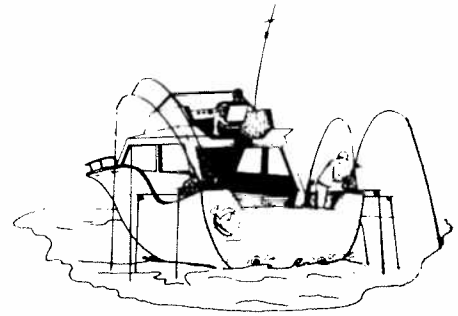




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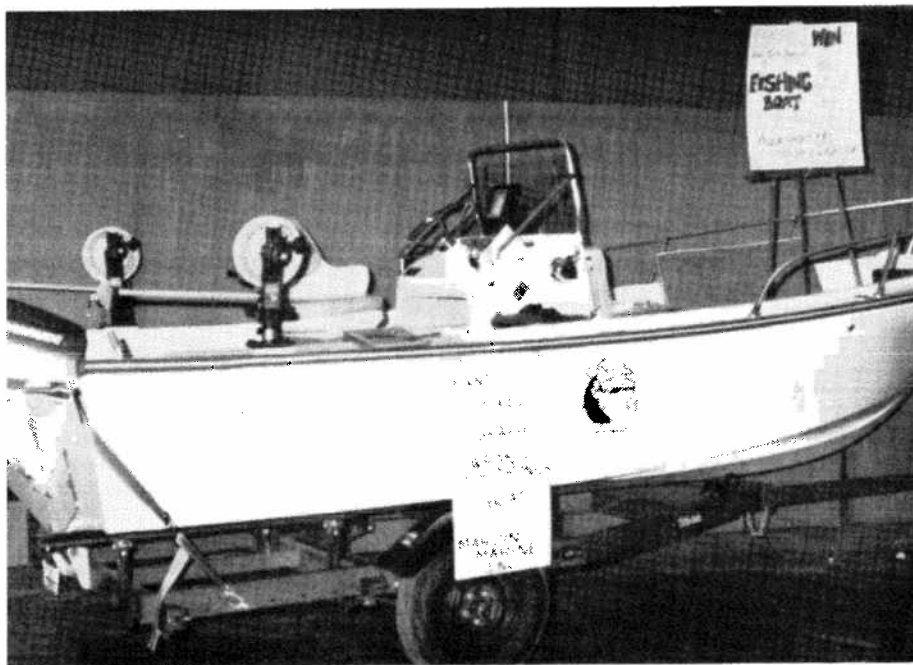
DETROIT CHAPTER SETS THE PACE

## Steelheaders' Spring Show is March 25

The biggest and best of the MSSFA Spring Shows will be held March 25 in Redford when the Detroit Chapter tells it all at its seminar. River fishing and trolling, surf and pier fishing will be covered completely with dozens of clinics: Where to fish and when; the newest lures, tackle and equipment; table after table full of displays; a completely outfitted boat; and an opportunity to purchase the best at very reasonable prices.

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### Just add a lot of water and a Steelheader!



Our 1979 Raffle Boat, a beautiful, fully-equipped Aquasport 170 shown above, will be raffled off to some very lucky person at the April 24 Membership meeting. Featuring an Evinrude 55 h.p. motor, a trailer, two Proos downriggers, a Lowrance 1510-A graph, two rods and reels plus full Coast Guard-approved safety equipment, this rig represents a retail value of *nearly \$10,000!* At the same meeting, the name of the club member with the most raffle tickets sold will be announced, and the nice prizes that go with that honor will be awarded. Don't be shut out — if you need additional tickets to sell, call or write Terry McCaffrey (729-1889), Raffle Chairman. Also, don't forget to turn in any extra tickets so that they may be used by others.

Around the state, other Chapters have incorporated the clinic and seminar concept to add an educational aspect that has greatly increased interest and attendance. This specialized teaching technique was pioneered by the Detroit Area Chapter in 1976. It was so successful that all chapters were encouraged to use these methods to actually demonstrate how to catch more fish on streams and when trolling. Expanding on this teaching aspect are the Detroit Chapter's on-river clinics. Observers not only see and try various lures and bait techniques, but learn firsthand the best equipment, and clothing and how to recognize productive parts of streams.

