



DETROIT AREA CHAPTER

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MICHIGAN STEELHEAD AND SALMON FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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DON'T MISS AUGUST 25th MEETING

Our quest speaker will be a representitive of Vexliar, Inc.. Any questions you may have about graphs, now's the chance to get the correct information.

Also tournament information plus a report by Dave Gresham on the planned research fishing trip on the Detroit River.

Lots of door prizes and fishing information.

... PCB Report at August Meeting also . . .

The August meeting will also feature Mr. John Hesse, Chief of Toxic Materials Section of the DNR. John will give a slide presentation designed to educate the public regarding the extent of PCB and other toxic materials, pollution in the Great Lakes and, he will outline the position of the DNR regarding the necessary public support, legislation and enforcement, at the State and Federal level, required to eliminate this serious pollution problem.

BOTTLE BAN

VOTE COMING UP

WANT TO BE A DIRECTOR? SIX TO BE ELECTED

At least six chairs will be filled on the board of directors at October's chapter membership meeting. Ballots will be provided for each paid-up member and he will be asked to vote at the meeting.

Members are also asked to consider these positions and interested persons are encouraged to send a brief resume to Tom Schneider, nominating committee chairman.

Most new directors are elected for 1 year terms, however there are openings for two and three year seats. The board meets each month and most directors chair at least one committee.

So if you feel you would like to contribute to the running of the club, please fill out a brief resume and send or give to Tom Schneider at the August meeting.

NEW CLUB TREASURER

As election time draws near, the softdrink industry, the UAW and other unions will be filling the air with slanted propaganda to try to discredit the throw-away ban legislation which would outlaw non-returnables. The Steelheaders, as well as all other environmentally concerned groups are against throw-aways. We as sportsmen have seen beautiful landscapes, rivers and lakes turned

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The chapter board of directors met on the traditional second Tuesday; the August meeting held at the home of Tony Recchia A quorum was present as were two quests.

Our officers now include the first woman, appointed or elected, to hold a leadership position in the entire Steelheaders organization. On recommendation of President Tom Schneider, the

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Five chinook all over 27 lbs. caught by Tom Schening and Paul Irvine on the "Yellow Jacket" last year in Oscoda all on the Luhr Jensen J-plug.

Oscoda Tournament Biggest and Best To Come

by John Makela

September and Oscoda go together like a dodger and fly, but for best Chinook results don't use that combination. The chapter's most popular tournament will be on September 11th at Lake Huron's most exciting trolling port — Oscoda.

The fishing promises to be even better this year - about ten times better than last year, if I can use numbers, because the return will be from a plant of over 400,000 king salmon. We can all look forward to giant 35-40 lb. fish this fall and for years to come.

Oscoda is very popular with Detroit Chapter Steelheaders because of the catch and the fact that it's on "our side" of the state not to mention the likelihood of favorable weather condi-

tions. Also, the formation of a chapter in Oscoda, Detroit members can now be assured of a hundred new friends and Steelheaders to provide us with timesaving and fish-catching information.

The dodger/fly combination has never caught me a fish in Lake Huron! The flutterspoons boss-plug, fireplug and chargers behind a double however, have been good combinations. Clean lures include the Wabler, Flutterspoons, krocodile, doctor spoon and red-head white wobblers.

For best techniques with reekers call Bob on "My Harem"; ask Chuck on the "Aloha" about the '5 of diamonds'; Bob on the "Steelhead" and Howard on the continued on page 6

FISHI N' TALES

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A decidedly b iased paper acknowledging the ed itor's viewpoint that there's only one way permissible to catch the planted anadromous strain and lake trout - hook and line; and those employing any other method be eyed with suspicion nay, cast into the lot of outlaws and be regarded as such.

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COMING EVENTS

August 21 - Ludington Tournament September 11 - Oscoda Tournament September 25 – 4th Research Trip on Detroit River

4TH RESEARCH TRIP HELD ON DETROIT

RIVER - Sept. 25th

Dave Gresham reported that a fourth research trip will be held this year. The event will be held on the Detroit River on Sept. 25th. It is hoped that all skippers who took part in DRIFT last year will participate. These boats will be required to accommodate invited quests from the South Haven chapter. Also to provide space for our chapter members who otherwise would be unable to fish for Chinook locally.



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... MORE NEWS

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S

MEETING . . .

Elton Luckritz reported that chapter arm patches are on order.

