

# FISHIN' TALES



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## "Molly Frair" wins at Rogers City!

On August 20, the Detroit Area Steelheaders ventured north to Rogers City for the eighth stop on our 1994 Boat Trolling Tournament schedule. Everyone was eagerly anticipating the big fish action that only this port can provide.

In the two days before the tournament, there were quite a few really big fish brought in to the fish cleaning station, with some topping thirty pounds!

The weather can be fickle at this time of the year, and it was no different for our weekend. Thunderstorms, rain and a passing cold front was predicted, but the tournament got under way without a hitch at 6:15 a.m. Calm seas greeted the fleet, and most of the 23 boats entered ran toward Swan Bay.

By the 9 o'clock Fish Call, two fish in the box led the way (only a few boats had that many), with most boats reporting one fish, or none at all. By the noon Fish Call, very few changes were reported.

The fishing was tough, but "Molly Frair" (which never left the pier heads and weighed

in five fish!) cashed in four fish between noon and the 2:15 p.m. tournament end. As it turned out, that early afternoon hot streak made the difference for skipper Ron Hartman and his crew. "Molly Frair" took top honors with a fine catch of six fish. Congratulations, Ron! Second place went to Walt Pohorily and "Main Squeeze," with third place going to Howard York and "Golden Oldie." Way to go, guys!

Besides taking second place in the tournament, the "Main Squeeze" crew ended up with the biggest hog weighed in, a 26-pound, 2-ounce king. Chris Coffey, fishing aboard his new boat "Net Profit" (or is it "Coffey Break" or what are you calling it nowadays?), claimed second in the Big Fish contest with a 20-pound, 9-ounce brute king. Al Schultz on "Misery 3" finally netted one of the six fish he said he had on, and took third place with a nice 20-pound, 4-ounce king.

Unfortunately, only 16 of the 23-boat fleet weighed in fish, but most fish taken were of a good size.

On behalf of the club and those who were on hand following the weigh-in, I would like to thank Ed DeGroot, a crew member on "Bullhead," for his generous donation of a case of hamburgers for the post-tournament cook-out. They were delicious, and truly enjoyed by all who were there.

- Leon Van Eden  
"Bullhead"

### ROGERS CITY TOP TEN

- 1) "Molly Frair" ..... Ron Hartman (89.09)
- 2) "Main Squeeze" ..... Walt Pohorily (74.04)
- 3) "Golden Oldie" ..... Howard York (42.14)
- 4) "My Dream" ..... Jimmy Hardrick (38.06)
- 5) "My Treasure" ..... Joe Golaszewski (35.13)
- 6) "Captain Hook" ..... Doug Karakas (32.01)
- 7) "Taz" ..... Chris Dima (26.10)
- 8) "Net Profit" ..... Chris Coffey (25.09)
- 9) "Misery 3" ..... Al Schultz (25.04)
- 10) "Nothin' But Fun" ..... Paul Nowak (20.02)

23 BOATS ENTERED

16 BOATS WEIGHED FISH

28 FISH WEIGHED IN

• More Rogers City pictures on Pg. Four •



FIRST PLACE - "MOLLY FRAIR": Ray Danbury, Ron Hartman & Art Danbury.

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# Persistence pays off at Ludington Two-Day

Ludington proved to be its usual enigma for our tournament fishermen this year.

Water temperatures prior to the tournament were in the too-warm 68° F range, not too good for catching fish. Early birds "Kemo," "Teacher's Pet" and "Drifter" each gave dismal fishing reports to the later-arriving skippers. However, skippers Bob and Dave, and Capt. Bob did say that the wind had blown hard Wednesday and Thursday, which had probably turned the water over. This, at least, sounded hopeful for the upcoming tourney.

Friday morning, the 'pre-fishers' found an incredible scum line that started two miles out and extended east to west for about four miles. Water temperatures were 68° F on the south side of the line and 43° F on the north side. The water was actually boiling where the two temperatures met! "Trena Dawn" found out there weren't any fish in the "big scum"—only trash bags and grass on the warm side and cold nothings on the other side.

