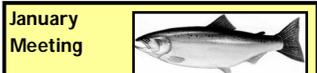




# Fishin' Tales

PROTECTING AND PROMOTING THE GREAT LAKES SPORTFISHERY FOR OVER 35 YEARS



**January Meeting**  
**When:**  
 Tuesday, January 29, 2013 7:30pm

**Where:**  
 American Polish Cultural Center  
 North West corner  
 15 Mile Rd. & Dequindre

**Featured:**  
 Mel Stackpoole, Great Lakes Charter Training Instructor.  
 Topic - On Water Safety

**Also: FREE PIZZA NIGHT!**

**Other Happenings:**  
 Tackle raffles, 50/50 raffle, Every member drawing

**Up-To-Date Information on the DAS website at:**  
[www.detroitsteelheaders.com](http://www.detroitsteelheaders.com)

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## A Letter from the Director of the Year



Happy New Year to All and I hope we all are blessed with experiencing some of the best fishing ever in the next year.

I've been a DAS member since 1982 or so. Over the years I have seen this club grow and have seen a lot of changes, all to the good of the club. I joined this club at the Detroit Boat Show and was told that I could learn the art of Great Lakes trolling by some of the best fisherman in the club, and with that I had great success as a Big Lake troller. For many years I was just a regular member and enjoyed a lot of benefits that the club had to offer. Then a few years back, I was asked to run as a director and add my insight on how the club could benefit with some new ideas. What a learning experience it was!

All those years I never knew what the Board of Directors did to make the Detroit Area Steelheaders function. Each director has a role in the club from Fund-

raising, Wild Game Dinner, Treasurer, Secretary, Memberships, raffles, etc., you name it. All these people are here to make the DAS a success, a lot do more than I do. I would like to thank each one of them for nominating me as Director of the Year! I feel they all deserve this award.

My jobs as director include Show Promotions and Wild Game Dinner co-chair, but we all co-chair this event in one way or the other. This event has given me great appreciation for the club; without it we don't exist! All of our functions from meeting places, Boat Trolling, Special People fishing outings, Salmon in the Classroom, Ludington net pen project, Shelby Twp. fishing derby, college scholarships for students in fisheries or conservation studies, just to name a few, rely on funds from the WGD. Other things we take for granted like newsletters, raffle prizes, guest speakers, Christmas gifts for kids and our pizza meeting are all member benefits funded by the Wild Game Dinner.

I'm asking all DAS members to come and support the only fund raiser we do, and with your help keep this club as the premier Salmon and Steelhead fishing club in the state.

**See ya at the WGD, Thanks  
 Blaise Pewinski**

## Ice Fishing Outing Feb. 9, 2013

With a little help from OLD MAN WINTER, we hope to have safe ice by Feb. 9 on Mitchell's Bay, Lake St. Clair. Last year we weren't blessed with ice here, so a dozen of us went to Lake Simcoe and had a blast. Who knows we may have to resort to that again, if we don't get a good freeze before this event.

The fishing can be outstanding on Mitchell's Bay, with many techniques that work well to put perch on ice. My favorite has been the use of Slab Grabber or Guster spoons jiggled close to bottom or anywhere in the water column. A few good colors stand out with silver spoon and red or green bead being the best. Other times, copper spoons or white will produce on dark days. I also like to use a lure called the Simcoe bug with a few maggots on the hook to entice the less active perch into biting; I prefer this method as a dead stick rod. Over the years, I've learned to use a minnow technique from the Canadians called a Tip Down which consists of a rod balanced on a pivot base. When the rod tips down, just lift up and bring in a fat jumbo perch. This works great for people just learning how to ice fish or the diehard minnow guy! This fishery is very mobile and you need to be able to move to stay on active schools of perch.

If plans go well we should meet at TOM'S DUCK CAMP on the end of Rivard road and be ready to leave the parking area at 7.00 am. Get there early because parking is limited. Bring a walkie-talkie to communicate with so that lunch and big fish contest can be announced about noon or to let others in on a hot bite. About 2:30 pm we will head back to Tom's and pack up for the ride home. The last time we visited Mitchell's Bay, 28 DAS Nomads on 22 ice machines enjoyed a great day with many jumbo's in our buckets. Hope to see you there and call me well in advance to let me know how many are going and to try to arrange for parking spots and food.



**Blaise Pewinski  
 'Sea Hag'  
 248-890-4517**

Group photo from the last DAS outing with good ice conditions on Mitchell's Bay in 2011.

**Membership News**

Renewed Memberships

**JIM FITCH**

**DAN WHITMILL**

Memberships Expired or Soon to be Expired

**MARK & COLLEEN BEVANS**

**BRUCE HAYWOOD**

**BILL STANLEY**

**BOB BUTKIEWICZ**

**RON HUEY**

**CARL VENTIMIGLIA SR.**

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**LARRY LATRA**

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**NANCY WOOD**

**ANGELO D'ANNA**

**JOHN MEADE**

**HOWARD YORK**

**CHARLES DENNING**

**NATHAN MUELER**

**MARK GAZDA**

**THOMAS OSENTOSKI**

**ANNOUNCING NEW DAS FIELD TEST PROGRAM**

**WHY**

- Member involvement
- Member benefit
- Test new products
- Selling point for new members
- Help members with useful reports done by fellow sportsmen.

**HOW**

- After 50/50 drawing another ticket will be drawn and winner can pick a product to test. I will try to have two season specific items available for them to choose from that way one will suit their interests. The lucky member then would need to write an article about the product for the newsletter. If they fulfill their part by writing the article maybe we could give them a 50/50 or tackle raffle ticket.
- If the member does not write the article they are no longer eligible for the program.
- Members are eligible only once per year

**FUNDING**

**2012 Detroit Area Steelheaders Board Of Directors Official Election Results**  
**Date:** December 18, 2012

**Location:** American Polish Cultural Center

**Occasion:** Annual Meeting & Board of Directors Election

**Ballots:** 62 member ballots

Blaise Pewinski	41
Anthony Lewis	35
Rod Elnick	33
Jody Robinson	31
Mark Williams	26

These five members have been elected for a three year term to expire in January 2016.

