis Brown – Operations Manager 613-332-1716

Team Leaders:

Stan Loney – 613-332-8100

Larry Byers – 613-332-1154

TOURS of the HATCHERY:

Tours of the Hatchery are available free of charge, however since the Hatchery is run by volunteers, it is necessary to call ahead and book an appointment. The list of Executive members and team leaders are listed above. Donations are welcome but not a requirement.

STOCKING

For 2011 the North Hastings Community Fish Hatchery has met its stocking goals for the Jewell trout. Listed below are the lakes the volunteers and NERD students stocked in May 2011. We were one month later than usual due to the late ice-out on the target lakes. Should you catch a fin-clipped fish in any one of the lakes listed below, please note the fin that is missing (that determines the year class and age) and its length.

STOCKING REPORT

Spring 2011*				
L'Amable	Jamieson	Holland	McAuley	Lavallee
2100	600	400	1100	1200
Average weight of these fish 174 grams				
These are Fall 2011 stocking goals	Lake St. Peter	Purdy		
	2800	1600		



*60 fish were held back in the Hatchery for viewing by summer visitors. These fish will be released with the fall stocking.

Growth rates in 2010 (2008 eggs)	Average weight of fish in grams	Growth rates in 2010 (2009 eggs)	Average weight of fish in grams	Growth rates in 2011 (2010 eggs)	Average weight of fish in grams
Jan 2010	99.9	March 2010 (first weight for 2009 eggs)	0.69		
Apr 2010 release	186	July 2010	17.5		
		Oct 2010	41.3		
		Jan 2011	96.3		
		April 2011 (just prior to release)	174	March 2011 (first weight for 2010 eggs)	0.69



2011 BROOK TROUT ART CONTEST

Once again the Hatchery is sponsoring a juried contest for a picture. This year's topic is "Brook Trout." The winning painting will be hung in the Hatchery and prints will be made and used for gifts to major sponsors and will be available for the 2012 auction for purchase. There will be a \$500.00 dollar prize for the winning image. Paintings are to be turned into the Hatchery by October 1st, 2011. Visitors and volunteers at the Hatchery will chose their favourite. Details of the contest will be posted on the Art Gallery of Bancroft web site. Gallery site is: agb@nexicom.net.

Information is also available from Mary Le Feuvre @ 613-332-4084

NOS & NERD HELP AT THE HATCHERY:

Those readers that follow the exploits of the NOS and NERD students from the North Hastings High School each week in our local papers know how important the students are to our operation - from egg gathering to fin-clipping (NOS) and stocking (NERDS), plus general assistance in the Hatchery operations and helping with Gerry Whyte's Memorial Garden. With the guidance of their teachers, Barb Gillis and Glen Pomeroy (NOS) and Carl Ziebarth, and Colleen Drew-Baehre (NERDS), they have provided invaluable support. The volunteers miss their cheerful eager attitude. Many thanks from all of us at the Hatchery.



Our partner on the Board, Blane Harvey from Fleming College has provided a summary of Programs that may have interest to the students. The students taking these High School courses receive a credit at Fleming for their work at the High School. The Fish and Wildlife courses at Fleming are outlined on the next page.

FISH & WILDLIFE PROGRAMS AT FLEMING

Through its School of Environmental & Natural Resource Sciences, Fleming offers both a two-year Fish & Wildlife Technician as well as a three-year Fish & Wildlife Technology program. Both programs can lead individuals into a rewarding career that combines their love of the outdoors and keen interest in fish and wildlife, with a commitment to responsible resource management.

A combination of classroom sessions and laboratory work are enhanced by numerous excursions into the field. The learning environment includes an on-campus fish Hatchery that supports the School's participation as a partner in the Lake Ontario Atlantic Salmon Restoration Project. Students are involved in daily Hatchery operations.

Fleming's program is the only program in Ontario accredited by the North American Wildlife Technology/Technologist Association. Fleming is one of two colleges offering the Technician program (the only in Southern Ontario) and the only college offering a third year technology specialization.

Graduates of the Fish & Wildlife Technician program will find work in Canada from *coast to coast* in a variety of organizations such as government research agencies and ministries, private consulting firms or environmental management agencies (e.g. Ducks Unlimited, Ontario Federation of Anglers & Hunters). Positions range from fish & wildlife technician/technologist, interpreter at fish and wildlife reserves, fishing/hunting guides and wetlands inventory technicians. Technology graduates will be able to move into managerial or specialized positions more quickly given the more focused skill set.

DONORS:

Donor gifts are a major support to the Hatchery throughout the year and as top-up of fees from our members. To date in 2011, the Hatchery has received substantial donations from the following individuals and groups:

Don McLeod	\$1000.00
Elk Foundation	\$1000.00
Limerick Lake Hunt Group	\$1000.00
Zone E (OFAH)	\$3,500.00
MNR – CFWIP grants	\$2000.00
Mary Le Feuvre	covers the annual mortgage
Denis Brown	donations of materials, etc.
Mike Clark	redesigned the stairs
Whitfield Plumbing and Heating	– 2 exhaust fans

All of these funds have been put to immediate use by the Hatchery to fund operational expenses. Major on-going expenses include Hydro One at between \$1,200.00 to \$1,400.00 per month. Feed for the fish is another \$5000.00 + per year. Like your household, there are telephone bills, insurance and a mortgage plus general maintenance on pumps and other equipment. The Hatchery used the funds from Zone E for installation and replacement of our garage door. Whitfield Plumbing and Heating provided two exhaust fans for the electrical and mechanical rooms.

SPECIAL DONATIONS in MEMORY OF ROB HENDERSON

The Hatchery lost a valued friend and board member this past spring with the passing of Rob Henderson, our President. He was a founding member of the Hatchery with a passion for fly fishing. His goal was the introduction of brook trout to the Hatchery and stream rehabilitation. The brook trout arrived in early January of this year from the Hills Hatchery in New Liskeard and he enjoyed viewing them swimming in their tank. He will be missed. He asked that donations in his memory be made to the Hatchery and Ridge Church. The Hatchery received approximately \$3000.00 donated in his memory. The picture displayed here, proudly hangs in our Hatchery.



FIN-TASTIC FOOD

Teresa J's Famous Fry - from *The Angler's Only Cookbook* by Darryl Choronzey 1988

2 lbs of fillets	1 cup flour
½ tsp thyme	½ tsp salt
½ tsp ground black pepper	½ tsp paprika
½ tsp lemon pepper	

Prepare the fish for frying:

Combine all ingredients, mixing well. Use 2 heaping tablespoons of the mixture per fillet in a plastic bag and shake until fillet is covered.

Cooking Method:

Add Bacon strips and chopped onion in a frying pan till onions are golden and bacon crisp. Remove bacon and onions. Fry the fish in the pan until golden and crispy. Serve with bacon and onions.