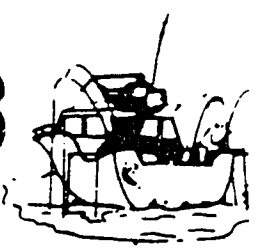


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LADIES DAY AT OSCODA

FELLOWS MARINA TO HOST LADIES DAY.

The annual Ladies Day tournament is rapidly approaching and its payback time as the guys will have to do the work while the Ladies reel in the fish.

So, start getting those muscles into shape and get ready to head up US 23 to Fellows Marina at that great port of Oscoda.

Lake Trout will probably dominate the catch, but, don't be surprised if a few kings show up to make things interesting. Regardless, lake trout are FUN to catch; especially in the 12 to 15 pound category.

For those who haven't participated in our ladies day tournament, the rules are that men may only set lines and net the fish. Ladies must handle the poles after hookup. (And, we don't want to see any girls sporting beards or mustaches.)

As in the past, we ask that cooks bring a dish to pass at our annual potluck dinner after the weigh-in, which is definitely one of the highlights of the year. Just a friendly reminder, please keep the potato (no E) salad on ice while out on the lake.

The activities for June 27 will begin at 5:00 am with the skippers meeting at Fellows; a 6:00 start at the pier heads and fish calls at 9 & 11. Please pull lines at 2:00 PM and be in the weigh-in line by 3:00.

The potluck will start when the weigh-in is completed or 3pm if there is a cancellation of fishing.

So, get those cow bells polished, the wobble-gloves dusted off, put the drain plug in. Its time to go fishing!

Mike Wakulski

OPPOSING VIEW

Ladies Day????????????? Why is it called Ladies Day when it seems more like "Men's Day"? We have to pack the car and prepare our dish ahead of time. "Make sure you keep it on plenty of ice!" Then we're expected to catch the fish, but they will probably net it for us (aren't they helpful) And God forbid that we lose a fish. "Do you know how many points that's going to cost us?" And then just as you get comfortable, it's "Honey, can you get me beer?" Now, we head back for our picnic. Tired as we may be we chip in and set the table so the men have a great feast. After the food is devoured (we're lucky if we get a taste) it's time for cleanup as the men go off for a well deserved nap? Now, we can finally sit back and discuss what a nice day it was.

Despite all of this, I'm looking forward to this Ladies Day. Hope you are too. Cindy-Wet Paint (Reprinted from last year)

(OK guys, if this sounds like you, lets make this a special day and maintain our fishing privileges.)

MANISTEE -- JULY 17

The 6th tournament stop for the Detroit Area Steelheaders will take the fleet to the port of Manistee. Our second trip of the season to Lake Michigan, Manistee should offer an excellent fishery.

The fishing here can be outstanding. Try working the 70-90 foot depths and spoons in Black/Grape, Black/Raspberry or chrome/green chartreuse. Also, don't forget those dodger/squids.

The skippers meeting will be held at the park are near the ramp facility at the river mouth at 5:00am. This will also be where we have our weigh-in. The tournament will start at the pier heads at 6:00 am with fish calls at 9 & noon on channel 72. We'll pull lines at 2:00 pm and you must be in the weigh-in line by 3 PM.

Don't forget Sunday's Team Doubles Tournament. This is where we match up the best and the last place boats to compete as a team. These doubles tournaments are a lot of fun and a great way to share information and techniques.

If you have any questions or need more information, contact port captain, Bill Shackleton at 422-3386 or Mike Wakulski at 585-6307.

So, lets see if we can top last year's numbers. Good fishin' and hope to see you at Manistee.... Mike Wakulski.

PAT'S COMPETITION WINS AT HARBOR BEACH

At roughly 11 PM on Saturday, May 15, 1993, I received a fishin' report from my husband Ed who was in Harbor Beach. Ed spoke of the day, starting with tournament fog and I wondered who's responsibility it was to bring the foul weather? Ed then explained that the miracle of bad weather happens every time the D.A.S. hook up their boats for a tournament.

Back to that late night call. Ed was telling me how rough the fishing was and I got that familiar knot in my stomach of "Oh gosh, I hope he caught fish!" Then I mustered up that fateful question, "How did you do?" "It was rough, really rough. We had no fish for the fish calls." "Did you catch any fish?", I again asked. "Four! Two we could weigh in, two we could not. Out of thirty boats, only 11 weighed in fish."

I sucked in deep breath, "So, how did YOU do?" "At the weigh-in, Mike said he thought around sixth, but, nothing could be said at the time until Lil' Scratch and Molly Frair came in, which was after six as they were towing in a club boat." "After their fish were weighed in, it changed my place." I blurted in, "Did you win?" "UH HUH!!!!" I did a little screaming and Ed hasn't yet regained his hearing.

I asked about the other boat. I always have a cold shiver when I hear of a boat being towed (memories, bad memories) I also am reminded of the great people that in the club. Lil' Scratch, Molly Frair and others were the heros of the day. The fishing widows and widowers should have great piece of mind knowing that the D.A.S. watch out for one another.

Now Ed answers when people call out "Mr. First Place" and is giving fishing advice. We've also had to enlarge our doors to get Ed's head through. Other than finding new plaque space, not a thing has changed. Ed still yells at the weather forecaster as bad weather is predicted for his fishing time. I think we can all relate. PBW

Detroit Area Steelheaders Donate to Hatchery

President Bob Gilbert recieved \$5,000 check from the Rivercrab tournament comittee. Five skipper names were then drawn; each recieving \$100 for weighing in a fish at the tournament.