**DNR to stock Atlantic Salmon in Lake Huron**

After three-years of experimentation to determine whether Atlantic salmon can be successfully reared in state hatcheries, Michigan fisheries officials say it's time to shift gears. The 2013 fishing season will be a bellwether of what is possible.

"We'll have 60,000 to 80,000 Atlantic salmon yearlings available for planting in 2013," said Todd Grischke, Lake Huron coordinator for the Michigan DNR. "We are going into the stocking phase and will be evaluating the plants: where they go, where to best stock them and what to expect once we do. ✧"



Atlantic salmon - *Salmo salar*  
average 12.00 inches

**DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS, INC.**

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**Membership Application**

- |  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Member - \$25 Yearly        | <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal - \$25 Yearly | <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime - \$150 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior (65 & over)- \$10 Yearly | <input type="checkbox"/> Address Change only   | Amt. Paid _____                           |

NAME		DATE
ADDRESS		
CITY, STATE ZIP	HOME PHONE	CELL PHONE
BOAT NAME	E-MAIL ADDRESS	



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## More Atlantic Salmon Planned in Michigan Waters

(Reprinted From December 2012 Great Lakes Basin Report)

Michigan became world-famous when it made a daring effort to revitalize the Great Lakes sport fishery by stocking Pacific salmon in the 1960s. While Chinook and coho fishing still is very good overall, Michigan is now looking at residents of the other ocean to beef up the Great Lakes fishery: Atlantic salmon.

Highly prized around the world for their sporting characteristics, Atlantic salmon are currently thriving in the St. Mary's River, the connecting water that drains Lake Superior and flows into Lake Huron. Michigan DNR personnel hope to expand the Atlantic salmon fishery further into Lake Huron. Atlantics already have a presence in Lake Huron, often turning up for sport fishermen in a number of ports. At times, the Atlantic salmon catch surpasses the Pacific salmon catch at some locations, such as De Tour.

"We're not replacing Pacific salmon with Atlantics," explained Todd Grischke, the DNR's Lake Huron Basin coordinator. "We're trying to bolster the existing fishery and create an additional river-return fishery in other locations. "And we're adapting to the changes in the ecosystem. Since the invasion of quagga mussels, the lake no longer produces the alewives that are necessary to support a large Chinook population. "Atlantic salmon return to creel at a higher rate than any of our other stocked salmonids," Grischke continued. "We're hoping to play off that success. The St. Mary's fishery works. We want to make it even better, and we want to bolster the off-shore fishery, too."

Although the DNR has been working with Atlantic salmon for decades, their presence in the St. Mary's River falls to Lake Superior State University's Aquatic Research Laboratory. The lab churns out the 25,000 Atlantic salmon annually that have created the fishery.

Originally begun as a way to give students hands-on training, the lab started with a grant from the Michigan Fish Producers Association to research whitefish. The lab began working with Atlantics in the 1980s when it received a shipment of eggs from Gull Lake, where the DNR was stocking Atlantics, as explained by Roger Greil, who runs the lab.

Despite several false starts — Atlantics are delicate fish, vulnerable to disease and environmental constraints — Lake Superior State University's lab used the Michigan fish, and additional eggs obtained from Maine, to establish the Atlantics. The lab saw the first returns of the program in 1990 and soon began taking eggs from the returning salmon. By 2004, the lab began using only St. Mary's River Atlantics for broodstock (mature male and female fish that are kept separate for breeding purposes). Since then, the lab has been self-sustaining.

On site at the power house owned by a local power cooperative in Sault Ste. Marie, the lab not only produces the 25,000 Atlantics needed at the St. Mary's River, but has also been sending surplus fish to the DNR for stocking in Torch Lake. Now the DNR is experimentally raising Atlantics at the Platte River State Fish Hatchery with an eye toward stocking Lake Huron.

"This year, for the first time, the fish are healthy, growing well and disease-free," Grischke said. "We are attempting to produce 80,000

yearlings, which we'll be stocking into Lake Huron. We're still in the process of learning how to best rear this species at the hatchery, and still deciding how those fish will be allocated."

Adult Atlantics usually begin showing up in the St. Mary's River in June and are present in good numbers by the time the Aquatic Research Lab begins egg-take in the fall. "We try setting our gill nets the last three days of October and we'll hold the fish in our raceways," explained Greil. "Normally our egg-take starts around November 4 and is wrapped up by November 14. We do two or three egg-takes a week, usually 25 to 30 females each time. Our goal is to do 100 pairs a year. "We don't have a lot of problems collecting the fish we need for egg-take. We capture what we can handle."

Once captured, the fish are stripped of their reproductive products by hand and are fertilized on a one-to-one basis. The fertilized eggs are placed in egg trays. By mid-December, Greil said staff starts seeing "eye-up" — a growth stage at which the eggs are determined to be viable — and hatching generally follows by the first of January. By mid-February, they're moved into indoor raceways, and in June are transferred to larger rearing containers. The yearlings have to be moved out in June in order to make room in the larger raceways for the younger fish; otherwise, it gets awfully crowded.

The raceways that hold the fish can be drained directly into the river. "Just being reared in the same water is what gives us a fairly high return rate," Greil said. "We don't see a lot of wandering, if any. They've been reported in the river up in Georgian Bay in the spring of the year, but I believe they are in there chasing smelt."

"The only thing that's transported is our surplus fish," he added. That reduction in transportation is a big plus to the operation.

Greil is pleased with the Atlantic salmon-rearing program and optimistic about its future expansion. That's good news for the resident and visiting sport fishermen eager to add Atlantics to their catch in coming seasons. "It seems to be a good fishery," he said. "We get people coming from all over to fish for them."

