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GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER MEETING – MONDAY OCTOBER 27, 2008 – 7:30 PM
SOCIAL HOUR 6:30 – 7:30 PM

OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING PROGRAM

TERRY MCBURNEY

MICHIGAN BASED ANTIQUE FISHING RELATED ITEMS

TERRY AS YOU KNOW IS AN OUTDOOR RELATED ANTIQUE COLLECTOR AND WRITER. HIS PRESENTATION WILL BE MORE BASED ON THE MICHIGAN RELATED FISHING EQUIPMENT AND MAY ALSO COVER OTHER AREAS AS WELL. SOCIAL HOUR IS FROM 6:30 PM TO 7:30 PM WITH REFRESHMENTS AND LITE LUNCH. THE MEETING BEGINS AT 7:30 PM. BRING YOUR USED OR NEW FISHING TACKLE THAT YOU DON'T NEED TO SELL AT THE SWAP TABLE. *BRING YOUR FAMILY, FISHING BUDDIES, SIGNUP A NEW MEMBER.* SEE YOU ON MONDAY OCTOBER 27, 2008.

NOTE:

IF YOU NEED A MEMBERSHIP CARD, ATTEND A MEMBERSHIP MEETING OR SEND A SELF ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE TO THE CHAPTER POST OFFICE BOX LISTED IN THIS ISSUE. IF YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS UP TO DATE YOUR CARD WILL BE SENT TO YOU.

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CHAPTER MEETINGS

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH, AUGUST THRU JUNE. SOCIAL HOUR 6:30-7:30 PM. THE MEETING STARTS AT 7:30 PM. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS ARE HELD THE FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:30 PM. MEMBER CONCERNS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO A BOARD MEMBER FOR DISCUSSION AT A BOARD MEETING. BOARD MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS. ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT DIAMOND AVENUE HALL, 435 DIAMOND AVENUE N.E. DIAMOND AVENUE IS THREE BLOCKS WEST OF FULLER AVENUE, OFF MICHIGAN STREET. GO NORTH ON DIAMOND ONE BLOCK.

EDITORS NOTE

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

MICHIGAN STEELHEADERS
GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER
P.O. BOX 1474
GRAND RAPIDS, MI. 49501

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ADDRESS _____

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

THE GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER WELCOMES THE FOLLOWING NEW
AND RENEWING MEMBERS.

JERRY AVERY	JOHN PIGOTT	RICH HODGES
DAVE HARDING	JACK CRAMER	THOMAS PARKER
LUCAS TRIPLETT	EDWARD TRUSWELL	DAN TEBO
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STEPHANIE WOOD	WALLY KIEDA	GALEN HULL
DAVID RISTOW	SKIP GILMORE	DAVE VANMALE

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERSHIPS EXPIRED IN AUGUST 2008:

TONY NIKODEMSKI

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERSHIPS EXPIRED IN SEPTEMBER 2008:

MIKE HARVEY	BONNIE LOCKLEAR	DAN O'KEEFE
CHUCK PISTIS	JOHN SCHLEINZ	
EVERETT WOODWORTH		

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERSHIPS EXPIRE THIS MONTH:

TIM BORGLED	DANIEL DODGE	JON HENDRICK
CHRIS EDWARDS	JEFF HOODHOOD	GREG PRICE
LENNY KURELLO	TOM MROCKOWSKI	ANDREW ROSS
SHANE RUBOYANES	ROBERT STREK	
DOUG VANPROOYER	MATTHEW WALLING	STEVE WIERSMA

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERSHIPS EXPIRE IN NOVEMBER 2008:

JOHN DECKER

**IF YOU DO NOT RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP YOU
WILL NOT RECEIVE A MONTHLY
NEWSLETTER! RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP
ON TIME!**

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LONGER AN ACTIVE MEMBER, AND CANNOT
PARTICIPATE IN CHAPTER EVENTS THAT REQUIRE
ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP.

scale To use a thin, curved
knife to remove the overlapping
bony ridges found on the outer
skin of many fish and distribute
them over the countertop, the
sides of the cabinet doors, the
floor, the walls, and the ceiling
of a kitchen.

