



LIGHT LINES

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ELECTION EDITION - APRIL, 1994

THE ELECTION

By John Kendell

7:15 PM. The Credit River Anglers Association will hold its election during the Annual General Meeting. The Meeting will take place Monday, April 25, 1994, at the Erindale Community Centre (across from Erindale Park on Dundas). Make sure you attend to take part in the voting, as well as the other activities.

LIST OF THE NOMINEES:

PRESIDENT	JOHN KENDELL RAY WEBB
VICE-PRESIDENT	MARK TARNAWCZYK
TREASURER	DONNA MCNAIR
SECRETARY	PAULA CARRASCO
EVENTS COORDINATOR	DERRICK HUSSEY

RIVER REHAB OFFICER

BOB MORRIS

FISH REARING OFFICER

MARK HEATON
DEREK MCNAIR

FIVE DIRECTORS

JOHN KENDELL
JOHN MEDEIROS
BOB MORRIS
RON TURALINSKI
CHRIS
Ray Webb

Make sure you have a say in the future of the Credit River Anglers Association by voting.

Only members that have paid to 1993, 1994, or 1995 can vote. If your membership is suspended (1992 or earlier), then you must renew to be eligible to vote. Renewals should be done at the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL INFORMATION

MEMBERSHIP YEAR END	RENEWAL RATE TO JUNE, 1995
1994 - in good standing (to December, 1994)	\$10.00
1993 - in good standing (to June, 1994)	\$20.00
1992 - suspended	\$20.00

You can confirm your membership status during the Annual General Meeting with the Chairperson.

NOTE: You must be a member in good standing to vote.

MAIL A CHEQUE WITH THE RENEWAL FORM IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND THE MEETING.

CONFIRMED WORK DAYS - 1994

April

- 1 to 25 * FISH LADDER OPERATION
- CRAA operates the fish ladder every day unless it is raining hard.
 - The fish ladder began operation on March 30, 1994.
 - Volunteers are needed every afternoon, seven days a week.
 - IMPROVE THE STEELHEAD FISHING, GET INVOLVED, AND HELP LIFT SOME STEELHEAD.

April 15 * UPWELLING BOX MONITORING TEAM

- to June 30 - The upwelling box must be checked every day for water flow and emerging fry.

MAY

- 28 - 9:00am * TREE PLANTING IN MISSISSAUGA
- CRAA members will plant trees in the vicinity of Erindale Park to provide erosion control and improve wildlife habitat.

WORK DAYS - SUMMER, 1994

JUNE

- 11, 12, 18
9:00am * RIVER REHABILITATION PROJECT
- Meet at the Credit Valley Conservation Authority Offices (1255 Derry Road West, Meadowvale, 100m west of the Credit River).
 - CRAA will remove debris from important nursery streams to improve the natural reproduction rate of Steelhead. Some stream bank stabilization may also be carried out. Tree planting will be done in these areas in the fall.

JULY

- 9, 10 * URBAN FISHING FESTIVAL
- CRAA members are needed to help the MNR to teach children how to fish.
 - Meet at the dock on Lake Aquitaine behind the Meadowvale Community Centre, 6655 Glen Erin Drive.

- 16, 17 * RIVER REHABILITATION PROJECT
- Same as above.

AUGUST

- 20, 21 * RIVER REHABILITATION PROJECT or ELECTRO-FISHING SURVEY
- Other dates - River rehabilitation work will be the same as possible. above.
- When the MNR is available. - The electro-fishing survey will provide valuable information on juvenile Trout and Salmon populations, as well as locate areas of high natural reproduction.

- SEPTEMBER * TREE PLANTINGS AND ATLANTIC SALMON SURVEY

**CALL THE CRAA HOTLINE AND
LEAVE A MESSAGE TO
VOLUNTEER FOR ANY WORK DAY!**

CRAA HOTLINE 567-6656

CRAA NEEDS YOU!!!!