For more info: [www.lsu.edu/arl](http://www.lsu.edu/arl) and [www.michigan.gov/hatcheries](http://www.michigan.gov/hatcheries)

**Mich-Ohio Sportfishing EXPO**

Saturday, February 9 • 9:00am-6:00pm  
 Sunday, February 10 • 9:00am-5:00pm

MBT Expo Center,  
 Monroe County Fairgrounds  
[www.huronvalleysc.org](http://www.huronvalleysc.org)

# Lake Michigan Stocking Numbers

Includes Michigan stocking cuts by port (Reprinted from December 2012 Great Lakes Basin Report)

Port	Current	Proposed	% Cut	Justification/Comments
<b>1836 Treaty Waters</b>				
Ford River	27,500	12,000	56.4%	Maximize fishing opportunities by maintaining local fisheries in the U.P.; Eliminates Fairport based on an open lake fishery that is less dependent on
Fairport	21,000	0	100%	
Manistique	45,000	34,000	24.4%	
Medusa	220,000	72,000	67.3%	Maximize fishing opportunities-this site contributes significantly to the
Boardman	75,000	24,000	68.0%	Maintain net pen commitments
Kids Creek	150,000	36,000	76.0%	Reduce a direct stocking site; natural reproduction
Manistee River	70,000	22,000	68.6%	Maintain net pen commitments; Maximize fishing opportunities
Little Manistee River	375,000	150,000	60.0%	Maintain broodstock; Natural reproduction may offset reductions.
Big Sable River	120,000	38,000	68.3%	Maintain net pen commitments; Maximize fishing opportunities – popular
Muskegon River	60,000	18,000	70%	Maintain net pen commitments; Natural reproduction present
<b>Non-Treaty Waters</b>				
Grand Haven	175,000	59,000	66.3%	Maintain net pen commitments
Grand River	75,000	0	100%	Reduce a direct stocking site; Maximize fishing opportunities in other locations; Grand River is also stocked with steelhead and coho for fall
Holland	45,000	15,000	66.7%	Maintain net pen commitments
Black River	45,000	15,000	66.7%	Maintain net pen commitments
Saugatuck	45,000	16,000	64.4%	Maximize fishing opportunities- Kalamazoo River provides fall fishery
St. Joseph	140,000	48,000	65.7%	Maximize fishing opportunities- St. Joseph River provides fall fishery with
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,688,500</b>	<b>559,000</b>	<b>66.9%</b>	

The Detroit Area Steelheaders Present The 14th Annual 2013

## Sportsman's Wild Game Dinner

Saturday March 9, 2013 - Troy, MI  
held at the beautiful American Polish Cultural Center

Fundraiser Dinner to support the protection and promotion of fisheries in the Great Lakes Region.




**Impressive Display of Taxidermy includes Deer, Caribou, Bobcat, Waterfowl, and MUCH MORE!**

**Table Raffles, 50/50 Raffles, Gun Draws, and games. Prizes include: Guns, Great Lakes Fishing Tackle, Tools, (3) Flat Panel TV's - 30", 40" & 50", Framed Prints, Outdoor Items, Sporting Tickets, and much more.**

Tickets are \$50 per person for dinner including pop and beer.  
A cash bar will be provided for other cocktails. Dining tables seat ten, and may be reserved with your advance payment

**AGENDA**  
Reception, Doors Open 5:00 PM  
Dinner Begins Promptly 6:00 PM  
Sportsmen's Raffle Program follows

**MENU**  
Last year's highly praised caterer returns with at least five hot, wild game entrees such as pheasant, caribou, emu, elk, venison, etc.

**DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS**  
Promoting & Protecting our Great Lakes sportfishery

2013 DAS Sportsmen's Dinner & Raffle Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ X \$50 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Paid

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For Tickets, Send this form with your check by Feb. 27, 2013 to:  
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## 2013 Boat Trolling Tournaments

Date	Port	Port Captain
May 4 (6:30am - 2:30pm)	St. Joseph <i>plus Fish Off vs. Huron Valley Sportfishing Club</i>	Blaise Pewinski
May 18 (6:00am - 2:00pm)	Grand Haven	Dan Chisholm
May 19 (6:00am - 12:00pm)		
June 22 (6:00am - 2:00pm)	Olcott, NY	Bob Ksionzek
July 13 (7:00am - 2:00pm)	Erieau, ONT	Carl Ventimiglia
August 3 (6:00am - 1:00pm)	Ludington <i>Ladies Day</i>	Jody Robinson
August 10 (6:00am - 2:00pm)	Ludington II	Tom Gorguze
August 24 (6:00am - 2:00pm)	Manistee	Bob Paradise
September 7 (6:30am - 2:30pm)	Frankfort	Joe Von Grabe

## Detroit Area Steelheaders Giving Tops \$66,000

For 38 years the Detroit Area Steelheaders, Inc. has contributed to numerous worthwhile causes which we believe serve our stated organizational goal of promoting and protecting Great Lakes sport fishing. Thanks to our members and contributors who have helped us raise funds to make these donations.

The following list of donations made in recent years may overlook some, but the overall impact is that the Detroit Area Steelheaders give!

**December, 2012 - \$622.** To fund a Salmon in the Classroom project at Andersonville Elementary School.

**December, 2012 - \$984.** To fund a Salmon in the Classroom project at Oakland Christian School.

**August, 2012 - \$500.** To fund a \$500 college scholarship for an approved student studying for an outdoors/conservation related degree.

**June, 2012 - \$740.** To fund our own Special People fishing outing.

**June, 2012 - \$500.** To fund a \$500 college scholarship for an approved student studying for an outdoors/conservation related degree.

**June, 2012 - \$250.** To Shelby Township Parks & Recreation for their kids fishing derby.

**January, 2012 - \$250.** To the Great Lakes Sport Fishing Council for their operations.

**January, 2012 - \$1,000.** To the Youth Development Commission for their 2009 Detroit Area Kids Fishing Derby.

**January, 2012 - \$400.** To the Armada Middle School for a Salmon in the Classroom project.

**October, 2011 - \$2,000.** To the Ludington Area Charterboat Association to fund operations of their salmon rearing net pens.

**August, 2011 - \$1,200.** To the Armada Middle School for a Salmon in the Classroom project.

**July, 2011 - \$250.** To the Clinton River Watershed Council for their Clinton River projects.

**May, 2011 - \$250.** To Shelby Township Parks & Recreation for their kids fishing derby.

**January, 2011 - \$800.** To the Youth Development Commission for their 2009 Detroit Area Kids Fishing Derby.

**November, 2010 - \$500.** To the Michigan Wildlife Service department of the USDA to help fund cormorant control/research.

