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MEETING DATE

October 15, 2013

7:30 p.m.

AMERICAN LEGION - WAITE PARK, MN

SPEAKER: Aaron Meyer

“Catching Big Fish”

Time on the Water By Bruce A. Kitowski, President

Fall has finally arrived and I can't wait to hear about the big girls that will be caught. Let's not forget about our lake of the month outings. Last month we were at Lake Miltona, and this month we will be at Lake Alexander. Last year the participants boated 10 fish before noon. What a great day that was. I will be looking forward to seeing a lot of you.

Our guest speaker at our last meeting was Dave Mendal. Dave really gave out a lot of info on changing reel ratio's from one to another. You just can't buy info like that and we appreciate all the time and effort he put in to this seminar. You did a great job Dave and we are all looking forward to the next time you speak. Enjoy the fall weather and be safe.



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FALL GET TOGETHER 2013 WRAP By Dave Mendel

Our fall outing on Cass Lake is now in the books with some great times and memories.

Again this year we had a mix of weather. A front that went through on Tuesday brought behind it high NW winds Wednesday and Thursday. Friday morning brought a more fishable south wind and some fish started to move. Friday afternoon I caught a 42.0 incher on some rocks, and Sat morning Marc Jefferson put a 40.5" fish in the net

Thurs evening we had our 'sea food buffet' that was attended by all that were in the resort at the time. We enjoyed sardines, smoked oysters, and pickled Tullibee complemented by cheese, crackers. This was well received and will be a part of our future outings.

As in the past, CLL did a great job preparing our Friday nite fish dinner with all the fish, potatoes, and beans we could eat. Everyone there received an attendance prize of a lure, and Bob Kmitch was the lucky winner of a Knippex cutter.

Special thanks go out to Bonnie and Linda, the 'Desert Chics' for the delicious treats they brought to the Friday nite dinner, and shared around the camp fire Sat. evening. This year's big treat were 'Cream Puffs'. Oh they take such good care of us in the sweets dept.

Well that's it for this year, but mark your calendars for next year's event to be held again of Cass Lake Sept 11th – 14th

Hopefully you can join us then.

Dave

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CURRENT STANDINGS					
Division	Name	# of Fish	Points	Largest	Average
Masters	Bryan Thompson	4 fish, 0 > 40"		39"	
Mens					
	Marc Jefferson	12 fish	198	46.5"	42.3"
	Eric Poissant	5 fish	81	49"	42"
	Eric Kohn	5 fish	74	42"	40.8"
	Troy Schmitz	5 fish	61	41.5"	38.1"
	Chad Schulzetenberg	3 fish	52	46"	43.17"
	Bruce Kitowski	4 fish	49	42"	38.25"
	Adam Kobes	4 fish	38	43.5"	35.9"
	Tom Agnew	2 fish	38	45"	46"
	Aaron Starry	2 fish	36	47"	43.75"
	Ken Schmitt	2 fish	29	42"	40.5"
	Tom Ardolf	1 fish	20	46"	46"
	Nate Rose	1 fish	18	44"	44"
	Sven Larsen	1 fish	11	37"	37"
	Dennis Kobiela	1 fish	9	35"	35"
Juniors					
	Ryan Schmitz	3 fish	32	38"	36.6"
	Sam Larsen	1 fish	17	42.5"	42.5"
Lunker of the Month					
May	Bryan Thompson	37.5"		Birch Lake	
June	Aaron Starry	47"		Mille Lacs	
July	Chad Schulzetenberg	46"		Lake of the Woods	
August	Eric Poissant	49"		Sugar	
September	Adam Kobes	43.5"		Alexander	

MEMBERSHIP REPORT · · · · · By Marc Jefferson

Our membership currently stands at 93. We'd like to welcome Mr. Bruce Bates to the club as a new member. We are also glad to have Tom and Melinda Rusin and Chad Shulzetenberg back for another season and would like to remind Shane Heath that he is up for renewal in October.