Top skippers in the tournament reported finding pockets of cold water where they were fishing. They said they persisted with them, just fishing around the pockets until they produced. Those skippers who found producing pockets even called those who didn't to join them, some excellent sportsmanship so characteristic of Detroit Area Steelheaders!

During the tourney, most boats went straight out from the harbor, or headed south to the Project. On Saturday, no boats went north to the Point; on Sunday, Darwin Gregg decided to try the Point. After fishing that area for a while with no luck, he finally found a pocket and took four fish in an hour!

Saturday's Big Fish were a 20-pound king from "Happy Bare," a 16.07-pound king taken by "Eagle Two," and a 15.03-pound king weighed in by "Teacher's Pet." Sunday, the Big Fish were "My Dream" with a 13.10-pound king, a 12-pound king from "Nomad," and a 10.03-pound Steelhead taken by "My Treasure." We had 25 boats in the event, with 22 boats weighing in a total of 93 fish. It was not the greatest Ludington tournament we've ever had, but it was not the worst, either, and most people seemed to have a good time!

## LUDINGTON 2-DAY TOP TEN

- 1) "Happy Bare" ..... Don Anton (101.15)
- 2) "My Dream" ..... Jim Hardrick (84.08)
- 3) "My Treasure" ..... Joe Golaszewski (76.03)
- 4) "Main Squeeze" ..... Walt Pohorily (69.00)
- 5) "Nomad" ..... Bob Herman (67.11)
- 6) "Eagle Two" ..... Paul Schoenrade (59.07)
- 7) "Sinsation" ..... Hank Baczynski (55.03)
- 8) "Golden Oldie" ..... Howard York (50.03)
- 9) "Returner II" ..... Darwin Gregg (45.05)
- 10) "Aquarius II" ..... Chris Nytko (44.09)



1st PLACE - "HAPPY BARE": Don Anton, Dan Lemely, Ralph Boland and Jim Anton.

## Coming Events

### MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

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

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

SEPTEMBER 27, 1994 • OCTOBER 25, 1994 • NOVEMBER 29, 1994

### FALL/WINTER EVENT SCHEDULE

DATE	EVENT	CONTACT
October 1	CLINTON RIVER (Seminar)	Doug Karakas, 545-1181
October 22	SINGING BRIDGE, AU GRES	Doug Karakas, 545-1181
November 5	BIG MANISTEE & LITTLE MANISTEE 3-WAY (versus Saginaw & Metro West)	Doug Karakas, 545-1181
December 3	PERE MARQUETTE	Doug Karakas, 545-1181
January 14	SAGINAW BAY (Ice Fishing)	Doug Karakas, 545-1181
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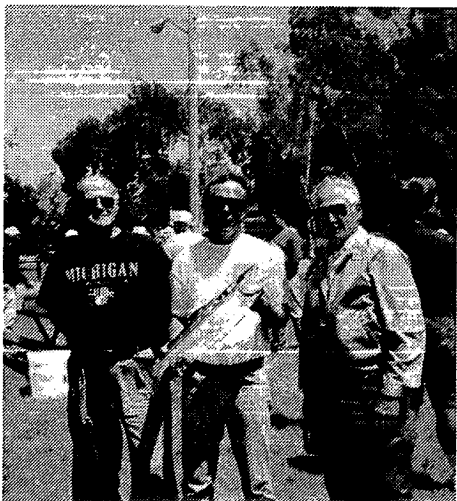
2nd PLACE - "MY DREAM": Greg Humphries, Judy and Jimmy Hardrick.



5th PLACE - "NOMAD": Bob Buero (other crew & skipper not shown).



6th PLACE - "EAGLE TWO": Paul Schoenrade, Charles Shelley.



7th PLACE - "SINSATION": Hank Baczynski, Don Krieger Sr., Don Krieger Jr.



8th PLACE - "GOLDEN OLDIE": Howard York, David York.



9th PLACE - "RETURNER II": Larry Foster, Dean Jewett, Darwin Gregg.



10th PLACE - "AQUARIUS": Steve Domino, Chris Nytko, John Witchwil.

