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# SWAP MEET AT JULY MEETING

### SWAP MEET IN JULY

Clean out the garage, check all of your tackle boxes, look in the bottom of your boat and go through all of your equipment that is no longer of use to you. Bring it to the July membership meeting. We will dedicate a portion of the meeting to swapping, negotiating and selling fishing tackle. The time of the meeting has been changed to 6:30 to allow extra time to set up.

## CUTS THREATEN LAMPREY CONTROL IN LAKES

Congress may order further cuts in the already underfunded sea lamprey control program, warns Michigan fish chief John Robertson.

A House appropriations committee has recommended cutting the program back to \$7.62 million. Pres. Bush has called for \$8.76....and \$12.3 million is considered minimal to begin controlling the infusion of lamprey from the St. Mary's River. As much as \$20 million annually is said to needed to curtail the St. Mary's River threat.

Lamprey predation in Lake huron is reportedly as high as it was prior to control efforts and it is increasing in the other lakes.

Robertson is asking sportsmen to write their congressmen and committee chairman Neal Smith, House Office Bldg., Washington DC 20515

### LUDINGTON TOURNAMENT AUGUST 1 & 2

The first tournament of August 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. Maps and details will be available at the July meeting or the skippers meeting.

Bob Mitchell (558-6547) Port Capt.

### FISHING LUDINGTON

Ludington is one of the great salmon fishing ports of the state, maybe even the country. There is a wide variety of structure to hold fish under different conditions.

Where the fish are from year to year can vary and those who only fish the Point will be disappointed sooner or later. In the past, hot spots have included, South off the Pump Storage Facility, straight out near the 100' foot break, North off Sergeant Sands, off the Bath House, of course the Point (Big Sable Point) and even Northwest

of the point in 600'.

The first test of Ludington is knowing where to go. A quick check of the tackle store, charters or just the "guys" already there will give you some clues.

Where the fish are will give you a clue as to the baits to use. Be prepared to use spoons if the fish are 30-70 feet deep. Dodgers will be the ticket if they are deeper than 70'. Spoons and stick baits could be hot if steelhead are near shore.

The #1 spoon over the years at Ludington is an M&M; a green & chartreuse taped Northport Nailer or the equivalent. Be sure to try some along with your favorite combinations. The top dodgers have been white or chrome trailing glow squids. Steelhead like red or chrome spoons behind Yellow Birds.

Another trick to Ludington is currents. Watch your downrigger cables for signs of deep currents. If you troll North the cables may be straight down at 2.0 knots. Then you troll South at the same speed and they are at a steep angle. You have found a current headed North! Speed up going North and slow down going South to keep your baits working effectively. The Point is probably the place where you will find strong currents..maybe North, maybe South.

The final key to Ludington is to fish closer to shore in the AM and then move off shore as the day progresses. Follow these basic tips and you will catch fish at this port.

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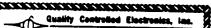
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### SPECIAL PEOPLE

The 1992 edition of our annual special people outing had to deal with our usual nemesis the weather, but, in spite of the breezy, cool and cloudy day, a great time was had by all.

Our Club showed again the class of organization we are as 30 skippers donated their time for 35 disadvantaged students from the Monroe Intermediate School District. Pete Stoyonovich the placekicker of the Miami Dolphins was the guest of honor.

Most of the crews managed to handle the annoying conditions and landed a few walleyes. Along with a fresh bag of fillets, each Special Person received a assortment of gifts which included a trophy from Little Bills Trophy Shop, a Special People T-shirt form Kingheart Productions, toy airplanes from club member Gil Pieszak, a choice of hats compliments of Hygrade Meats, Bob Johnson and the Detroit Area Steelheaders, and last but not least Pete Stoyonovich personally signed a promotional photo for all the participants.

The fun continued that evening as most of the skippers stuck around for the surf and turf cookout in evening. A feast was conducted and the food was excellent. One of the best activities we have, concluded around midnight as Mother nature finally got the best of us as the temperature dipped into the thirtys.