The board committed chapter man-power to the DNR, if needed, for fin-clipping Detroit River fish plants.

The director's voted to continue its policy of board meetings every month.

For specific information on meeting call any director.

A SUCCESS

CHAPTER HOT LINE

291-8249

Instant success! Our fishing "Hot Line" is well presented with up to date, factual, fish catchin' news. A big thanks to director, Murrell Blackburn for putting the service into opera-

In addition to fishing info the recorded messages will frequently end with a bit of chapter news. meeting, tournament, research trips and other dated reminders. All members are urged to contribute details of their catches and especially a "shut-out". Phone your news to Murrell at:

291-3881

NEW TREASURER.

directors unanimously approved the nomination of Karen Serafin as head of the powerful "Ways & Means" committee. (Treasurer).

That committee's foremost duty is handling all the chapter's financial matters. Karen assumes all duties of Ways & Means as the result of the resignation of Treasurer, Ed Raguel.

The board accepted "with regret" his resignation and wishes Ed the best luck in his growing business and family. Ed has been officer, treasurer and director since inception of the chapter.

Best

FISHIN' REPORT

Chinook and coho salmon are being caught from South Haven to Manistee. Reports of steelhead, brown, coho&chinook being caught just outside the ports of Ludington and Manistee.

Best lures, chrome/blue prism flutterspoons, MacMahon, krocodiles, Andy Reekers, also chartreuse with prism or red dot lures.

Steelhead, brown are being caught atFrankfort & Platte Bay.

Lake trout still being caught off Pentwater in 120' of water. off the Ludington power project 90'-120' water and Sauble Point.

Charlevoix still reports good catches of lake trout.

Steelhead are being caught in the Sturgeon River in Cheboygan county. Nice catches of lake trout off Harrisville. A few chinook salmon are being reported off the Au Sable River at Oscoda which by the time you get this report the run should be on.

Be sure to make use of our HOT LINE: 291-8249

Also the DNR fishing report number is: 517-373-0908

See you all at the Ludington Tournament August 21st and the Oscoda Tournament Sept. 11th.

WANNA' GO TROLLING?

JOIN FISHIN' PARTNERS

The chapter has a unique service available to ALL members. It's called "Fishin' Partners" and provides boat and stream fishing partners all year long.

Everyone takes advantage of KAREN SERAFIN continued from pg.1 the service - boat owners, nonowners and inland water fishing members. We're in the busy season now (salmon runs) and we all want a poke at a King.

Our chapter is big. We have a big fleet and lots of big boats. so, we have room for stream fishermen and new-comers to biglake trolling. Most trollers have favorite techniques and ports and fish as often as possible at this time of year.

We'll probably find room on a boat for you. Ask for John at 583-1910 for details.

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ALPENA BROWN TROUT GRINDSTONE CITY

FESTIVAL

As noted in "My Opinion" column this month, the fishing at Alpena during the Brown Trout Festival was not very good. The fish were larger this year but fewer fish were caught. The Results:

 Steven Speaks 15 lb., 15 oz.

- Michell Warnike 2nd 15 lb., 5 oz.

- Charles Deadman 3rd 14 lb., 14 oz.

 Wilferd Harper 4th 14 lb., 4 oz.

The largest fish, other than a brown trout was caught by Larry Kunze. See the story below.....

CHAPTER BOAT SCORES HIGH IN ALPENA FESTIVAL

Co-skippers Tony Byrd and Ralph Neitzel on the Byrd Marine 'testeam' boat, "Rolphantony", took the honors for the biggest fish caught at the recent brown trout festival in Alpena.

The 21½ lb. Chinook, worth \$500 was taken on a blue/chrome was the expression of the day, Fri. krocodile and was wrestled-in by guest Larry Kunze, Chief of Police in Alpena. Net work was handled by Alpena resident Bob Stone.

Tony reported that continued warm water in Thunder Bay kept mon, walleye, perch or carp", the fishing slow - catching only 22 fish during the ten day festival.

NEW MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN NAMED

Due to the resignation of Gale Spallinger our Membership Chairman, Jim Boyer has been named to take Gale's place. Welcome aboard, Jim.

