



FISHIN' TALES



For Your Information

DON'T MISS LADIES DAY AT HARRISVILLE ON JUNE 23

Remembering last year's cool and breezy weather at this event, Port Captain Dave Roehr has requested for warm and sunny conditions with calm seas for us to enjoy in 2001. Harrisville, about 18 miles north of Oscoda off U.S. 23, offered a friendly, very helpful marina staff in 2000, so we're all eager to return this year.

The key question is whether the fish will show up in good numbers to help the ladies show the men how it's really done. In this tourney, the men are allowed only to set lines, steer the boat, and work the net, once the fish realize the futility of fighting our determined ladies! The ladies do the hard stuff, such as manning the rods when the reels start to scream.

The Skippers meeting will be at the marina office at 5:00 a.m., with boats leaving the pier heads at 6:00 o'clock. Fish Calls will be at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on VHF Channel 72. We'll pull lines at 1:00 p.m., and if you're fighting a fish when the call to pull lines comes, you must inform the Port Captain or Tournament Director. All skippers weighing in fish must be in line by 3:00 p.m.

As for the fishing, many Skippers will head north toward the mouth of the Black River and on to South Point at the outer reaches of Thunder Bay. Last year, a few had luck straight out from the harbor, while others headed south toward Oscoda. Harrisville offers a nice variety of fish, so check with area bait shops and charter Captains for fishing information. Be aware there may be commercial trap nets in the area, as Gauthier (?) Fisheries is due to move its operation from Rogers City to Harrisville as part of the new tribal fishing agreement.

As is the Ladies Day tradition, there will be a Pot Luck picnic after the weigh-in. This has long been one of our favorite events of the year as we anxiously anticipate the delicious goodies on the menu, so please bring your favorite dish to share. Remember to store potato salads and other perishable items in a separate cooler until the time of the picnic. We sure wouldn't want anyone to turn green, now, would we?

There are a number of fine places to stay, eat and shop. And don't forget, it's just a short

drive back to Oscoda for the annual "Art on the Beach" event. If you enjoy arts and crafts shows, bring your checkbook because this is one of the best shows of its kind in the state. Further information on Harrisville is available from our web site, or contact Port Captain Dave Roehr at (248) 547-6083.

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ERIEAU TO HOST SPECIAL STEELHEADER OUTING

The Detroit Area Steelheaders are again having a special outing at Erieau, Ontario, on July 14, to fish for giant 6- to 10-pound Wall-eye and Steelhead. For those who haven't tried this fabulous fishery, this is a good opportunity to go with club members who know the ropes there and can help you out. While not an official "Skipper of the Year" tournament, we will have an informal competition, and lots of fun. More details will be available at the June meeting, or call Mark Stosiak at (248) 777-9833.

A good route to Erieau is to enter Canada at the Ambassador Bridge, pick up Highway 3 and connect to Highway 401. Take Highway 401 to Highway 40 at Chatham and go east to Highway 3. Follow Highway 3 to Highway 10, turn left and proceed into Erieau. Be sure that you and your crew members each have valid Canadian fishing licenses. There are a number of bait shops in the area. Erieau is a quaint fishing town and has a few shops and restaurants to choose from.

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FRANKFORT TOURNAMENT FIRST SINCE 1994

The Detroit Area Steelheaders fleet will return to Frankfort the weekend of July 28. This is a beautiful area with fabulous fishing, and Frankfort is a charming town with shops and restaurants within walking distance of the marina. For a fantastic view of Lake Michigan and the town of Frankfort below, take a trip up the hill in nearby Elberta. Follow the road along the south side of Betsie Lake, and watch for the entrance on the left (all you'll see is a road with a steep grade, that's it!). It's well worth your time!! The Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore park is within easy driving

distance on M-22. There are private campgrounds in the area (Benzonia), and motels and bed and breakfast accommodations.

At that time of year, Frankfort should provide good action for Chinook, Steelhead, Coho, and even a few Brown Trout. Keep an ear tuned to the marine radio for reports on what's catching fish. Typical summer tactics of downrigger fishing, Dipsy Divers, lead core, and possibly dodger squid/fly combinations may work. Action may be great in 100 feet, or 600 feet, or anywhere in between. Advance scouting and local information should help. The tournament will start at 6:00 a.m., with Fish Calls at 10:00 a.m. and noon, lines pulled at 2:00 p.m. and in the weigh-in line by 3:00 p.m. Be sure to attend the 5:00 a.m. Skippers meeting for any late changes. For more information, contact Mark Bevins, (810) 779-3189.

