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**Upcoming Events**

Aug. 7	WDRA Board Meeting
Aug. 9	BINGO
Aug. 9	Tween Dance
Aug. 10	Golf Tournament
Aug. 18	Our Lady of Grace Turkey Supper
Sept. 12	Euchre starts up again!
Sept. 13	BINGO
Sept. 13	Tween Dance
Sept. 21	First Public Skate!

**Our Lady of Grace Church**

**TURKEY SUPPER**

Sunday, August 18, 2013  
 at the Westmeath Community Centre  
 Meals served from Noon to 6pm  
 Bake/Sale Table, Bingo, Draw Tickets, Kid's Table.

**ADULTS: \$12.00  
 CHILDREN 5-12: \$6.00  
 CHILDREN 4 & UNDER: FREE**

# AUGUST 2013 NEWSLETTER

To rent the Community Centre Hall or Ice Rink Facilities:  
 613-587-4559 or email [wdranrtco.net](mailto:wdranrtco.net)

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## WDRA 6th Annual Golf Tournament



**Saturday August 10th, 2013**

Indian River Golf Club, Pembroke

SPONSORED BY THE WDRA

1:00pm Start

Dinner to follow

Registration: \$50.00 per person  
 This includes 9 Holes of Golf & Dinner  
 There will be prizes and fun for all  
 You may purchase the dinner only \$20.00  
 Golf carts extra

**THIS IS A FUN TOURNAMENT  
 'BEST BALL'**

**Don't miss all the fun "fore" Everyone!**

We will also be auctioning off some items  
 Registration Forms available at  
 Kenny's Store, Lacroix Store  
 and on the website  
 For more information contact  
 Brenda @ 587-4518 or Eileen @ 587-4462



Follow the WDRA on Facebook  
 to catch up on all the latest!!!



## TWEEN DANCE

Friday, Aug 9, 7 – 10 pm

Westmeath Rec. Centre Hall

Ages 8-15, \$5 per person

Music by Abbey

Lane DJ

Entertainment Canada



**A BIG SUCCESS!!!**  
**The WDRA Annual Family Fishing Derby**  
**“A Community Family Fun Event”**

What a great turnout. There were 23 kids (10yrs & under), 25 youth (11-17yrs) and 44 Adults. It certainly was a fun filled day for all!! There were prizes for everyone who registered cash prizes for each age group and fish category, even up to 5th place for the kids and youth categories! Categories included mystery weights, grand masters for Bass, Pike, Pickerel and Catfish, one for kids and youth combined and one for adults.

**The Biggest Catch of the Day in each category:**

**Kids (10yrs & under)**

**1st Place Pike:** 3.02lbs Dawson Zadowyne

**1st Place Bass:** 2.18lbs Kat Kat Fransico

**1st Place Pickerel:** 3.08lbs Ethan McMullen

**1st Place Catfish:** 2.98lbs Christane McMullen

**Youths (11-17yrs)**

**1st Place Pike:** 5.4 lbs Nick Ethier

**1st Place Bass:** 3.02lbs Venassa Trevisani

**1st Place Pickerel:** 1.38lbs Sherry Ethier

**1st Place Catfish:** 2.48lbs Tanner Bromley

**Adults**

**1st Place Pike:** 5.90lbs John Gilchrist

**1st Place Bass:** 5.29lbs John Hedden

**1st Place Pickerel:** 1.52lbs Jeff Ethier

**1st Place Catfish:** 4.42lbs Joanne Juehette

**Grandmaster in Kids/Youth:** Nick Ethier 11.61lbs Total Weight  
Prize donated by John & June Gilchrist (prize shown in photo below)



**Grandmaster in Adults:** Wayne Desjardins 9.17lbs Total Weight  
Prize donated by Greg Gervais - Pro Staff 3 Fishing Boxes complete with a variety of lures!

Special Thanks to our generous sponsors: John & June Gilchrist, Greg Gervais/Pro Staff, Giant Tiger, JP Plumbing, Paul’s Tackle & Tours, Pembroke Mall East, Sail Ottawa, Smittys Home Hardware, Valley Bass, XZONE Lures, Allane Bait & Tackle, B’s Café, Blok Pools & Hot Tubs, Brum’s Dairy, Canadian Tire Pembroke, 4 Wire Telecom Service, Rose & Dan Fanning, Finnigan’s, Mel & Eileen deHaan. Hats off to all of the Volunteers, especially Beth Ethier and Ernie Lafrance of the OPP.  
See you next year!!!!

**PUMP TRACK UPDATE**

The Pump Track that was...and IS coming!