**June, 2010 - \$1,000.** To fund two \$500 college scholarships for two deserving students studying for an outdoors/conservation related degree.

**June, 2010 - \$1,000.** To the Ludington Area Charterboat Association to fund operations of their salmon rearing net pens.

**June, 2010 - \$234.** Donation of Voluntary Youth Licenses to help DNR revenue.

**May, 2010 - \$250.** To the Clinton River Watershed Council for their Clinton River projects.

**April, 2010 - \$250.** To Shelby Township Parks & Recreation for their kids fishing derby.

**January, 2010 - \$1,000.** To Michigan State University to fund a scholarship for a deserving student studying for an outdoors/conservation related degree.

**January, 2010 - \$1,000.** To the Youth Development Commission for their 2009 Detroit Area Kids Fishing Derby.

**October, 2009 - \$2,500.** To the Ludington Area Charterboat Association to fund the replacement of their salmon rearing net pens.

**October, 2009 - \$1,000.** To the Michigan Wildlife Service department of the USDA to help fund cormorant control/research.

**October, 2009 - \$200** Donation to the Big Ten Bass Fishing Tournament.

**September-October, 2009 - \$222.** Donation of Voluntary Youth Licenses to help DNR revenue.

**June, 2009 - \$1,703.** To fund our own Special People fishing outing.

**May, 2009 - \$2,000.** To fund two \$1,000 college scholarships for two deserving students studying for an outdoors/conservation related degree.

**May, 2009 - \$1,795.** To the City of Ludington for a Memorial Bench at the City Marina.

**February, 2009 - \$250.** To Shelby Township Parks & Recreation for their kids fishing derby.

**January, 2009 - \$1,000.** To the Michigan Wildlife Service department of the USDA to help fund cormorant control/research.

**January, 2009 - \$250.** To the Clinton River Watershed Council for their Clinton River projects.

**January, 2009 - \$500.** To the Great Lakes Sport Fishing Council for their operations.

**January, 2009 - \$1,000.** To the Youth Development Commission for their 2009 Detroit Area Kids Fishing Derby.

**October, 2008 - \$1,640.** Lake Superior State University Aquatics Research Lab for their fish cam.

**March, 2008 - \$1,000.** To Project FISH for their teaching projects.

**March, 2008 - \$200.** To Shelby Township Parks & Recreation for their kids fishing derby.

**January, 2008 - \$1,000.** To the Youth Development Commission for their 2008 Detroit Area Kids Fishing Derby.

**December, 2007 - \$1,000.** To the Michigan Wildlife Service department of the USDA to help fund cormorant control/research.

**November, 2007 - \$250.** To the Clinton River Watershed Council for their Clinton River projects.

**October, 2007 - \$500.** To the Great Lakes Sport Fishing Council for their operations.

**September, 2007 - \$250.** To the Sporting Lands Alliance to help with their operations.

**September, 2007 - \$500.** To fund a college scholarship for a deserving student studying for an outdoors/conservation related degree.

**September, 2007 - \$150.** To Fish Pointe Wildlife Association to help with their operations.

the Ludington Area Charterboat Association for their net pen operations.

**And Much More!**

Skipper of the Year Standings 2012			FINAL								Best 5				
Boat Name	Skipper Name	St. Joe	Grand Haven	Olcott NY	Erieau, ONT	Ladies Day	Ludington II	Manistee	Frankfort	Total Points	Best 6	Best 7	Best 8	Best 9	
1	Bad Dog	Tom Gorguze	5	4	4	2	4	2	2	1	11	15	19	24	24
2	Bobby's Toy	Bob Jones	3	1	2	75	75	6	8	4	16	24	99	174	174
3	Vicki's Seacret	Bob Feisel	75	3	1	5	5	5	5	50	19	24	74	149	149
4	Sea Hag	Blaise Pewinski	2	75	5	3	6	75	3	75	19	94	169	244	244
5	Miss Dipsey	Jody Robinson	75	6	75	75	2	4	4	5	21	96	171	246	246
6	Channing	Dan Chisolm	10	9	6	50	7	75	75	75	82	157	232	307	307
7	Sloppy Joe	Joe Von Grabe	75	7	3	50	50	75	50	3	113	163	238	313	313
8	Hardtop & Tails	Jim Zanke	9	11	50	75	75	75	2	147	222	297	372	372	
9	Almost Paradise	Bob Paradise	75	75	75	75	1	1	1	75	153	228	303	378	378
10	Nite Moves	Carl Ventimiglia	4	2	75	4	75	75	75	75	160	235	310	385	385
11	Loki-One	Dave Roehr	11	10	75	75	75	75	6	75	177	252	327	402	402
12	Blue Horizon	Paul Gjeldum	1	75	75	1	75	75	75	75	227	302	377	452	452
13	Thor's Hammer	Al Wiechert	75	75	75	75	75	3	7	75	235	310	385	460	460
14	Lucky Strike	Ron Pal	7	5	75	75	75	75	75	75	237	312	387	462	462
15	Saluki	John Meade	6	12	75	75	75	75	75	75	243	318	393	468	468
16	Mickey Mouse Club	Bob Buero	8	75	75	75	75	50	75	75	283	358	433	508	508
17	E-Fish-N-Sea	Doug Karakas	75	75	75	75	3	75	75	75	303	378	453	528	528
18	Lucky Strike II	Ed Wilczek	75	8	75	75	75	75	75	75	308	383	458	533	533
19	Real Happy	Bruce Tufford	75	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	350	425	500	575	575
20															

	Weight	Species	Boat Name
Big Fish	29.45	King	Bobby's Toy
	29.45	King	Bobby's Toy
	6.30	Coho	Miss Dipsey
Largest Of Each Species	16.45	Lake Trout	Miss Dipsey
	10.30	Steelhead	Almost Paradise
	0.00	Brown	
	0.00	Atlantic	
	0.00	Pink	

	St. Joe	Grand Haven	Olcott NY	Erieau, ONT	Ladies Day	Ludington II	Manistee	Frankfort	Year
Number of Boats	11	12	7	8	8	8	9	6	69
Kings	116	94	24	0	32	45	28	19	358
Cohos	15	3	0	0	2	5	11	2	38
Lake Trout	10	7	1	0	1	0	2	0	21
Steelhead	0	0	24	19	2	3	0	0	48
Browns	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Atlantics	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pinks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	141	104	49	19	37	53	41	21	465

## 2012 Boat Trolling Tournament Review

The 2012 DAS Boat Trolling season started off with a bang but unlike the hot weather cooled off slightly as the summer progressed. The 8 tournament schedule took us to ports on Lakes Erie, Ontario & Michigan but again as a result of the status of the fishery no events took place on Lake Huron.

