



THE MUSKY NEWS



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APRIL 3rd Meeting Highlights

At this meeting, members discussed stocking opportunities for the Club. One lake idea that was discussed regarding Big Green Lake. The consensus of the Club was to do a project where we would plant 8-12 inch (average) fish which would have been hatched this spring and planted in October. The stocking must be done according to DNR rules and guidelines in lakes that are approved for stocking true muskies. Larger fish **might** be available and are more expensive. They run about \$11 each with the larger, older fish running about \$15 each. They are about 3 inches longer but 30% more in mass. The larger the fish, the better the chance for ultimate survival. All those at the meeting agreed that we should do some stocking and discuss and offer input to a project at the upcoming May 1st regular meeting. Timing is important, in that the fish need to be spoken for as soon as possible from the hatcheries.



Kevin Dempsey representing the “Lure Lipstick” company spoke to us at this April meeting. His company, the Lure Lipstick Company manufactures fish attractants used by many types of anglers. He explained how the attractants work. For musky, one could apply the attractants by spray or a gel to the blade or hair of a bucktail. As the bait is retrieved, it would leave a scent trail that the fish would pick up. The attractant scent could represent a food trail that would excite a fish and possibly draw the musky from a distance. Kevin estimated the attractant would remain with the lure for about 20 casts. A different attractant is

used to lure catfish. The attractants come in several forms such as sprays, gels, and liquids. Kevin is a tournament walleye fisherman and he firmly believes these attractants give an edge to the angler in getting fish to bite. Kevin is the distributor for these products and can be reached by calling 855-208-5873 or on Facebook.

MAY 1st MEETING

Jim Salber, new owner of Sportsman’s Repair of Mosinee, WI will be our guest speaker this month. Many of us know the Sportsman’s Repair Shop when it was owned by Chuck Brod. I have experienced the same excellent service since the ownership transfer and have noticed that Chuck is still around the office working with Jim. Jim has extensive knowledge about the Minn Kota line of equipment and will be talking to us about effectively using your electronics with bow mount motors. Care, maintenance, and setup of the motors will also be discussed along with innovations from Minn Kota. The presentation should have relevance to all Wisconsin anglers. With that in mind, we have invited members from the “Foot of the Lake” fishing club to this meeting. Jim will take back to his shop reels that need repair or tuning. He is an authorized service





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center for warranties and repairs for Abu Garcia. He also does repairs on many other brands. He is also an authorized repair center for Minn Kota. Have your stuff ready for the musky opener. Do not wait for a problem with your equipment to show itself just when you want to use it.

JUNE 5th Meeting Speaker **Michael Olson** from “Musky Mo” guiding service will be the guest speaker at the June 5th. Mike is a guide and bait manufacturer that we met and took in one of his seminars at the Musky Show in West Bend this spring. Mike will be talking to us about the combined usage of electronics & trolling and sharing other productive tactics. Mike is a professional tournament angler, a contributing writer to Musky Hunter Magazine, custom lure designer and manufacturer, and fishing guide. He is also on the Pro Staff for Garmin. He guides for muskies as well as multi-species. Mike’s guiding territories include Pewaukee Lake, and Vilas and Oneida County. You can look up Mike on Facebook or email him at flyrodsmike@gmail.com. He offers both trolling trips and casting. His presentation will educate us on utilizing electronics for trolling. Mike enjoys giving clients an “educational angling experience”.



We hope you will mark your calendars and attend these three meetings. The topics are relevant to all types of fishing. Bring a friend and show them our Club. We are extending an invitation to the “Foot of the Lake Fishing Club” members for the May and June Meetings.

FIRST OUTING 2019

On Saturday May 11th and Sunday May 12th Club members will be fishing Little Green Lake and Fox Lake as the first outing of 2019. We will meet for a lunch break at Vandy’s on the east shore at noon on Saturday. This day is an opportunity to invite a young high schooler to fish with you and introduce them to musky fishing and good outdoor sportsmanship. Please contact Scott (920-948-2283) if you would like to volunteer and introduce a new fisherman to the sport in your boat on Saturday. This could be a very rewarding experience for the young person and you. Please let Scott know by May 5th if you are “in”. Lunch at Vandy’s is \$5 for members and the club will pay the balance and tip. There will be no alcoholic beverages paid for by the Club.



RAFFLE BOAT TICKETS



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We have raffle tickets for the boat. Pick some up at the meeting on May 1st. We also need a few volunteers to help sell tickets on Fathers Day, June 16th at the annual Car Show in Swan City Park in Beaver Dam.

Let's try and sell at least 5 books each. They sell 1 ticket for \$5 or a book of 3 for \$10. Ask Scott (920-948-2283) or Dave (920-960-4179) for tickets and sales aides like posters. We will have some tickets at the meetings. Start early and turn in your money and unsold tickets in early August.



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