Nick DeBoer 52.2”

CONTEST REPORT •By Marc Jefferson

Greetings – It’s hard for me to believe that I’m still fishing in shorts here at the end of September. The warm weather is screwing up all of my favorite early fall patterns. Fish are still eating though. Bruce and Ken took a trip to Rainy Lake to start the month and Bruce caught 4 fish, Ken put up 2, all on Rad Dogs and Cowgirls. Adam Kobes caught fish on back to back days on Alex on topwater, Sven Larsen added a fish, and Eric Poissant adds another fish from Sugar Lake for a solid 2nd in the contest. I know of a few other fish that have yet to show up on the logs yet, I also want to say congrats to Nick DeBoer for sticking a new personal best tank of a 52.5” this month. Nick’s boat partner that night also caught a 44” which was his new personal best so that made it a double PB night, not too bad! I had my first tournament experience over the weekend for the George Wahl Memorial. 180 people and lots of money raised for stocking. The weather was pretty extreme but there were lots of fish caught and it was a lot of fun to be a part of it and hear what was working for the winners afterwards. We caught 3 fish but no doubles in our boat so we missed placing in the top 10 by just a few inches, but if anyone wants a fun day on the water for a good cause I’d encourage you to come down and fish this next year. Good luck in October – personally I’m ready to break out the suckers as I know a lot of you are. Stay safe and keep those fish coming.

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PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT By Aaron Meyer

And so it continues... we're two days away from October and it was 85 degrees today. As I'm writing this at 11:30 pm it's still 75 degrees and the high for tomorrow is supposed to only be in the low 60's! Strange. Fortunately there's been enough "normal" weather that September has been a pretty good month for fishing. I'm looking forward to fall!

I wasn't able to make it to the last meeting, but I'm sure Dave's presentation on reel modifications was worth seeing. Hopefully some of you can make use of that info.

I will be giving a presentation for our October meeting. I've done a few seminars here and there, but never for our chapter meeting. Several topic suggestions were thrown around and I think I'll try to hit on several of them a bit. I'll discuss some of the things I've found to consistently produce big fish, talk a bit about helping wives, girlfriends, and other newbies be able to catch muskies, and give a little bit of a fall fishing primer. If there's a topic you'd really like me to discuss, feel free to send me an e-mail and I'll try to work it in.

See you there!
Aaron

LAKE OF THE MONTH By Sven Larsen

October is our last outing for lake of the month and we are excited to bring back Lake Alexander. Last year we hit Alexander and I believe 9 Muskies were caught in a one hour time window by 11 boats. We are looking forward another lunch at the Castaway as well. It's a dock and dine establishment right on the lake. Ken Smith will be our lake host and he will share some information with us about the lake at our October meeting to help us all have a successful trip.

I am also happy to announce that we will continue to pick a lake of the month throughout the fall and winter season. We will present a lake each month at our meetings but will not be trying to organize any outings after the Alexander outing until next season. Look forward to talks about some of the more distant lakes during the late fall and winter months.



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WEBMASTER. By Tom Ardolf

October 2013 Webmaster Report

Facebook: We did get a half-dozen new LIKES on our Facebook page this past month. Please share it with your friends and family so they can see what you are so passionate about!

Cafepress: I had mentioned in the last newsletter about having an “ordering session” at a meeting, to help out folks that either do not have the access via computer or would just like to “get it done” while they are at the meeting. I will plan on bringing some products that I’ve ordered in the past to the September meeting, and go from there. There’s a lot of product on the page, and we can have more – let me know what you’d like to see on it.

Website: As always, I keep the Home page updated with the next event. No major changes, and it seems we’ve somewhat arrived at what folks want on a web page. Whenever I am sent pictures I make sure they get on both the Facebook site as well as the web site in the 2013 area.

Other: I did fish the Gil Hamm Chapter Challenge on Vermillion in September. The president of Muskies, Inc. was on a team. I forwarded the letter I had authored with the chapter support regarding the use of the boga grip on the Mike Keyes show. I didn’t hear from Jay Zahn prior to the event, so while at one of the evening meals we chatted. He said he will speak with Mike about it.

It was an interesting experience to fish the Challenge. A Minnesota chapter from the Grand Rapids area did win it this year, so they get to pick the next site. I wonder if it will be another MN lake?!

Here are some samples:



Mike Ruff -- Clearing Out Remaining Merchandise.

A reminder that Café Press is up and running for you to order merchandise specific to your needs with our chapter logo on it. We still have some remaining merchandise left in stock and will not reorder. We will use it at our next fish dinner for prizes but are offering it first to chapter members at a reduced cost.

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