Each year there seems to be more and better equipment demonstrated at the shows. Some chapters even have fully equipped and ready-to-go boats on display while answering the many questions about trolling. Chapter members have a large selection of tackle, lures and equipment to browse over and can make purchases at bargain prices.

Also there are vendors with perhaps an even better selection than before to choose from. These booths introduce the newest and most popular lures and equipment — usually with better prices than found at retail. There is another way a great many lures and a lot of tackle is

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

**"THE BAIT BOX"**

As every Bait Box is full of useful items, I hope this monthly President's column will prove useful to our chapter members. I encourage questions, suggestions and ideas directed toward the improvement of our chapter. Please contact me by phone or letter at my home.

We have a terrible problem with noise at our monthly meetings. Truly, this is a breach of courtesy to our guest speaker and other members. I encourage those who do not find the meetings useful to step to the back of the room, where their talking will not bother anyone. Most of the offenders are older members, who forget that the newer members are there to learn. From now on, I will stop the meeting when the noise gets out of hand.

The M.U.C.C. has asked for our chapter's help with their Operation Cleansweep. A state-wide litter pick-up campaign, this worthwhile venture runs from April 14 to May 14, 1979. I would encourage our members to carry along a trash bag and to pick up cans and bottles during their trips this Spring.

Jim Boyer, our Vice-President, Past Director of the Year, State Director, and Chairman of the Boat Raffle, has succumbed to the call of the sunny beaches of Southern Texas and will be moving there right after our Spring Show. Chapter Director Terry McCaffrey will be taking over the Boat Raffle.

Jim, I personally wish you and yours the best. You and I have had some great times and good fishing together. You have become a good neighbor, a good friend, and above all, "my fishing Buddy". We'll all miss you. Enough said.

Please address your thoughts, etc. for this column to:

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— Tom Schneider, President

**COMING EVENTS**

**MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

- Tuesday Nights — at Mar. 27
- Bonnie Brook Country Club Apr. 24
- Telegraph & 8 Mile Road May 29

- March 25 **CHAPTER SPRING SHOW**
- April 7 Research Trip — Muskegon Area
- April 24 **BOAT RAFFLE & Membership Meeting**
- April 28 Research Trip — Port Sanilac

SEE PAGE 11 FOR INFORMATION ON RESEARCH TRIPS

**BOAT TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

Date	Place	Contact
April 21	St. Clair River	Details on page 4
May 26/27	South Haven (2 days)	
June 23	Pentwater	
July 14	Port Austin	
August 11	Ludington	
September 8	Manistee	
	Ladies Day	(Time and place as yet undetermined)

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FROM JOHN MAKELA

# Membership News

Our numbers are steadily growing. The Detroit Area chapter, chartered as representing Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, continues to be the most innovative and active. And, of course, the largest.

But I must admit to a certain amount of skepticism late last year when the dues climbed to \$10.00 annually. I was sure that renewals and new memberships would decline. Not so. Through March, renewals have remained strong while recruitment has steadily increased.

Involvement in the MSSFA has shown most chapter officers (statewide) that attrition is our single largest concern. Membership renewals are not as automatic as we would like. On the contrary, it takes a great deal of time, effort and money just to hang on to 40% of our members year to year. If nothing was done to 'lure' renewals, the chapter would lose that percentage every year.

However, this club is fortunate in having a Board of Directors and officers who seem tireless in their efforts to arrange activities every month of the year — sometimes several events in certain months.

As a result more and more members become interested and involved. Active members renew and enthusiastic members generate the atmosphere that attracts new members.

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This corner was a little pessimistic also when word arrived that a chapter was forming in Port Huron. However, our net member loss was fewer than two dozen, while more than that continue Detroit Area membership. The Blue Water chapter (Port Huron) is distant enough to pose no problems, they are not in our charter area and we work and fish well together.

The biggest worry of the membership committee came with the formation of another chapter within our own county. Our meeting halls are less than 30 minutes apart. Most directors, including me, were astounded that such a gross move would even be considered by the state.

The pros and cons of a neighbor chapter can be reduced to only a couple of issues: economics and members. Membership dues alone cannot support our club. Much support comes from local tackle makers, dealers and advertisers in our newsletter. Support also comes from tackle reps who help with our raffles. Financing begins to get troublesome when another chapter begins "pirating" our benefactors and creates competition for editorial space in newspapers.