Many people made this outing happen; including Steve Lain and Marshall Gill who made Toledo Beach Marina available to us at no charge and went out of their way to help us out in any they could. And thanks to Linda Breternitch from the Monroe ISD. Thanks to all of the club members who just showed up not to fish, but plainly to help out in any way. The skippers, who showed in spite of

all the bad weather reports (which turned to be true for once) and who were just great with all of the kids.

I'm sincerely sorry if I failed to mention anyone, but, I know everyone worked very hard on this event and my genuine appreciation goes out to all of you, Toledo Beach and of course to Pete who came up at his expense to help out. "Pete, You have always shown a lot of class and you gained a few more Miami fans." Dave Even

# WHO'S THE LEADER OF THE CLUB....

Saturday, at Port Austin, Mother Nature gave into our many wishes. The lake was very fishable, though it was cool on the water. At the fish calls, things were going pretty well with most skippers reporting good catches. Many combinations were taking fish as long as you had them on the bottom. (A lot of work for the crew running the downriggers).

Twenty four boats brought 95 lakers, 6 kings, and 2 steelhead to the scale. Hank Baczynski on Sinsation weighed a 20 lb. King to take the big fish pool.

But, what boat was the top boat at Port Austin? All ears were perked. "WHO'S THE LEADER OF THE CLUB"...You guessed it; MICKEY MOUSE CLUB skippered by Bob Buero was the #1 boat. Bob has crewed on other boats in the past, but, this is his first year he has skippered his own. Nice job, Mickey! (Even though I heard you had a good luck charm on board.)

Dean Pilat on High Anxiety had a nice catch for 2nd place, with Dave Even 3rd and Rob Gulaszewski a close 4th on Lucky Falcon. (Be careful Joe, Your crew was talking Mutiny)

Sunday's Doubles Tournament was taken by the team of Teachers Pet/Returner. 2nd went to Trena Dawn/Wet Paint and 3rd to Kemo/My Dream. Don Anton on Happy Bare weighed in a 24.02 King on Sunday.

Thanks to Ron Hartman for taking care of the Port Capt. duties. Also thanks to Cindy and Pat for pitching in on grills and Don & Bob for the weighin. Mike Wakulski-Director

### PORT AUSTIN RESULTS

	BOAT	SKIPPER	<b>POINTS</b>
1	MICKEY MOUSE CLU	BOB BUERO	129.04
2	HIGH ANXIETY	DEAN PILOT	125.01
3	TEACHERS PET	DAVE EVEN	114.10
4	LUCKY FALCON	ROB GULASZEWSKI	105.15
5	MAIN SQUEEZE	WALT POHORILY	86.04
6	A DAY LATE	PAUL NOWAK	75.00
7	VOYAGER	DICK JACKSON	71.13
8	KEMO	BOB MITCHELL	69.00
9	KARE-FREE	TOM MOORES	67.09
10	WET PAINT	MIKE WAKULSKI	61.04
11	HAPPY BARE	DON ANTON	58.13
12	MOLLY FRAIR	RON HARTMAN	58.04
13	SINSATION	HANK BACZYNSKI	47.04
14	LIL' SCRATCH	DICK SHIRK	46.13
15	CAPT'N HOOK	DOUG KARAKAS	43.11
16	LAST DIME II	BOB KSIONZEK	40.11
17	TRENA DAWN	DON REDMOND	40.04
18	MARY MARGRET	PAUL NIENALTOWSKI	27.07
19	MY DREAM	JIMMY HARDRICK	25.08
20	AQUARIOUS	CHRIS NYTKO	18.14

### **OSCODA \$ TOURNAMENT**

Attention Skippers if you have nothing special planned for the weekend between the Rogers City money tournament and the Olcott N.Y. tournament you just might be interested in the Super Boat Tournament at Oscoda on the 22nd and 23rd of August.

The Tournament pays a guaranteed \$5,000.00 for first, \$2,000.00 for second \$1,000.00 for third and \$500.00 for the biggest fish each day.