PASSING ALONG INFORMATION

The Officers of the Grand Rapids Steelheaders
would like to pass to its member's information that
we receive from the State Organization, DNR as
well as other sources pertaining to the water ways
in and around the State of Michigan. If you would
like to receive this information send Bob Strek an
email at rstrek@aol.com requesting to receive this
information, if you signed up at a Membership
meeting you are on the list.

FISHING PARTNER OUTING

THE ANNUAL FISHING PARTNERS OUTING IS
SCHEDULED FOR THE WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 8, 2008
AT MANISTEE MICHIGAN. STEVE HEINTZELMAN IS THE
CHAIRMAN FOR THE OUTING. THIS IS A FISHING,
HUNTING, RELAXING OUTING. IF YOU ARE
INTERESTED IN ATTENDING CONTACT STEVE AT 616-
791-7009 OR SEE HIM AT THE MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS.

CHAPTER CHRISTMAS PARTY

THE CHAPTERS ANNUAL FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY IS
SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY DECEMBER 8, 2008.
RESERVATIONS ARE REQUESTED. TO MAKE YOUR
RESERVATION CONTACT SUZI MERDZINSKI AT 616-458-
9641 BY DECEMBER 1, 2008. EACH FAMILY IS ASKED TO
BRING A DISH TO PASS ALONG WITH THEIR OWN
TABLE SERVICE. THE CHAPTER WILL SUPPLY THE
MEAT AND REFRESHMENT. THERE WILL BE DOOR
PRIZES, RAFFLES, ETC. AND A VISIT FROM SANTA FOR
THE CHILDREN. IF YOU NEED ANY ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION CONTACT SUZI OR ANY BOARD
MEMBER. IF YOU HAVE NEVER ATTENDED THE
CHRISTMAS PARTY TRY TO ATTEND THIS YEAR.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 13, 2008

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: DAVE NOWICKI, STEVE HEINTZELMAN, BOB STREK, VIKKI GUILLES, BOB ANTZAK, RENEE DAVIS, CHRIS EDWARDS, DICK GROMKO, KRIS GUILLES, BUD POTTS, BRIAN BOOMSMA, JOHN STAUFFER, DAVE ANDERSON, TONY NIKODEMSKI, JIM LARSEN, IRV BYXBE . ABSENT EXCUSED AL DAVIS, BILL NEWELL, JOHN GARDNER. MEMBER PRESENT NORM VANSICKLE.

1. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:25 BY PRESIDENT DAVE NOWICKI.
2. DAVE NOWICKI MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE SECRETARY'S REPORTED IN THE NEWSLETTER. THE MOTION PASSED.
3. BOB STREK PRESENTED THE TREASURER'S REPORT AND WAS ACCEPTED AS READ.
4. BOB ANTZAK GAVE AN UP DATE ON THE YEARLY FISH CONTEST.
5. DICK GROMKO AND TONY NIKODEMSKI COVERED MEETING PREP.
6. STEVE HEINTZELMAN THANKED JIM LARSEN FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS.
7. MEETING PROGRAMS WERE COVERED BY CHRIS EDWARDS AND DAVE ANDERSON.
8. DAVE NOWICKI REVIEWED MEMBERSHIP LISTS.
9. BUD POTTS GAVE AN DETAILED OVERVIEW OF THE SALMON IN SCHOOLS PROGRAM.
10. JIM LARSEN REPORTED NOT MUCH ACTIVITY IN FISHING PARTNERS.
11. JOHN STAUFFER IS DOING WELL WITH CLOTHING ORDERS.
12. NORM VAN SICKLE NOTED A PROBLEM WITH KENTWOOD CITY ORDINANCE, SO THERE WILL BE A POSSIBLY BE A CANCELLATION OF THE TEXAS HOLDDEM TOURNAMENT.
13. CHRIS EDWARDS AND BILL NEWELL ARE CONDUCTING THE BUCK CONTEST, GET IN IT.
14. STEVE HEINTZELMAN IS HOSTING THE FISHING PARTNERS OUTING ON NOVEMBER 8 AT MANISTEE.
15. THE FALL RIVER CONTEST IS SET FOR SATURDAY OCTOBER 25.
16. JIM LARSEN REPORTED THE VET'S FACILITY IS HAVING AN OPENING CEREMONY ON OCTOBER 17 AT 10.00 FOR THE NEW GROTTIO PARK.
17. THE CHRISTMAS PARTY IS DECEMBER 8. CALL SUZI MERDZINSKI FOR RESERVATIONS.
18. THE REGION II MEETING IS OCTOBER 20 AT DIAMOND HALL.
19. VIKKI GUILLES WILL CHAIR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS. THERE A 4 POSITIONS OPEN FOR NEXT YEAR. NOMINEES ARE BOB ANTZAK, DICK GROMKO,.
20. KRIS GUILLES THANKED EVERYONE FOR THEIR HELP WITH THE NET SITUATION. THE DNR IS PROSECUTING.
21. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:35.

