



THE MUSKY NEWS



Newsletter of the WinnebagoLand Musky Club *July 2022*

Please note that there will be no regular meeting in July.

JUNE MEETING

The June meeting was held at 7:00 pm on June 1st with 14 in attendance. Member and guide Eric Larsen brought his boat and all his musky trolling gear to the meeting to give us a primer/presentation on trolling for muskies. Eric's presentation was very informative, concise and detailed. He showed and explained all of the equipment and techniques he uses when trolling. The presentation was well received by the members.

When the light outside began to wane, the meeting reconvened inside. President Scott Klapperich presided. The president was the only officer presiding at this meeting. The meeting had a number of discussion topics brought up and addressed.

Discussion ensued about the Club utilizing social media more. Tom LaPine volunteered to be our Facebook Liaison starting now. What we need is participation from the WinnebagoLand Musky Club members to send Tom pictures and some about a recent catch and release of yours. Facts like your name, length of catch, lures used, water conditions, (weeds? sand?, mud? rocks? clear? stained?), weather conditions, and lake location (whatever you want disclosed). Any other appropriate comments about your fishing expedition would also be nice. Everyone feels that positive exposure on Facebook about our members and Club would be interesting and helpful to the growth of our organization. Please text Tom at 920-517-4420 and email at thebowman1@gmail.com Thank you Tom for taking this on.

Jordan Kurkowski was able to accept his several 2021 WMC Awards from us at this meeting. Jordan is a very successful musky angler as evidenced by the many awards he has received. Congratulations Jordan we are proud to have you as a member of the Club.

The Alliance National Tournament is being held this year in Eagle River August 19-22. The public raffle boat is not part of the tournament this year, but a tournament boat is in play for all fully registered anglers that are participating in the tournament. If you have not received an invitation from the Alliance tourney and would like to be in the tournament, go to www.eagleriver.org and find all the details regarding the 2022 tournament. The raffle boat in the past was a significant part of fundraising for this Club. It was suddenly dropped and we are anxiously waiting and hoping for it to return. No other outings are scheduled for August. If you are in this tourney and a member of our Club, your catch would count as an outing fish for our Club's purposes and possible banquet awards. If you do enter the tourney, good luck fishing and remember to report your catch to Beth Maeder (winnebagomusky@gmail.com) as well as properly reporting to the Eagle River tournament officials. Thirdly, remember the "First of the Outing" reporting routine. Call



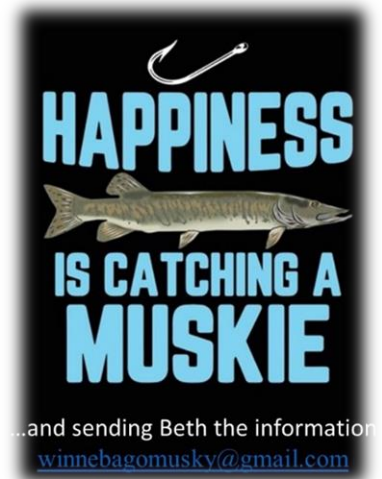
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Scott (920-948-2283) as soon as you have released your catch and report it. You may have your success permanently engraved on the traveling trophy. Also report your fish to the Club using the new method.

Winnebago Land Operation Muskies, the September Veterans weekend, is on for this year. It is the second weekend of September in Three Lakes. Members wishing to join in the weekend festivities with the Veterans and designated host guides may join in the fishing. Contact Scott (920-948-2283) for details regarding this event.



WMC FIRST OUTING OF 2022

President Scott recapped the combined lakes Club outing in May on Little Green, Fox Lake, and Big Green. Scott was notified by the successful anglers of the following catches, all on Little Green. Eric Larsen-39" (FIRST OF THE OUTING), Scott Klapperich 36", Tom LaPine 44 1/2", Richard Feustel-45" Lance Ziemer-38" and Bob Kuhr-38". Scott commented on this being one of the best attended outings for some time. It is hoped that as we proceed post-COVID that attendance improves even more. It was decided to schedule 2 more outings right away; **Saturday June 25th on Big Green Lake** and **Saturday July 9th on the Winnebago System with lakes Poygan, Winneconne, Butte des Morts, and Winnebago included.** All members were sent a detailed outing notice for the June 25th outing in a June 11th email. The June 25th lunch will be at noon at Reilly's N4111 Lakeshore Drive, Markesan (920-295-0656). Reilly's is located on the Southwest corner of Big Green Lake on Quimby Bay, a very short distance from the Dodge Memorial Park Landing. Please call or text Scott (920-984-2283) on or before 6/25 to let us plan the lunch. The July Outing will be July 9th on the Winnebago System with the lunch at the Fin' n Feather in downtown Winneconne. Details on this outing will be sent to members by separate email.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

There is no regular meeting for July. This is not a surprise notice. There are no regular meetings for March and July. The next regular meeting will be August 3rd, 2022 with Professor Dan Isermann from UW Stevens as the program speaker. Dan was in charge of stocking and telemetry on Green Bay.



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FISH REPORT

5/14	Eric Larsen	39"	Little Green	perch bucktail	weedy, cloudy-Outing
5/14	Scott Klapperich	36.25"	Little Green	6" blk slammer	weedy, cloudy-Outing
5/14	Lance Ziemer	38"	Little Green	6" gold Jake	Outing
5/14	Tom LaPine	44.5"	Little Green	Venom Bucktail	Outing
5/14	Bob Kuhr	38"	Little Green	Ylw/Orng Squidtail	Outing, weeds, 10'
5/17	Richard Burrows	37"	Little Green	Bucktail	Ptly cloudy
5/21	Jordan Kurkowski	39.75	WI River	Dr Evil	
5/29	Jordan Kurkowski	39.25	Moon Lk Chn	Dr Evil	
5/29	Jordan Kurkowski	40.5.	Moon Lk Chn	Dr Evil	

REGISTERING YOUR CATCH

Hopefully everyone is utilizing the new method of registering fish we have caught and released. We will briefly reiterate how to register fish, including outing fish and all other 34 inch or larger muskies caught and released.

1. Email your catch to our the WMC Fish Recorder, Beth Maeder
winnebagomusky@gmail.com .

2. Please include at least the minimum amount of data about your catch:
 - Date
 - Length to 1/4"
 - Body of water where caught and released
 - Lure or bait used
 - Photo

It would be nice if you also included some other pertinent data such as water color, weather conditions, depth, bottom composition, wind, etc. This other information is not required but would be interesting information on the final fish report presented at the Annual Award Banquet. This is an easy system. Just enter the above email into your contacts on your phone or other device now.

3. The old method of registering fish using a postcard or letter for the year is still acceptable. Mail your registration to; Winnebago Land Musky Club, P.O. Box 1735 Fond du Lac, WI 54936. Preprinted postcards are available to you by picking them up at a meeting or emailing your request for cards to



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winnebagomusky@gmail.com or printing them from online at our Club website.
The email reporting option is easier and efficient.

- Please remember your Club registered musky must be 34" or larger to qualify for the WMC award system. This size limit is NOT the Wisconsin DNR minimum limit. You are responsible for checking and obeying the State/Lake set size limits. The Club's 34" minimum size limit is for registering purposes.

WinnebagoLand Musky Club Registration

Name _____ Date _____

Time _____ Kept _____ Released _____ True _____ Hybrid _____

Length _____ Weight _____ Girth _____

Lake _____ County _____

Bait _____ Color _____ Size _____

Water Depth _____ Structure _____

Weather Condition _____

Weighed at _____

Signature _____

Witness Signature _____

(Must be postmarked no later than 14 days after catch)

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