RESEARCH FISHING

.... Report by Robert Haas, DNR

Fish Biologist-In-Charge

Survey work at Grindstone City showed good abundance of lake trout and the back cross, lake trout with splake. In my opinion, these numbers reflect a good abundance for sport fishing at Grindstone City, and I encourage you and others from the club to fish in this area. We also found surprisingly large numbers of perch at the same depths as the trout. There should be ample perch there for a good sport fishery as well. At Port Sanilac the catch of lake trout and perch was a little disapointing, and at this point I I wouldn't encourage you to go fishing in that area. If you have any further questions, please feel free to call; and if you do fish at Grindstone City, I would be very interested in hearing of your success.

...... Report by Capt. Dave Gresham

"The Steelheaders are coming" July 23th. The local fishermen were really counting on us to show them how to catch the trout and salmon that covered their rolls of graph paper.

"Are those marks trout, sal-"How can we make them bite", "Do you use dodgers, flys, flutterspoons", "What is the best color"?

It seemed like every trout fisherman in Huron County was there to just ask questions, Comments like, "He's a charter boat captain, they never tell the truth", "Yes, but it says Luhr Jensen Field Tester on the side of the boat and those guys always catch fish and tell exactly what they catch them on", Bull †*@!!, and continued on page 6



John Makela holds 22 pound king caught in Harrisville this month.

LAKE HURON FIRST BIG ONE AT HARRISVILLE

Chapter members John Schubert and John Makela on the SISU landed the seasons largest King at Harrisville so far this year. The 22-pounder was a big bonus early in August while picking-up many lake trout and jack chinook.

They were catching lakers bumpin' bottom in 105'of water when salmon started hitting at 65'. The best lures on the bottom were flutterspoons and krocodiles while the chinook preferred chargers and small plugs behind attractors.

Harrisville is reknown for the fantastic huge king runs in the fall, but with the new AuSable River Valley Chapter of the Steelheaders researching all spring a new and exciting lake trout fishery was discovered. No fewer than a dozen boats searched each weekend until the fish were found.

For up to date, factual information while on the water, fishermen can call the "LureTester", based onshore at Harrisville Tackleland, on channels 16 or 68

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HARRISVILLE

SURF-N-SPLAKE

by Dick Swan

Those of us who fish our anadromous lunkers without a boat, wish our lives away during the summer months in anticipation of the early fall runs. We look back to the years before and recall when the first fish hit the shore line and hope that they will be on schedule again this fall.

Three years ago, one of my field testers. Ellis "Moose" Mc Colley of Midland had the steelhead all to himself for over a month at Harrisville. It was a young fishery then and its; popularity wasn't as it is now, but Eillis is an avid surf man and a real pro, so his wonderings put him in Harrisville before thousands of us. He kept telling me to join him to see for myself, but I was in my west side "rut" and I missed the entire Harrisville show that fall.

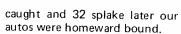
Ellis told me several times that while fishing he could see an occasional splake swim close to his feet. He failed to bag a splake and this really bothered him.

The following fall the steel-head were on schedule and I recall one Saturday morning when six of us were shoulder-to-shoulder fishing the current. Before noon, our stringers were "cluttering up" the mouth of the stream with 24 steelheads. We got into steelheads and chinook all that fall but there was a definate lack of splake so all of our ideas from the previous winter went by-untested.

Last August I received a call at 1:00 am from my youngest tester, Marty Vanderploeg. He was calling from the boat dock in Harrisville. "The water is full of splake, can I come?" Sure I can and I was on my way. This was the beginning of limit catches of splake for more than a month in Harrisville.

Two days stand out vividly in my mind. Ellis and I were enjoying a very warm, calm day, but the splake were not in yet. About 1:30 PM I took a fish and 2 hours later, eleven fish were landed with Ellis and I taking 9 of the 11.

The other Sunday was cloudy with a stiff wind of the S.E. After some time of no action at the mouth 2 quick splake were



If you are willing to accept a different technique to become more successful than try the following:

1. FISH THE CURRENT WATER

It's the current that is the "magnet" drawing in these spawnladen lunkers. Just don't walk down and toss your offering into that big body of water. Look to see where the current is then tactfully join the crowd. You must fish the current to consistantly catch splake.

2. YOU MUST FISH No. 2 TEST to be consistantly successful for splake. Forget No. 4 test you might as well fish No. 30 as to fish No. 4. Don't use high-multi colored No. 2 test (Stren, Bonnyl etc.) use a clear or smoke tinted, line like Trilene XL. 3. NITECRAWLER INFLATED This was our best producer. By injecting air into the tail section of the crawler, the crawler floats up right in the water. If needles turn you off, then use a party marshmallow to float your crawler off the bottom.