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2001 CREWS HOT LINE UPDATE

Are you looking for a chance to go fishing, and you don't have a boat, or do you have a boat and need a crew? If so, just call the Crews Hot Line to resolve your fishing needs! List your name as a potential crew member, or as a Skipper in need. Call one of the numbers below to reach people who are looking for a ride. This is a great way to learn from an experienced Skipper while making new friends. If you end up with a permanent ride, call them back to remove your name from the list, saving unnecessary calls. Contact:

Joe Von Grabe - (810) 293-7688

Doug Karakas - (248) 545-1181

Stan Bilek - (810) 264-4090

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STEELHEADER PHOTO CONTEST RETURNS FOR 2001

The Board of Directors has announced a Photo Contest for 2001. Submit your entries to Bob Mitchell, Fishin' Tales Editor, or any other Director. The winner will be announced at the December meeting and, as in past Photo Contests, the prize list will be commensurate with the number and quality of entries.

Remember, your photos are a key part of Fishin' Tales, and our new Detroit Area Steelheaders web site. They are also the best way to turn your great fishing moments into permanent memories. Always keep a disposable camera on board to catch the smiles when that big bruiser shows up!!

Top St. Joe/Benton Harbor Tournament Finishers



1st Place: "TRIP-N-DIPSY" with Dean Meyers and crew.



2nd Place: "TOMORROW'S DREAM" with Mark Stosiak and crew.



3rd Place: "SLOPPY JOE" with Joe Von Grabe and crew.



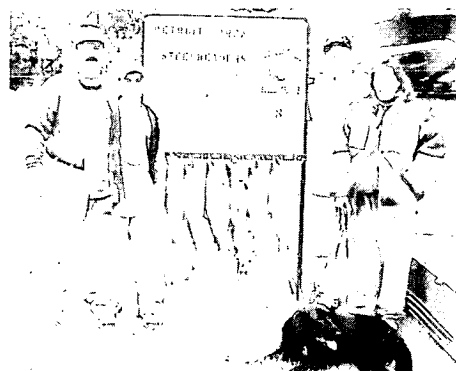
5th Place: "LOKI ONE" with Dave Roehr and crew.



6th Place: "CAPT'N HOOK II" with Doug Karakas and crew.



7th Place: "BOBBY'S TOY" with Bob Jones and crew.



8th Place: "IN-SEINE" with Mark Bevens and crew.



10th Place: "MICKEY MOUSE CLUB" with Bob Buero and crew.



Big Fish Pool Winner: SKIPPER DOUG KARAKAS from "Capt'n Hook II."

ST. JOSEPH/BENTON HARBOR TOURNAMENT (May 5, 2001)

BOAT/SKIPPER	PTS.	BOAT/SKIPPER	PTS.
1) TRIP-N-DIPSY (Dean Meyers)	104.12	9) THE DREDGE (Ed Hill)	72.03
2) TOMORROW'S DREAM (M. Stosiak) ..	104.02	10) MICKEY MOUSE CLUB (Bob Buero) ..	53.11
3) SLOPPY JOE (Joe Von Grabe)	96.08	11) CRUSADER (Mike Vigus)	52.07
4) AQUARIUS II (Chris Nytko)	93.08	12) BLUE STAR (Stanley Bilek)	43.02
5) LOKI ONE (Dave Roehr)	91.02	13) MY DREAM (Jimmy Hardrick)	36.07
6) CAPT'N HOOK II (Doug Karakas)	87.04	14) MARY K (Kenneth Kuhar)	28.11
7) BOBBY'S TOY (Bob Jones)	81.07	15) JUST ONCE (Bill Nutting)	25.10
8) IN-SEINE (Mark Bevens)	76.14	16) MOLLY FRAIR (Ron Hartman)	13.09

ST. JOSEPH/BENTON HARBOR BIG FISH POOL PLACE, SKIPPER & BOAT SPECIES & WEIGHT

- 1) DOUG KARAKAS "Capt'n Hook II" King Salmon, 17.03 pounds
- 2) BOB JONES "Bobby's Toy" Lake Trout, 14.00 pounds
- 3) CHRIS NYTKO "Aquarius II" King Salmon, 13.11 pounds

River Crab Results

(April 28, 2001)

