2009 DAS Key Dates

Sept. 29	**7:30pm Membership Meeting** **American Polish Cultural Center**
Sept. 30	**Lake trout Season Closes** **Lake Huron & Lake Michigan** **(See MI DNR regulations)**
Oct. 24	**Surf Outing** **Singing Bridge, Lake Huron**
Oct. 27	**7:30pm Membership Meeting** **American Polish Cultural Center**

On Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2009 angler Tom Healy, left, fishing with guide Tim Roller, landed this 41 lb. 7 oz. brown trout while fishing for salmon in Michigan's Manistee River. The trout has been certified as a new state record and is pending certification as the new all-tackle world record.

Check Your Label

Did you know that your mailing label includes the date your membership expires? The month and year your membership expires is below your name. If it's marked yellow, your membership may be close to expiring. Don't be disqualified from a tournament because you forgot to re-up. Regular memberships are still $25, Senior $10 and Lifetime $150. See Tom Moores at the regular meeting or send your check to:

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September 2009 Meeting

The next Detroit Area Steelheaders, Inc. club meeting takes place on Tuesday September 29, 2009 at 7:30pm at our new meeting location at the **American Polish Cultural Center** on the Northwest Corner of 15 Mile Rd. & Dequindre. Our meetings are always open to the public.

President Mark Williams will lead a discussion on the trolling season in review and how weather played an important part.

There will be updates of the most recent tournament at Grand Haven and info on the upcoming River, Surf & Pier outings at Ludington and Singing Bridge. Of course, there will also be the usual tackle raffles, 75/25 raffle and Every Member drawing. Up to date club information can also be found on the DAS web site at: www.detroitsteelheaders.org

Bob Feisel and his 'Vicki's Seacret' crew showing off Their 1st place catch at last month's Manistee tourney.

Membership News

New Membership
John Krawczyk

Renewed Memberships
Jeff Bustos
Jim Zanke

Memberships Expiring This or Last Month
Ken Cione
Bill Ciurzenski
Les Jump
Lynn Martin

Note: As a reminder, for every new member you refer to the Club, your membership will be extended by 6 months.

Did Ya Miss the August Meeting?

The meeting at the new facility started about 7:40pm. Vice President Bob Mitchell chaired the meeting as Pres. Mark Williams was in Ludington fishing...errr working.

The guest speaker was James Mitchell, son of the above mentioned Bob Mitchell, who is with the Coast Guard Reserves. His presentation covered the Federal and State safety requirements. He went through a detailed list, of which he provided a handout, of the various items required for boater safety. Afterwards, he fielded numerous questions from the floor. Thanks, Jamie for all the great information. A couple of items for which he could not answer questions for are covered in an article on page 3 from an e-mail he forwarded after the meeting.

After the break following Jamie's

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presentation, Bob Feisel and Bob Ksionzek reported on the Ladies Day, Ludington II and Manistee tournaments and provided info on the Grand Haven tournament (results and photos on page 3). Jerry Zabel also announced the upcoming river, surf and pier events. (See articles on this page) The meeting concluded with the usual raffles including the "every member" drawing. Unfortunately, Fred Tebbets was not present to claim his $100 bill. Come check out next months meeting at the American Polish Cultural Center and join in on the fun and camaraderie!

Ludington River, Pier & Surf Event

Sat., the 26th of Sept. we are having an outing on the Pere Marquette watershed, in the river, pier, surf and the P. M. little lake! Boat, bank and boots are all welcome to see who comes up with the heaviest catch of the day. We will allow an early start for the pier and surf guys so they can fish at night, (midnight on please). There will be a gas card awarded after the weigh-in. Speaking of which, the weigh-in will be held at Peter Copeyan Park at 5:00 P.M., and for those who would like to socialize, we will pick a spot to meet for dinner afterwards. For more info, please get in touch with Jerry Zabel, chairman @ 248-495-5914/248-350-8024. Tight lines guys!

