



THE MUSKY NEWS



Newsletter of the Winnebago and Musky Club February 2023

JANUARY MEETING RECAP

The 2023 Election of Officers process was completed. The nominated and elected officers are as follows.

President	Jerry Lapine
Vice President	Dave Lapine
Secretary	Beth Maeder
Treasurer	Ron Lange

Thank you to these folks for accepting their nominations and offices. This is a volunteer organization, and these people are important to our existence as a viable organization. We still need committee volunteers to help make this Club run. Talk to Jerry LaPine or Dave LaPine to express your area of interest that you would like to and help the Club. Some areas of the Club to consider are Banquet, Outings, Fund Raising Projects, and Communications.

SOME GOOD NEWS

The Club has been notified that the Alliance Boat Raffle is back. This will allow us to participate in the boat raffle this year which was our main fundraiser. For two years, because of the COVID interruption and supply chain issues, we were essentially locked out of this activity. The boat being raffled is a RECON boat, a Wisconsin based manufacturer. Take a look at their website www.reconboats.com. It is an 18 1/2-foot fishing machine with a 115hp Mercury Four Stroke. We will be able to get tickets soon. We'll keep you posted. We expect to have the boat in our Club's possession for 3 weeks in June. Hopefully each member will do their best to sell their share of tickets. The prize ticket will be drawn at the National Alliance Tournament on Sunday August 20th, 2023. More to follow.

FUTURE CLUB ACTIVITIES



February 1st Meeting: Our program for the Club's February meeting will be **Sara Trampe** cohost of the **SPORTSMAN'S JOURNAL**. She and her husband Tyler are expert multi species anglers that fish Canadian and Midwestern Lakes. Their show is on Saturdays or Sundays Bally Sports North network. Plan on being at this meeting and bring a friend and young angler.



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SPORTSMAN'S RUMMAGE SALE

Once again, our Club will be running the concession stand at the **Annual Sportsman's Rummage Sale on Saturday, March 4th at the Fond du Lac Fairgrounds**. This event is our second fund raising activity. Local outdoor sports people bring their new, old, slightly used, big time used, and unwanted outdoor gear to this popular venue to sell or trade. Our club will be providing 2 tables to our members to display their items. We need helpers at various times of the day between 7:00 am and 2:00 pm to help with the food concession stand. Please give Dave Mace a text or phone call (920-960-4179) and let him know when you can be there to help. This is actually a fun activity when a bunch show up.

WMC ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

The **WinnebagoLand Musky club's Annual Awards will be held April 1st at the Fond du Lac American Legion at 5:00 PM**. Eden Meats will be catering the event. There will be a host of raffle prizes, baits from the famous "bait board", a 50-50 cash raffle, and silent auctions. This year we will also remember a local food pantry as we have done in the past. For every nonperishable food item donated, you will receive a raffle ticket and the satisfaction of knowing that you are helping someone in need. The price of the banquet will be \$40/person this year, a slight increase over last year.

The formal invitation/announcement will be in your mailbox soon. This announcement in the newsletter will help you get this on your calendar.

May 3rd Club Meeting

At this regular WMC meeting, Mr. Todd Forcier a guide from the Central Wisconsin area will be our guest speaker. Todd is the owner/operator of Forcier's Fishing Guide Service, LLC offering professional, full service, guided walleye and musky fishing trips in Central Wisconsin. His focus areas include the Wisconsin River, Petenwell and Castle Rock Flowages.



OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

We have determined that our members would like to have fewer meetings per year. Therefore, regular meetings for the remainder of the year will be as follows; Wed, Feb 1, Wed May 3, Wed June 7, Wed Aug 2, Wed Oct 4, and Wed Dec 6.