SKIPPER	CATCH	SKIPPER	CATCH
1) Tom Moores	42.65 lbs.	28) Paul Colone	8.15 lbs.
2) Rob Helzer	41.90 lbs.	29) Greg McCann	6.95 lbs.
3) Stan Bilek	41.45 lbs.	30) Ken Wiegman	5.85 lbs.
4) Bob Ksionzek	37.25 lbs.	31) Ron Hartman	4.15 lbs.
5) Mike Lehto	26.00 lbs.	32) Ken Kuhar	1.95 lbs.
6) Mike Vigus	24.80 lbs.	50) Louis Bacsikin	— 0 —
7) Ron Huey	23.70 lbs.	50) Bruce Beach	— 0 —
8) Bob Jones	23.55 lbs.	50) Mark Bevens	— 0 —
9) Bob Buero	23.50 lbs.	50) Ralph Boland	— 0 —
10) Dave Even	23.35 lbs.	50) George Daniels	— 0 —
11) Dean Meyers	23.10 lbs.	50) Charles Fish	— 0 —
12) Bill Dunk	22.20 lbs.	50) Tom George	— 0 —
13) Bill Nutting	20.95 lbs.	50) Jimmy Hardrick	— 0 —
14) Joe Von Grabe	18.70 lbs.	50) Doug Karakas	— 0 —
15) Rob Pinsky	17.50 lbs.	50) Rick Kittle	— 0 —
16) Gasper Randazzo	14.85 lbs.	50) Ted Lewicki	— 0 —
17) Ed Horen	14.15 lbs.	50) Lynn Martin	— 0 —
18) Ed Hill	13.75 lbs.	50) Ronald Maschke	— 0 —
19) Danny Colombe	12.95 lbs.	50) Ron Niemasz	— 0 —
20) Jim Fitch	12.75 lbs.	50) Walt Pohorily	— 0 —
21) Ron Koscielski	11.50 lbs.	50) Chris Schwark	— 0 —
22) Ken Cione	11.25 lbs.	50) Dick Shirk	— 0 —
23) Richard Grix	11.00 lbs.	26) Steven Slivoski	— 0 —
24) Joe Golaszewski	10.35 lbs.	50) Mark Stosiak	— 0 —
24) Dale Luff	10.35 lbs.	50) Mark Williams	— 0 —
26) David Robinson	9.20 lbs.	50) Robert Zaccardelli	— 0 —
27) Chris Nytko	8.85 lbs.	50) Scott Zaslona	— 0 —

GRAND HAVEN TOURNAMENT

(May 19-20, 2001)

BOAT/SKIPPER	PTS.
1) AQUARIUS II (Chris Nytko)	247.06
2) TOMORROW'S DREAM (M. Stosiak)	245.00
3) TEACHER'S PET (Dave Even)	236.04
4) THE BRAT (Ron Maschke)	231.01
5) CRUSADER (Mike Vigus)	221.09
6) SLOPPY JOE (Joe Von Grabe)	214.02
7) IN-SEINE (Mark Bevens)	211.05
8) LIL' SCRATCH (Dick Shirk)	208.04
9) COWABUNGA (Chris Schwark)	204.12
10) THE DREDGE (Ed Hill)	203.11
11) REEL WORK (Rick Vandermeiden)	196.03
12) LUCKY LEW (Ted Lewicki)	194.05
13) LOKI ONE (Dave Roehr)	180.02
14) ATLANTIS (Danny Colombe)	179.04
15) MOLLY FRAIR (Ron Hartman)	172.00
16) TRIP-N-DIPSY (Dean Meyers)	157.14
17) MARY K (Kenneth Kuhar)	134.09
18) BOBBY'S TOY (Bob Jones)	118.06
19) BLUE STAR (Stanley Bilek)	116.01
20) REEL EXPRESSION (George Daniels)	43.01
21) JUST ONCE (Bill Nutting)	41.07

BIG FISH POOLS

PLACE, SKIPPER & BOAT SPECIES & WEIGHT

Saturday, May 19

- 1) Ted Lewicki, "Lucky Lew" King Salmon, 21.07 pounds
- 2) Ed Hill, "The Dredge" King Salmon, 21.00 pounds
- 3) Mike Vigus, "Crusader" King Salmon, 17.10 pounds

Sunday, May 20

- 1) Chris Nytko "Aquarius II" King Salmon, 21.07 pounds
- 2) Danny Colombe, "Atlantis" King Salmon, 21.00 pounds
- 3) Mark Stosiak "Tomorrow's Dream" King Salmon, 17.10 pounds

• Grand Haven Pictures on Page 4 •

DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS:

- 54 Boats Entered
- 32 Boats Caught Fish
- 22 Boats No Fish

TOTAL CATCH @ 578.60 POUNDS

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BLUE WATER SPORT FISHING ASSOCIATION:

- 84 Boats Entered
- 47 Boats Caught Fish
- 37 Boats No Fish

TOTAL CATCH @ 931.20 POUNDS

CREWS Hot Line

NEED A CREW?

