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## BIG FISH SHOW UP AT TOURNEYS!

### MY TREASURE WINS MANISTEE

The Detroit Area Steelheaders held our sixth boat trolling tournament of 1993 at Manistee on 7-19-93. Hopes were high of a repeat of 1991 when over 200 fish were caught.

The 23 boats headed out of the harbor in the pre-dawn darkness under clear skies and light winds. For most the destination was 110' to 150' of water (30-50' feet down) straight out. The previous day's scouting report indicated "Oscoda" action was in order and most boats had rigged at least one rod with dodgers and spin-n-gloves for lake trout.

By the 9 am fish call, it was obvious that we had our work cut out for us. Fifteen boats called in a total of 25 fish; with Captain Hook and Teacher's Pet leading with 3 fish each.

The weather certainly continued to be great and by noon the boats had scattered in search of temperature breaks and schools of fish. Between 9 and noon the fishing improved and all boats reported fish at the call.

My Treasure led at this point with 8 fish, followed by Captain Hook with 6 and Teacher's Pet with 5. A total of 60 fish were reported.

While the "dogs" were cooking, (Thanks Sandy and Dave!) Don Redmond was busy weighing in the fish and Dick Shirk was keeping track of the score. My Treasure's

catch held up for first place with 7 lakers and a steelhead. Congratulations Joe Golaszewski! Leon Van Eden on Bullhead was second and the Main Squeeze crew finished third.

Big fish pool was won by Bullhead with a **24.04 king**, Main Squeeze -- 22.02 king, Molly Frair 21.15 king.

On Sunday we had a team doubles match with 9 teams. The weather deteriorated and by 11 am we decided to call it quits. The team of Captain Hook (Doug Karakas) and finished first. Second was the team of Molly Frair (Ron Hartman) and Wendy Ann ( Bob Bresler), followed by Trena Dawn (Don Redmond) and Eagle Two ( Paul Schoenrade).

A total of 130 fish were weighed in for both days; 75 lakers, 38 kings, 16 steelhead and 1 brown.

Thanks to everyone who participated and especially to those that helped make this a successful tournament. Bill Shackleton-Net Profit

### LUDINGTON TOURNAMENT AUG. 21 & 22

The next tournament will see us at the port of Ludington for a two day tournament. The start times will include a skipper's meeting at 5am at the Municipal Marina. The send off will be at 6am at the pier heads. The weigh-in is scheduled for 3:30 PM on Saturday at Peter Copian Park; the same as in prior

year's. We will not have hotdogs at 3:30 as we have instead opted for a beach party to start at 6:30. No need to bring a dish, just an appetite. Details at the weigh-in.

Sunday's tournament will also start at 6am at the pier heads but there will not be a prior skipper's meeting. For details call Bob Mitchell (828-8034) Port Capt or Mike Wakulski.

### KEMO WINS PRESQUE ISLE

The Detroit Area Steelheaders towed to the port of Presque Isle on the weekend of July 31. This was our first tournament ever at this port.

Twenty two boats made the tow only to find out that high winds had kept everyone off Lake Huron for a week. High winds continued on Friday so pre-fishing the port was not possible until late Friday night.

Late Friday night the winds finally subsided and Saturday dawned with light winds and moderate rollers. The big question on everyone's mind was where to go.

At the start, some boats headed South, some North and some straight out. The first thing that became obvious was that the thermalcline was very deep in some areas; 60+ degrees at 100 feet. A few boats headed to very deep water to try to find colder water. At the 300+ depths, the thermalcline was down at about 60 feet. That's where Kemo fished

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### **PRESQUE ISLE (cont.)**

on Saturday and their four fish catch that included 19 1/2 and 24.08 lb. kings set the pace followed by the Teacher's Pet crew who weighed five fish.

Sunday dawned to overcast skies and the chase was on to see if Kemo and Teacher's Pet could stay on top of the pack. Both boats headed back to deep water trailed by a number of followers.

The first fish call revealed that the deep water was not producing the number of fish it had the previous day. By 10am many boats gave up on the deep water. One who did not was Tom Meeres who stuck around and ran into a 27.04 lb. king down 70 feet. Nice fish Tom!

Back at the scales and it was revealed that Kemo only had one small Steelhead for the day. However that fish proved to be the difference as they held onto their lead to win the tourney. Teacher's Pet also weighed in one fish to finish second. Ron Huey's nice catch moved him up to third after a slow start on Saturday. Great comeback, Ron!

### **NEW FISHING LINES**

In case you haven't heard, there have been some major developments in fishing line technology. All of the major line manufactures are planning to introduce new braided lines.

What is really interesting about these lines is that a 75 lb test line has about the same diameter as 20 lb. monofilament. Further, monofilament lines have a lot of stretch; as much as 30 to 50%. These new braided lines stretch only 2-3%.

Two material are currently being considered. Dupont is using kevlar, the bullet proof vest

material. Others are using a similar fibre call Spectra. Knot strength has been a reported problem, especially with the kevlar. As such Dupont will also be selling a glue with the line.

Currently several Detroit Area Steelheaders, Dick Shirk, Bob Mitchell and Dave Even are testing the line.