VIKKI GUILLES, SECRETARY

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2008

1. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30 BY PRESIDENT DAVE NOWICKI.
2. MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 25 MEETING WERE READ AND ACCEPTED.
3. BOB STREK GAVE A TREASURER'S REPORT AND IT WAS ACCEPTED AS READ.
4. FISHING REPORTS WERE SHARED.
5. CHILDREN AGE 14 AND UNDER WERE PRESENTED WITH HATS.
6. KRIS GUILLES GAVE A RECAP OF THE MEMORIAL OUTING.
7. VIKKI GUILLES GAVE A RECAP OF THE SPORTSMEN FOR YOUTH DAY, WITH SPECIAL THANKS TO JOHN CRAMBLET.
8. JOHN GARDNER AND BILL NEWELL ARE HOSTING THE FALL RIVER CONTEST OUTING ON OCTOBER 25.
9. BILL NEWELL AND CHRIS EDWARDS ARE CHAIRING THE BUCK CONTEST.
10. RENEE DAVIS GAVE A STATE REPORT.
11. NORM VAN SICKLE SHARED DETAILS ON THE TEXAS HOLDDEM.
12. SHIRTS ARE READY FOR PICKUP. THANKS TO CASUAL THREADS.
13. DAVE ANDERSON RECAPPED THE GRAND HAVEN SALMON FESTIVAL. GREAT JOB ROGER AND MARY JANE BELTER.
14. CAPTAIN PHIL RUTHERFORD OF GRAND HAVEN GAVE A TALK ON BAITS, MEAT RIGS, FLASHERS ETC.
15. STEVE HEINTZELMAN CONDUCTED THE TACKLE RAFFLE AND 50/50 DRAWING.
16. THE MEMBERSHIP DRAWING WAS HELD AND THE WINNER WAS DAVE VAN MALE.
17. THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 8:45 P.M.

VIKKI GUILLES, SECRETARY

GRAND RAPIDS STEELHEADERS 2008 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- OCTOBER 1 CHAPTER DEER CONTEST BEGINS
25 CHAPTER FALL RIVER CONTEST 6:00 AM, GRAND, ROGUE, MUSKEGON RIVERS
27 MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7:30 PM/SOCIAL HOUR 6:30 PM - DIAMOND HALL
- NOVEMBER 3 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 7:30 PM DIAMOND HALL
8 FISHING PARTNERS MANISTEE OUTING
24 MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7:30 PM/SOCIAL HOUR 6:30 PM - DIAMOND HALL
30 2008 CHAPTER FISH CONTEST ENDS
- DECEMBER 1 2009 CHAPTER FISH CONTEST BEGINS
1 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 7:30 PM DIAMOND HALL
8 CHAPTER FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY 6:00 PM DIAMOND HALL
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State hatchery facilities ready for fall rush

Just this week, the first fish raised in the newly built \$15.9 million coldwater facilities at the Wild Rose State Fish Hatchery were stocked at Algoma, Manitowoc and Kewaunee. By month's end, about 150,000 coho salmon and 60,000 brown trout will be stocked in Lake Michigan.

Since all eggs collected from fish in the Lake Michigan basin must be hatched and raised in the same basin, Wild Rose raised coho salmon for the first time in about three decades.

The new facility replaced century-old raceways and a faltering water supply that were making it difficult for fisheries crews to raise healthy fish. The fish have adjusted so well to the modern hatchery and have grown so fast, the staff had to adjust the amount of feed they were receiving so the fish didn't outgrow the facility.