October Surf Tournament

Saturday, Oct. 24, 2009

Surf fishing has been very good at the Singing Bridge in the past, and we are looking forward too doing it again. Steelhead, Browns & an occasional King have been the "fish of fare" in this hot spot, located between Au Gres and Tawas at the Singing Bridge (Whitney Drain) on the map, which is the E. branch of the Au Gres River. Excellent access, parking and toilets make this a preferred place to fish from, also up and down the beach and in the Whitney Drain proper. Start by first light, and we will have a weigh-in after noon in the parking lot and draw a gas card for a lucky member!! There are opportunities to continue on to Tawas and/or Oscoda afterwards, and fish there as well!! For more info, contact Jerry Zabel chairman @ 248-495-5914/248-350-8024. See you all there!!

Paul Gjeldum, his daughter Melanie, Al and Gaspare Aragona with a dandy bunch of steelies caught At Erieau, Ont. On 8/12/09

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More Grand Haven II Tournament Photos

4th Place – 'Vicki's Seacret'

5th Place – 'Miss Dipsey'

6th Place – 'Bobby's Toy'

Dwayne Welder with the Big Fish, a 15.35 lb. Lake Trout he caught aboard 'E-Fish-N-Sea'

Skipper of the Year Standings 2009 FINAL

	BoatName	Skipper Name	Lexington	St. Joe	Grand Haven I	Port Austin	Pentwater	Ladies Day	Ludington II	Manistee	Grand Haven II	Tot. Pts.	Best 6	Best 7	Best 8	Best 9
												Best 5				
1	Silver Addiction	Mark Williams	75	1	1	75	4	1	1	4	75	**8**	12	87	162	237
2	Sea Hag	Blaise Pewinski	2	3	75	1	1	4	2	75	75	**9**	13	88	163	238
3	Bobby's Toy	Bob Jones	1	4	3	4	9	50	50	3	6	**15**	21	30	80	130
4	Almost Paradise	Bob Paradise	50	2	75	75	7	2	3	2	75	**16**	66	141	216	291
5	Vicki's Seacret	Bob Feisel	3	5	7	6	5	5	5	1	4	**18**	23	28	34	41
6	Miss Dipsey	Jody Robinson	75	75	6	2	75	6	4	6	5	**23**	29	104	179	254
7	Bad Dog	Tom Gorguze	50	6	4	75	6	3	6	5	75	**24**	30	80	155	230
8	Sloppy Joe	Joe Von Grabe	75	75	2	3	2	75	50	7	75	**64**	139	214	289	364
9	Thor's Hammer	Al Weichert	50	75	8	75	3	75	7	9	1	**28**	78	153	228	303
10	Channing	Dan Chisolm	5	7	75	75	8	75	50	75	75	**145**	220	295	370	445
11	Loki-One	Dave Roehr	50	75	10	5	75	75	75	50	75	**190**	265	340	415	490
12	Hardtop & Tails	Jim Zanke	4	75	11	75	75	75	75	75	75	**240**	315	390	465	540
13	Lucky Strike	Ron Pal	75	75	9	75	75	50	75	8	75	**217**	292	367	442	517
14	Blue Horizon	Paul Gjeldum	75	75	5	75	75	75	75	75	2	**232**	307	382	457	532
15	E-Fish-N-Sea	Doug Karakas	75	75	12	75	75	75	75	75	3	**240**	315	390	465	540
16	Aquarius	Chris Nytko	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	**350**	425	500	575	650
17	Billy B	Bill Bollenberg	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	**350**	425	500	575	650

	Weight	Species	Boat Name
Big Fish	20.45	King	Almost Paradise
Largest Of Each Species	20.45	King	Almost Paradise
	10.10	Coho	Bad Dog
	15.35	Lake Trout	E-Fish-N-Sea
	10.60	Steelhead	Vicki's Seacret
	13.85	Brown	Thor's Hammer
	0.00	Atlantic	
	0.00	Pink	

		Lexington	St. Joe	Grand Haven I	Port Austin	Pentwater	Ladies Day	Ludington II	Manistee	Grand Haven II	Year
Number of Boats		11	7	12	6	9	8	10	10	6	
Number Caught	Kings	6	51	120	2	11	33	32	49	5	309
	Cohos	0	15	1	0	1	1	4	1	3	26
	Lake Trout	0	1	9	42	5	0	0	1	5	63
	Steelhead	1	3	0	1	6	0	1	0	20	32
	Browns	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
	Atlantics	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Pinks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
											431

Dipsey" and "Thor's Hammer" had 3 apiece and "Bobby's Toy" and "Vicki's Seacret had 2 apiece. "E-Fish-N-Sea" quit at noon because of an afternoon charter.

