



FISHIN' TALES

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November Meeting

- When:**
Tuesday, November 26, 2013
7:30pm
- Where:**
American Polish Cultural Center
North West corner
15 Mile Rd. & Dequindre
- Featured Speaker:**
Mark Williams
'Status of Lake Michigan Fishery'
- Also Featured**
Pot Luck Snack Night
- Other Happenings:**
River, Surf & Pier Info., Tackle raffles, 50/50 raffle, Every member drawing
- Up-To-Date Information on the DAS website at:**
www.detroitsteelheaders.com

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Great DAS Outing in Manistee!

Detroit Steelheaders Fall (River/Lake/Pier) outing held in conjunction with the Annual Manistee Steelhead Tournament: Lakeshore Motel November 2, 2013.

Our club fall outing was held at the same time as the Lakeshore Motel Steelhead Tournament in Manistee, MI. and both were a huge success. Our club weigh-in was an informal affair held at the Insta-Launch Campground following the Lakeshore Tournament weigh-in. Nine DAS members arrived at the campground with 12 Steelhead. Even without a scale at the campground it was easy to determine the three best fish. Bob Paradise took the club best fish honors with the 15.74# Steelhead that he weighed in at the Lakeshore Motel. Denis Harper had the next best fish with a Steelhead slightly over 10# and Dan Chisholm came in third with his 9.74# Steelhead.

Attendees and results (includes catch and release):

- Bob Paradise ó 5 Steelhead
- Denis Harper ó 2 Steelhead
- Dan Chisholm ó 2 Steelhead
- Gaspere Aragona ó 1 Steelhead
- Tom Thieda ó 1 Steelhead
- Ed Horen ó 1 Steelhead
- Dan Whitmill ó proud participant
- Mike Tomlan ó proud participant
- Dave Stachnik ó proud participant

See **Manistee Outing** on Pg. 3

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CASEVILLE LAKE TROUT OUTING 2013

Dec. 14, 2013 7:30am till 12:30pm

This could be a great event for the angler that doesn't have a lot of experience at pier fishing. All that you need is a casting rod with 8 - 12 lbs. test line, a hand full of your favorite casting spoons, a net and waders are optional.

The last few years the waters inside Caseville harbor have produced some of the nicest trout Lake Huron has to offer. The season on Lakers closes on Sept. 30 each year and reopens on Jan. 1 in the lake but stays open year around in the harbor. The area that needs to be defined as harbor according to the local CO. is the end of land on each side of the river or break wall, this line of land changes with the water level on Lake Huron. Last year we where able to fish for trout about half way down the break wall, this year I will try to get a hold of the local CO and try to get that line flagged off. That should ease any confusion while out there.



A morning's catch at a Caseville outing last year

small emerald shiners and alewife, so try to match the size lure to the bait size. I prefer the 2/5 oz. little Cleo or KO Wobbler in silver with blue or orange or glow green early in the morning. Some people use Long A Bombers, Hot N Tots and mag Silver Streaks to entice these beautiful trout. All you need to do is cast and vary your retrieve and depth until you start catching, some times they hold on bottom other just under surface.

I have caught a few fish only 4 to 5 feet away from shore while lifting my lure out of the water. What a blast! These fish fight a whole lot different than out on the lake while trolling that's for sure.

After we get done fishing, the Caseville Resort and Marina is willing to allow us to use the club house for lunch and to warm up. Directions to come at event. Only 1/4 mile away. Hope to see you there!

Blaise Pewinski
'SEA HAG'
248-890-4517

BoatUS Membership Discount

Save 50%!
Our group Number is GA82750B.
Be sure and take advantage of it.



Membership News

New Membership

Welcome!

JASON GILLIAM

Renewed Memberships

BOB FEISEL

BRUCE TUFFORD

LYNN MARTIN

TY VOIGHT

Memberships Expired or Soon to be Expired

ROD ELNICK

WILLIAM PEARCH

JIM FITCH

GARY RUPRICH

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MIKE LEHTO

DAN WHITMILL

Detroit Area Steelheaders Board of Director Elections

DAS By-Laws call for Board of Directors elections at the Annual Meeting. This year the annual meeting will occur on Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at our normal meeting location (APCC).

Any dues paying member or officer can place a nomination. A nomination must be submitted at least 20 days (November 27) before the election. It should be in writing and signed. If you wish to become involved in the operation of the DAS you are welcome to run for election to the BOD.

New people bring new ideas, different perspective, and enthusiasm. Your club needs you.