Single eggs, or raw spawn (in

membrane), with marshamallows or without can get the job done.

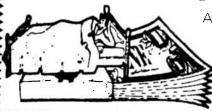
A split shot placed about 4" from the hook, will allow the bait to float off the bottom and serves it to the fish on a silver platter. Distant casting isn't a factor in catching fish at Harrisville so don't let the one split shot casting make you wonder.

It is now that time again when the fever causes those fishing autos to point north in hopes of getting into fish at Harrisville. I'm going to be there and if you're looking for action, set this issue of Fishin' Tale down and drive up to Harrisville.

SKIPPER OF THE YEAR PTS.

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Makela	23
Blackburn	18
Vaerten	12
Cartwright	11
Smith	11
Hamilton	10
Irvine	10
Luckritz	10
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MY OPINION

By Murrell Blackburn, Director

These are facts about our fishing tournament at Alpena.

The tournament date was July 17, Saturday. We had a total of 21 boats entered, the highest number at any chapter contest thus far. Tournament time was from 7 AM to 4 PM, a total of 189 hours fishing time. Seven fish were caught during this time, or 1 fish per 27 hrs. of fishing. Indeed a very poor showing.

Having some excellent fishermen in this contest we felt that it should have turned out much better than this. Before and after the tournament we talked to some local people and also a DNR man. The locals were very cooperative and gave us any number of tips. One such individual was John Smith of the Alpena Sport Shop. He related that fishing had been very slow. in fact terrible. He felt that the number of plants had been reduced in this area. We could not verify this, and got no response from the DNR man we questioned. Mr. Smith informed us that some of the local fishermen had started going to other areas to fish. Others backed up this story also.

Taking into consideration the amount of money it cost to tow a boat, gas used in fishing itself, and the other costs in driving some 260 miles to Alpena is another factor. After some discussion we felt that the cost incurred does not equal the success.

Considering that some other Steelheaders did quite well early in the year, would indicate that the tournament date should be changed, or Alpena excluded from our list.

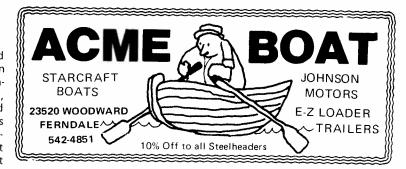
I for one will not travel to Alpena at this time of the year again (late August and July) as my fishing time is limited. There are others of the same opinion. So lets take a long look at the fishing this time of year at Alpena, and make some adjustments. This is not meant to be critical in any manner to our tournament committee.

INDIAN RIGHTS ISSUE UPDATED REPORT

by R. E. Rutt

As we had previously reported the Michigan Steelhead & Salmon Fishermen's Association had engaged the law firm of Hillman. Baxter and Hammond in Grand Rapids, to represent the interests of our Association in the litigation pending in the Federal Court in Grand Rapids. The Judge set the matter down for a preliminary hearing at his Courtroom located in Marquette, on June 17th. We have had motion pending before the Court for sometime asking for leave to appear in this case and to be heard amicus curiae. This motion was finally arqued on the above date and the Court has allowed us to intervene in the lawsuit on such basis. We are not a named party in the lawsuit. The USA and the Bay Mill Indians have sued the State of Michigan and various directors of the Michigan DNR. (We had discussed this aspect of case to some length in a previous article in our publication). In this Federal case the Indians seek the right to unrestricted fishing in all the waters of Lake Superior and approximately the northern half of the Michigan waters of both Lakes Michigan and Huron. As we are not a named party the Judge has granted our Association the right to be of assistance to the State of Michigan and the Michigan DNR inpresenting their defense to the governments's lawsuit. We will not be allowed to examine witnesses at trial, but we can file briefs covering the issues of law involved for and on behalf of our Association.





The original lawsuit brought by the government concerned itself with fishing rights. The Federal government filed an amended complaint and now asks the Court to award to Michigan Indians unlimited hunting, as well as fishing rights in the same area in northern Michigan.