First up was St. Joe. What a great way to start the season as only one word was needed to describe the fishing .....FANTASTIC! Even though fog, left over from Friday evening, threatened the start, the 11 DAS boats got off without a hitch at 6:00am. But even the sometimes early morning iffy weather could not interfere with the great fishing as more than half the fleet returned to port with limit catches before the noon fish call. At the 3:00pm weigh-in, all 11 boats had the 8 fish maximum to weigh with a total of 141 fish caught. Skipper Paul Gjeldum and his "Blue Horizon" crew captured 1st place with 86.25 lbs. and 125.25 points. Big fish, a 14.50 lb. King, was weighed in by "Bobby's Toy II". Port Captain Blaise Pewinski and the "Sea Hag" crew prepared a tremendous feast of deep fried salmon chunks, pulled pork, tuna noodle salad, cole slaw, rolls as well as plenty of cold drinks. All in all, a great start to the 2012 season.

12 boats showed up for the 2nd tournament of the season at the beautiful port of Grand Haven and the fishing did not disappoint either. In addition, we experienced what had to be some sort of record at this port .... 3 days of good weather in a row! Being the only 2-day event on the schedule, it's that much more difficult to pull out a win here but Skipper Bob Jones and his "Bobby's Toy II" crew did just that. They had a good catch of 8 fish weighing 86.35 lbs. and 126.35 pts. on day 1 leading the 2nd place boat, Vickie's Seacret by 33 lbs. Despite a nice 8 fish catch weighing 73.2 lbs. on Sunday by the "Nite Moves" crew, they held on for the win with a 2 day total of 201 pts. This beat out "Nite Moves" Skipper Carl Ventimiglia's come back total of 162.05 pts. Jody Robinson, skipper of the "Miss Dipsey",

weighed in a huge Lake Trout of 16.45 lbs. for Big Fish of both days. Port captain Bob Feisel (mostly his wife, Vickie's effort) provided a great luncheon of fried chicken, potato salad, cole slaw, delicious rolls, cookies as well as cold pop and water. The good fishing, great weather and fine food made for the 2nd great tournament in a row.

Could the sleepy little port of Olcott, NY on Lake Ontario make for three in a row? I'm pretty sure that all the skippers and crews that showed up were pleasantly surprised by the fishing that they found there. Especially considering that the date of June 23 falls into the "dog days of summer" department at most ports around the Great Lakes. Boats pre-fishing on Friday found pretty good success. "Bobby's Toy II" set lines at the "crack" of 7:20am and was heading back into port for a late breakfast at 10:00am with a 4 man limit (20 fish) of kings & steelhead! "Sea Hag" came into town in the early afternoon and found the same kind of luck in the middle of the day. Needless to say, hopes were high for Saturday morning.

Amidst calm seas and fair skies, the fishing was pretty steady on Saturday morning. 5 of the 7 boats entered weighed in 8 fish at the 3:00 weigh-in. A total of 49 fish...24 kings, 24 steelhead & 1 lake trout were weighed-in. Skipper Bob Feisel and his "Vickie's Seacret" crew edged out the "Bobby's Toy II" boat with 124.15 pts. to 123.20 pts. Talk about close! This port was chosen for the 2nd season in a row for its reputation for Big fish and on that it did not let us down. Winner Bob Feisel weighed in 2 nice kings .... a 25.00 lb. brute as well as a 22.30 lb fish. "Sea Hag" Skipper brought a 25.50 lb hog to the scales but Tim Robinson fishing on "Bobby's Toy" caught a 29.45 lb. monster king which was good for Big Fish at Olcott as well as Big Fish of the Year.

During the weigh-in, we enjoyed the great subs and chicken wings from Wilson's Pizza & Sub Shoppe in nearby Newfane. They also provided 3 different kinds of homemade cookies for a desert treat.

# 2012 DAS Skipper of the Year & Big Fish



1st Place - "Bad Dog" - Skipper Tom Gorguze



2nd Place - "Bobby's Toy" - Skipper Bob Jones



3rd Place - "Vickie's Seacret" - Skipper Bob Feisel



4th Place - "Sea Hag" - Skipper Blaise Pewinski



5th Place - "Miss Dipsey" - Skipper Jody Robinson



Big Fish  
29.45# King  
Caught aboard  
"Bobby's Toy"  
By  
Tim Robinson

## Tournament Review from Pg. 6

Along with the cold sodas (that's what they call pop in New Yawk) & water, the crews enjoyed another great luncheon. I'd say this definitely qualified as 3 good tournaments in a row.

The season's 4th tournament was in a port new to the DAS; the little fishing town of Erieau, ONT on Lake Erie. This port was chosen for the great steelhead fishing that begins in early July plus there was the bonus walleye fishing that exists here also. Also, the Metro-West Steelheaders had already scheduled this date for their tournament and it would be the perfect opportunity for a little friendly inter-club competition.

Fishing was pretty good early on tournament morning but most of the catch was walleye and the 8 crews were searching for the steelhead that would count for the tournament. As the day went on more boats began to catch some of those steelhead especially the "Blue Horizon" boat skippered by Paul Gjeldum. They were the only boat to weigh-in 8 steelhead and easily out-weighed "Bad Dog" with 46.45 lbs to 23.90 lbs. to take 1st place. Skipper Carl Ventimiglia took Big Fish honors with a 9.80 lb. steelhead. And even though they weren't counted in the actual tournament, there was a 2nd Big Fish pool for the largest walleye which was weighed-in by "Vickie's Seacret". Skipper Bob Feisel took that pool with a 9.45 lb. chunky walleye.