Please consider placing yourself in nomination for a club BOD position.

To submit a name for this year's ballot:

Mail - email - or write up & give to me at any monthly membership meeting.

Include the person's name and contact information.

Have the nominated person sign it.

So we all know he/she is willing to serve if elected.

Dan Chisholm

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Nomination to DAS BOD ----- December 17, 2013 Election

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: _____

Email Address: _____

BIO: _____



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Membership Application

New Member - \$35 Yearly

Renewal - \$35 Yearly

Senior (65 & over)- \$20 Yearly

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ADDRESS		
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Special People

Manistee Outing on Pg. 3

Our informal gathering at the campground was followed by the Tournament dinner and award function in Eastlake. There has been a major rule change in this tournament where any paid participant has a chance to win first prize regardless of the weigh-in. That's right, you don't need to weigh a fish to win first prize. This rule change proved beneficial to Gaspare Aragona who won \$250 first place money and Ed Horen who won \$50 sixth place money. Not a bad deal considering it's a \$25 entry fee.

Big fish winners are not ignored as they get first pick of the 20 prizes on the prize table. DAS was well represented by Bob Paradise who won second place with his 15.74# Steelhead (prize ó tackle box) and Dan Chisholm in 19th place with his 9.74# Steelhead (prize ó Little Clio spoon). Not to be ignored is the fact that the Steelhead weighed in by Bob Paradise would have won this tournament any other year but he was edged out by a 16.84 monster weighed in by a local participant.



Upcoming 2013 DAS Key Dates

Tues., Nov. 26, 2013 7:30pm	Membership Meeting American Polish Cultural Center
Sat., Dec. 14, 2013	River, Surf & Pier Outing Caseville Pier for Lake trout
Tues., Dec. 10, 2013 7:00pm	BOD Meeting American Polish Cultural Center
Tues., Dec. 17, 2013 7:30pm	Membership Xmas Meeting/Party American Polish Cultural Center

2013 October Membership Meeting Facts

Attendance: 49

Featured Speakers : Justin Chiotti
U.S. Fish & Wildlife
Fish Habitat Restoration

50/50 Raffle Winner: \$90 Jon Martens

Every Member Drawing: \$100 Charles Denning

DAS Tackle Trial Article November 2013

At the Detroit Steelheaders October member meeting my name was selected to try out the Riversider, graphite, ultra-light action, 10 foot, 2# to 8# line fishing rod. I have owned a 10 foot Shakespeare graphite Catera rod for several years and I really like it so my first thought was this Riversider will be a poor comparison to one of my favorite 10 foot rods+

The timing for this tackle trial was perfect because the following weekend I was planning to fish the Lakeshore Motel Manistee Steelhead Tournament. I paired the Riversider up with an Okuma ABF30 Avenger bait runner reel spooled with 10# Ande monofilament. Following the advice I got from Bob Paradise during one of his pier fishing clinics at a club meeting, I set this rod up with a 6# Maxima fluorocarbon leader, a 1 1/2 oz. pyramid sinker, and a #8 double strength single hook.

I used two rods for this tournament. The 10q Riversider and a 13q Browning Six Rivers graphite ultra light. The tournament in Manistee begins at 12 midnight on Friday night with the weigh-in at 4 pm on Saturday afternoon. We went out on the South pier in Manistee at 9 pm in order to get prime locations. The weather was perfect for Steelhead and miserable for fishermen and women. Winds between 15 to 20 mph,

rain, and cold with the only shelter available was a small wind breaking tarp we set up ourselves.

We all set rods at midnight and began to wait. It was a long night with very little Steelhead action. The only hook-up we had all night was on my 13q Browning and that turned out to be a break off after about 90 seconds. As dawn broke things got a little better. I caught my first fish (9# Steelhead) on the 13q Browning after first light. Bob was doing his thing catching big Steelhead about one per hour and the rest of us were bringing in the occasional fish. Then I got what I was looking for, a good hit on the 10q Riversider. I was able to bring a 9# Steelhead to the net and put the Riversider to a good test. I was not disappointed as I felt I was able to control the fish and land it even after it snuck under some of the rocks near the pier. I would rate the Riversider as a quality rod that you can trust under tough conditions. I felt like I was in control of the rod when casting out the 1 1/2 oz. sinker and the cork handle is big enough and long enough for comfort and control.

For the rest of the tournament story see the Manistee Outing article elsewhere in this newsletter.

Dan Chisholm

**ANTHONY LEWIS
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Membership expires: 3/14



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