Looking for crew members to fish with you in Detroit Area Steelheader Boat Trolling Tournaments?



WANT TO CREW?

Want to fish in Detroit Area Steelheader Boat Trolling Tournaments but don't have a boat?

Call the Crews Hot Line to match up with a Skipper looking for crew members, or to get crew members for your boat during the 2001 season. Contact:

JOE VON GRABE: (810) 293-7688

DOUG KARAKAS: (248) 545-1181

STAN BILEK: (810) 244-4090

2001 "SKIPPER OF THE YEAR"

(Standings through May 19-20, 2001 - Best 2)

PLACE/SKIPPER	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J	Total
1) MARK STOSIAK	50	2	2							4
2) CHRIS NYTKO	27	4	1							5
3) JOE VON GRABE	14	3	6							9
4) MIKE VIGUS	6	11	5							11
5) DEAN MEYERS	11	1	16							12
6) DAVE EVEN	10	75	3							13
7) BOB JONES	8	7	18							15
7) MARK BEVENS	50	8	7							15
7) STAN BILEK	3	12	19							15
10) DAVE ROEHR	75	5	13							18
11) ED HILL	18	9	10							19
11) BOB BUERO	9	10	75							19
13) BILL NUTTING	13	15	21							28
14) KEN KUCHAR	32	14	17							31
15) RON HARTMAN	31	16	15							31
16) RON MASCHKE	50	75	4							54
17) DOUG KARAKAS	50	6	75							56
18) DICK SHIRK	50	75	8							58
19) CHRIS SCHWARK	50	75	9							59
20) TED LEWICKI	50	75	12							62

50 = See Rule IV-E

75 = See Rule IV-F

A = River Crab B = St. Joseph C = Grand Haven D = Port Austin E = Harrisville
 F = Frankfort G = Ludington H = Manistee J = Rogers City

Top Grand Haven Tournament Finishers



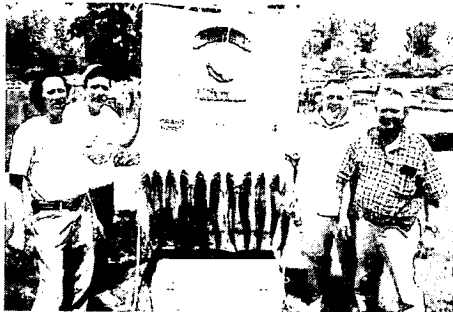
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DETROIT STEELHEADERS landed 358 fish at Grand Haven over the weekend!



SKIPPER CHRIS NYTKO of "Aquarius II" won the Sunday Big Fish Pool with this King.

The DEADLINE
for the
JULY ISSUE
of
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is
JUNE 26, 2001

Coming Events

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Last Tuesday each month at 7:30 p.m.

K. of C. Hall, 6177 Chicago Road, Warren

JUNE 26, 2001

JULY 31, 2001

AUGUST 28, 2001

BOAT TROLLING TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

DATE	EVENT	PORT CAPTAIN
June 23	HARRISVILLE (Ladies Day)	Dave Roehr, (248) 547-6083
July 14	ERIEAU, ONT. (Outing)	Mark Stosiak, (810) 777-9833
July 28	FRANKFORT	Mark Bevens, (810) 779-3189
Aug. 11	LUDINGTON	Bob Mitchell, (248) 828-8034
Aug. 25	MANISTEE	Dick Jackson, (248) 698-1798
Sept. 8	ROGERS CITY	Joe Von Grabe, (810) 293-7688

Here's how to get to
**DETROIT AREA
STEELHEADER
Monthly Membership
Meetings**

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St. Pius X Council No. 3848
6177 Chicago Rd. 264-4511
Warren, Michigan 48092

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Sterling Heights, MI 48311-1255

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MEETING NOTICE — PLEASE DO NOT DELAY!