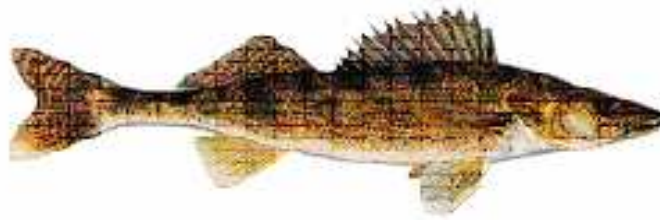


NIWC WALLEYE CLUB July 25 2007 NEWSLETTER



PRESIDENT'S PAGE

I was unable to attend our July meeting. I was not feeling well. Thanks to Greg Meyer who filled in for me. My understanding was many of you took the night off also. The August 7th meeting will start at 7 as usual but we will meet at the remodeled pizza place. Its location is 1205 W. Lincoln Hwy. it is on the north side of the street about 5 buildings west of Annie Glidden and across the street from the Best Western. A full menu will be available.

Several people expressed interest in a trip to the Mississippi by Albany IL – Clinton IA for the end of October. That will take place Oct 27-28. I have made arrangements with the Super 8 in Clinton IA for a block of 6 rooms at a rate of \$47 a room each with 2 beds. You need to call them at 1-563-242-8870 or 1-800-800-8000 to make your reservations. You will be responsible for payment and providing a credit card to reserve. Tell them the group code is “WALL” to get our group rate. You have until Oct 1 to get the group rate. Look forward to seeing you then.

The FLW League Wisconsin division wrapped up its 2007 season qualifying on Green Bay at Oconto on July 7. Congrats to Dennis Bennett, John Balla and Ed Mucha for qualifying for the finals. Finals are September 13 – 15 on the Mississippi at Moline IL. Currently my son Brian is tied for 36th place and I am 39th. We are hoping a couple of guys decline to go so we will be able to fish.

Our guest speaker for our August meeting will be John Nuebel from Libertyville. He has fished the PWT and other local leagues. He is a member of Walleyes Unlimited and has guided on the Chain and lakes in southeastern Wisconsin. He will give us some info on Lake Geneva and Delavan. He will give a multi species presentation. He also has info on Lake Erie and Mille Lacs in Minnesota. Join us for a run down on some close by waters.

LET'S GO FISH!

Rick Leifheit with a not to Shabby walleye

Typical Shabbona rig due to, too much fishing pressure. Split shot with a hook and a leach. Very slow presentation and with the nibble feed them line wait ten seconds check for their presence and set the hook. We only boated two, the other one was 15 1/4". Picked them both up over in the East bay where the weed point sticks out next to deeper water. Between 7 and 7:30 at night.



Lake Pepin Shark: info. Sent by Carl Buehrer

You guys may want to stock some larger crank baits. A couple salvage divers were working on recovering a truck that had gone thru the ice on Lake Pepin a few weeks earlier. They probably got the bends from surfacing in such a hurry after they found this 5' bull shark hiding from the current in the cab of the submerged truck. WDNR was contacted. The DNR captured, radio tagged and released the beast back On



February 2006, Photo courtesy of the Wisconsin Bureau of Fisheries into into Lake Pepin. Think its 1 in a million. The DNR received a report of

fresh shark teeth found in the gravel of Minehaha creek. They placed a net across the mouth of the creek and then used shocking to drive fish into the net. Along with carp and pike, they caught 2 juvenile Bull sharks.



Minnesota DNR biologist Dan Marais holds the larger of two juvenile Bull Sharks netted near the mouth of Minehaha Creek during the early hours of March 27. Photo courtesy of Mn Department of Fisheries and Wildlife

Jim Nanninga's first taste of tourney action:

I had an interesting experience recently. After attending the club, I decided to try a tournament. So I registered in the FLW League one day event at Mille Lacs on June 16. The lake was rough but we caught our 5 under 20" right away and had to release quite a number of slot fish up to 26". My pro-partner had pre-fished quite a bit and we went to his spot for 28" ers. But the Lake turned to glass and the temperature went up into the 90's. Everyone was having trouble when this happened about 10:30. We did not get anymore fish and went to the weigh in.

The problem and lesson learned was that we did not bring enough ice and the fish went belly up-not quite dead but we had to take a full 8 oz penalty for all 5. The surface water was so hot that the aerator kept melting the little bit of ice that we had. We would have been better off turning off the aerator, preserving our limited ice and utilizing a battery operated aerator like the new oxygenator (which I have since purchased) We would have finished 11th in the money (top 20) but ended up 39th because of the penalty. Our best luck was with heavy bottom bouncers, a 10 foot leader and a chartreuse live night crawler. It was fun and I intend to do more. Thank you.

Jim Nanninga

7/21 Bago bite by Mark Komo

Called a buddy in Green bay and said the blow during the week was terrible. Weeded up a good portion of genes reef and such. So, went fish Bago.

I fished by myself, but got limits on Sat and Sunday. 18" to 21" on sat. 16" to 19" on Sunday. No short fish, though a ton of 17+ inch smallies. You think you got the big one, only to see him jump behind the board.

