



## News Release

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### **Catch The Big One At Your Local Conservation Area** Ontario Family Fishing Weekend (OFFW) July 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>



The Central Lake Ontario Conservation (CLOCA) would like to invite the public to visit one of the local conservation areas and enjoy some fishing fun during the Ontario Family Fishing Weekend.

If you or someone you know would like to try fishing in Ontario for the first time (or the first time in a long time), then this is the weekend for you. During the Ontario Family Fishing Weekend (12.01am Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup> to 11:59 pm Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>) Canadian residents may enjoy the experience of fishing in Ontario without a licence. **Please note, during this event all other regulations, fees and limits will apply.** Ontario Family Fishing Weekend offers: fishing festivals, clinics, derbies and educational activities. For event information please contact a tourism information centre near your home or destination or call the OFFW Event Information Line at (705) 748-6324 or visit the Ontario Family Fishing Weekend website at [www.familyfishingweekend.com](http://www.familyfishingweekend.com).

“Creeks within CLOCA’s jurisdiction provide many great angling opportunities for a variety of fish species, such as, brown trout, rainbow trout, brook trout, smallmouth bass, panfish and many others,” states Gord Geissberger, Coordinator of Marketing and Communications with Central Lake Ontario Conservation. “Family Fishing Weekend is a great time to take a break, pack a picnic lunch along with your fishing rod and discover your local conservation area.”

The following local conservation areas are open from dawn to dusk with fishing opportunities:

**Heber Down Conservation Area** (Whitby) - Disabled access and fishing platforms are available along with plenty of streambank fishing along the Lynde Creek. The disabled fishing platforms are located at the Devil’s Den Pond. Pay and display parking in effect.

**Enniskillen Conservation Area** (Clarington) – Fishing along the sides of the Bowmanville Creek. Admission: \$1/person/day (honour box)

**Lynde Shores Conservation Area** (Whitby) - Fishing in Lynde Creek only via boardwalk from the parking lot. Pay and display parking in effect.

**Oshawa Valleylands Conservation Area** (Oshawa) – Streambank fishing along the Oshawa Creek. The creek is located behind the Conservation Administrative Office at 100 Whiting Avenue, Oshawa. Parking available.

**For more information or directions to these conservation areas please contact the Central Lake Ontario Conservation office at (905) 579-0411 or visit [www.cloca.com](http://www.cloca.com).**

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