With rumors of additional chapters being formed in our back yard, we begin to wonder if our charter is worth the paper it's printed on. We would not like to see several chapters competing for the same fishermen as members. And the people who help us out with donations will become (some already are!) fed up with a line at their doors looking for handouts. The one advantage of splinter chapters is the weeding out of members who constantly bitch about by-laws, schedules and activities. They offer no real alternatives or direction nor do they volunteer for anything. Their backstabbing is not going to be missed.

We have no quarrel with new chapters while they're geographically compatible, but let's not endorse or accept the "neighborhood chapters" that seem to be evolving.

The Steelheaders should, and will, grow to become a group to be reckoned with in issues of sportfishing. We must remain united and our state leaders must strive to eliminate friction and problems rather than, it seems, present them.

—John Makela

# \$10,000 Rig Awaits Winner!

## 1979 Boat Raffle



The Detroit Area Chapter's Fourth Annual Fishing Boat Raffle is the biggest yet!

The total package will have a retail of about \$10,000, including all accessories.

The boat that was chosen for our raffle is a 19-foot Aquasport; It will be equipped with a 55 h.p. electric-start Evinrude and a Pamco trailer. This fine fishing rig will be completely equipped for Great Lakes fishing with two downriggers, a new graph and two Eagle Claw rods and reels.

When it is raffled off at our April meeting, it will have been inspected and approved by the Coast Guard Auxiliary for up to three fishermen. The boat will also be equipped with a horn, fire extinguisher, anchor, three personal flotation devices and a ring buoy.

There will be FIVE PRIZES for those selling the most raffle tickets.

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ST. CLAIR RIVER IS SITE

# Boat Tourney season kicks off April 21

The time is near — time to get up into the rafters, and time to remove the canvas and clean off the winter dirt. The '79 Fishing Season is just around the corner!

With the warmer weather we have had the past few days, everyone starts preparing their equipment and making their new modifications they have been thinking about all winter.

April 21 will kick off our first Boat Trolling and River Tournament, on the St. Clair River, and to make it a fun-filled day, the Blue Water Chapter has challenged us, along with the Thumb and Pontiac Chapters each wanting a piece of the action. This year's tourney is known as "Chuck Muer's River Crab Invitational Fishing Tournament."

The tournament will begin at 7:00 a.m. and run until 2:00 p.m., with the weigh-in starting at 3:00 p.m. at Chuck Muer's River Crab Restaurant. Entry fee for this tournament is \$2.00 per person, with a River Crab dinner available for \$6.00. This tourney is for both the boat trollers and the river fishermen, so we can all join in on the fun and action.

The Detroit Area Chapter will have a skipper's meeting at the St. Clair Marina starting at 6:00 a.m. Be sure to pick up your weigh-in sheets there. Further details will be given when you enter.

This tournament will run in conjunction with our own Chapter tournaments. An entry form, along with the Annual entry form, will be found elsewhere in this issue of *Fishin' Tales*, and will also



Rick Orbin shows off a nice king salmon taken on the St. Clair River early last season.

### BOAT LAUNCH INFORMATION

1. **Decker's Landing (for fishing the North Channel Area)**  
I-94 to Marine City Hwy. exit. Right on Marine City Hwy. (26 Mile Rd.) approx. 5 miles to Palms Rd. (blinking red light). Make right hand turn, follow to end of road. Make left hand turn and follow M-29 to Pte. Tremble Dr. (approx 3 miles). Make right hand turn and follow to end. Plenty of parking, food, gas.
2. **Marine City (Small boats)**  
I-94 to Marine City Hwy. exit. Right on Marine City Hwy. (26 Mile Rd.) approx. 12 miles to end of road. Make left approx. 4 miles to Gin Mill Restaurant. Make right at road there (Meisner Rd.), follow road to end. Make right turn, go approx. 2 miles, look for Lemace's. Poor parking, would have trouble with big boat. Close to Edison power plant and its fishing.
3. **St. Clair (Good for bigger boats; short run to Marine City)**  
I-94 to St. Clair exit. Make right on Fred Moore Hwy. and follow all the way until you must stop. Make right turn and go to first light. Make right turn and go ¼ mile over bridge. Make right turn to City Marina.
4. **Port Huron**  
I-94 to Holiday Inn stop light. Make left turn on Hancock, go to end. Make left turn, should be able to see it.

