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DAS Anglers Anxious for Hardwater Fishing

If you've already put your boat to bed for the winter, but still ready to get back on the lake, you're probably getting ready for ice fishing. If that's the case, you might be interested in hearing about our next speaker, because he is professional ice fishermen Dan Duffield. Dan is a pro staff for a number of companies including Fraybil, Nils USA, Your Bobber's Down, Fiskas, Sublime, Plano, and Franks Great Outdoors. Dan is based in Michigan but competes in national ice tournaments. He loves fishing for monster crappies and is consistently a top finisher. Dan will cover his favorite techniques and discuss how the latest technology in rods and electronics can play an important role in improving results for ice anglers.



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DAS Board of Directors Election

Annual BOD Elections

This is your chance to help your club by running for a position on the DAS Board of Directors. The elections will be held at the Annual Christmas meeting December 17. We need volunteers, so please let Dan Chisholm know you are ready to help.

The board meets at 7:00 pm at the APCC two Tuesday's prior to the general membership meeting each Month. Food and beverages are provided. The board does not meet in August so there are 11 board meetings each year.

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Nomination for the 2020 Detroit Steelheaders Board of Directors

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

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- November Membership Meeting**
- **When:**
Tuesday, November 26, 2019 7:30pm
 - **Where:**
American Polish Cultural Center
NW corner, 15 Mile Rd. & Dequindre
 - **Featured Speaker**
Dan Duffield Frabil Pro Staff Ice Fisherman
 - **Other Happenings:**
Angler of the Year Outings,
Center Pin Raffle tickets
Tackle Raffles, 50/50 Raffle,
Every Member Drawing,
 - **DAS On the web-**
www.detroitsteelheaders.com Post to the message board and check out the entire site.

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2 MONTHS PAST
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DAS CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 17



It's almost that time of year when DAS members and their families gather for our annual Christmas party. This year's party is on December 17th at the American Polish Cultural Center. Salmon Claus is scheduled to visit, and he always brings a little something for all the children who made it onto the nice list. If you will be bringing good little boys and girls, let Santa's number one helper, Carl Ventimiglia know in advance. Carl has been in regular contact with Salmon and Mrs. Claus this year because he has been working on an addition at the toy factory. **To ensure his sleigh is well stocked, everyone better send an e-mail with the number and sex of all the good boys and girls that will be attending. Email Carl at cvvent@gmail.com,** he will be sure to pass it along to Mr. Clause. In addition to our special guest, we'll also hold election of officers and recognize members for fishing achievements. As usual, the meeting starts at 7:30 but last year's event had 200 attendees so you might want to get there a little early.

Win this \$800 centerpin combo. A Lamiglass Centerpin rod, paired with a Sheffield reel. will be raffled off at our December Christmas Party. Tickets are \$10 each and a maximum of 100 will be sold. Purchase tickets at a general membership meeting, or contact Bob Paradise at 586 457-4073

"The Closer" centerpin series rods by Lamiglass are designed by Roger Hinchcliff. The Closer rod starts with a graphite composite blank, and features a fiberglass layer in the butt section for exceptional balance and power. The guides are over-sized recoils on the top to minimize icing, with durable and sleek ceramics on the bottom section. There are 'float-depth' indicators along the spine of the rod, to quickly calculate depth by hooking into the hook-keeper. The fixed reel seat is perfectly positioned on proprietary CFX Carbon-Weave Handles that warm to the touch, and grips phenomenally, even in cold wet weather. Mated with the Sheffield S1002 reel, All you'll need to add is a river.



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Outing & Tournament Special— \$20 Membership Application

- New Member - \$35 Yearly
- Senior (65 & over)- \$20 Yearly
- Junior (under 16) - \$20 Yearly (Electronic Newsletter)
- Renewal - \$35 Yearly
- Address Change only

Amt. Paid \$ _____

NAME		DATE	
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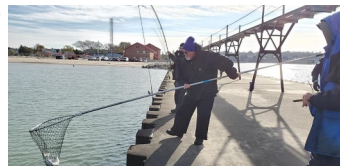
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Newsletter/Printer