Our Director at Large (aka Grants Guy), Bob Grylls has been working extremely hard on applying for grants. One that stood out was the Kraft Celebration Tour. Although we didn’t receive the grant, it has definitely kick-started community spirit! Here is an excerpt:

Last fall dirt was brought in for a pump track, initiated by Beth Ethier, the softball coordinator, who has a soft spot for teens. The dirt was placed along one side of the arena, out of sight and away from traffic. Only it wasn’t the right composition - too many stones. It arrived only days before the snow fell.

This new venue captured the teenager’s attention and in the spring at least a dozen became regular users, some more so, not realizing or caring that the dirt was wrong. They proceeded to build a pump track to their liking, removing the stones and using whatever materials they could scrounge up. Without warning, the dirt was removed a few weeks ago. News of the disappearance spread like wildfire. The kids blamed the arena manager and the parents blamed the association. An ad hoc meeting was held to get an explanation. It was learned that proper soil would be sourced.

Also, a parents-teenagers meeting would take place to set some guidelines when it did arrive. The first load of dirt has been delivered! The association is carefully taking proper steps to ensure our youth have the safest and appropriate dirt for the new pump track!

To read Bob’s full entry of the Kraft Celebration Tour, please visit our website!

**A HUMBLE THANK YOU!**

I’m honored and humbled to receive the volunteer award. There are so many deserving people in our Community. My parents taught me at a very young age that it is important to give back to your Community, they were always helping others, volunteering and supporting Community events. They instilled in me the love of Community and the importance of being involved. I would like to thank my family for understanding and being there for me. It has been a hard year personally; volunteering lets me focus on the positive things in life and re-energizes me. I was lost for words on Canada Day, and was unable to speak... (I still am) Thank you so much! Brenda Grady

**WINTER CARNIVAL COMMITTEE**

Please contact  
Amanda 613.587.4875  
or Brenda 613.587.4518  
if you would like to be a part of the Winter Carnival Planning Committee in the fall.

Interested in Volunteering?  
Meeting new people!

The WDRA are looking for volunteers to help with our Bingos. If interested please or would like more information  
Please call  
Brenda @ 613-587-4518

It is never too early to plan!  
There has been some interest expressed about bringing Kindermusic (weekly music class for children 0-6) and a play group to Westmeath.  
Please contact Amanda at  
613.587.4875 or  
aegervais@gmail.com

**WESTMEATH CANADA DAY CELEBRATION**

Westmeath was blessed with beautiful weather for our Canada Day Celebration! It was great to see new and familiar faces coming together to celebrate. I would like to thank the following for helping make the day a success: Pauline Wright (Bingo), Gail Ethier (Euchre, speeches), Dana Thoms (what an amazing cake), Brenda Grady and her Kitchen Staff, Neil & Dana Nicholson, Jen Ethier and Anne Bromley (kids Games) Mel & Eileen deHaan (Euchre, dance) Mike Watson and your AWESOME BBQ Chicken crew (Canada Day would not be the same without it), Lisa MacDonald (Firework fundraiser), Darren Raab and your Fireman crew again a fantastic display of fireworks. Of course a huge thank you to the band, Shattered Glass, for the fantastic music in the evening. Lastly, I would like to thank my talented daughter, April White, for allowing me to sing “O Canada” with her. It truly was a blessing. I am so glad that I was able to finish work in time to enjoy some of our community’s events. We are blessed to have so many amazing volunteers helping out!! Whether you are young or old, this community pulls together to make things happen.

\*If you have any ideas for next year please let us know. It is never too late to start. *Sherry White, Chair of Canada Day 2013*

**DID YOU SEE THE FIREWORKS????!?!??**

Westmeath lit up the community sky with a beautiful fireworks show! We couldn’t have done without our wonderful community that donated this year! A sincere THANK YOU goes to: Bruce & Laurie Ethier/Ethier Electric, Benji McMullen, Dana Nicholson/Epicure, Penny & Darren Raabe, Terry Bromley, Dana Thoms/The Sweet Shack, Joey Trimm, Pam Giroux, Shane & Tina Bromley, Anne & Andrew Bromley, Claude & Colette Lacroix, Vincent & Marg Gervais, Georgie & Dwight Laderoute/The Computer Port, John & Natalie Hedden, Izett & Gail McBride, Ron & Gail Ethier, Terry & Sally/Parkside Electric, Brian & Mary-Lynn/Gervais Garage, Lynn & Gord MuMullen, Tim Schroeder, John & Anna/JP’s Plumbing, Kenny’s Store, Abby Lane DJ, Mike Moss, Mel & Eileen de Haan, Bryan & June Kenny, Carla’s Cuts & Curls, Jeff & Jen Ethier, Angie Dupuis, Bob Grylls, Art & Margaret Plume, Harry & Annette Gervais, Ralph & Mona Lacroix, Beach West Pharmacy, Lisa & Rick McDonald/ McDonald Lumber Manufacturing!

