



Sarcee Fish and Game Association

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Club Overview

Sarcee Fish and Game Association (SFGA) has been in operation since 1958 and is affiliated with Alberta Fish and Game.

Our club's primary goal is to preserve wildlife habitat (thus creating a huntable surplus of wildlife) and to promote its use by hunters, fishers, conservationists and the public.

Our secondary goal is to create a FUN club for the enjoyment of all our members. We host recreational club events and social activities that give back to our members and the public.

Our tertiary goal is to support hunting, fishing, and conservation activities. We do this by promoting activities that increase opportunities for hunting and fishing.



President's Report, Dave McIver

It has been a great two months for Sarcee since my last report. Some of our members went Bear hunting, and whether a bear was bagged or not it's great to get back out into the woods and watch spring arrive.

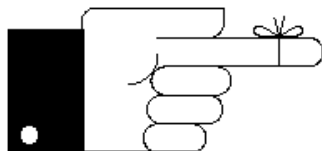
Our May regular meeting had an excellent program that presented some of the fabulous work being done for wildlife habitat in the irrigation districts to the east.

Our June meeting at the Crossfield fishpond was also a success and a good start to something that I think should be an annual affair. We had about 35 people out to do some fishing, eat a good meal of Horizon Meat's smokies and participate in a very brief meeting. The following Sunday we had another very successful "Fun Fishing Day for People with disabilities"; one of our biggest ever.

May and June are always wonderful anyway. The leaves are out, the grass is green, the gardens are growing and the hunting draw information comes out to remind us of a wonderful fall and get our expectations high. It's also a good time to look for sheds, scout new territory, and pick some good mushrooms.

I hope you have a very good summer, and I invite you to attend our annual Family Camp-out and Pig Roast, which will be held at the Highwood group camp on August 13- 15, 2004.

Dave McIver 246-3248



Remember No Meetings for July & August, see you at our special functions or again on Sept. 14, 2004

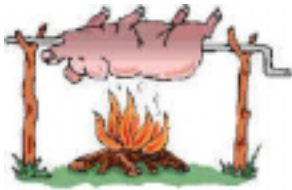
Program Report, Art Beck



With big game hunting seasons coming up, we are considering having an Elk calling demonstration along with a video for our September meeting. The timing is ideal for those who are able to hunt in the early season, so bring your call and show us how it's done. As well, we may have biologists present to discuss our potential assistance in an Antelope study being done by ACA, U of C and Fish and Wildlife.

Details will be in the September newsletter along with program announcement for October. Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

August 13 – 15, 2004 - Family Campout & Pig Roast



Well, our annual family classic is upon us. Why not bring out your family and come join us this year for a great weekend of socializing and games?

The club has already reserved the campground for our group and is paying the camping fees. All you need to bring to bring is your camping gear, food and something for the potluck on Saturday night.

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Itinerary

- **Friday:** Campground opens at 4pm. Members arrive and spend the evening socializing.
- **Saturday:** A fun day ending with a Potluck Supper. There is a horseshoe pit, so bring your favorite games (no Archery), & fishing is near by. We will be roasting a pig again and if you have never seen Jonn Kapjek roast a pig, it is a very interesting and fun experience. As your contribution to the Potluck Dinner, please bring a salad & or desert for 8 people, your own dishes and your favorite drink. Dinner is usually planned for between 4 & 6 p.m., but it depends on the cooking of the pig. After supper, the games and socializing continue.
- **Sunday:** Campers share any leftovers for a Potluck lunch and then pack up and head back to the city.

Hopefully you can come and join us for the weekend camping, but if time is short, then just come out for the Potluck / Pig Roast on Saturday. It is a great time to meet club members and exchange stories about your time in the great outdoors.



Driving Directions: To get to Highwood River group camp: Head to Okotoks, through Okotoks and on to Black Diamond, then on to Longview, turn west just in the town of Longview onto Highway 541, follow 541 for 35 km, watch for the Kananaskis gates (sign), Highwood River Group Campsite is on your left.

30th Annual Fun Fishing Day for Folks with Disabilities

On June 13 we enjoyed a very successful day of fishing with the handicapped.

This was our 30th annual event; there were 92 registered participants and approximately 100 volunteers.

Fishing was good, the weather was so-so but everyone had a great time. There were about 70 fish caught, the largest was 4 1/2/ lbs. Coffee, doughnuts, burgers and associated salads where served at the pond. And a windup banquet was held at the Airdrie Legion. A tremendous Thank You to volunteers and sponsors. It couldn't happen without you.





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Thanks again and see you next year. John Komonoski & Dean Barysien

Alberta Junior Pheasant Program, Dan Radomske

Summer 2004

The corn is up and growing, the Pheasant Chicks and wild Turkeys are running wild at 8 weeks of age by July 1.

Jason Haffner of RPM automotives, Olds has built an additional rearing pen for Alberta Junior Pheasant Program. Everything is shaping up for our 4th year of Alberta Junior Pheasant Program.

Send you **WAIVERS** for the kids to **REG BLUME PHONE 403-224-2713, FAX 403-224-3831. Looking for 12 – 17 year olds!!**

Free to youth that has taken Hunter Education short course, with a membership to a Fish and Game Club in Alberta.

Sarcee offer a \$10.00 youth membership. Contact Kraig McIver 403-912-6189. For further information contact Dan Radomske 227-2105.

Notice: Our Alberta Junior Pheasant project needs some help. Anyone with a progressive 20 guage shotshell loader, willing to load some shells for the training program, please call Art Beck, 274 5924. We have hulls, powder, shot and primers.



