

Ontario Outdoors

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With the Sportsmen's show out of the way, it is time to get down to the spring ritual of sorting, repairing and replacing fishing tackle. Rods are of great importance to the fisherman-woman, and often take great stress during the season. They are thrown in the rear of cars and trucks, stuffed in tents and trailers and otherwise abused.

CLAIM TO KNOW EVERYTHING

With a little thread on the windings and a covering of varnish, your rod can look as good as new. However, the guides should be checked for wear and sharp edges, or all the other work may be for naught.

The greatest of the procrastinators, as far as repairs go, are the so called professionals, those who fish all the time and claim to know everything. Often they are too busy fishing to take the time out for tackle maintenance, until it is too late. Of course then they have to buy new equipment, and that is always good (for someone).

REELS should be taken apart and the parts cleaned in a cleaning solution, checked for wear and weak spots, and put back together with light grease. If you need parts, don't expect to get them in a hurry, as everyone else is trying to get a head start on the fishing season. That is why I do all my maintenance in the fall and winter months, when no one is busy.

Lures: The hooks should be checked and if they are too far gone, replace them. This could be from bent points that have snagged too many rocks, rusted, or bent out of shape. A little polish on the body of the spinners and spoons, paint on your plugs and a general cleaning of the boards of flies in your tackle box(es) will give you a lift on opening day, to say nothing of a few extra fish on the stringer or on film.

Oh yes, the tackle box itself. Nothing turns a fish off faster than a lure smelling of fly dope or grease from a tackle box that is never cleaned out.

Remove all material from the box, wash in warm soapy water and dry quickly with towels and then allow to air dry to be sure. Repaint metal boxes and replace cork or felt liners. The new plastic tackle boxes are rust proof, clean, and almost indestructible. Now may be the time to consider one.

All my tackle boxes are plastic and many companies have a wide assortment of sizes and styles for all kinds of fishing and fishermen. A lot more could be said about preparing tackle for the fishing seasons coming, but practical common sense should dictate what is needed, and I am always available to answer any questions.

In the coming weeks, this column will feature the seasons as they approach, and the best methods to fish the various species.

Average spawning temperatures of water are printed here for your help; Pike-40-52F, Walleye-43-63F, Muskellunge-49-60F, Smallmouth Bass-60-63F, Largemouth Bass-62-65F.

First season to open is the Trout season and next week I will try to give as much information as possible to get you into fish, and keep the fish coming throughout the year. Till then make sure you have a copy of the fishery regulations, and study them. There is no excuse for fishing out of season and none whatever for taking game fish of other species when fishing for trout. Respect these regulations as they are designed to keep our fisheries viable for a long time.

Enjoy our outdoors and join in the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters ONTARIO PITCH-IN DAY. Keep ONTARIO OUTDOORS looking good.

Philp and Glen still battling

Philp Publishing and the Glen Warriors are still battling for the right to play Norval in the Industrial League playoffs with Philp beginning to gain the upper hand. Saturday's game at 10 a.m. should decide who will be in the final.

Sunday's game had Philp open the scoring with two goals in the first period. Craig Fleming scored on a feed from Bert Osborne at 7:24 of the first. Bill Kent added a marker at 15:43 of that period to put the Publishing team ahead 2-0.

In the second period the Warriors got back in the game when Larry Melton scored on a passing play with Merel Hache and Pete Fendley.

Louis D'Orazio pumped in the winning goal at 11:27 of the second with Warren Day assisting.

Both teams rounded out the scoring in the third. Paul Gingras scored for the Warriors from Melton and Fleming notched the final goal for Philp with assists going to Roger Chapman and Mark Falby.

In Monday's game Philp Publishing stormed out of the starting gate scoring three times in the opening frame with Osborne scoring a mere one minute and 16 seconds into the game. Rick Middlebrook and Kent got the other two goals.

In the second period Melton put the Warriors on the board on a pass from Hache, but Fleming banged in what turned out to be the game winner less than a minute later with Hillhouse and Osborne assisting.

Hache scored the final goal

of the second period on assists from Melton and Fendley.

At 8:13 of the final frame Melton scored his second goal of the game to make the score 4-3 and give the Warriors a chance to tie it up.

With less than five minutes remaining and the Glen applying tremendous pressure, Pete Fendley took a five minute major forcing the Warriors to play short-handed for the remainder of the game. Day pumped in an insurance marker at 17:32.

Royal Pizza split weekend games

Georgetown Royal Pizza and Erin Woods split a pair of games this week in final series action in Wellington-Dufferin-Halton Non Contact hockey action.

Tuesday night Royal Pizza skated away with a 4-2 victory in Georgetown. Erin opened the scoring on a goal by Ron Schatt from Fred Gilbert. Royal Pizza then scored three in a row. Rick Maloney from Mark Riddell and Ed Schroeder, Kyle Harkins from Jack Pignatelli and Rick Gill, and Bill Bingham from John Packer.

Erin came back only twen-

ty-three seconds after Bingham's goal on an unassisted effort by John Denison. Ed Schroeder scored an empty net goal from Mark Riddell to put the game on ice.

Sunday night, in Erin, Royals were simply dreadful losing 5-1. Mark Riddell scored from Rick Maloney to give Royals a 1-0 lead in the first minute of play but that was all the offence they could generate. Erins' Wayne Atkinson tied the game from Ron Schatt and Glen Wylie in the first period. In the second Schatt scored from George Drennan and Atkinson, Har-

ry Matthews from Terry Matthews and John Denison and then Drennan from Schatt. John Denison scored

his second of the game in the third period to close out the scoring.

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Georgetown Youth Soccer Club

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LATE ENTRY DAY

Thursday, March 27th, 1980

Cedarvale Gym — 7:30-9:30 p.m.

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PLAYER FEE: \$30.00, \$60.00, \$80.00 Max. per Family

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Intending "Rep." players must register by this day.