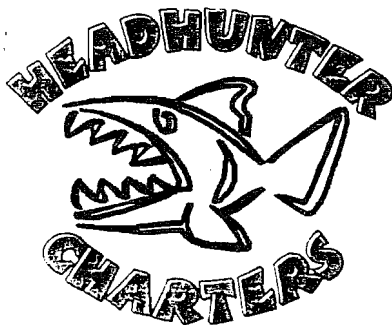
09/24/08 Local reports | The Muskegon Chronicle

A granite memorial was dedicated on Muskegon's south breakwater Tuesday afternoon, formally marking the completion of a pier safety project that includes safety lights on both breakwater arms, life rings, and an emergency callbox and a video camera linked to Central Dispatch.

The ceremony was attended by various local officials who had a hand in the \$80,000 project, and notably Lou and Ann Eklund, whose financial support made it possible.

And Sgt. Gary Berdinski, head of the Muskegon County Sheriff's Marine Patrol, said the rows of solar-powered lights remind boaters that they must pass through the outer harbor arms as they enter Lake Michigan. He said the illuminated breakwaters also act as guides to the harbor entrance for freighters and small boats alike.

The marker is a memorial to "those who lost their lives off these piers and with eternal gratitude to those who risked their lives to save them."



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FISHING PARTNERS

THE CHAPTER HAS AS FISHING PARTNERS PROGRAM, TO GET MEMBERS TO FISH WITH OTHER MEMBERS, AND TO HELP NEW MEMBERS GET INVOLVED WITH THE CHAPTER. TO GET STARTED IN THE PROGRAM WE NEED YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER AND THE TIMES THAT YOUR ARE AVAILABLE TO FISH. DO YOU HAVE A BOAT? NEED A PARTNER FOR THE RIVER, LAKE, ETC, NEED A CREW MEMBER FOR YOUR BOAT, NEED A MEMBER TO FISH A CHAPTER OUTING, TEACH NEW MEMBERS HOW TO CATCH STEELHEAD AND SALMON, ABLE TO TAKE OTHER MEMBERS OUT FISHING. CONTACT JIM LARSEN AT 616-453-4779. JIM WILL PUT MEMBERS TOGETHER SO THEY CAN LEARN NEW TECHNIQUES AND MEET OTHER CHAPTER MEMBERS. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT JIM AT THE ABOVE PHONE NUMBER.

FREE MEMBERSHIPS

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS HAVE WON FREE MEMBERSHIPS IN THE PAST YEAR BY ATTENDING MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS OR WORKING AT THE SPORT SHOW.

JANUARY 2008	ROBERTA TAYLOR
FEBRUARY 2008	EGON KELTING
SPORT SHOW 2008	BRIAN BOOMSMA, EGON KELTING, GENE PALMER, SUE EDWARDS, JIM LARSEN, BUD POTTS, SUZI MERDZINSKI, JOHN GARDNER, SALLY WILSON, BILL RATLIFF, PRESTON KUUS, RENEE DAVIS.
MARCH 2008	BOB MCCRACKEN
APRIL 2008	VIKKI GUILLES
MAY 2008	BILL NEWELL
JUNE 2008	MICHAEL BOLHOUSE
AUGUST 2008	BOB FIEBIG
SEPTEMBER 2008	DAVE VAN MALE
OCTOBER 2007	GERALD BOELEMA
NOVEMBER 2007	PHIL BOLEK

ATTEND THE MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS, INCREASE YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A MEMBERSHIP.

CHAPTER CLOTHING

THE CHAPTER NOW HAS CHAPTER SHIRTS, CAPS, ETC. FOR SALE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE SOME CHAPTER CLOTHING CONTACT JOHN STAUFFER AT 616-453-1327 OR VIKKI GUILLES AT 616-677-3442. THEY CAN GIVE YOU THE DETAILS ON WHAT CLOTHING IS AVAILABLE TO CHAPTER MEMBERS AND THE PRICES. SHOW YOUR CHAPTER COLORS, PURCHASE CHAPTER CLOTHING.



BEST PRICES GUARANTEED!

