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## **YOUTH ANGLING PROJECTS** *THE NEXT GENERATION*



These happy students at Pukatawagan School received free rods and reels as part of the Provincial Rod and Reel Program. This is one of four Fish Futures youth angling projects that has been awarded new funding for 2009.

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21st ANNUAL FISH FUTURES BANQUET & AUCTION

THURSDAY, MAY 7th, 2009

CANAD INNS - POLO PARK

The brutally cold winter is almost behind us. Spring is just around the corner. That's when the Fish Futures Banquet really starts to warm things up.

The planning for this year's banquet is well under way and promises to be our best ever! Year after year our committee of volunteers comes up with an amazing array of first-class prizes and auction items. This year is definitely no exception.

Year after year The Keg Restaurants donates a Keg Backyard BBQ for 16 lucky and we mean "lucky" people. Fish Futures is extremely proud to have The Keg on board again this year. Our Banquet is the only place you can bid on such an incredible prize. You will not find it anywhere else!

Here are just a few of the new additions to the Banquet this year:

CHURCHILL ADVENTURE

Courtesy of Destination Churchill and Calm Air. (Approx. value \$5,000).

A four day / three night getaway for two where you can you discover nature, touch the Arctic and get up close with beluga whales - all this summer!

Prize Details:

- Fly with Calm Air
• Cruise with Beluga Whales & Tour a Historic Fort with Sea North Tours
• Discover the History, Culture & Wildlife of Churchill with North Star Tours
• Relax in Winnipeg at Four Points Sheraton Winnipeg Airport
• Explore Churchill for a day with a 4x4 from Tamarack Rentals
• Tour on a Tundra Buggy (to look for Polar Bears)
• Hike into History at Sloops Cove with North Star Tours
• Kayak alongside Belugas with Lazy Bear Lodge
• Stay at the Lovely Seaport Hotel in Churchill

Carver extraordinaire Walter Keller of TIMBER DESIGNS has graciously donated a five foot sculpture of a Bear carved from a cottonwood log. These incredible pieces of artwork are made using a chain saw and then hand carved for detail, colored and varnished for indoor or outdoor placement. Walter will be at this year's banquet showing off his amazing skills on one of his works in progress. You've got to see this!

BIG SAND LAKE LODGE:

A beautiful five-star experience located in north central Manitoba, this lodge boasts some of the best fishing for lake trout and pike in the world.

Board a direct flight from Winnipeg for five days of full-scale luxury. Trip is for two people with a value of \$10,000. The Complete Angler, Don Lamont will join you on this adventure. Visit their website at www.bigsandlakelodge.com

# ***YOUTH ANGLING PROJECTS***

## ***THE NEXT GENERATION***

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Fish Futures wants more kids to have the opportunity to go fishing, and thanks to new funding from the Fisheries Enhancement Fund, Fish Futures will move forward with the following projects in 2009:

1. Provincial Youth Angling Coordinator
2. Youth Angling License & Art Competition
3. Provincial Youth Angling Website
4. Provincial Rod and Reel Program

Don Lamont will serve at least another nine months as the Provincial Youth Angling Coordinator, and will organize and host the first ever Youth Angling Forum. The 2009 Provincial Youth Angling Forum (PYAF) will serve as an exchange for ideas and information on programs that get more kids fishing through partnerships with industry, tourism and other government and non-government agencies. The first of two one-day forums will be held April 18th at the Canad Inns Fort Garry, with the second forum scheduled at the same location on October 17th.

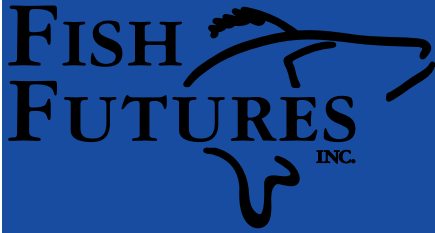
The new Provincial Youth Angling Website is [www.pyac.net](http://www.pyac.net). This website serves as a portal to all things associated with youth angling opportunities. The site will now be expanded to include a fishing stories section, prize section, as well as an education resource centre. The Provincial Youth Angling website will connect with kids interested in fishing, promote our programs, and attract more support for Fish Futures youth angling projects. Please visit [www.pyac.net](http://www.pyac.net) today!

New for 2009, the province will be producing a youth angling license; free to anglers under sixteen. On the back of the new youth license is a registration code for the youth angling website, [www.pyac.net](http://www.pyac.net), where kids will then be able to share fishing stories with other anglers their age. In October of every year, information will be sent out to schools providing guidelines for the Kids Fish Art contest for the youth angling license. The contest will be open to all students in Manitoba who are currently attending elementary or secondary school between the grades of four and twelve.

The Provincial Rod and Reel Program will add to the almost twenty communities to date in northern and central Manitoba that have benefited from the generosity of sponsors like Nuelin Lake Lodge and Calm Air in providing rods and reels for youth. Host community schools have allowed the Provincial Youth Angling Coordinator to give a presentation on sport fishing with emphasis on sustainable harvest, fish handling and stewardship. That is followed by a lunch for the community and a rod and reel giveaway to every student.

Fish Futures is very excited about these four new projects and we thank the Province and the Fisheries Enhancement Fund for their support. If you or your company is interested in becoming involved with youth angling initiatives and/or sponsorships, please visit our website at [www.pyac.net](http://www.pyac.net) or e-mail Don directly at [dlamont@mts.net](mailto:dlamont@mts.net).

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for Tomorrow's Fisheries Resource"*

## What is Fish Futures Inc.?

Fish Futures Inc. is a non-profit, registered charitable organization dedicated to the conservation and enhancement of freshwater fisheries through:

- Sponsorship, development and encouragement of research projects.
- Habitat preservation, enhancement and management projects.
- Public education to increase awareness of the value of freshwater fisheries and the need for conservation and enhancement of fish stocks and habitat.

Fish Futures is managed by a volunteer Board of Directors comprised of members of the public and representatives of government, industry and the scientific community.

For more information about Fish Futures Inc. please contact us at:

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### DUNLOPS FLY IN LODGE AND OUTPOSTS:

Some of the most spectacular pike fishing awaits you on the Little Churchill River north of Thompson. In its third year of operation this lodge has already garnered attention from around the world for the size of the pike that roam this water system. This trip is for two people for four days from Thompson, guides and meals included. Value \$5,000. Visit their website at [www.dunlopfishing.com](http://www.dunlopfishing.com)

How about a Camper/Trailer? We're working with the good folks at GNR Camping World to provide us with an amazing unit. Bid to win if you'd truly like to adventure anywhere in style.

And the list goes on and on....Panasonic 50" Plasma TV with Yamaha Home Theatre System, Molson Beer Fridge, BBQ's, Digital Camera's, Magellan Handheld GPS units, MinnKota Trolling Motors, Humminbird Fish Finders, Titan Inflatable Boat, Walleye World Custom Rods and Shimano Reels, plus much more.

Don't miss out on your chance to take home one of our many Live and Silent Auction Items.

Tickets for this year's banquet are \$125.00 per person and are available by contacting: John Armitage at 232-9543 or Jerry Kruczek at 799-3273.

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## ***IMPORTANT DATES 2009***

**Fish Futures Banquet – May 7th**

**Winnipeg Fish Festival – July 11th**

**Fish Winnipeg Corporate Challenge – July 16th**

**Fall Fishing Derby – September 11th**

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