Al Weichert and his crew on "Thor's Hammer" caught 5 fish from 12:45pm till the end of the tournament at 2:30pm for a 'come-from-behind' win. Congratulations, Boys! "E-Fish-N-Sea" took Big Fish honors with a 15.35 lb. Lake Trout beating out "Vicki's Seacret" with a 15.20 lb. King. Port Captain Bob Feisel had a great meal consisting of lasagna, vegetables, a salad and rolls catered for the luncheon. "Bobby's Toy" won the $75 gas card in the random drawing. The decent fishing, great weather and excellent meal made for a nice ending to the 2009 Boat Trolling tournament season.

Bob Ksionzek
Co-Tournament Chairman

Grand Haven II Standings 9/12/2009

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	# of Fish Weighed	Catch by Species & Weight								Best 8 Total Wgt.	Best 8 Total Pts.	Deduction Code	Points Deducted	Total Points	Place
1	Thor's Hammer	Al Weichert	8	S 9.50	S 7.30	S 6.80	S 5.70	S 4.95	S 4.45	S 4.25	S 3.75	46.70	86.70	NONE	0.00	86.70	1
2	Blue Horizon	Paul Gjeldum	7	S 10.15	S 7.30	S 7.25	S 7.00	S 6.15	L 5.35	C 2.35	-------	45.55	80.55	NONE	0.00	80.55	2
3	E-Fish-N-Sea	Doug Karakas	6	L 15.35	S 7.60	C 6.25	S 5.85	K 3.25	K 2.90	-------	-------	41.20	71.20	NONE	0.00	71.20	3
4	Vicki's Seacret	Bob Feisel	5	K 15.20	K 8.40	L 7.35	S 4.65	L 4.55	-------	-------	-------	40.15	65.15	NONE	0.00	65.15	4
5	Miss Dipsey	Jody Robinson	4	S 7.35	S 7.25	L 6.60	C 2.30	-------	-------	-------	-------	23.50	43.50	NONE	0.00	43.50	5
6	Bobby's Toy	Bob Jones	3	S 6.10	S 4.85	K 4.50	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	15.45	30.45	NONE	0.00	30.45	6
7	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	7
8	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	8
9	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	9
10	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	10
11	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	11
12	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	12
13	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	13
14	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	14
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18	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	18
19	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	19
20	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	20

	Boat Name	Species	Wgt.	Number Caught
BIG FISH	E-Fish-N-Sea	Lake Trout	15.35	
Largest of Each Species	Vicki's Seacret	King	15.20	5
	E-Fish-N-Sea	Coho	6.25	3
	E-Fish-N-Sea	Lake Trout	15.35	5
	Blue Horizon	Steelhead	10.15	20
		Brown	0.00	0
		Atlantic	0.00	0
		Pink	0.00	0
				33

6 Total Boats

Deduction Code LEGEND

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DQ = Disqualified

1st Place – 'Thor's Hammer'

2nd Place – 'Blue Horizon'

Coast Guard Questions Answered

At the last member meeting Jamie Mitchell was asked two questions that he said he would get back to members.

The first question regarded valid fire extinguishers:

All pyrotechnic visual distress signals (flares)

The Law (33 CFR 175 from COMMANDANT INSTURCTION M16247.6B) - states that all flares must be: Good **(NOT EXPIRED)** and Serviceable (NOT EXPIRED) and produced after Oct 1 1980.

The second question was regarding how to test DSC capable radios. The answer is on the Boat US site:

Newer radios can be tested via the Coast Guard procedure below. Some can be tested by first contacting Tow Boat U.S.