### DIRECTIONS TO RIVER CRAB RESTAURANT

1. **South Area (Marine City, North Channel Area)**  
Follow M-29 (River Rd.) to approx. 3 miles north of St. Clair. Boat parking and weigh-in at west side parking lot.
2. **North Area (Marysville, Port Huron)**  
Follow M-29 south to approx. 5 miles south of Marysville.

**NOTE: YOU MUST ATTEND THE SKIPPER'S MEETING PRIOR TO THE START OF THE TOURNAMENT AND TURN IN YOUR COMPLETED WEIGH-IN SHEET AT THAT TIME!**

be available at the March meeting. Be sure to pick up a copy of our new tournament rules at the meeting.

Trophies will be awarded for the largest brown, coho, chinook, rainbow and lake trout, along with a traveling trophy to the winning Chapter, donated by the River Crab Restaurant. We will also have one or two Press Boats covering the tournament.

In order to accomodate the large number of fishermen expected for this

event, dinner reservations must be made in advance. We ask that you try to enter before April 1, and in any case, no later than April 10.

Let's show our brother Chapters which Chapter has the best fishermen in south-eastern Michigan by bringing that trophy home to the Detroit Chapter! For more information please contact Don White (682-5642) or Jerry Lee (421-8559).

— Jerry Lee  
Tournament Chairman

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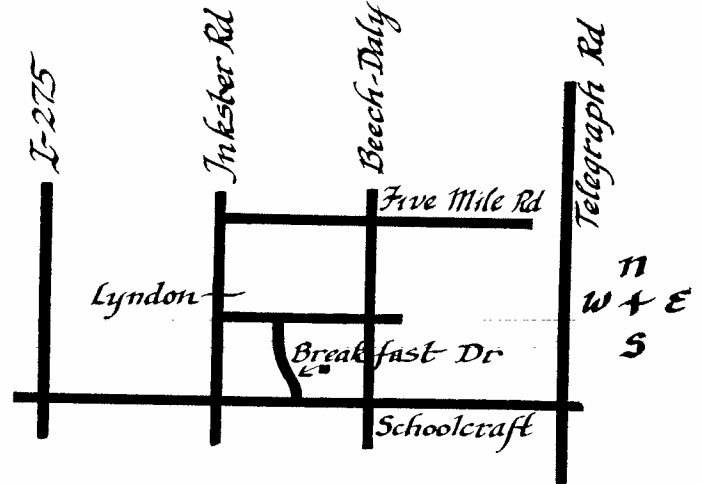
made available to members this year. About every 15 minutes, there's to be a drawing for a minimum of \$25.00 worth of lures and tackle. A raffle ticket for this mini-affle sells for a buck and it stays in the hopper throughout the show. In addition to that, there are separate drawings after each group of ten memberships are signed up.

I've been fortunate in being able to attend the shows statewide in '78 and six so far this season. All are much more informative and interesting. All have had a much larger attendance and new members have increased substantially at all the shows. I believe the reason for the successful show season is local (chapter) supervision. Now that the chapter makes most of the decisions, there is much more member interest and participation.

The local Steelheaders are much more aware of how to prepare and present features that are most popular in their region. To date it seems 1979 is going to be bigger and better for the Michigan Steelheaders.

— John Makela

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# Litter kills fish, helps ruin fishing grounds

*Experienced sportfishermen often make strange discoveries while cleaning their catch! They find that the fish have gobbled all kinds of man-made objects that have fallen into the water. Key rings, false teeth, bottle tops, paper and plastic objects are just a few.*

*Many things that boaters casually toss overboard can be lethal to fish. Especially items that resemble familiar foods: filter tips from cigarettes can look tempting like grubs; crumpled bits of foil from candy wrappers become attention-getting reflectors of light as they flutter down through the water; wads of chewing gum look like fish eggs or other morsels.*

*Often a hungry fish will swallow any such item tossed overboard. As most of these objects are indigestible, they can harm or even kill a fish.*

*Also, as a part of the sportfishing scene, it's a fact that litter from unconcerned boaters often helps to ruin the fishing grounds.*

*As the above examples so clearly show, littering by some pleasureboaters does happen and it has all kinds of unhappy consequences. Be a boater who cares.*

**DONT LITTER!**  
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## NEW PRODUCT REPORT

The Plano Molding Company has introduced a new model tacklebox, the 1234 Supermagnum Tackle Box said by the manufacturer to be the most versatile on the market.

