

EGBSC Media Update 2008-03

Lake Stewardship Workshop - 2008

Since its inception in 2006, the Eastern Georgian Bay Stewardship Council has held an annual lake stewardship workshop. The workshop targets representatives of cottage associations and community groups. These representatives in turn act as messengers, taking back to their respective members the conservation and stewardship messages delivered at the workshop.

The theme of this year's workshop: **"Our Fisheries – Past, Present and Future."** The workshop will provide an historical 'back-cast' profiling what our fisheries were once like and why they no longer exist. It will then fast-forward to the present state of our fisheries for both inland lakes and eastern Georgian Bay. It will explore current management strategies and enforcement issues. Most importantly, it will end on a note of what you can do to help!

Guest speakers include: Karl Schiefer – Environmental consultant and professional biologist; Arunas Liskauskas – Upper Great Lakes Management Unit Biologist; Steve Scholten – OMNR Parry Sound District Fisheries Biologist and Jim McMullen – Upper Great Lakes Management Unit Conservation Officer.

The date and venue the workshop have not been finalized, although it will occur in Parry Sound in late June. If your cottage association hasn't received an invitation, please contact Eric McIntyre, EGBSC Coordinator at 773-4218 or Eric.McIntyre@Ontario.ca.