The Credit River Anglers Association needs members to get involved with the projects to enhance and improve the Credit River Fishery. We all joined to club to make a difference, but most people do not get involved. Some want to, but do not know how to, others are too busy. We all have time to fish, but few people are making the time to improve it.

CRAA has over 200 members, but only 5 show up for the projects. Why? Five people cannot do river rehabilitation or tree plantings.

If every member put in one days work on these projects there would be thousands of trees planted, tons of garbage removed, and miles of improved habitat for the fish. In five years the Steelhead population of the Credit River would double, Salmon fishing would be phenomenal, and the entire ecosystem would be improved.

The MNR and the City of Mississauga would allow more open sections on the river, and donate more money to our projects. In a few years we would all enjoy the most fantastic fishery found anywhere.

We would all like to see the above situation come true, so we must all get involved!

THERE ARE A NUMBER OF WORK DAYS PLANNED FOR THE SUMMER OF 1994. GET INVOLVED IN THEM. YOUR NOT EXPECTED TO WORK EVERY DAY.

WHEN THE EXECUTIVE ASKS FOR YOUR HELP DON'T MAKE EXCUSES, GET INVOLVED

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Anyone who can bring tools, equipment, food, money, or anything else that could be used in a project should let us know over the hotline, or at the meeting. CRAA cannot afford to hire machine operators, rent equipment and property, or buy tools.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone Number (Home): _____ (Bus): _____

This is your Renewal Rate to June, 1995: \$10 _____ \$20 _____

New memberships cost \$25.00

You can pay you membership at the meeting. If you can not attend, then mail it in soon.

You will receive your new membership card in your next mailing.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS - VOTE ON APRIL 25, 1994

These amendments will be voted on at the meeting.

- 1) CRAA will cover a greater geographical area (Credit Valley and the shoreline and lake along Port Credit)
- 2) Encourage more methods of fishing (Float, Fly, Lure, Downrigging, ect.)
- 3) Encourage other forms of recreation (Canoeing, Hiking, Bird watching, ect.)
- 4) Back the Culham Trail
- 5) Wider range of public education
- 6) Aim to be affiliated with the City of Mississauga. (80% of the executive must be from Mississauga). This allows CRAA to take advantage of city grants, ect.
- 7) Have a By-election to fill spaces left in the executive by a resignation. Currently the space is filled by existing executive members. This puts to much work on them.

FISH LADDER UPDATE - 1994

by John Kendell

CRAA has had it's best year ever operating the Streetsville fish ladder. CRAA runs the ladder on it's own, with NO MNR involvement, and at our own expense! CRAA volunteers have listed over 900 adult Steelhead past the Streetsville dam. That's 300 more than our best year (1993).

CRAA VOLUNTEER THANKS

FISH LADDER

AARON BODIAM
RON TURALINSKI
DERRICK HUSSEY
STEVE WAUD
CHRIS GOH

DEREK McNAIR
JOHN KENDELL
PAULA CARRASCO
KEITH BURROWS
PETE DEGRASSI

DONNA McNAIR
MARK TARNAWCZYK
MIKE
ROBERT SMYKAL
LARRY GOHEEN

NEWS LETTERS

RAY WEBB

JOHN KENDELL

JURGEN RICHTER

GET YOUR NAME ON THESE LISTS!!!

I CAN HELP ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS

NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER (HOME) _____ (BUS) _____

Fish Ladder (April 20-25) _____	Tree Planting (May 28) _____
River Rehab. (June 11 or 12 or 18) _____	Urban Fishing (July 9+10) _____
River Rehab. (Aug. 20/21) _____	River Rehab. (July 16or17) _____
Tree plantings and Atlantic	Electro-Shocking (August)
Salmon Survey. (September) _____	(When the MNR is available) _____

I can also donate: tools, food, equipment, organization time, ect
(Circle what you can do!)

Bring this to the meeting, or mail it in.