



St. Paul Fish and Game Association Newsletter

Box 1200, St. Paul, T0A 3A0

**Meetings 1st Wednesday of the month at FCSS meeting room 7:30 pm, June, July, August at Gun Range 6:30pm
September 2021**

From the President

Hello SPFGA Members,

Well the summer fishing season is once again drawing to a close, there is still some time to do some fall open water fishing before the hardwater season is upon us. Enjoy and be safe when doing so.

Bow season has opened up in parts of the province and is slated to open in our local WMU as September begins. Some areas of the province will have our big game rifle season starting as well. Our local WMU's around St. Paul slated for the first of November. Hopefully you were successful in your draws and the same success will await you when you make your way to your favorite hunting spots.

Waterfowl and upland seasons will begin at the start of September, don't forget to check the regulations for any changes as well as for the opening and closing days. This holds true for the waterfowl seasons and also for the previously mentioned bow and rifle big game seasons.

I would like to take this time to remind everyone that it is important to use respect when hunting. This is especially true for attaining access to private lands and lease lands, but also spills over to the use of crown lands. Respect the lands we use and as well as other users and most certainly the animals that we pursue.

Thank you to all the landowners who share your lands with the members of the outdoor community and allow us to use those lands in pursuit of the things that we enjoy. It is a huge benefit that allows us as outdoor enthusiasts to continue the traditions that were handed down to us and enables us as mentors to hand down those same traditions. For that we are thankful.

Dave Doonanco

President

What's Coming Up

- Sept. 1st SPFGA monthly meeting at gun range 6:30 pm
- Oct. 6th SPFGA monthly meeting at FCSS board room 7:30 pm
- Nov. 3rd SPFGA monthly meeting at FCSS board room 7:30 pm
- Dec. 1st SPFGA monthly meeting at FCSS board room 7:30 pm
- SPFGA Trophy Measuring Day Saturday December 4th, 2021
- Air Rifle Club Contact Russ rjwhit61@gmail.com or Gord gmsmereka@gmail.com
- SPFGA Annual General Meeting tentative date is January 12th, 2022
- SPFGA Supper and Fundraiser May 7th, 2022

Events and activities are also regularly updated on the website:

stpaulfishandgame.ca



- **Annual Supper and Auction**

The Supper and Auction Fundraiser will be held on May 7th, 2022. Stay tuned as we begin to put together the prize package, which will feature some awesome firearms among other prizes. We are hoping to bring back some wildgame as part of the meal so please keep us in mind this fall when you are out harvesting game.

Trophy Scoring Day



1st Annual St. Paul Fish & Game Association Trophy Measuring Day

Categories
Typical Whitetail
Non typical Whitetail
Typical Mule
Non Typical Mule
Moose
Elk
Open Big Game
Ladies Whitetail
Youth Whitetail

Entry fee: \$20.00
General Admission: \$5.00
Door prizes

Place: St Paul AG Corral, 5322 48 Ave, St. Paul, AB
Date: Saturday December 4, 2021
Time: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Entry Deadline: 3:00 pm

Beano & Crockett gross scoring

All entries require a valid WIN number & license.

Entries scored are eligible to receive awards in eight categories

Entries scored in the Open Category will be entered in the all other categories grand prize draw

Category entrants will be entered in one of two grand prize draws:

Youth+Ladies draw for a Vanguard 22-250 with a Vortex Diamondback 4-12x40 scope
Donated by Warehouse Sports St. Paul, AB

All Other Categories draw for a 270 Browning X-Bolt Composite Stalker with a Vortex 4-12x44 Crossfire scope
Donated by St Paul Fish & Game Association

If you are interested in helping out contact Mitchell Paquette mitchellpaquette63@gmail.com or call 780 812 0888

Where to Buy Licenses

CAL'S HARDWARE (RONA) LTD. 4831-50 Street, Elk Point, T0A 1A0 (780) 724-3763

CANADIAN TIRE (MAJAKE MERCHANDISING LTD.) 3929 49 Ave, St Paul, T0A 3A2 (780) 645-3849

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Spedden Super Station (2169069 Alberta Ltd) 12304 Highway 28, Spedden, T0A3E0 (780) 636-3939