Made of ABS material, with amber Acrylite inner lids, the supermagnum can be customized by dividers for up to 34 various-sized compartments for baits and terminal tackle. There is a large reel compartment that also can be used to hold Plano utility boxes, and a compartment that takes three spinner bait racks that hold up to 18 baits.

When opened, complete contents are displayed. When properly used in flat position, the fisherman can work out of one section at a time.

Other features include a sturdy handle, 2 ABS latches, and overall construction that prevents rain from leaking in when the box is closed.

### 38 OF 39 FISH TEST OKAY

## Lake Michigan salmon show PCB drop

New test results have strengthened the belief of state environmental officials that PCB levels in Lake Michigan salmon are dropping.

The Department of Natural Resources said tests on 22 salmon taken from the lake last fall showed all were below the federal government's maximum allowable levels of PCB in fish.

Last November, the DNR reported that only one of 17 Lake Michigan salmon tested contained more than the Food and Drug Administration guideline of five parts per million of PCB.

**As recently as 1975, salmon were found to contain more than ten parts per million of PCB — polychlorinated biphenyl.**

In addition, all the fish tested were below federal guidelines for the pesticides DDT and dieldrin — which at one time were found to exceed allowable levels in Great Lakes fish.

"These new test results support previous findings of PCB levels in Lake Michigan salmon and are, I feel, an indication of better things to come," said DNR Director Howard A. Tanner.

Michigan was the first state to ban DDT and the first to pass and implement controls on PCB, an industrial chemical that was widely used as a heat transfer liquid and in the manufacture of several consumer products.

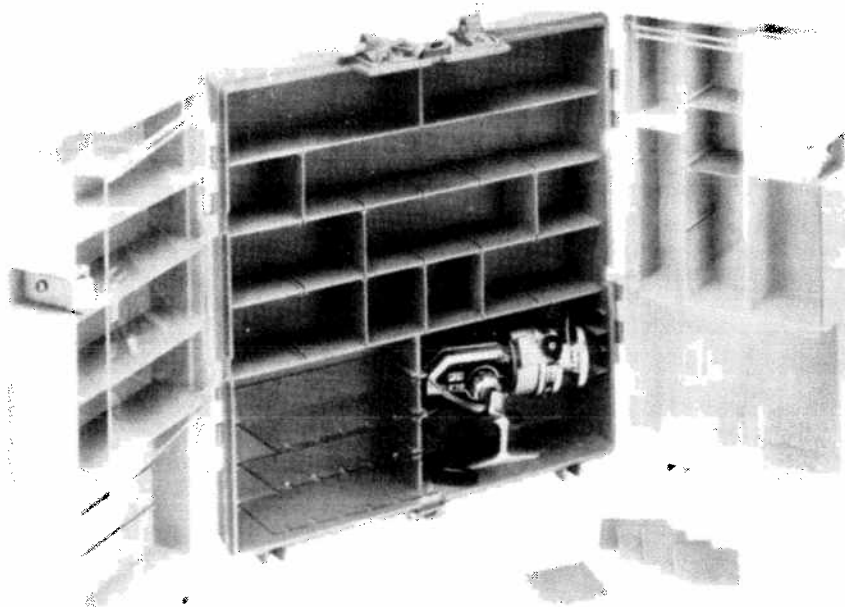
In 1976, Michigan banned the use of PCB in all but sealed electrical systems. The chemical was linked to the death of Great Lakes fish and wildlife and was a major factor in the downfall of Great Lakes commercial fishing.

The new test results meant that 38 of 39 fish sampled were below federal guidelines.

