



# Ipswich Fish & Game Association

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## May 2008 News Letter

May 5, 2008 Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

Several new member candidates completed their reading process and are now full members. Welcome! We also had four new members begin the candidate process, Bill Butler, Steven Petti, Josh Franklin and junior member Jeremy Weigant. Welcome to them also.

### ***Treasurer's Report***

This was the first full meeting for the new treasurer, Ed Marsh. The transition from Jerry Stansfield to Ed Marsh is ongoing and is waiting on signature cards to be processed. Eric Galicki stated that he also has some documentation regarding other financial items that need to be properly transferred over to Ed's control.

The main account has an \$11,200 balance, before processing outstanding invoices and expenses from grounds upkeep and range work. We decided to leave the existing CDs in place until we need to move money out of them to pay for the range improvements.

### ***Range Report***

The shelter walls are up and the trusses are constructed and installed. The roofing material has been selected. One of the primary considerations is the need to allow light through the roof. We are currently shopping for the best pricing.

Rowley Ready Mix has agreed to donate the remaining sand needed to fill in the 25 yard pistol backstop. Thank you to David Shea for his efforts in this area!

### ***Trap Report***

There will be a Trap Committee meeting, open to the entire membership, after the Tuesday night trap league. The meeting should be getting underway at about 8:00 PM. Anyone interested in contributing to the trap efforts at the club should attend this meeting.

It was estimated that we have enough clay pigeons to last until Labor Day. We will investigate placing an order for supplies in July.

### ***Pond***

The pond was stocked with 100 Rainbow Trout, some Brookies and some Horned Pout. The Horned Pout have been added to help clean up the pond. At no time shall Horned Pout be taken. A club license is required in order to fish the stocked pond. Licenses are available from any club officer for \$5 each. Your membership card must be presented at purchase time.

About \$420 was spent in total for stocking the pond.

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The pond was cleaned by a number of dedicated volunteers in April. The results of the cleanup are still on the hill next to the pond. This will be hauled away at the same time the range construction is concluded.

### ***Building And Grounds***

There was a grounds cleanup work party on Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> starting at noon. Eric Galicki ran the cleanup. They cleaned the entrance way by the gate and cleared the fallen limbs and branches. They also cleaned up the grassy areas where the plows had caused damage. The lawn damage from the excavator down at the range was repaired by Eric Galicki.

Eric Josephson has the lawn tractor battery at his house where it was kept for the winter. He will be top charging it and also doing an oil change on the tractor in preparation for using the tractor for the summer.

### ***Open House***

The IFGA will host an open house on Saturday June 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. \$500 was appropriated for the open house expenses.

The following people have taken on the following responsibilities:

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|-----------|---------------------|---------------|---------|
| - Food    | Jim M. and Barry L. | - Pistol      | Eric J. |
| - Ari Gun | Doug G.             | - Advertising | Eric J. |
| - Trap    | Matt A. and Eric G. | - Membership  | Eric J. |
| - Rifle   | Lenny P.            |               |         |

### ***Deep Sea Fishing Trip***

Doug Germain announced that he wants to set up a fishing trip sometime in the next few weeks or so. We need 14 people to commit to the trip. The cost will be \$100 per person. It will be a whole day trip from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm. Contact Doug via e-mail ([labor-in-vain@verizon.net](mailto:labor-in-vain@verizon.net)) or telephone (978-317-4067) if you are interested.

### ***Future Dates***

The following dates were discussed:

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|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| - Lobster Bake        | Sept 21, 2008             |
| - Pig Roast           | Oct. Depending on vendor. |
| - Holiday Cheer Shoot | December, TDB             |

### ***Meeting Dates***

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|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Directors          | - June 2, 2008 at 6:30 PM | Directors          | - Aug 4, 2008 at 6:30 PM  |
| General Membership | - June 2, 2008 at 7:00 PM | Directors          | - Sept 8, 2008 at 6:30 PM |
| Directors          | - July 7, 2008 at 6:30 PM | General Membership | - Sept 8, 2008 at 7:00 PM |

Note: Full members may observe directors' meetings.