### **TOP TEN- PRESQUE ISLE**

- |                    |              |
|--------------------|--------------|
| 1. Bob Mitchell    | Kemo         |
| 2. Dave Even       | Teachers Pet |
| 3. Ron Huey        | Half R's     |
| 4. Rob Golaszewski | Lucky Falcon |
| 5. Don Redmond     | Trena Dawn   |
| 6. Chris Nytko     | Aquarius     |
| 7. Walt Pohorily   | Main Squeeze |
| 8. Robert Betts    | Intrepid II  |
| 9. Tom Moores      | Kare Free    |
| 10. Leon Van Eden  | Bullhead     |

### **TOP TEN- MANISTEE**

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|--------------------|---------------|
| 1. Joe Golaszewski | My Treasure   |
| 2. Leon Van Edan   | Bullhead      |
| 3. Walt Pohorily   | Main Squeeze  |
| 4. Ron Hartman     | Moly Frair    |
| 5. Dave Even       | Teachers Pet  |
| 6. Doug Karakas    | Capt'n Hook   |
| 7. Don Redmond     | Trena Dawn    |
| 8. Les Jump        | Alices Angler |
| 9. Jim Hardrick    | My Dream      |
| 10. Gary Ruprich   | Rupe          |

### **FCC TIGHTENS DOWN**

Steve Hamilton forwarded some information from Boating Industry magazine that indicated that the FCC is tightening down on marine radio violations. The fine for using a radio without proper licensing is as high as \$10,000. This includes such things as using a handheld on shore with a special license. The permit for the radio on your boat does not cover a handheld on shore! The penalty for using a handheld from shore without a special license is \$8,000. Be fore warned!

### **ATTENDANCE AWARD**

John Wakefield won \$30 at the July meeting and all he had to do was show up! Be at the August meeting and your name may be drawn.

### **CHARCOAL BROILED SALMON**

- Salmon Steaks, 1-inch thick
- 1/4 lb. butter
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon paprika
- 1 1/2 teaspoon  
Worcestershire sauce

Melt butter and add rest of ingredients. Put steaks on the grill. Spread sauce over fish with basting brush. Cook until crispy brown on both sides. (About 7 min. per side)  
LINDA MITCHELL

### **PIER HEAD FISHING**

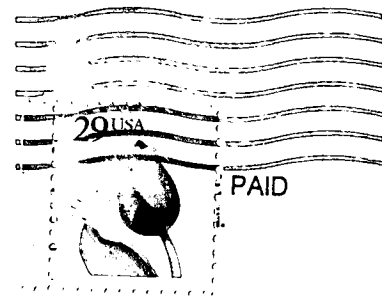
August and September are the months when there is a good chance to catch a real trophy king. It is also a time when it can be the easiest to locate schools of big kings. That's because the big kings congregate at the mouths of rivers prior to the spawning run.

Pier head fishing is easy if you do it right. The primary problem is that if there are kings at the pier heads there are probably lots of boats there, too. Traffic can be a real problem. Courtesy is also a must.

J-plugs and spoons are the best baits for pier heads. Use big #5 J-plugs or magnum spoons if you are looking for big fish. Black or purple seem to work well, especially in dark water. The best technique is to troll in and out of the color break. Short leads (10-15') will work and will limit tangles. Use heavy line so you can get a hooked fish away from the fleet. Then hang on!

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**SKIPPER OF THE YEAR STANDINGS (AS OF 8-11-93)**

Skipper	ST J	CRAB	HB	PA	OSC	MAN	PRSQ	Total
Dave Even	50	5	50	7	3	5	2	15
Don Redmond	50	8	4	8	2	7	5	18
Walt Pohorily	8	2	75	50	16	3	7	20
Joe Golazewski	7	20	8	15	4	1	15	20
Ron Huey	3	7	75	75	75	13	3	26
Leon Van Eden	75	43	50	5	13	2	10	28
Don Anton	4	9	50	9	75	12	17	34
Les Jump	12	30	3	75	50	8	12	35
Jimmy Hardrick	15	32	5	6	75	9	19	35
Mark Lubowski	6	10	75	14	75	75	11	41
Chris Nytko	10	22	50	16	10	75	6	42
Dick Shirk	75	16	7	4	50	18	75	45
Ed Wilczek	50	28	1	12	9	75	75	50
Ken Kuhar	50	21	50	50	7	11	13	52
Ron Hartman	50	17	50	10	17	4	18	57
Dave Roehr	9	38	6	50	50	16	75	69
Bob Mitchell	50	19	75	1	50	75	1	71
Doug Karakas	2	75	50	50	14	6	75	72
Mike Wakulski	50	50	50	3	8	75	16	77
Rob Pinskey	75	1	75	2	1	75	75	79
Tom Moores	50	25	9	75	75	75	9	93
Bob Bessler	13	75	50	50	15	17	75	95
Milt Knapp	50	33	11	75	6	75	75	100
Hank Baczinski	50	50	50	13	11	75	50	124
Tim Graskiewicz	75	6	10	75	50	75	75	141

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