

Commercial Gill Netting Workshop Agenda

September 10th, 11th & 12th, 2008
Sheguiandah First Nation Community Centre

Wednesday Sept. 10th

9:00 am – 10: 15 am

Welcome and GPS session by A/OFRC Manager Ed Desson

Map Use – Understanding Latitude and Longitude

Global Positioning System

Garmin GPS units will be provided. If you have your own you are welcome to bring it.

- Navigational Terms
 - Keypad Usage and Data Entry
 - Primary Pages of unit
 - Marking a Position and Going to a Waypoint
 - TracBack and Route Navigation
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10:15 am - 10:30 am

Coffee break

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

GPS exercise outside community hall

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Lunch - Provided

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

(Remainder of sessions facilitated by Captain Harold Michon and A/OFRC staff member Frank Hardy Jr.)

Fisheries Ethics

- Discussion.

Constructing Spar Buoys for Net Markers

- Made according to technical specifications.
- Participants will construct their own buoy with provided materials.

Making Clearing Hooks

2:30 pm – 2:45 pm

Coffee break

2:45 pm – 5:00 pm

Continuation of Constructing Spar Buoys for Net Markers

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Thursday Sept. 11th

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Tips to maximize efforts of netting:

- What problems do you encounter and how they can be solved.
- Marketing your product.

What works best and where:

- Mesh sizes
- Different bottom structures to set on (ex; in a trough, off a hump, inside bank, outside bank, shore bank)
- Setting methods (canned vs. bottom)
- Types of nets: floats/lead in-line, twine diameter, hanging ratios, net depth, mono- vs. multi-filament.

Constructing a net:

- We will take apart an old net panel and re-hang/construct a new mesh. Each participant will get an opportunity to do this.
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Continuation of netting session

12:00 pm 1:00 pm

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Go out on water to set nets (weather permitting)

Friday Sept. 12th

9:00 am – 12: 00 pm

Go out on water to pick-up nets

- Cleaning nets
 - Storing nets
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Introduction to trap nets (go out on water if weather permits)

End of Workshop.