In the head-to-head competition between clubs, the top three boats compared their best 5 fish weights and the DAS came out on top 73 lbs. to Metro-West's 45lbs. Port captain Carl Ventimiglia and his "Nite Moves" crew grilled up hot dogs and hamburgers with all the fixings prior to the weigh-in. Even though they would of liked to catch more steelhead, I'm pretty certain all the crews enjoyed the walleye fishing, the meal, the hot weather and the friendly competition and are looking forward to returning to Erieau.

On Saturday, August 4 it was the Ladies' turn to show there stuff at the annual Ladies Day tournament in Ludington. Reports leading up to this day were pretty good and the pre-fishing on Friday provided plenty of action in preparation for the real thing. Fishing was a little tough on Saturday morning but most boats managed to find some fish. At the 2:30 weigh-in, the 8 boats brought 37 fish to the scales. A little disappointing considering this was Ludington but the Ladies had a ball catching the fish they did.

The Ladies on "Almost Paradise" didn't have any problem catching fish. They weighed-in 8 fish for a total of 97.65 lbs. and 137.65 pts. to take 1st place, outweighing the 2nd place catch of "Miss Dipsey" by 30.45 lbs! "Almost Paradise" also took Big Fish with a 19.40 lb. King. Port Captain Joe Von Grabe arranged for chicken, cole slaw and barbecue beans from KFC, along with other dishes brought by the crews. Everyone enjoyed the meal and had a great time at the weigh-in festivities.

During the following week, some of the club's Skippers and families were vacationing prior to the Ludington II tournament and were treated to some great fishing. Limit catches and good weather prevailed all week. However, Friday the winds picked up and the lake was quite bumpy. Gale warnings forced tournament co-directors Bob Feisel and Bob Ksionzek to make the decision to postpone the tournament to an abbreviated 6:00 am to 11:00 am for Sunday morning. This would prove to be a good decision as wave heights were less than 2' on Sunday and the weather was beautiful. Port captain Tom Gorguze and his wife Diane provided a great luncheon on Saturday afternoon despite the lake conditions. Lasagna, chicken wings, salad, rolls and desert treats were enjoyed by everyone. Tom and Diane even had some breakfast available for the 5:00 am Skipper's meeting on Sat. morning

Eight boats were still around on Sunday to participate but the big question was where would the fish be after the lake flipped and surface temperatures dropped twenty degrees. Four of those boats managed to find the fish and did quite well while the remainder of the fleet struggled to find and/or catch fish. Skipper Bob Paradise and the "Almost Paradise" crew once again took 1st place with a nice 8 fish catch worth 160.15 pts. (120.15 lbs.) and beat out the "Bad Dog" crew who had 143.90 pts. (103.0 lbs.). The 17.60 lb. King weighed in by "Almost Paradise" was also good for Big Fish.

On August 25, the Steelheaders headed north-west to Manistee for the 7th tournament of the season. Saturday morning the forecast was for 1 to 3 foot waves, which are pretty good conditions for salmon fishing. There were very few reports of fish from the eight boats. However "Almost Paradise" & "Bad Dog" did find the fish and by the noon fish call, "Almost Paradise" had 14, "Bad Dog" had 7 and "Sea Hag" had 4. For the third tournament in a row "Almost Paradise" took 1st place with another nice 8 fish catch good for 154.50 pts. and pretty much 'smoked' the other boats, beating 2nd place "Bad Dog" with 95.70 pts. And again, Mr. Paradise and his crew weighed in an 18.10 lb. King that was also Big Fish.

For lunch on Saturday, Debbie Paradise and Michelle Yaquinto graciously cooked Italian sausage with sautéed onion and green peppers, freshly picked juicy, garden-ripe tomatoes, baked beans, coleslaw, and little mini-cupcakes were on the menu.

Our Season Finale took place on Sept. 9th in the beautiful port of Frankfort. The DAS had not held a tournament here since 2007. Unfortunately, most of the week there had been a steady wind out of the south, which kept the warm water in the area. Despite this the boats pre-fishing on Friday did manage some pretty good catches.

Saturday morning we held the Captain's meeting at 5:30 and 6 boats reported. Although, overnight the wind had switched to the north and was blowing hard. The captains made the decision to wait until twilight to head out and see if the water was fishable. "Sloppy Joe", "Miss Dipsey" and "Bad Dog" were the first boats to head out, Once hitting the pier heads "Sloppy Joe" and "Miss Dipsey" turned back to the docks and "Miss Dipsey" called over the radio and canceled the tournament for the day. Port captain Jody Robinson held the luncheon at 1:00 pm on Saturday treating everyone to Subway Subs, Chicken Salad, Potato Salad and Cookies for dessert.

By Sunday Morning, the lake was fishable and all boats reported being out the water fishing. Most boats struggled to catch fish except "Bad Dog" did get into the fish right near the pier heads. We pulled lines at noon and had to be at weigh in by 1pm. Tom Gorguze and the "Bad Dog" crew managed to bring 7 fish to the weigh in and take 1st place with 118.95 points. "Hardtop & Tails" not far behind with 5 nice kings wrapping up 2nd place with a score of 82.35 and also winning the \$30 big fish pool with his 14.50 king.

On behalf of Bob Feisel and myself, I would like thank all those captains and crews who participated this past tournament season. We would also like to thank all the Port captains who provided the great luncheons at the weigh-ins. Without this participation, we could not have experienced the successful season that we did. By the time this is published, we will have had the boat trolling committee meeting and the 2013 schedule will have been set (Find on Pg. 4). Here's hoping we can have even more success and better fishing for the upcoming tournament season.