TNT's Manistee Outing Results

It was a very cold morning with an easterly wind as DAS members ventured to the Manistee River for TNT's Pier, River, Surf Outing. 14 participating members tried their luck on the north pier as well as the river up and around Tippy Dam. The dark sky was lit up with rod tip lights as you walked up the pier. It was quite the sight. Fishing was a bit tuff since the wind came from the east. The fish were scattered as well as the fish that were getting caught. Members caught some really nice silver steelhead. Fishing ended at 2pm and at the weigh-in, Gaspare Aragona took 1st place with 3 fish weighing in at 17.88lbs, Gaspare also took the big fish prize money with his largest weighing in at 12.25lbs. Bob Paradise took 2nd place with 2 fish weighing in at 9.88lbs. Dan Chisholm took 3rd place with 1 fish weighing in at 6.90lbs. Mark Wyrick took 4th place with 1 fish at 6.85lbs. Robi Abdallah took 5th place with 1 fish at 2.49lbs. A few kings were caught by James Anderson on the river at Tippy as well. Dinner was held at The Bungalow. Another great outing with DAS members. Fun times. Great memories. Fish on!

Anna Kulpa



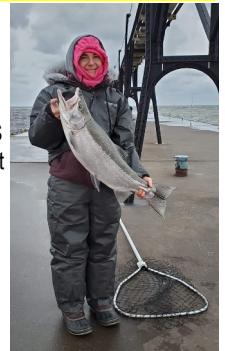
Trolling Schedule Set for 2020 Season

A group of DAS captains got together on November 7 to plan the 2020 trolling tournament schedule. In attendance were Jim Zanke, Brad Walton, Dan Chisholm, Ken Cione, Fred Chartier, and Bob Feisel. We will be having 7 trolling tournaments next year. Our season starts May 2 at the southern Lake Michigan port of St Joseph where we hope to find those feisty spring King salmon that fight all the way to the net. Then we move to a 2-day tournament at Grand Haven on May 16-17. The 2-day format is always interesting because a leading position on day 1 can be a challenge to defend on day 2. We will be at the great port of Manistee twice this year, on May 30 and on August 22. And the ports of Harbor Beach, Erieau, and Ludington fill out the rest of the schedule. At Erieau we will be including walleye in the scoring. The cost to enter a DAS trolling tournament is ONLY \$20 per boat, and the entry fee includes food and beverages at the weigh-in for all participants. At all of the tournaments the optional Big Fish bet will be \$20. We hope that there will be a lot of DAS boats participating in the trolling tournaments next year, enjoying the friendly competition and camaraderie. Here is the DAS trolling tournament schedule for next year:

May 2	St Joe
May 16-17	Grand Haven
May 30	Manistee
June 13	Harbor Beach
July 11	Erieau, Ontario
Aug 1	Ludington
Aug 22	Manistee

Lakeshore Motel Tournament Results

On Saturday, November 2nd we returned to Manistee for our 11th outing of the year. It was a very cold and dark morning as 10 DAS members made their way to the North pier, and another group of anglers made their way upriver to Tippy Dam for the Lake Shore Motel Steelhead Tournament. For the DAS anglers, this event also serves as an annual fall fish-off against the Metro West Steelheaders. The skies were filled with clouds and NW winds up to 20 mph ripped as a light drizzle began. The pier fisherman arrived early to hold their favorite spots. They waited with anticipation for the countdown to the 4:00 AM start and the first FISH ON. Fishing activity was scattered throughout the day. It seemed as though the fishing



improved as the weather conditions were at their worst. A fair amount of large fish was caught that day. Fishing ended at 3:00 PM and we headed to the 4:00 PM weigh-in at Lake Shore Motel.

Anna Kulpa took 1st place in the DAS outing with 3 fish weighing in at 33.64 lbs. She also took the big fish prize money with her largest at 14.12lbs. Sahar Elmallah took 2nd place with 3 fish weighing in at 28.4lbs. Gaspare Aragona took 3rd place with 2 fish weighing in at 15.91lbs. Bob Paradise took 4th place with 1 fish weighing in at 12.3lbs. Dan Chisholm took 5th place with 1 fish weighing in at 8.11lbs. A lake trout was also caught by James Anderson on the river at Tippy as well.

DAS members also counted their catch towards the Lake Shore Motel Steelhead Cup Tournament. Anna Kulpa took 3rd place with her big fish at 14.12lbs and Sahar Elmallah took 5th place with her big fish at 13.10lbs. It was Lady Luck this weekend, though all members fished well. Dinner was held at the Eastlake hall and it was hosted by Lake Shore Motel tournament committee.