Alberta Fish & Game Association's 6th Annual Dream Hunt Raffle

1st Prize: 12-Day N.W.T. Dall Sheep/Mountain Caribou hunt for one person with Gana River Outfitters

Additional hunting opportunities include Wolf and Wolverine.

Valued at \$18,190.00

Hunting dates are Aug. 10-21, 2005 from Norman Wells, N.W.T.

2nd Prize: 7-Day NWT Central Barrenground Caribou hunt for two people for 1 caribou each with True North Safaris

Additional hunting opportunities available for Wolf, Wolverine, Ptarmigan and a second Caribou. Fishing opportunities available for Arctic Grayling, Lake Trout and Northern Pike.

Valued at \$11,085.95

Hunting dates will fall between Aug. 20 and Sept. 22, 2005 from Yellowknife, NWT

3rd Prize: 2-Day Canmore Getaway Fishing Trip for Two People on the Bow River & Spray Lakes with Wapiti Sports & Outfitters

Includes two nights accommodation, meals, a one-day float trip for Brown Trout on the Bow River and a one-day trip on Spray lakes for Lake Trout.

Valued at \$1,598.00

Fishing dates open between Jun. 1 and Aug. 31, 2005 from Canmore, AB

Win a Caribou Hunt with True North Safaris by Selling Dream Hunt Raffle tickets!

**The individual, who sells the winning ticket to the first prize winner,
will win a trip for one to hunt Central Barrenground Caribou with
True North Safaris.**

Alberta Fish & Game Association Wildlife Trust Fund Initiative. All proceeds go towards purchasing critical wildlife habitat in Alberta. Tickets are \$20.00 each or 6 for \$100.00. Only 5000 Tickets Printed. Draw date: May 2, 2005 at AFGA office. Prize must be accepted as awarded. Must be 18 years of age (Restrictions Apply). Tickets will be sold within Alberta only. Raffle License # 209496

Call Yves Ouellette at 403-663-9708 or AFGA office at 780-437-2342 for tickets.

(Wondering who wins these hunts, then check out your OUTDOOR EDGE Magazine, July/August 2004 issue for last year's winners.)



2003 BIRD Chairman's Report, Art Yeske

It is very refreshing and invigorating to get back "out in the field" and talk to landowners who know what is going on and who see the birds. WOW! As you know, the Vision of Sarcee Fish and Game Pheasant Projects is **TO ENHANCE THE PHEASANT POPULATION TO THE POINT WHERE IT SUSTAINS ITSELF FOR GREATER VIEWING AND HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES**. It seems to be working.

Ten-week-old pheasant chicks at Doug Fraser's



Raise and Release Projects:

- The pheasants are "doing fine".
- Bob Workum and I delivered 102 pheasant poults (unsexed) to each of Huethers, Frasers and the Millarville (Campbell) pens on June 25.
- By working with

Calgary Fish and Game, I was able to get a lower price from the Canadian Pheasant Company.

- Co-op Feed Calgary agreed to sell us feed and grit at wholesale prices.
- Many thanks to Inland Concrete for funding the new netting on the Campbell pen for the Millarville Community/Youth Pheasant Raise and Release Project, and to Dean Loewen for organizing and getting the job done. (More on this Millarville Project in a separate report)
- Bill Sotham is raising 24 pheasants that he got from Lee Angele. Thanks guys!
- Randy and Beth Ernest had 3 hen pheasants setting in their pen. So far they have only seen 4 chicks, but there were many eggs. There might be more chicks hidden in the dense cover.
- Ted Cooke helped deliver feed and pick up the pheasant crates.

Brooder Hens:

- El Peterson and I picked up 87 Adult "proven breeder hens" from the Canadian Pheasant Company at Brooks and released them in 10 different locations.
- Four young hunters donated \$100.00 each for hens just "to put something back into the resource"
- 2 non-members and non-hunting ladies phoned me and offered to buy brooder hens for their viewing pleasure. Go Figure!
- Art Beck bought 12 hens on his own and released them in 2 areas. (Art Beck has been an active supporter of the pheasant projects for the last 6 years, but has never been listed as a supporter in our reports. Thanks Art)

Other:

- The red-breasted nuthatches and the chickadees both have successful hatches and the fledglings are now gone.
- The robins lost their first nest, but there are baby robins around.

Have a great summer. If you have any comments, concerns or questions, please call me.

Art Yeske 249-7245



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Fishing	vacant	
Programs	vacant	

Millarville Community/Youth Pheasant Raise & Release Project, Dean Loewen

In mid June we received new netting material to replace the roof of our pen and with a team of energetic folks we had it changed in a day. We were ready to receive the chicks in a couple weeks.

Again we have 11 families participating in the Millarville Community/Youth Pheasant Raise and Release Program.

The chicks arrived safely from Art Yeske and his friend on June 25 and they were all happy to see their new residence. Or should I say they were very large 10 week olds and already showing their brilliant colors.

Also Art Yeske brought us 48 eggs which my friend, Bob Robertson is incubating and they should be breaking egg about July 16. We are all very excited about that. The kids are waiting patiently.

Upcoming Events

July and August No Meeting

July 17, 2004 – The Frank Leffingwell Memorial 5th Annual, 9:00 am, Lethbridge Fish and Game Range call Allan at (403)320-5860 (home), (403)382-3593 (work) or email at ccsc@shooter.org

Aug 13 –15 – Annual Pig Roast & Family Campout, Highwood group camp

Sept. 14,2004 Regular Meeting



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