2008

YEARLY CHAPTER FISH CONTEST

BIG LAKE

STEELHEAD -	VIKKI GUILLES	10-09
	KRIS GUILLES	10-01
	BEN WOLFE	08-10
	TRAVIS KORT	07-13

BROWN TROUT -	CHRIS NIENHUIS	10-01
	NELSON NIENHUIS	08-00
	TRAVIS KORT	06-08
	BOB ANTZAK	05-04

LAKE TROUT -	STEVE PHILLIPS	18-03
	RICH WILSON	11-04
	TRAVIS KORT	10-07
	NANCY WOOD	07-07

COHO -	STEVE PHILLIPS	06-13
	ZACH STREK	06-08
	DICK GROMKO	04-06
	NANCY WOOD	03-03

CHINOOK -	DARRYL HIGHWAY	23-07
	JERRY AVERY	22-00
	SALLY JOE WILSON	21-12
	GARY PERDEW	17-12

WALLEYE -	DARRYL HIGHWAY	09-02
	VIKKI GUILLES	06-06
	BOB STREK	03-07

RIVER

STEELHEAD -	JON HENDRICK	10-06
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BROWN TROUT -	WARREN GALINSKI	03-01
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LAKE TROUT -	NO ENTRY	
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COHO -	WARREN GALINSKI	07-08
	GARY PERDEW	07-02
	NORM TOW	05-11

CHINOOK -	WARREN GALINSKI	16-07
	NORM TOW	14-09
	GARY PERDEW	11-14

WALLEYE -	BOB STREK	06-15
	AL DAVIS	06-00
	BOB ANTZAK	03-13

TO ENTER THE 2008 CONTEST CONTACT BOB ANTZAK AT 616-895-6874. THE ENTRY FEE IS \$5.00 FOR BOTH DIVISIONS AND INCLUDES THE ENTIRE FAMILY. SEND YOUR ENTRIES TO BOB AT 10377 WHITEWOOD DR. WEST OLIVE, MI. 49460. REMEMBER TO ENTER EVERY FISH YOU CATCH, IT MAY BE A BIG WINNER.

THE YEAR LONG SMALL FRY FISHING CONTEST

FOR ALL BOYS AND GIRLS UP TO 15 YEARS OLD WHO'S PARENTS/RELATIVES/GUARDIANS ARE SIGNED UP WITH BOB ANTZAK IN THE YEAR LONG FISHING CONTEST. THESE SMALL FRY'S ARE ELIGIBLE TO ENTER FISH OF ALL SPECIES CAUGHT ON THE BIG LAKE, INLAND LAKES, AND ANY RIVERS.

RULES ARE:

- 1) PARENTS/RELATIVES/GUARDIANS MUST BE SIGNED UP IN THE YEAR LONG BIG LAKE AND RIVER CONTEST WITH BOB ANTZAK. CALL BOB TO ENTER AT 616-895-6874 OR SEE HIM AT THE MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS. THE CONTEST RUNS FROM DECEMBER 1, CURRENT YEAR TO NOVEMBER 30 FOLLOWING YEAR. COST IS \$5.00 PER FAMILY.
- 2) ALL FISH CAUGHT MUST BE WEIGHTED TO ENTER. ANY SPECIES OF FISH CAUGHT CAN BE ENTERED.
- 3) ON A POSTCARD OR CARD PLEASE TELL US WHEN AND WHERE THE FISH WAS CAUGHT, INCLUDE PHOTO IF YOU HAVE ONE, AND MOST IMPORTANT HOW MUCH IT WEIGHED. PARENTS/RELATIVES/GUARDIANS MUST SIGN POST CARD OR CARD.
- 4) ALL SMALL FRY ENTRY'S NAMES WILL BE POSTED IN THE TROUT TALK NEWSLETTER EACH MONTH.
- 5) PRIZE TROPHY'S FOR THE LARGEST FISH AND 2ND PLACE LARGEST FISH IN ALL CATEGORIES WINS TROPHY AT THE JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING. ALL ENTRIES, WIN OR LOSE WILL RECEIVE A PARTICIPANT RIBBON. PHOTOS ARE AN OPTION BUT I HEARD TO TELL THE EDITOR OF TROUT TALK SAYS DON'T BE SURPRISED IF YOU SEE YOUR PICTURE IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF TROUT TALK WITH YOUR CATCH.