**Co-Tournament Director  
Bob Ksionzek**

# A Salmon-In-The Classroom Update *by Jody Robinson*

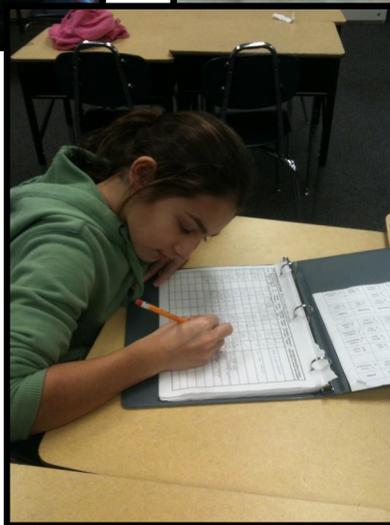
Hello all,

As of Dec 13th I am happy to report that we have successfully made it through our 3rd water change and the fish are growing slowly but they are growing. We are holding the water steady at 47 degrees. We have only had two of our fry not make it and the 4th grade students here at Andersonville are very proud of that. On Monday our ammonia shot way up and even after a 1/2 tank water change it did not come back down so we purchased and added some Ammo shock which is meant to stabilize the ammonia. This has seemed to work as it has been 0 since the treatment. The kids are all anxious to start the feeding process and we anticipate to start feeding them on or around Dec 26th. I have made arrangements with the

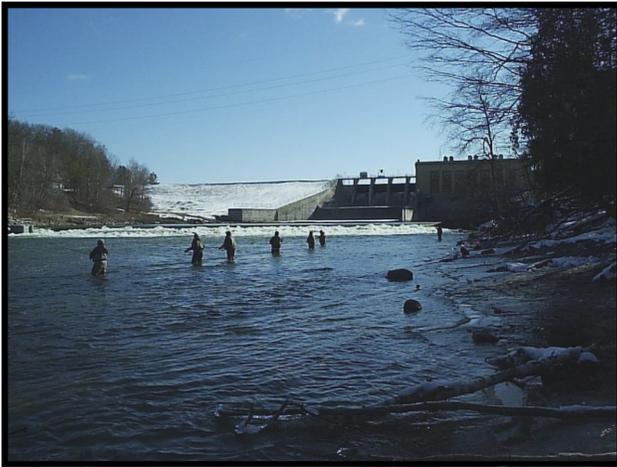
Janitors and the teachers that I will be at the school everyday with exception on Christmas Day to check on the fish. The teachers are planning to be at the school two days over the break preparing some lessons and games we had all learned at Wolf Lake Hatchery during our training. After the holiday break we will be having a FULL day of Salmon Activities for both 4th grade classes and I will be involved and taking pictures to share with all of you.

Attached are some more pictures, 1st 2 are updated photos of the fish(fry), then some student photos. of the water change , water testing , Recording the daily data and chemical treatments .

More to come soon !!!



# Fishing the Big Manistee River



The Big Manistee usually heats up mid-March to mid-April depending on the weather. Some years it's 10 to 15 degrees in March but last year it was 80 degrees, so you never know. I personally like to start fishing the upper part of the river whenever the snow melts. The Big Manistee draws a lot of steelhead each year, but also draws a lot of fishermen.

The fishing from Tippy Dam to 'Suicide Bend' is about 3/4 of a mile. If you have never fished here, you are in for a surprise. The fish and fishermen stack up here by the dam, and some days you might be fishing the runs with anywhere from 5 to 25 people. The fishing is second to none when the timing is right. I have had days with 20 to 30 bites, but average around 10 fish.

When fishing by the mass of people, the trick is to pay close attention to what the others are using for bait, and their technique, because some days the fish only want one thing.

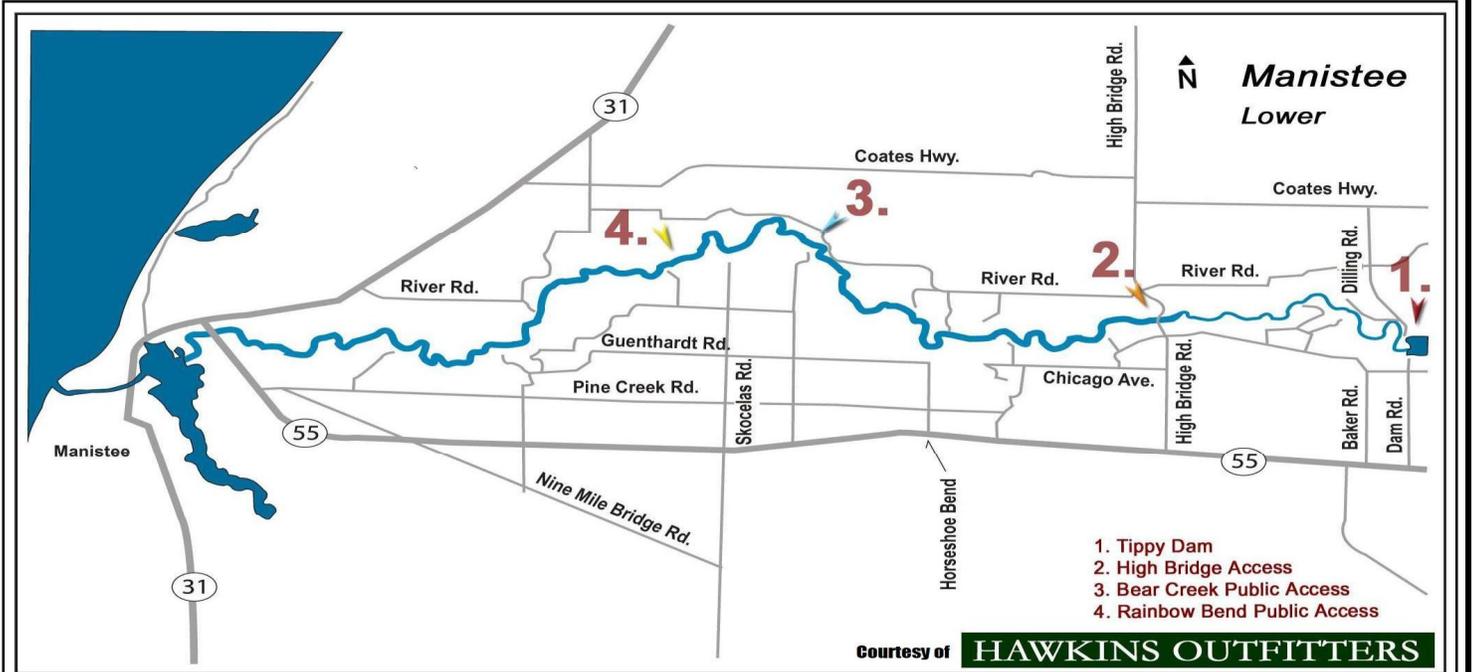
Fishing the river requires different techniques. I personally prefer bait fishing (spawn, wigglers, wax worms). Sometimes floating bobbers with 8lb. test Trilene and a 8lb. fluorocarbon leader.