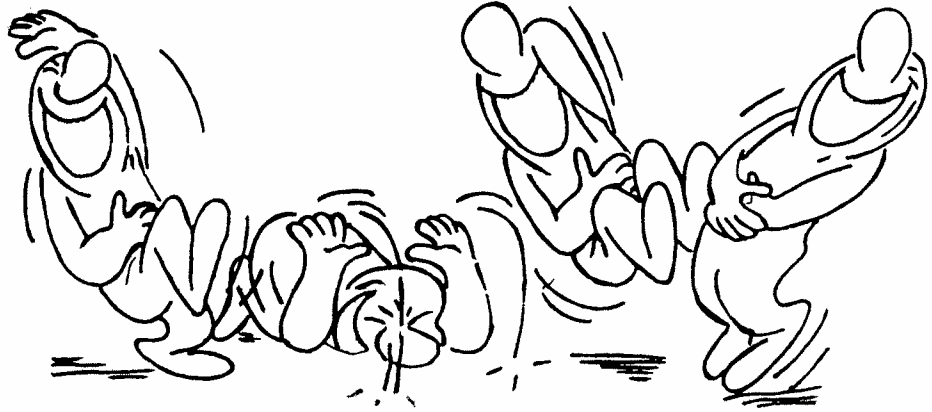
Fish tested included ten chinook and 11 coho from the Little Manistee River, 12 coho from the Platte River, and six chinook from the Sixth Street Dam on the Grand River at Grand Rapids.

The only fish above the FDA guidelines for PCB was a chinook taken at the Little Manistee River weir. It contained 5.04 parts per million of PCB, only 0.04 parts over the federal guideline.

This is surely good news for Detroit Area Steelheaders!



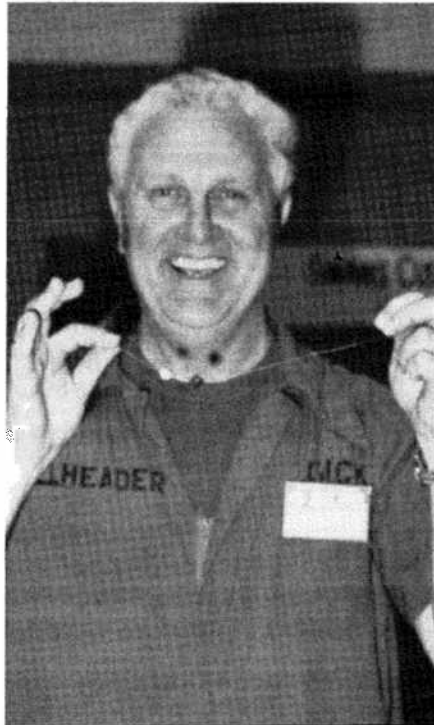
# "CHEAP SHOTS"



**DICK:**  
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**JERRY LEE (SKIPPER) –**  
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The horn I can not blow,  
It's not my place to say how far  
The ship's allowed to go,  
It's not my place to chart the course,  
Nor even toll the bell,  
But let the damn thing start to sink,  
And see who CATCHES HELL!  
**JEFF (SEA SCREW MATE)**

**GARY GRAY –**  
Is it true that this new 26' boat is an answer to your fishin' problems? I mean, is it large enough for your harem?  
**BILL MUIRHEAD**



Dick Swan giving a presentation at the Boat Show.

**TOM NESBITT –**  
Tom, I'm sure you'll start catching fish, as soon as you find a dumb strain of steelhead!  
**TOM FLEMING**

**BOB LINDBERG –**  
It's been told you belong to the religion, not the club, Michigan Steelheaders.  
**MOTHER RIVER**

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP –**  
All's fine – Ed Yankowski II made it to the Kilmaster after a brutal three days of shovelin', only to find the river frozen over. Better luck next month, Eddie!  
**RELIEVED**

*"CHEAP SHOTS" has been started to help aid in the cost of Fishin' Tales, published by the Detroit Area Chapter. If you have a "CHEAP SHOT", or a one or two liner you would like published in next month's issue, please contact Gary Gray, Editor, by mail or phone. "CHEAP SHOTS" are \$2.00, regardless of size. Your support is greatly needed to continue this column.*

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You MUST complete a SEPARATE ENTRY APPLICATION WEIGH-IN SHEET prior to each Tournament entered and turn it in at the Skippers' Meeting held prior to the start of that Tournament.