Since the lifesaving capabilities of VHF-Digital Selective Calling (DSC) marine radios have become more widely known, boaters with these radios have frequently asked how to place a "test" call — without setting off a false alarm or, worse, an unnecessary rescue response from the U.S. Coast Guard. Now that conundrum has been solved as many of the newer DSC radios have a "Test Call" feature that can provide automatic verification that the radio's DSC hailing and communication functions are operating. However, for the test call function to work, you also have to be boating in an area served by Rescue 21, the Coast Guard's improved communications system that now covers about 28,000 miles of U.S. coastline. You also must register for your own Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI) number and encode it into your radio (see www.BoatUS.com/mmsi).

By entering the nationwide Coast Guard MMSI number, 003669999, into your radio's calling memory and selecting the "Test Call" option from the radio's list of individual DSC calls, you can then press the "Call" or "Enter" key. Your radio will silently hail the Coast Guard with a digital signal on Channel 70. If everything is working properly, your radio will almost immediately receive the Coast Guard's acknowledgement of your call, providing assurance that both your radio and the Rescue 21 system are operating properly.

The proper operation of all DSC radios, regardless of whether they're operated in an area covered by Rescue 21, can be verified by hailing a friend's boat or the local Tow Boat U.S. service provider in your area using their MMSI. This summer, Boat U.S. and its towers launched a service of DSC radio checks for coastal boaters from Mobile, Alabama, to Sandy Hook, New Jersey. Their fleet number is 0-338-04000 and any Tow Boat U.S. within radio range can verify that your VHF-DSC signal is working. (The service will be expanded as more Tow Boat U.S. operators get DSC radios.)

No matter where you boat, in an emergency your DSC mayday signal will be received by every DSC-capable radio in range and will sound a distinctive audio alarm, regardless of the radio's volume control. Connecting the radio to a GPS or Loran can be critically important as everyone receiving your call for assistance will know your precise location and may be able to assist long before the Coast Guard. "The safety and convenience provided by the combination of VHF-DSC radios and the Rescue 21 system are, in a word, 'awesome,'" says Boat U.S. Foundation President Ruth Wood. "Now it's up to the boating community to make the best possible use of DSC, for both routine communication and emergency alerts."

David Robinson shows off a couple of the fish Caught aboard 'Miss Dipsey' at Grand Haven II

Manistee Tournament

The Manistee tournament started out similar to the two that came before it, with high winds, rough seas, and downpours. Saturday's tournament was cancelled with the weathermen predicting better weather for Sunday.

Sunday morning the lake had calmed down and the tournament was a "go." All of the boats started the tournament at 6 a.m. The waves were about 1 to 2' and the lake was fishable. The reports had been that the fish were biting 80' deep, so we started fishing in 120' of water hoping for a good day. As we were trolling I noticed a lot of bait fish at 40' and had been getting no action down deep, so I set out one 7 color leadcore and right away, had a fish on.{which we lost}.

While trolling by the nets we saw Vicky's Secret fighting a fish which they netted, and 5 minutes later all hell broke loose with four fish on at once! I believe we landed three of the four fish. These were down 100-110' on the rigger and 200' on the divers. We just kept trolling south losing one of every two fish we had on. A young crew member was feeling ill so at 8:30 I took him back to shore. At the 9:00am fish call "Bobby's Toy" had 6 fish, "Almost Paradise" 6, "Vicki's Seacret" 5, "Silver Addiction" and "Bad Dog" 4 each.

We finally got set back up around 9:45 and continued to catch fish. We had wished the tournament lasted until 12:00pm. At the weigh in Vicki's Seacret found the big fish (Congratulations!) and first place in Manistee.

Bob Paradise
"Almost Paradise"
Port Captain

333 Entries

Boat Name	Skipper	Entered	3 Fish Wgt.
Almost Paradise	Bob Paradise	Y	51.20
Bad Dog	Tom Gorguze	Y	36.55
Bobby's Toy	Bob Jones	N	0.00
Loki-One	Dave Roehr	N	0.00
Lucky Strike	Ron Pal	Y	32.20
Miss Dipsey	Jody Robinson	N	0.00
Silver Addiction	Mark Williams	Y	46.00
Sloppy Joe	Joe Von Grabe	N	0.00
Thor's Hammer	Al Weichert	N	0.00
Vicki's Seacret	Bob Feisel	Y	52.10
-	-	N	0.00
-	-	N	0.00
-	-	N	0.00
-	-	N	0.00
-	-	N	0.00
-	-	N	0.00
-	-	N	0.00
-	-	N	0.00
-	-	N	0.00
-	-	N	0.00