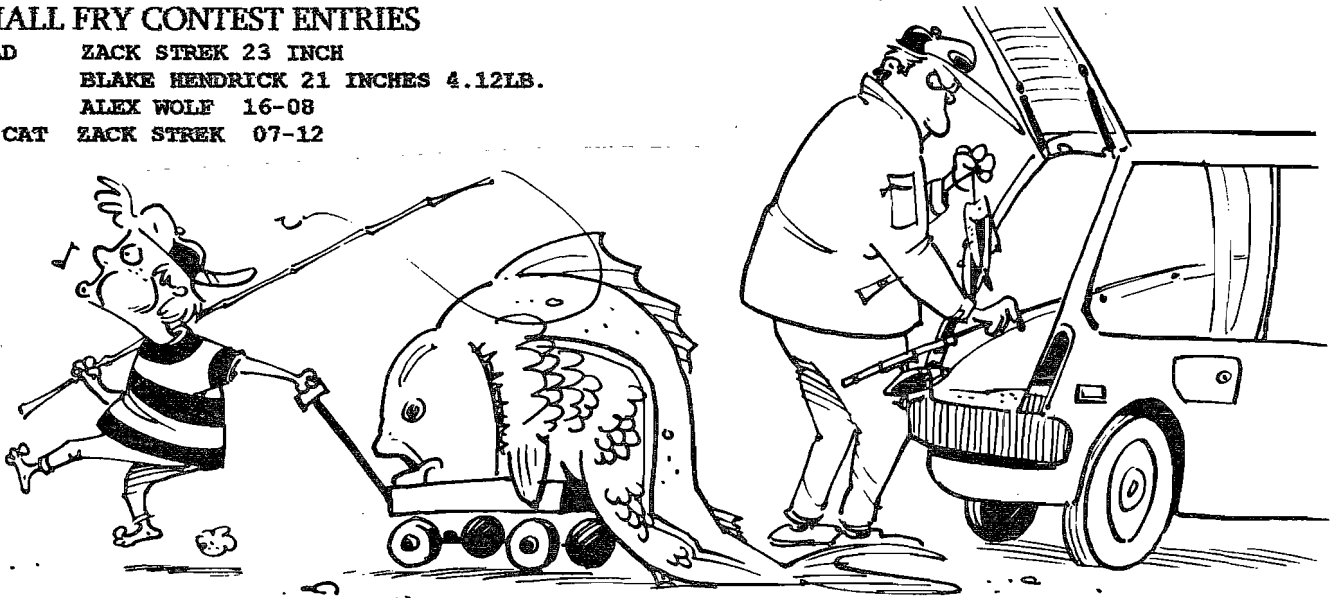
- 6) SEND ALL ENTRIES AND PHOTOS TO

AL DAVIS
1950 GRAND RIVER DRIVE
ADA, MI. 49301
616-363-3564

- 7) THE 2008 CONTEST BEGINS DECEMBER 1, 2007 AND ENDS ON NOVEMBER 30, 2008.

2008 SMALL FRY CONTEST ENTRIES

STEELHEAD	ZACK STREK	23 INCH
WALLEYE	BLAKE HENDRICK	21 INCHES 4.12LB.
CHINOOK	ALEX WOLF	16-08
CHANNEL CAT	ZACK STREK	07-12



BAMBOO: Inexpensive type of fishing pole used by the kid across the lake to catch a fish twice as big as the one you caught with your \$500 rod and reel.

FALL GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER RIVER CONTEST

THE CHAPTER FALL RIVER CONTEST IS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY OCTOBER 25, 2008. THE CHAIRMEN FOR THE OUTING ARE BILL NEWELL AND JOHN GARDNER. TO SIGN UP OR FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT BILL OR JOHN AT THE NUMBERS BELOW OR SEE THEM AT THE SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING. BE SURE TO REGISTER BY THURSDAY OCTOBER 23, 2008 BY 9:00 P.M.