I trolled cranks all weekend, with white glass and blue glass #7 shad raps, 20-25 and 30 behind the board. With the wind, I trolled the 10 foot contour on the east side between Quinney and Brothertown. They are still there this as of this morning. (7/22) More scattered than not. Get this, got most fish trolling into the wind.

My neighbor was up with 2 buddies. Got their limits Fri and Sat, but only 3 fish today. They trolled quinney also, but focused on the 12 to 14 foot range.

Mud bite was dead. Only me, about 2 million flies, and some Tuffy off in the distance.

Perchers are cleaning up. No fatties, but good eatin fish. Neighbor got 200 (limit for him and his wife). I said I would lend him my electric knife, but no old school. He used a small jig, 1 inch twister in white or yellow and bit of nightcrawler.

Waukegan Salmon Report by Mark Komo 7/14:

Waukegan fishing report.

Went out with fellow IWT'er Guy Lopez on the big pond. We got 5 out 9 salmon, with 3 cohos and 2 kings. First time on the big lake for me, and I will tell you, it was a good time. Its was a nice place to visit, but I wouldn't want to live there. Good change of pace.

Fish came on dodgers/flies and hey baby spoons. We had dipseys, leadcore and boards out there. We were running 8 lines. Action was fast and furious at times with some "drive by hits", ie fish slam the bait only to come unbuckled. Lost some spoons. Big fish was about 8lbs. Lost a very big fish, what seemed like a huge brown trout, off the bottom. Battled for about 20 minutes, then POOF! (it only takes a second of slack and the dream is over).

Just south of Waukegan 100 to 145 F.O.W. was the right depth. Speed at 2 to 2.2 mph. Beautiful day on the water. Filled the fish, and steaked it. I Left the

skin on then marinated them for about 30 minutes. Throw on the grill skin down for about 10 minutes. Very tasty fish. Even my 6 year old snarfed it up.

Mark's Book Recommendation

I have been reading the **walleye pros notebook** this past week. Some interesting stuff regarding fisherman and techniques. Each chapter focused on a pro and his favorite technique. A pretty good read. Available at amazon.com for \$10.

The Reel News, Terry Sheely, July 2007

Sixteen professional walleye fishermen were interviewed and asked to detail their hottest walleye tactics. They obliged and the resulting Pros' Notebook would seem to be a wealth of walleye fishing insider information.

"Always pick the windward sides of turns and points," "Small walleye often congregate below fast rapids," "A heavier jig kicks up silt that attracts walleye" etc. etc. etc.

The chosen walleye pros diagram their pet tactics and marry them to specific fishing conditions and habitats: weeds, drop-offs, weather fronts, open water, bottom bouncing, trolling wind.....and more. If it's about walleye, they've got it covered with tips, tactics, season, water temp. clarity, weather, structure, cover, depths, lures, baits, tackle, presentations and variations. This is not a where-to guide, but an in depth how-to book designed to bare the secrets of the pros and equip Joe Walleye with tactic recommendations, rigs, techniques and professional secrets for the next walleye encounter.

Possible club booth at the Gander Expo by Larry Cordts:

On Sat Aug 18 and Sun Aug 19 Gander in Geneva is having a Complete Expo for the Sportsman. They are having a raffle every hr starting at 10am thru 8pm on Sat and 11-3 on Sun with 2 big drawing at 4 and 5 pm. The 4pm is a shotgun and the 5pm is Tracker boat, trlr and 25hp mtr. Since this is a big expo for the area the club can get a table to promote the club if we wish. The table is already paid for so all we need is some volunteers to help staff it. I wanted to discuss this at the last meeting but was not able to make it. I can help staff the table as I will be home all that weekend.

Classifieds:

**Craig Bauer's Boat is up for Sale: email
craig.bauer@fastlane-retrievers.com**

1995 Spectrum Sport16 - 16', 6.5' beam - walk through windshield
40HP Mercury Force - 2 stroke with power tilt/trim
Motorguide 37lb bowmount trolling motor
Hummingbird Wide 100 bow mount fishfinder
NEW! Eagle FishElite 640c Color fishfinder/GPS (\$500 value) at console

Boat has: Bimini top, AM/FM - CD player stereo, - (2) 3 way speakers,
Console has speedometer, RPM gauge, oil pressure, voltage gauge
Navigational lights at bow and stern, Interior lights, 3 bouy markers
2 Scotty rod holders at stern, 2 rod holders just in front of windshield
Built in livewell, Built in 13 gallon fuel tank Built in bilge pump
Rod storage along side behind passenger seat Bow casting seat
New battery, Trailer has new rear lights
Just installed NEW retractable tie down straps on trailer- NO more messing with the old
buckle straps. Transom saver, New spare tire

Boat has some pier rash along the decal area, but is in overall good shape. Everything
functions, motor runs good. Has some new upgrades this spring. Also have boat cover,
but it could use a new one. \$4000 or make an offer.

I also have a New 2 Bank Charger :

I have a new never installed Minn Kota MK230 onboard charger. 2 banks, 30AMP - 15
AMPS per battery.

<http://www.minnkotamotors.com/products/chargers/detail.asp?pg=mk230>

\$175 or make an offer.

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