The entry fee is \$150.00 per boat. The entries are limited to the first 100 applicants. There is a six rod limit and only 15 fish may be weighed in each day. Entry forms will be available at the July membership meeting.

Of special note if you are planning on attending the Rogers City tournament the weekend prior to the Oscoda Tournament, the Oscoda Area Chamber of Commerce has made arrangements to store you boat at no charge for the week so you will not have to trailer you rig all the way home. For more information on this and the tournament you call Fellows' Marine at 517-739-2525 or Bob Wink at 517-739-0015

### ATTENTION BOB BOWEN

You should have attended the June Membership meeting! Not only did you miss Dick Shirk's talk on LORANs, you missed out on \$100 from the membership attendance incentive program. Don't miss the July meeting when the incentive will be \$110. Your name could be drawn again.

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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JULY 28	SWAP MEET
AUGUST 25	TBD
SEPTEMBER 29	TBD
OCTOBER 27	TBD
NOVEMBER 24	TBD
DECEMBER 15	CHRISTMAS

### TIM GRASKIEWICZ APPOINTED TO LAKE HURON ADVISORY COMMITEE

President Tim Graskiewicz has been appointed by Dan Thomas, President of the GLSFC to represent the Council on the Lake Huron Advisory Board.

He will be attending his first meeting on July 28 in Oscoda. Congratulations Tim!



HARMONY CREW



ANTICIPATION-1st

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1	KEMO	BOB MITCHELL	23	2	1	8	3	6
2		DAVE EVEN	16	1	50	3	4	8
3	WET PAINT	MIKE WAKULSKI	21	7	2	10	5	14
4		BOB HERMAN	11	75	4	75	6	21
5	AQUARIOUS	CHRIS NYTKO	1	11	50	20	10	22
6		TOM MOORES	8	8	50	9	11	25
7	A DAY LATE	PAUL NOWAK	12	17	75	6	8	26
8	MICKEY MOUSE CLUB	BOB BUERO	27	10	50	1	19	30
9	TRENA DAWN	DON REDMOND	34	6	14	17	12	32
10	VOYAGER	DICK JACKSON	50	23	3	7	75	33
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17		JOE GULASZEWSKI	36	9	50	75	7	52
18	=	DEAN PILOT	2	75	50	2	50	54
19	MARYK	KEN KUHAR	75	14	50	23	20	57

# DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS



July 14, 1992

Dear sir.

We the Detroit Area Steelheaders, believe you were elected in part because of former Governor Blanchard's betrayal of the sportspersons' trust. It now seems you are doing the same thing. Your most blatant betrayal is to try first by executive order and then by legislative arm-twisting to steal \$9.6 million from the Harbor Development Fund. This money came from the State's tripling of boat registration fees in 1988 and earmarking these funds for sorely needed harbor development. This is a true user fee.

Now you are pushing to break the State's promise and transfer these boater dollars into the General Fund. This attempt is hidden in the Department of Treasury budget within the \$449 million General Government appropriations, HB 5520. This must not happen!

Michigan has more registered boaters than any other state. They are all watching you!

Detroit Area Steelheaders, Inc. Board of Directors PO Box 1255 Sterling Hts, MI 48311-1255

WE URGE YOU TO CALL YOUR STATE SENATORS IN LANSING TO DEFEAT THIS THEFT! YOUR STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS ALREADY BETRAYED YOUR TRUST BY PASSING HB 5520 INTACT. IF YOU DO NOT KNOW WHO IS YOUR STATE SENATOR. CALL THE STATE SENATE DIRECTORY AT (517) 373-2400. THEY ARE TO MEET THE END OF JULY. YOU SHOULD ALSO CALL YOUR STATE REPRESENTATIVE AND COMPLAIN ABOUT THE PASSAGE OF THIS BILL IN THE HOUSE. DEMAND THEIR EXCUSE IF THEY VOTED FOR IT. THIS YEAR THE FUND WAS TO IMPROVE HARBORS AT LUDINGTON, SEBEWAING, MONROE, AND MACKINAW CITY.