Presentation is the key to catching these steelhead. If you like to float fish, the presentation should be barrel swivel, 8lb. fluorocarbon, size 8 or 10 short shank hook, and your choice of bait (wigglers, wax worms, spawn). Bobbers should be 5 to 7 ft. from hook depending on depth of water. When fishing with live bait I like to put 2 or 3 wax worms or wigglers on the hook, especially if the water is muddy. The trick is to cast at around 2 o'clock and watch your bobber, if it occasionally catches bottom your depth is good, if not add more line.

When fishing spawn bags, the size should be about the size of a dime, with fresh spawn and the mesh color of your choice. The real trick is to adapt to the conditions of the river, persistence is the key, and you must keep at it to be successful.

I have fished this part of the river for most of my life and used every kind of technique, but those listed above seem to produce the best for me.

**Good Luck,  
Bob Paradise**



# DAS Skipper's Honor Roll

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1. John Makela	Sisu
2. Murrell Blackburn	Fish'n 5
3. Chuck Cartwright	Tuna Boat
4. Paul Irvine	Yellow Jacket
5. Steve Hamilton	Valhalla

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2. John Makela	Sisu
3. Murrell Blackburn	Fish'n 5
4. Bob Kring	Drifter
5. Larry Atwell	Cobra

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3. Larry Atwell	Cobra
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5. Bob Kring	Drifter

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1. Jerry Lee	Sea Screw
2. Terry Cholette	Fishin' Fever
3. Toby Lampi	Jessie III
4. Randy Cope	Ouzo Too
5. Ed Yankowski II	Least Likely

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1. Bob Kring	Drifter
2. Toby Lampi	Jessie III
3. Bob Kanas	Least Likely
4. Jerry Lee	Sea Screw
5. Jewell Harris	Cannonball

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1. Brian Glaser	Least Likely
2. Toby Lampi	Jessie III
3. Mike Curzenski	Nooner
4. Bob Kring	Drifter
5. R.J. Branham	Seahawk

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1. Gerry Ciurzenski	Jawbuster
2. Mike Boroniec	Horsefly
3. R.J. Branham	Seahawk
4. Bob Kozar	Snowman
5. Ed Yankowski II	Least Likely

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1. Bob Kanas	Least Likely
2. Ed Choinski	Kneeknocker
3. Darrin Harris	Cannonball
3. Bob Ksionzek	Last Dime
3. Mike Zelkowski	Eivira

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1. Darrin Harris	Cannonball
2. Joel Garinger	Fishbusters
3. Bruce Choinski	Kneeknocker
4. Tom Chojnowski	Sea Con
5. Ed McIntosh	Sweet Lorraine

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1. Bob Mitchell	Kemo
2. Greg Clifford	Outlaw
3. Chuck Wood	Predator
4. Dave Even	Teacher's Pet
5. Blaise Pewinski	Sea Hag

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3. Don Redmond	Trena Dawn
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5. Dick Shirk	Lil' Scratch

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5. Don Anton	Happy Bare

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1. Bob Mitchell	Kemo
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1. Dave Even	Teacher's Pet
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4. Leon Van Eden	Bull Head
5. Chris Nytko	Aquarius II

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1. Joe Golaszewski	Lucky Falcon
2. Jimmy Hardrick	My Dream
3. Chris Nytko	Aquarius II
4. Ron Hartman	Molly Frair
5. Paul Schoenrade	Eagle Two

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5. Dave Roehr	Floating Holiday

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4. Paul Nowak	Nothin' But Fun
5. Don Redmond	Trena Dawn

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5. Jimmy Hardrick	My Dream

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4. Mike Vigus	Crusader
5. Doug Karakas	Capt'n Hook

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5. Mark Bevans	In-Seine

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3. Joe Von Grabe	Sloppy Joe
4. Blaise Pewinski	Sea Hag
5. Mark Bevans	In-Seine

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3. Joe Von Grabe	Sloppy Joe
4. Mike Vigus	Crusader
5. Bob Feisel	Vicki's Seacret

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3. Tom Gorguze	Bad Dog
4. Dave Linder	No Limit
5. Bob Feisel	Vicki's Seacret

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1. Joe Von Grabe	Sloppy Joe
2. Mark Williams	Silver Addiction
3. Tom Gorguze	Bad Dog
4. Bob Jones	Bobby's Toy
5. Dave Linder	No Limit

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2. Joe Von Grabe	Sloppy Joe
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4. Tim Robinson	Pride N Joy
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4. Blaise Pewinski	Sea Hag
5. Miss Dipsey	Jody Robinson



**Upcoming 2013 DAS Key Dates**

Thur. Jan. 10, 2013 (3 - 9:30) **Ultimate Fishing Show**  
 Fri. Jan. 11, 2013 (11 - 9:30) Suburban Collection Showplace  
 Sat. Jan. 12, 2013 (10 - 9)  
 Sun. Jan. 13, 2013 (10 - 5)

Tues. Jan. 15, 2013 **BOD Meeting**  
 7:00pm American Polish Cultural Center

Tues. Jan. 29, 2013 **Membership Meeting**  
 7:30pm American Polish Cultural Center

Sat. Feb. 9, 2013 **Ice Fishing Outing**  
 7:00am - 2:30pm Mitchell's Bay, Lake St. Clair

**December Membership Meeting Facts**

Attendance: 98 adults, 22 children

Featured: "Salmon Clause"

50/50 Raffle Winner: \$200 Jon Dixon  
 \$100 Bill Stanley

Every Member Drawing : \$100 Richard Janis

Almost everyone in attendance won something as lots of door prizes were given away.

The following breakdown shows Lake Michigan Salmon Stockings for 2012 compared to 2013 between States:

State	2012 Stocking #	2013 Stocking #	% Cut
Michigan	1,688,500	558,500	67%
Wisconsin	1,164,000	724,000	38%
Illinois	250,000	230,000	8%
Indiana	225,000	200,000	11%



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