WAREHOUSE SPORTS 5232 50 Ave, St Paul, T0A 3A1 (780) 645-4665

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Executive List

President: Dave Doonanco president@stpaulfishandgame.ca

Vice President: Jim Szpajcher

Treasurer: Anne Szpajcher treasurer@stpaulfishandgame.ca

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Hunting Chair: Gord Smereka

Environment Chair: Doug Olson

Programs/Supper Chair: Dave Doonanco

Narrow Lake Camp Chair: Mitch Paquette

Project Coordinator Chair: Ray Makowecki

Trophy Chair: Mitch Paquette

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Website: stpaulfishandgame.ca

Instagram: [@stpaulfishandgame](https://www.instagram.com/stpaulfishandgame)

Facebook: St. Paul Fish and Game Association

Membership

Family Membership \$90: Includes regular membership, his/her spouse and any children under the age of 18.

Regular Membership \$70

Youth Membership \$25How to become a member:

- Memberships can be purchased at Warehouse Sports located at 5232 50th ave in St. Paul, 780 645 4665

- Fill out the membership form and mail to St. Paul Fish and Game Association Box 1200, St. Paul, Alberta, T0A 3A0
- It's here, memberships available online on our website at stpaulfishandgame.ca**

Don't forget to renew your membership to get in on the Membership Incentive Draws

MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE PROGRAM

The St. Paul Fish and Game Association has developed a membership incentive program. Each month one lucky member will receive a twenty five dollar gift certificate from Warehouse Sports. So there will be twelve gift certificates given away during the year and at the end of the year one gift certificate of \$300.00 will be given away to one lucky winner.

Monthly Winners 2020:

January	Darren Lammi
February	Dave Lyzoniuk
March	Chris Dykstra
April	Alan Braconnier
May	Dan Kopicki
June	Frank Farynowski
July	Randi Smereka-Marcyniuk
August	Matthew Brodziak
September	Jeremy Wijawa
October	Emry Hall
November	Daryl Vallee
December	Ann Szpajcher

2021 Winners

Ronan Gerlinsky
Trevor Quin
Darren Lammit
Ken Sparks
Thomas Marshall
Laverne Attfield
Neil Friesen

Winner of the yearly \$300 gift certificate was **Maxwell Louen**

WHAT YOUR MEMBERSHIP PROVIDES YOU WITH

YEARLY MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- Online Membership Account for Managing Member Information
- One Year Subscription to “Outdoor Canada West” magazine
- 10% Discounts on select Mark’s merchandise
- \$5,000 Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefit while participating in hunting, fishing, trapping or authorized Club activities
- \$5,000,000 Personal excess liability insurance
- Participation in AFGA annual Wildlife Awards competition
- Opportunity to participate on numerous AFGA conservation projects
- Access to over 50,000 acres of prime habitat without having to ask for permission
- Includes regular email correspondence keeping you informed
- Includes automatic profile creation on OutdoorAdventurists.com
- Access to Rifle Range and Archery Range
- Chance at \$25 monthly gift certificates and \$300 yearly gift certificate

SPFGA Membership Form:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1IJWoSIlttjuA5SJsD2w_13qPWjPaCGnMlfx3YHyh528/edit#gid=0

Memberships run from January 1st 2021 to December 31st 2021

Get your 2021 membership online at stpaulfishandgame.ca or email:

membership@stpaulfishandgame.ca or stop in at Warehouse Sports

GUN RANGE

With the waning light of the upcoming fall the trap shooting has switched to Sunday afternoons at 2:00pm. Fees are \$10/round for shells and \$8/round for clays.

It’s a good time to get out there and hone in your shooting skills for the upcoming fall shotgun season.

For more information contact Eldon at 780 227 1631 or 780 645 0659. The 303 shoot will take place on July 10th at the gun range. For more information contact Russ rjwhit61@gmail.com



303 Shoot

The St. Paul Fish and Game along with the St. Paul Legion Branch 100, hosted a 303 shoot. Organizer Russ Whitford said it was the most competitors they have had come out in all the years they have hosted the event.

It was great to see so many people out and showcasing their skill with the old firearms.



Air Rifle

The air rifle group has been relatively quiet since the provincial competition, but they will get back at it this coming November. For info on the program, contact Russ or Gord.

Russ rjwhit61@gmail.com or Gord at gmsmerek@gmail.com

Eldorado Air Gun Club

St. Paul Alberta

Introductory to competitive level air rifle and air pistol shooting.