Federal Judge Noel Fox also ruled that it is his intention to limit the testimony at trial to the interpretation of the treaties between the Indians and the United States government which were signed in 1837 and 1855. The Court will not hear any testimony as to what effect a decision favorable to the Indians may have upon the fishery and fishermen in the State of Michigan. He will only be concerned with the validity of the treaties in question. If he should decide that the treaties are not valid this would end the lawsuit at this point. If the judge should find that the treaties are valid, a determination will then have to be made as to what testimony he might want to hear relative to the enforcement of these rights and the effect of the same upon all of

We can also tell you that the Michigan United Conservation Club has engaged another firm of attorneys in Grand Rapids and are involved in the litigation upon the same basis as our Association. No trial date has been set at the present time.

The other Indian fishing case, namely, the People vs LaBlanc was argued before the Supreme Court of the State of Michigan on March 4, 1976 and we are presently awaiting a decision in this lawsuit. We have no indication at the present time as to when such an opinion will be forthcoming.

SUPPORT CANOE REGULATIONS ON RIVERS

I'm sure any one who has been canoeing or fishing on our rivers this summer was overwhelmed by the tremendous amount of canoe traffic on the rivers. It no longer is a pleasant float down the river because of the screaming, loud, noisy, conjestion of an average of one canoe almost every minute. Support Senate Bill No. 1506 and be sure to go to the Public Hearing, Sept. 20, 10:00 am, 13th floor Auditorium City County Bldg., Detroit.

SENATE BILL NO.1506

May 13, 1976 Introduced by Senators Kammer and Faust referred to the Committee on State Affairs:

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GRINDSTONE CITY

RESEARCH TRIP continued from pg 3 evident. There were 2 boats with many more comments came out of the crowd.

At day break the next day, the lake was too choppy to fish. Some fishermen went out only to return minutes after they past the harbor entrance. By noon fish stories were all told and the north wind had the lake in huge waves and white water, many of the Steelheaders were on their way home. At 6:00 PM the white caps disappeared and the remaining ½ d ozen boats made one last effort to save the day. The larger boats finally made it out 6-7 miles to 120' of water.

The swells were still high but we managed to get 4 lines out The chatter was starting on the radio "Lots of fish at 110", no hits yet". By nightfall there were no fish to show. Our hopes were high though, the lake was almost calm and Sunday a.m. we would be out again.

Sunday morning was just perfect for fishin g. Light breeze and calm water. There was a steady stream of boats going out of the harbor. By the time I reached 120' of water there were already 5 or 6 b oats out so I called for a temperature reading. There wasn't a single boat that took the water temp, also there weren't any fish on yet. I found the thermocline at 95' and set the lines at 55° to 51° and started the waiting game. Lots of fish were spotted on the bottom. Finally the cry of "Fish On" was heard. We boated our first lake lake trout on a chartreuse krockodile spoon. By noon we had our limit and were heading back.

As the other boats came in the sight of hap py fishermen was limit catches. Everybody had at least 3 fish. Therewere approxinately 43 fish taken on 6 boats, 18 were chinooks, 3 - 22 lbs.

The best lure for me was the chartreuse krockodile followed by blue & silver flutterspoon with chartreuse tape on the back. Other fishermen had good success with the same lures. Other lures were fire plugs, Andy Reekers, Boss and Chargers about 2½" long lures were best. Dodgers 0 & 00 were used with excellent success. The only pattern to be set as far as color is chartreuse and silver. The fish are there and were feeding. You had to follow the thermocline where it met, and was not more than 10' above the bottom. The trout were feeding heavy on smelt which were concentrated in large schools on the bottom. The smelt were easy to locate by the large size clouds on the Where the smelt were graph. located the fishing was the best.

The lures trolled clean 10' above the bottom caught most of the chinook while the lures behind dodgers 1-2' off bottom took most of the lake trout.

By the end of the day we had some of the answers for the local fishermen and ourselves. Temperature was very important lures same, as used in Lake Michigan were just as effective in Lake Huron. The fish were trout and salmon that we were marking on our graphs.

As for the perch fisherman, many large catches of perch were observed. Mostly caught in 25'-30' of water on shinner minnows.

See you at Grindstone next year!

27 lb. and 33 lb. chinook caught off Oscoda, shown with John Makela, Captain of the "Sisu".

BOTTLE BILL BAN NEARS VOTE continued from page 1

into dumping grounds, littered with throw-aways. The soft drink industry will try to tell us that even if there is a deposit on throw-aways there will still be as much litter. BULL. The soft drink industry will try to tell us that jobs will be lost, Americans will be put out of work. BULL. What they really mean is that it's going to cut aw ay at their profit and they could care less about rivers being littered or so called jobs being lost.