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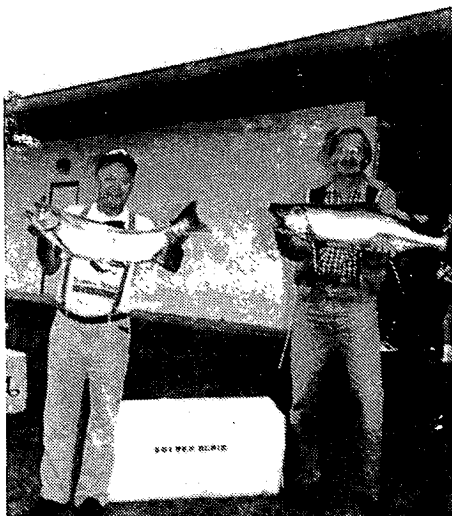
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# ROGERS CITY TOURNAMENT LEADERS



2nd PLACE - "MAIN SQUEEZE": Krys Pohorily, Tom Locklear, Walt Pohorily.



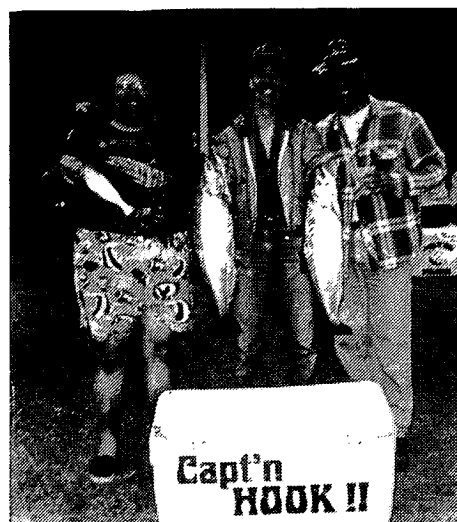
3rd PLACE - "GOLDEN OLDIE": Howard York, Fred Hynick.



4th PLACE - "MY DREAM": Judy Hardrick, Jimmy Hardrick.



5th PLACE - "MY TREASURE": Robert Golaszewski, Rob Sauers, Randy, Joe Golaszewski.



6th PLACE - "CAPT'N HOOK": Doug Karakas, Paul St. Pierre, Dave Roehr.

## 1994 "Skipper of the Year" Standings

(THROUGH AUGUST 20, 1994)

PLACE/SKIPPER	BOAT	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	Tot.
1) JOE GOLASZEWSKI	"My Treasure"	1	75	12	2	3	9	3	5	14
2) JIM HARDRICK	"My Dream"	37	14	4	6	50	5	2	4	21
3) CHRIS NYTKO	"Aquarius II"	16	7	21	4	4	2	10	12	27
4) DON REDMOND	"Trena Dawn"	24	11	1	3	50	4	12	50	31
5) RON HARTMAN	"Molly Frair"	40	18	2	7	50	6	22	1	34
6) WALT POHORILY	"Main Squeeze"	50	1	14	16	50	50	4	2	37
7) DAVE EVEN	"Teacher's Pet"	5	12	6	75	1	50	14	75	38
8) HOWARD YORK	"Golden Oldie"	23	5	18	10	75	14	8	3	40
9) CHRIS DIMA	"Taz"	7	8	9	50	50	13	50	7	4
10) PAUL SCHOENRADE	"Eagle Two"	18	4	20	12	50	11	6	13	46
11) HANK BACZYNSKI	"Sinsation"	11	2	13	17	75	75	7	75	50
12) ROBERT BRESSLER	"Wendy Ann"	14	13	17	14	50	7	50	15	53
13) DICK SHIRK	"Lil' Scratch"	30	75	19	8	9	1	16	75	53
14) BOB MITCHELL	"Kemo"	27	3	25	1	75	12	20	75	61
15) DAVE ROEHR	"Floating Holiday"	26	6	22	15	8	75	15	75	66

BEST 5 OF 8 SCORES

A = River Crab

B = St. Joseph

C = Harbor Beach

D = Port Austin

E = Oscoda

F = Manistee

G = Ludington

H = Rogers City

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