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MAKES FISHING TRIPS MORE PRODUCTIVE

# Daily fishing log is easy, helpful

After a good day's catch have you tried to tell others how you were successful? If you had caught five to ten fish, could you remember what time, how deep, in what water depth, what lure, and how many pulls back each catch was? Probably not. That means you can't give the best information possible to help people catch fish. You can generalize, but then you might miss some important pattern connecting two or more variables. For example, you might not realize that after 9 a.m., every fish was caught ten feet deeper than before 9 a.m., or that you had only caught fish trolling in a southerly direction. If you have kept a written daily fishing log and entered each catch as soon as possible, then your fading memory can be as accurate as if you had just boated each fish.

I have kept a log of every fish, loss or knock-off since I've had my boat. When I'm looking at those notes I can picture each scene as if it were last week rather than long ago. There are many pleasant memories in those papers.

Daily fishing logs can be as simple or as complex as you wish. My format has grown every year and I'm thinking of new revisions for this year. You could record only the date, port, species, weight, lure, lure depth, and water depth and have a very useful log. Or you could include these: starting and finishing times, weather, wave and wind information, water temperatures, fish length, pulls back, direction of trolling, pound test line

used, miscellaneous (my present format is shown in the accompanying diagram).

Besides bringing back pleasant memories and helping you inform others 'how you did it', the log is useful for interpretive analysis and as a reference for future fishing. After logging your catch, it is easier to see the patterns on paper that will help you catch more. In following years you can help plan your fishing trips by checking when each port was most productive in the past.

Once you have decided what you want in your log, lay out a master copy to a design of your choice (or simply use the accompanying diagram as your master). Take the master to a printer or copy service and have them produce a hundred copies. If you are lucky, you might have access to a duplicating machine. Don't make too many copies in the first batch; you may discover some changes to make after trial use. One idea is to laminate a copy and use a grease pencil to record your catch. Then transfer the information to a permanent paper copy on shore and erase the laminated sheet and reuse it. If a paper log sheet gets wet on board, it becomes hard to write on and will probably have to be copied over anyway.

Remember, it does not matter how complex your daily fishing log is, just so that it is enough for your purpose. The few minutes spent in writing it up will be well worth it.

— Steve Hamilton

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# The Boat Show, 1979 style

Ahhh, the Boat Show; in the midst of winter, it's a glimpse of summer. This year our booth was downstairs. Our location was not finalized until after the show had already opened, but once things were set everything was great. Except one escalator broke and people had to walk up and down the other until repairs were made.

We had 50 members help at our booth, and we thank them all. We signed up a few new members, and sold over \$1,300.00 worth of tickets, that's \$100.00 more than last year, but best of all we had a good time talking to a lot of interested people and distributed many handouts on our upcoming Spring Show.

Some recommendations for the future were made; to have a LARGE banner or sign with our club name on it, to have a LARGE picture of last year's raffle winner with the exhibit, and to have some fishing tackle displays.

Once again, thanks to all who helped make the 1979 Boat Show a success for us.

— Steve Hamilton, director and Boat Show Chairman



Jerry Lee talks steelheading to an interested fisherman while selling raffle tickets at the Boat Show.

# Research committee announces first two research trips

The research committee, Tom Ruppel, Buck Ryder, Dennis VanSickle and Steve Hamilton, have scheduled the first Research Trip of 1979 for April 7. This is to be a Muskegon area boat trolling and river fishing trip. This is a new idea and we hope it works. The boat trollers, small and large, should be hitting good numbers of browns in the Harbor, Muskegon Lake, Lake Michigan in the shallows, and around the Pier Heads. Flutterspoons and Rapalas produced limit catches in the past for fishermen who gave that area a try. The baits were run clean and a good distance behind the cannonballs 3-5 feet down and using light line, 4-8 lb. test.

River fishermen should be in the midst of a good steelhead run. Croton Dam and downstream does not get the pressure that other big rivers do. We also don't think many of our members have fished there. Let's learn a little about some new spots. All persons fishing are expected to log their catch on a form we will supply, such as the one to be found in this issue of *Fishin' Tales*. This is a very important part of our trip and will help in future trips to such areas. More details will be given at the membership meeting.

The second trip will be a return to Port Sanilac on April 28 (one week earlier than last year). This will be written up in the next issue of *Fishin' Tales*.

— Steve Hamilton

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