The time has come when the

American people are going to say BULL to big business and vote to keep the beautiful land beautiful for us as well as our children.

Remember, and be prepared to see a tremendous push to discredit the throw-away ban and any group that favors the ban. Don't bother to listen its all BULL and you know it.

Only you and I can keep this land a descent place to live and play in. Don't throw-away the throw away return it for your deposit.

OSCODA TOURNAMENT -THE BIG ONE continued from page 1

"Paramour" beat 'em with krocodiles. Chuck on the new "Tuna Boat" never misses with the i-plug the "Fishin 5" is sold on the flutterspoons - just ask for Murrell. Gale on the "Sisu." favors the 12B Coho Charger for consistant 25-35 pounders; "Gusto" prefers canned gusto but catches kings on rattle spoons and Chargers; Bob's mate aboard the new "White Water" is beer (John Beer) and catches a bunch on reekers and plugs.

These and many more chapter members spend a lot of time in Oscoda, especially the last week

of August through Labor Day. There are others too who are straight shooters with fishing info: Elton on the "Compromise"; Jim's "Big Orange"; our editor "Yellow Jacket II"; on the "Jims Joy", "Sue Ya", "TMB II (Too Much Beer); For more information consult the chapter boat directory.

So, don't take my word alone. You'll see all these guys up there in Oscoda this year - and for one overriding reason-catchable giant chinook. See you there, before, during and after the tournament.

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Wear in Crotch and Between Knees

Waders do not fit properly. You may need a custom wader,

Unable to Catch Fish

You may need a guide!

REPAIR AND FINDING A LEAK

These are the most successful ways to find a leak:

- Examine the surface carefully for punctures, small cuts or tears.
- In a dark room, shine a flashlight from the inside of the wader toward the fabric and look from the outside to see any holes.
- Slowly walk into the water until you feel the water coming in. Mark the depth on the outside with chalk or crayon and examine closely.
- Securely tie the waders up so that the feet touch the ground, fill with water until leaks are found. Completely dry after this test.

SAFETY

We recommend that a person put on his waders and learn how to swim in them and take them off while treading water. Be sure you are accompanied by a capable assistant while doing this.

Remember that the water inside the wader is no heavier than the water outside the wader and will not cause you to sink. We also do not believe there is enough air in the wader to make you float by picking up your legs.

The major problem is PANIC. Be sure that you can handle yourself safely before you attempt wading in the water depths that waders will allow you to enter.

HOW TO CARE FOR THOSE WADERS

Steelhead and salmon will be entering the rivers soon so you should get those good 'ole waders out and give them a once over to make sure they are ready for this fall and winter fishing.

Here are a few tips on how to care for waders:

- 1. Wash any grease or oils off with soap and warm water. If you have the misfortune to take a spill wash the inside of the wader and boot.
- 2. Rinse off any salt water or mud.
- 3. Dry the wader inside and out. This can be done by pulling the tops down over the boots inside

- out. Stuff newspaper inside the boots to absorb the moisture, repeat until the boot is dry. Wipe the tops dry with a towel, if you use foot powder in your regular shoes, also do so in your waders to help prevent deterioration from bacteria and mildew.
- 4. After the waders are dry either use a boot hanger (upside down) or fold and put them back in box. Marathon waders manufactures do not recommend hanging their waders up to dry. I've owned a pair of Converse Hodgmans: which I just retired after 15 years of constant use and I hung them up without a problem for 15 years. Enough said,
- 5. Keep waders away from direct sunlight while in the car.

THE ST. JOHN'S MARSH

The following is a letter which was presented to the DNR Bureau of Water Management Hydrological Survey Division by the Detroit Area Chapter President of MSSFA Tom Schneider. Tom attended the DNR hearing on August 10th at the Algonac High School. The letter

Dear Sir:

I am writing against the issue of permit No. 7614183 to Henry Perkowski. As you know this permit would involve draining and filling a portion of St. John's Marsh a very valuable wet land in Lake St. Clair. The marsh is

not only home and breeding ground for vast amounts of animals, water fowl, and spawning ground for many species of fish, it is also a water retention basin in time of high waters, and as a natural filter and water perification.

Again I request on behalf of Detroit Area Chapter of the MSSFA not to grant this permit.

...Rezoning has already taken place and a proposed "Blue Water Village" is planned with construction of 500 boat wells, condominiums and boat launch. Help defeat this proposal by calling Tom Schneider and giving him your support and time.

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