# LADIES DAY, ANTICIPATION - ONE DAY LATE

You mix two ingredients, Dave Even as Port Captain and Oscoda as the port and the results have been consistent for the last few years and it is not good. On Saturday, June the 27th, as the clock ticked past 5 am. and the crews began to arrive it became very obvious the winds were too strong and the curse would continue. After a short delay the correct decision was made to cancel for the day and hope for better luck with our arch enemy, mother nature on Sunday. (Way to go Capt'n Wak)

This allowed time for visits to the beach for the art fair and other attractions in the Oscoda Area. As the day moved on the winds started to subside and it definitely looked promising. The day absolutely got better as 3 pm arrived and the Annual Ladies day feast took place.

The highlights of the Ladies Day Feast included the roasted pig compliments of Boyer Meats of Canton and Larry Boyer who cooked the "land trout". Thanks Larry, it was superb.... And watching all of the Ladies enjoy the meal first, as the gentlemen stood by. (Way to go Capt'n Cindy Wak) The meal was just outstanding.

As soon as the meal was completed (and since we were so well behaved at the picnic) the weather finally started cooperate. The fleet decided it was time to check out the fishing grounds for Sunday. Several boats headed out to fine tune their location and the fishing was decent as several fish were located in 90 to 100 feet of water. If the weather would cooperate for Sunday it looked promising.

The start at 6am was as smooth as you could ask for as the fleet of 28 roared away from port heading East for approximately five miles to the edged of the drop off where the Lakers were feeding on bait fish.

The action was fairly constant. Rob Pinsky and his crew aboard Anticipation jumped out with the lead at the first call with six fish. Bob Herman on Nomad and Bob Mitchell on Kemo had four

The weather continued to be beautiful and the lake was calm as the fleet continued to fish the ridge. The most successful crews stayed right on the edge of the drop off using various combinations behind some kind attractor; either a set of bells, a WW or a dodger.

At the last fish call it was obvious that Mr. Pinsky and crew was the team to beat as his crew had limited out on lakers (using WWs and Bass Magnets) and were rigging for salmon.

The battle for second was between several boats as size would make the difference.

The final bell rang and just in time as the winds were returning. A safe return to port and the weigh-in to find the heaviest cooler.

As anticipated Rob Pinsky and crew took home the honors for 1992 with a really nice catch. Congratulations Rob! Our Prez, Tim was close behind finishing second on Harmony.

It was a lot of fun and I hope that everyone had a great time. I would like to thank everyone who helped to make Ladies day a success.

DAVE EVEN

	OSCODA	RESULTS	
	BOAT	SKIPPER	POINTS
1	ANTICIPATION	ROB PINSKY	115.04
2	HARMONY	TIM GRASKEWICZ	92.04
3	KEMO	BOB MITCHELL	84.03
4	TEACHERS PET	DAVE EVEN	84.01
5	WET PAINT	MIKE WAKULSKI	76.10
6	NOMAD	BOB HERMAN	73.13
7	LUCKY FALCON	<b>ROB GULASZEWSKI</b>	68.05
8	A DAY LATE	PAUL NOWAK	54.05
9	PATS COMPETITION	ED WILCZEK	53.14
	AQUARIOUS	CHRIS NYTKO	39.05
	KARE-FREE	TOM MOORES	35.09
	TRENA DAWN	DON REDMOND	34.12
	LIL' SCRATCH	DICK SHIRK	33.00
	SINSATION	HANK BACZYNSKI	25.0 <b>6</b>
	RETURNER	DARWIN GREGG	21.04
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20	· · · · · · · ·	KEN KUHAR	7.14
21		DOUG KARAKAS	0.00
22	TWO HEARTS	NORM DAVIES	0.00
23	MY DREAM	JIMMY HARDRICK	0.00
24	FLOATING HOLIDAY	DAVE ROEHR	0.00
25	MOLLY FRAIR	RON HARTMAN	0.00
26	MORE MONEY	MIKE CHIMELAK	0.00
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28	HIGH ANXIETY	DEAN PILOT	0.00

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