333 Results

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	3 Fish Wgt.	Prize	
1st	Vicki's Seacret	Bob Feisel	52.10	$60	60%
2nd	Almost Paradise	Bob Paradise	51.20	$40	40%

Manistee Standings 8/22/2009

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	# of Fish Weighed	Catch by Species & Weight								Best 8 Total Wgt.	Best 8 Total Pts.	Deduction Code	Points Deducted	Total Points	Place
1	Vicki's Seacret	Bob Feisel	8	K 19.25	K 17.00	K 15.85	K 14.65	K 13.35	K 12.90	K 11.35	K 9.35	113.70	153.70	NONE	0.00	153.70	1
2	Almost Paradise	Bob Paradise	8	K 20.45	K 16.20	K 14.55	K 12.90	K 12.60	K 11.95	K 8.40	K 8.05	105.10	145.10	NONE	0.00	145.10	2
3	Bobby's Toy	Bob Jones	8	K 17.10	K 14.55	K 13.25	K 11.45	K 10.05	K 8.00	K 7.50	K 6.60	88.50	128.50	NONE	0.00	128.50	3
4	Silver Addiction	Mark Williams	6	K 17.95	K 15.60	K 12.45	K 11.35	K 10.45	K 9.80	-------	-------	77.60	107.60	LTWI	5.00	102.60	4
5	Bad Dog	Tom Gorguze	6	K 15.20	K 13.00	K 8.35	K 6.80	L 6.75	K 2.40	-------	-------	52.50	82.50	NONE	0.00	82.50	5
6	Miss Dipsey	Jody Robinson	4	K 14.65	K 13.85	K 11.30	C 5.45	-------	-------	-------	-------	45.25	65.25	NONE	0.00	65.25	6
7	Sloppy Joe	Joe Von Grabe	3	K 16.15	K 16.10	K 6.20	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	38.45	53.45	NONE	0.00	53.45	7
8	Lucky Strike	Ron Pal	3	K 17.45	K 7.85	K 6.90	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	32.20	47.20	NONE	0.00	47.20	8
9	Thor's Hammer	Al Weichert	1	K 7.70	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	7.70	12.70	NONE	0.00	12.70	9
10	Loki-One	Dave Roehr	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	10
11	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	11
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20	-	-	0	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	0.00	20

	Boat Name	Species	Wgt.	Number Caught
BIG FISH	Almost Paradise	King	20.45	
Largest of Each Species	Almost Paradise	King	20.45	49
	Miss Dipsey	Coho	5.45	1
	Bad Dog	Lake Trout	6.75	1
		Steelhead	0.00	0
		Brown	0.00	0
		Atlantic	0.00	0
		Pink	0.00	0
				51

10	Total Boats

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More Manistee Tournament Photos

2nd Place – 'Almost Paradise'

5th Place – 'Bad Dog'

3rd Place – 'Bobby's Toy'

6th Place – Miss Dipsey'

9th Place – 'Thor's Hammer'

Grand Haven II Tournament

The Detroit Area Steelheaders final tournament of the 2009 season took place this past weekend on Sat. Sept. 12th. For a change, the weather was great with fair skies, temps in the mid 70's and waves less than 1'.

Six boats showed up for the 6:30am start. Reports said that there were a few salmon being caught in close to the pier heads early and a variety of fish, salmon, steelhead and lake trout, taken later in the day in deep waters. The club boats struggled early. "Bobby's Toy", "E-Fish-N-Sea" and "Miss Dipsey" were the only boats reporting 1 fish at the 9:00am fish call.

Fishing began to pick-up as the morning progressed. Flashers and flies behind dipsey divers as well as off the riggers caught some fish. Spoons fished in back of 3, 5 and 10 colors of lead and on main lines and sliders from the riggers took steelhead and lake trout. The best depths of water were from 250 to 330 feet deep. For the noon fish call, "E-Fish-N-Sea" had 6 fish, "Blue Horizon" had 5 fish, "Miss

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