Operating as an entity of the St. Paul Fish and Game Association.

Providing safe indoor shooting instruction with club owned firearms available.

All firearms utilized at the training facility must have a muzzle velocity of less than 500fps.

Regular attending participants must:

1. Be members of the St. Paul Fish and Game Association.

2. Must be members of the Eldorado Air Gun Club, annual (currently \$40/athlete, covers facility maintenance, propellant gases, use of club firearms)
3. Be accompanied by a guardian if under 18.
4. Contribute a per session target fee (currently \$2.00)
5. Be members of a provincial sport governing body in order to compete in sanctioned matches or apply for athlete grants.
6. Purchase their own pellets from the Eldorado club.
7. Have indoor footwear for use in the range facility.

Interested participants will be considered guests for up to two visits to the facility before being expected to complete membership acquisitions. Target fees will apply for introductory sessions.



Trout Pond

The trout pond saw a great deal of action over this past summer. It was great to see so many people of all ages able to get out and enjoy this facility.



If you are out at the pond you may notice that there is a container located at the entrance to the pond. This container has been provided by the Alberta Conservation Association and is set up for people to place their used line in. This is an effort to avoid situations where birds and wildlife get caught up in this used line, resulting in serious injury and death. Help us out by doing your part and disposing of used fishing line properly. Disposing of fishing line properly is important to do at area lakes as well

Narrow Lake Conservation Camp

With the province finally opening up, a few groups had a chance to use the Narrow Lake Conservation Center facility to work on some Range Officer safety skills and first aid upgrades.

There was a need for some extra cabins so with the help of some very generous clubs, including the St. Paul Fish and Game Association, the NLCC was able to have three more built. Thanks to Gord Smereka of GSConstruction for getting the cabins built.



There is still time to pick up some tickets and have a chance to win one of these great firearms. It's also a great cause to support so it's a win win situation.

2021 Narrow Lake Conservation Centre (NLCC) Raffle

- **This year the NLCC Directors are planning to build upon our previous fund-raising raffles.**
- **NLCC has an exceptionally long list of projects that will benefit the summer and winter youth camps.**
- **The proceeds of this raffle are targeted to help fund at a minimum the following two high priority projects that the NLCC Project Committee have identified:**
 - **A barrier-free cabin**
 - **A permanent first aid building**

Raffle Prizes

1st Prize - Sako Model 85 Grey Wolf .338 Winchester Magnum c/w Leupold VX3i 3.5 - 10 x 40 scope - Retail value \$3670

Supplied by Warehouse Sports, St Paul Alberta

2nd Prize - Weatherby Vanguard Compact Rifle chambered in 7mm-08 – Retail Value \$735

Supplied by Swamp Donkey Outdoors, Spruce Grove, Alberta

3rd Prize - Benelli Nova Pump Synthetic Black Stock in 20 gauge - Retail value \$690

Supplied by Warehouse Sports, St Paul Alberta

Tickets for the raffle can be purchased at Warehouse Sports or by emailing president@stpaulfishandgame.ca

Lagasse Park Sign Gets a Facelift



Thank you to Ed Kubash, Past President and Lifetime Member of the SPFGA, the wildlife information sign has been refurbished. It is located along the walking trail in Lagasse Park, near the gazebo.

2021 MSL WINNERS

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<p>Antlered Elk Sharon Dawson Ticket #1630</p>	<p>Bighorn Sheep Ryan Mitchell Ticket #2503</p>	<p>Antlered Mule Deer Marc Carbonneau Ticket #284</p>
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We are pleased to officially announce the AFGA 2021 Minister's Special Licence raffle winners! Congratulations to:

- 🌟 Antlered Elk - Sharon Dawson, ticket #1630
- 🌟 Bighorn Sheep - Ryan Mitchell, ticket #2503
- 🌟 Antlered Mule Deer - Marc Carbonneau, ticket #284 (pictured with AFGA Executive Director, Delinda Ryerson)

We wish the lucky winners success on their respective hunts, and would like to extend our sincerest thanks to all those who purchased

tickets and supported conservation in our province, your support is greatly appreciated

FROM THE EDITOR

The next newsletter is due out at the beginning of December 2021, deadline for entries of articles and information is November 15th. If you have information you would like to include send it to media@stpaulfishandgame.ca we will try to accommodate as best we can. SPFGA reserves the right to edit submitted articles.