

President Warren Gregg opened the meeting at 9:57 with 59 members in attendance. He announced that Doug Davidson is currently in the hospital undergoing treatment at Grand River Hospital. He also noted that Tom Beale's wife, Margaret is ill at the moment.

President Gregg then asked for a moment's silence to think about those suffering.

### **Announcements**

Guests - Martin Alderwick

John Richardson, Tom Litwiller, Lorne Clubine, Ross Kirkconell, Bob Murison, and Gord Walcott.

There are two new members who have recently joined: Mel Van Harten and Ray Biffis.

Martin mentioned two members who have not been out for quite some time and there is no indication of whether or not they are intending to continue: Dave McEwen and Vincent Taylor.

### **Activities** - Frank Webster

- A tour of the Cambridge Toyota Manufacturing Plant on Wed. April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 9:30 am.

Dave Fisk who organized the tour advised us about the details regarding the Toyota Plant tour.

The Tour is mostly by tram.

- There is a sign-up sheet for anyone still wanting to attend the Drayton performance to see is "Crazy For You" at the Hamilton Family theater in Cambridge and is scheduled for Sat. April 26<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 pm. There are four tickets left.

- A pop-up walk is being planned to start from Riverside Park on Tuesday morning May 13<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up sheet will be out at the next meeting.

### **Presentation**

Warren introduced today's guest speaker, Kevin Reid.

The fisheries of the Laurentian and African Great Lakes: Wicked problems with no easy solutions

Kevin Reid is a fishery ecologist with 30 years of experience working with and on behalf of small-scale commercial fisheries. Prior to joining Nature Analytics, Kevin worked with the Ontario Commercial Fisheries Association for 17 of those years, first as a stock assessment biologist and later as research scientist to develop solutions for sustainable fisheries management in the Laurentian Great Lakes. Kevin completed a doctorate focused on the assessment and management of risk in social-ecological coupled fisheries systems at the University of Guelph in 2015. He has been involved in Great Lakes fisheries research and management since 1985. A graduate of the Honours Fisheries Science Program at the University of Guelph in 1984, Kevin has worked as a professional fisheries scientist since 1989 when he graduated from Trent University with a M.Sc. degree from the Watershed Ecosystems Graduate Program while studying the rehabilitation of pike spawning habitat. He has extensive experience in DFO Fisheries Act Authorizations, and the application of causal modelling, participatory stock assessment methods, Fisheries Improvement Projects, Marine Stewardship Council Certifications, and structured decision making processes. He also is currently involved in providing scientific support for small-scale and community-led fisheries in the African Great Lakes, including population dynamics, numerical modeling and simulations to evaluate alternative management actions. Based in Guelph, Canada, Kevin is an active dog walker, gardener, and enjoys documentaries.

Kevin Reid's presentation can be found on the website under Speaker's Notes.

Following the presentation there was a discussion and Q&A.

President Warren Gregg thanked Kevin Reid and gave him a token of appreciation.

**Next Meeting:** Thurs. April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @9:30 with Rabbi Raphi Steiner  
Adjournment @ 10:55am

Membership Meeting  
With Kevin Reid - *The fisheries of the Laurentian and African Great Lakes*

April 10, 2025

Recording Secretary: Kerry Gennings