The club quickly put some of the balance to good use as President Bob handed Lew Tipper from Benzie a check for \$500. The money will be used to support the steelhead hatchery project on the Betsy. Lew's video tapes of the project (and obvious hard work) made for a great presentation.

Any memebers having suggestions as to other worthwhile projects to support should contact one of the board of directors.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

JUNE 19	SPECIAL PEOPLE
JUNE 26	OSCODA
JULY 17	MANISTEE
JULY 31, AUG 1	PRESQUE ISLE
AUG 21&22	LUDINGTON
SEPT 11	FRANKFORT

\$100 RIVER CRAB RAFFLE WINNERS

The following skippers won \$100 each in the drawing from boats that weighed in at least one fish at the River Crab: -Ron Hartman - Don Redmond - Edward Jaworski

- Ron Huey - Darwin Gregg

ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

Roger Doyle, you should have been at the May meeting! Your name was drawn for the \$30 prize.

The June attendance award will be \$40. Be in attendance at the meeting to be eligible for the next drawing.

JUNE SPEAKER

The June speaker will be Jay Hesse from Michigan State. Jay is working on a project dealing with the life of Chinook salmon in Lake Michigan. Part of his work may lead to a breakthrough with BKD.

PORT AUSTIN + LAKE TROUT = KEMO

Saturday morning at Port Austin greeted us with rain, strong winds and high waves. It looked like the weather was not going to change very soon, so after a couple hour delay it was decided to cancel until Sunday.

That evening the wind changed direction and clear weather was in the forecast. The weatherman was right for once and Sunday morning was just beautiful.

Twenty four boats cruised out of the harbor at the 6 a.m. start to the fishing grounds off the Grindstone reef.

At the first fish call, it was obvious that it was going to be a battle among a couple boats. As the day wore on the fishing got tougher. It would be interesting to see who ended up #1.

At the weigh-in, Rob Pinskey and crew on Anticipation weighed in 8 lakers for 92.15 points. However, Bob Mitchell and the Kemo crew weighed in 7 lakers that totaled

105.3 points. Kemo's catch came from 85 feet of water. Most fish came on spin-n-gloves behind silver dodgers or cow bells. A nice catch from both crews and congratulations to Bob. Big fish went to the Wet Paint crew with an 18.14 King.

Thanks to Bruce Deshano and Off Shore Tackle for the side planers for the largest lake trout and the largest king. Also, thanks to Bob Bresler and his crew on Wendy Ann who gave up their time to assist a fellow club member who was having motor problems. Good sportsmanship is what it's all about. Thanks again guys!
Mike Wakulski

MANISTEE TOURNAMENT JULY 17

Our sixth tournament of the year will take us to the port of Manistee on July 17. This has always been a popular port and in the past few years, a well producing port. Because of the mixed catch of kings, coho, steelhead, browns and lakereids, you never know what is pulling on the other end of your line.

The skippers meeting will be held at the park at the end of 1st street near the boat ramp and at 5 a.m. We'll start at the pier heads at 6 a.m., pull lines at 2 p.m. and have the weigh-in and picnic at 3 p.m. (Same area as the skippers meeting)

Sunday will be a team doubles tournament with teams paired off based on Saturday's finish. We will leave the pier heads at 6 a.m. (no skipper meeting), pull lines at 12 noon and have the weigh-in at 1 p.m. Information will be available at the June meeting. See Bill Shackleton for additional information.

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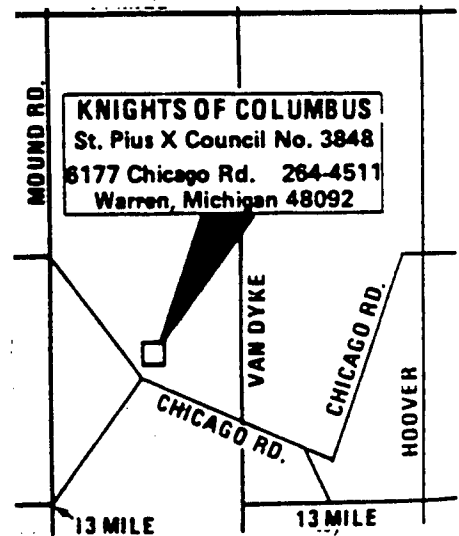
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PORT AUSTIN RESULTS

1. Bob Mitchell	Kemo	105.03
2. Rob Pinskey	Anticipation	92.15
3. Mike Wakulski	Wet Paint	73.10
4. Dick Shirk	Lil' Scratch	68.15
5. Leon Van Eden	Bullhead	61.01
6. Jimmy Hardrick	My Dream	54.01
7. Dave Even	Teachers Pet	49.07
8. Don Redmond	Trena Dawn	45.05
9. Don Anton	Happy Bare	42.01
10. Ron Hartman	Molly Frair	32.05
11. Greg McCann	3 Hour Tour	27.02
12. Ed Wilczek	Pat's Competition	26.12
13. Hank Baczinski	Sinsation	26.02
14. Mark Lubowski	Big Intentions	26.01
15. Joe Golazewski	My Treasure	25.05
16. Chris Nytko	Aquarius	10.09



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