FALL GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER RIVER RULES

1. DATE: OCTOBER 25, 2008.
2. OPEN TO ENTIRE GRAND, ROGUE, MUSKEGON RIVERS ONLY.
3. PAID TO DATE MEMBERS ONLY.
4. STARTING TIME 6:00 AM, FINISH AT 2:00 PM SHARP.
5. WEIGH-IN NO LATER THAN 3:00 PM SHARP.
6. ENTRY FEE, \$2.00 (NON-REFUNDABLE).
7. PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY THURSDAY OCTOBER 23,, 2008, 9:00 P.M.
8. CONTACT BILL NEWELL 616-897-6949, OR JOHN GARDNER 616-304-3529.
9. CATCH MUST BE STEELHEAD.
10. THREE (3) FISH LIMIT.
11. ALL FISH MUST BE 20" OR OVER.
12. ALL FISH MUST BE LEGALLY CAUGHT.
13. TWO RODS PER PERSON, STATE RULES APPLY.
14. ALL FISH ENTERED WILL BE JUDGED BY WEIGHT ONLY.
15. WEIGH-IN SITE EAST SIDE SIXTH STREET PARK.
16. TROPHIES FOR FIRST AND SECOND PLACE, IN CASE OF TIE, TWO TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED.
\$20.00 CASH AWARD FOR LARGEST FISH. ONE REVOLVING TROPHY FOR FIRST PLACE.

NOTE: ALL CONTROVERSIES, PROBLEMS, ETC. ARISING WITH ABOVE CONTEST WILL BE RESOLVED BY THE STEELHEAD CHAPTER BOARD AT A SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING, NOT AT AN OPEN MEMBERSHIP MEETING.

Michigan Steelheaders "Diver" Sale

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Acme Tops In Taking Of Whitefish

By Gordon Charles

If this little community ever staked a claim to fame, chances are it would have something to do with fishing. Located at the junction of US-31 and M-72, Acme is strung out pretty well along the eastern shoreline of East Grand Traverse Bay.

Fishermen in the Traverse City area don't have to be told where Acme is because they almost automatically head for there when they want a little something extra or unusual in fishing. Anglers looking for whitefish, for example, know the area off Deep Water Point offers some of the best sport-fishing for this species to be found in Michigan.

There are several reasons for this. For one thing, East Bay contains a very high population of whitefish - big ones. Most anglers attribute this to the fact that both of the bays have been closed to all commercial fishing for something like 20 years. As such, they still contain a variety of species and age classes which have long since become extinct in open netting waters.

Also to be reckoned with is the fact that the bays are so situated geographically that at least some portion of them can be fished under nearly any weather conditions. Add to this the fact that the Traverse City area has an abundance of fishermen who are willing to experiment with new fishing methods to catch their favorite fish and you begin to see why whitefish have become one of the most highly-sought sport fish now.

Make no mistake about it - whitefish are not easy for the beginner to catch. They like to frequent a specific type bottom which is likely to be at least 100 feet below the surface. If you do manage to hook one and try to horse it up to the boat, chances are the hook will tear out of the tissue-paper-thin mouth and the whitefish will swim free.

Fellows like Bill Mavety of Traverse City make it look easy, though. From the time the whitefish begin to hit in early fall until East Bay shows signs of skimming over with ice, you are apt to find Mavety and

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Two end anglers in nearby boat got whitefish, too, off Deep Water Point. Center fisherman picked up a lake trout in deeper water before they anchored on whitefish grounds.

some of his friends fishing from their boats off Acme.

Swedish pimples are the key to whitefish on sport tackle but not the entire story. Mavety prefers to remove the hooks from his pimple and replaces them with a dropper of monofilament to which another small treble hook is attached. This lower hook, working four or five inches below the pimple contains several tiny brass flickers and a little green flutter lure or possibly a green bead.

"The way I figure it, these whitefish are feeding on some kind of little green bug on bottom," explains Mavety. "When we clean our whitefish their stomachs are full of something green, which is probably what they think they are getting when they nail one of these lures."

Mavety likes to drop his pimple down to bottom where he can feel it bump each time. He then keeps twitching it gently, just moving it far enough to cause "the little green thing" to resemble a nymph struggling along in the bottom mud. The whitefish sees the movement, sucks in the hook with its green attractor and the angler has a Prize on his line.

"You'll notice I catch every one of my whitefish in the mouth," Mavety said. "A lot of the guys who don't know how, will keep reefing hard each time and they will nearly always snag their fish. Mostly, though, they don't

catch any."

A lot of the whitefish taken from East Bay this fall have been in the eight and nine-pound bracket. With daily limits running at 12 fish each, the angler can take home a lot of delicious eating when he hits it right. Mavety and many of his friends do just that regularly.