The DAS anglers also did well against the Metro West Steelheaders, who mostly fished the surf. The Metro West club didn't weigh any fish. So it will be another year that we retain bragging rights. This was a great outing for our DAS members. Memories to be made for sure. FISH ON, Anna Kulpa



Caseville Outing Saturday December 7th

Here it is, the finally of the AOTY series. Caseville makes an angler wonder, are we going to be casting from the pier, or floating minnows below bombers? Most years we are casting spoons or body baits in open water. Last year we were thrown a curve ball when the harbor froze the night before. As usual, the people that caught fish were prepared for all conditions. This event has become a favorite of the club, last year over 20 members attended, despite poor driving conditions on the way up. Fishing time will start a 6AM and runs until 2PM. The fishing locations will be the end of the pier head all the way back to the bridge in town. At the end we will meet at the club house by the marina, I will give out directions to any new attendees. At the clubhouse, lunch will be provided by me to help warm you up. Venison stew, sloppy Joe's, and chocolate chip cookies are on the menu. To enter the event call me the night before, or by 630 am the day of the event. Cost is \$10, \$5 for entry and \$5 for the big fish pool.

Hope to see you all there for some friendship and fishing at it's best. Blaise Pewinski 248 890-4517

2020 Wild Game Dinner Menu is Set

The Board is pleased to announce, tickets for this year's sportsmen's dinner will be available to purchase at the Christmas party. Ticket prices remain \$60 each. This fundraiser supports all our donations and activities. WGD tickets make a great gift.. You can reserve your table today by calling Carl Ventimiglia at : (586) 615-7459

- Tabled Appetizers
- A selection of Country Smoke House Meat & Cheese Trays**
- Soup Course
- Snapping Turtle & Gator Chowder**
- Buffet Selections
- Pulled Wild Buffalo Brisket**
Served with our signature ole Smokey BBQ sauce.
- Pheasant Cacciatore**
Classic cacciatore with sautéed peppers, onions in a hearty Italian tomato sauce
- Fresh Venison Kapusta**
Our house made fresh kielbasa with bacon, garlic, mushrooms and fresh Michigan sauerkraut
- Wild Boar Stroganoff**
Braised seasoned wild boar with onions and wild mushroom in a traditional sour cream based gravy
- Southern Style Grilled Chicken**
Seasoned smoked bone in chicken with our secret seasonings
- Loaded Wild Boar Bacon Mashed Potatoes**
- Spicy Country Smoke House Slaw**
- Dessert
- A selection of assorted Fruit cake bars and cookies**

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2019 AOTY Leaderboard

Event

Date	1/19/2019	2/4/2019	3/30/2019	4/13/2019	4/27/2019	6/15/2019	7/6/2019	9/14/2019	9/28/2019	10/26/2019	11/2/2019	12/7/2019	
Member	Mitchell's Bay	Bay City Saginaw	Steelhead Challenge	Oscoda Ausable	Algonac Walleye	St. Clair River	Sebewaing Beach	Sterling State Park	Platte River	Big Tom	Lakeshore Motel	Caseville Lake Trout	Best 6
Gaspere Aragona	2	5	1	2	6	13	8	6	2	1	3		11
Bob Paradise	1	3	6	4	10	21	50	1	1	2	4		12
Blaise Pewinski	4	6	50	25	4	1	50	2	25	50	50		42
Dan Chisholm	6	25	50	25	13	18	9	7	50	3	5		43
Mark Wyrick	50	50	25	1	25	16	3	50	25	4	25		74
Anna Kulpa	50	25	25	25	25	9	5	25	25	25	1		90
James Anderson	50	1	4	25	25	50	50	50	25	25	25		105
Rabih Abdallah	50	50	3	25	25	50	50	50	25	5	25		108
Tom Gorguze	5	25	25	25	7	50	50	50	50	25	50		112
Fred Chartier	50	50	25	50	25	50	1	25	50	25	25		126
Don Mikros	50	50	50	25	14	17	50	8	25	50	50		139
Don Jasman	50	50	25	50	25	15	6	25	50	50	50		146
Brad Walton	50	50	25	25	25	50	2	50	25	50	50		152

Upcoming 2019 DAS Key Dates

- Tue Nov 26, 2019 General Membership Meeting
- Sat Dec 2, 2019 Caseville Lake Trout Outing
- Tue Dec 10, 2019 BOD Meeting
- Tue Dec 17, 2019 General Membership Mtg/Christmas Party
- Thur Jan 9 - Sun Jan 12 Ultimate Fishing Show

2019 October Membership Meeting Facts

- Attendance: 54
- Featured Guest: Ryan Bullard
- Featured Presentations: River and Pier Steelhead Techniques
- 50/50 Raffle Winner: Steven Zurawski \$125
- Every Member Draw: Ron Mashke — not present
We will draw until we have winners in November and December