Michigan's record whitefish did not come from East Bay, however. The 12-pound, 3-ounce title-holder was caught last May 19 by Emil Dean trolling off South Haven, on a yellow Tiny Tad lure. It struck when Dean was bringing in his salmon trolling lure to check it so the fish was actually caught by accident.

Prior to the Dean catch, Michigan's record whitefish had been one caught by George Kropp of Central Lake which weighed 3 pounds, 11 ounces less. Dean's record-holder, however, falls far short of the commercial whitefish record. That one weighed 25 pounds, 3 ounces and was taken in a gill net off Lake Superior's Whitefish Bay in 1946. A dead 24-pounder was also found on the north shore of Torch Lake in 1948.

While admitting Dean's big whitefish was "a pretty good one," Bill Mavety figures the record won't last. "I think we can catch a bigger one from East Bay one of these days," he said.

When he says it, you have to believe him. He might even do it himself.

YEARLY CHAPTER FISH CONTEST RULES

1. THE GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER FISH CONTEST IS DIVIDED INTO TWO SEPARATE CONTESTS, BIG LAKE AND RIVER. YOU WILL BE COMPETING AGAINST FISH CAUGHT FROM THE SAME WATER THAT YOU FISH. HARBOR LAKES (MUSKEGON, MANISTEE, ETC.) ARE TO BE CONSIDERED BIG LAKE WATERS.
2. THE CHAPTER FISH CONTEST WILL RUN FROM DECEMBER 1, TO NOVEMBER 30, OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR.
3. ALL FISH CAUGHT MUST BE LEGALLY CAUGHT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE OF MICHIGAN FISHING REGULATIONS. NO FOUL HOOKED FISH ALLOWED.
4. ALL FISH ENTERED IN THE CONTEST MUST BE CAUGHT BY THE ENTRANT, AND MAILED OR HANDED INTO THE CONTEST CHAIRMAN, WITHIN 2 WEEKS OF BEING CAUGHT.
5. ONLY GRAND RAPIDS STEELHEADERS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE ELIGIBLE TO ENTER THE CONTEST.
6. ALL LAKE CONTEST FISH ENTERED MUST BE CAUGHT FROM A BOAT LEAVING AND RETURNING TO A MICHIGAN PORT ON THE SAME DAY. ALL RIVER CONTEST FISH MUST BE CAUGHT IN MICHIGAN WATERS.
7. FISH SPECIES IN THE CONTEST WILL BE: LAKE TROUT, STEELHEAD, BROWN TROUT, COHO SALMON, CHINOOK SALMON, AND WALLEYE.
8. TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED TO THE FIRST AND SECOND PLACE FINISHERS IN EACH CATEGORY IN BOTH CONTESTS.
9. NO MORE THAN (1) ONE TROPHY, AND (1) ONE CASH PRIZE PER PERSON WILL BE AWARDED IN EACH CONTEST.
10. CASH PRIZES WILL ALSO BE AWARDED FOR THE HEAVIEST TROUT, HEAVIEST SALMON, CHINOOK AND COHO, AND HEAVIEST WALLEYE IN EACH CONTEST.

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11. A PRE-REGISTRATION FEE OF \$5.00 PER FAMILY IS REQUIRED. THIS IS PAYABLE AT THE MONTHLY MEETING OR BY MAIL. YOUR CONTEST BEGINS UPON RECEIPT OF THE ENTRY FEE.
12. AN UP-TO-DATE LIST OF THE LEADERS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE NEWSLETTER. WINNERS WILL BE PRESENTED THEIR TROPHIES AT THE JANUARY MEETING.
13. ALL FISH ENTERED WILL BE JUDGED BY WEIGHT ONLY.
14. TO ENTER A FISH: FILL IN THE ENTRY FORM. IF POSSIBLE TAKE ANOTHER STEELHEADER (WITNESS) AND GO TO A CERTIFIED SCALE, (BAIT/MEAT MARKET) FOR WEIGH-IN. PORTABLE SCALES ARE NOT ALLOWED. IF YOU CANNOT GET A STEELHEADER TO WITNESS THE WEIGH-IN, TAKE THE FORM AND FISH TO HIS HOUSE AND HAVE HIM SIGN THE FORM. FILL OUT THE FORM SO HE CAN IDENTIFY THE SPECIES. DO NOT SEND IN AN INCOMPLETE ENTRY FORM.
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