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## Join Us for the June 30<sup>th</sup> General Membership Meeting

Fishing friends unite! The Detroit Area Steelheaders will be re-starting monthly membership meetings with the first one this Tuesday, June 30, 7:30 pm at River Bends Park in Shelby Twp. The guest speaker will be Capt. Brian Murphy of Murphy's Law Charters in Frankfort, MI. He will be talking about July salmon & trout fishing in Frankfort. Brian has over 30 years of experience in Frankfort, and will have a lot of great information to share with us. His presentation is just in time for the DAS SOTY trolling tournament in Frankfort on Saturday, July 11. This will replace the Erieau tournament because of the travel and fishing ban currently effect in Ontario. If you plan on fishing that tournament you won't want to miss this! The meeting will be held at the 1st pavilion on the left as you enter River Bends Park.. Please bring your own refreshments. Face masks are suggested and we should practice social distancing. We will discuss the remaining SOTY tournaments, results from Harbor Beach and St. Clair, have our usual tackle, 50/50, and 'every member' raffles also. We expect a good turnout as we emerge from the long COVID-19 shutdown.



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## Open for Business! DAS Web Store Accepting Orders Through July 16th

The DAS webstore is now open through July 16<sup>th</sup>. If you want to order a garment, **you need to do it online**. Show your colors with this year's offerings. We'll post a link to the store on the website homepage, our message board, and the Facebook page's. Once the store closes, shirts will be printed, hats embroidered, and orders will be ready for pick-up at our July 28<sup>th</sup> membership meeting. **We'll have a few unprinted samples to confirm sizing at the June membership meeting. If you are interested in one of this year's garments, order it now because they will not be available after the store closes. To place your order, visit the store at: [www.freshhotshirts.com/steelheaders](http://www.freshhotshirts.com/steelheaders)**

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### REMINDER

#### Membership Renewals

Due to the Covid-19 lockdown, the board of directors has extended current annual memberships three months. This compensates for the period we did not have any club activities. We will resume posting renewal dates in the July newsletter.

## Harbor Beach Tournament Results

The weather forecast was a concern for our trolling tournament at Harbor Beach. On Friday it was chilly 48-50 degrees with strong winds from the NNE, and waves around 3 feet. Only Bobby's Toy ventured out for pre-fishing on Friday. The Saturday forecast was for similar temperatures and included a small craft advisory for the afternoon. We planned to finish the tournament at 1:00 pm. Would we be done before the weather hit?

Due to the Corona virus, there was no Captain's meeting on Saturday morning. Captains were able to register for the tournament in advance via email using a form that Bob Ksionzek created for us. We had seven boats registered for the tournament.

The wind and waves had quieted down overnight. At the 7:00 am start the temperature was still around 50 degrees. The waves were comfortable 1-2 feet and well-spaced. The sky was clear and the morning sunshine helped to take away the chill. It was a real pleasant day to be out on the lake. But the fishing.....

Well, it was sloooow! At the 9:00 fish-call Moonshot reported having 6 fish, Vicki's Seacret had 2, and Hardtop & Tails and Blue Horizon had one.

Shortly after the fish-call I received a phone call from Bob Ksionzek. He had a lot of questions: how deep were the fish, where did we catch them, which lures, when, etc. But he neglected to ask me which species. They were PINK salmon. These little fish would be on your lines, but you wouldn't know it until you pulled the lines in to check, and there were lots of them! Most boats were throwing the pinks back in the lake.

At the 11:00 fish call, Moonshot reported having 12 fish (guess which species), Vicki's Seacret had 7 (uh-huh), Blue Horizon had 3, Hardtop & Tails had 2, and Wonder had 1. (Sloppy Joe had to leave the tournament early because a crew member was not feeling well.)

The winds didn't start to kick up until the end of the tourney. Lucky us! At 1:00 we pulled lines and returned to port. At the weigh-in there were few fish that counted for our scoring (must be at least 3 lbs, or 19+ inches). None of the pinks were big enough.

Here are the final scores:

<b>Hardtop &amp; Tails</b>	<b>54.95 pts</b>	<b>(4 lake trout)</b>
<b>Blue Horizon</b>	<b>20.60 pts</b>	<b>(1 lake trout)</b>
<b>Vicki's Seacret</b>	<b>18.80 pts</b>	<b>(2 lake trout)</b>
<b>Moonshot</b>	<b>8.35 pts</b>	<b>(1 steelhead)</b>
<b>Wonder</b>	<b>8.05 pts</b>	<b>(1 lake trout)</b>
<b>Bobby's Toy</b>	<b>0</b>	

Congratulations to Jim Zanke for the win! Jim revealed that his "secret weapon" was flasher/spin-n-glow near the lake bottom, in 80-90 feet of water.

Paul Gjeldum (Blue Horizon) won the biggest fish prize with his 15.6 lb Lake Trout. Brad Walton (Moonshot) won the biggest steelhead prize, and Blue Horizon also won a random draw for the biggest salmon prize.

There was a lot of positive feedback from the captains about using email to register for the tournament, and not having to get up early to attend a Saturday morning captain's meeting. I expect that we will be using this email method for future tournaments.

Bob Feisel



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 : With sadness we announce the death of lifetime member, Mike Curzenski. Mike  
 : served on the board of directors in the 80's, and was active in trolling tournaments.  
 : You might remember his boat 'Nooner'. Our condolences go out to his wife Julie.  
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### Chef's Table Baked Walleye Guest Chef, Rob Pinsky

**Ingredients:**

- 1.5-2 lbs. Walleye
- 8 oz. bag Kraft Mozzarella and Parmesan cheese
- Buttery Flavored Crisco
- 3 Tablespoons butter
- 1 1/2 teaspoons Lemon Juice
- Lawry's seasoning salt
- Lemon Pepper
- Paprika
- Garlic powder
- Parsley Flakes
- Cajun Seasoning



Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Line the cake pan with foil, then lightly grease the bottom and sides of the foil. Melt the butter and lemon juice in a small saucepan and set aside. Place in a single layer covering the bottom of the pan, then brush the fish with half the melted butter and lemon juice. Lightly season with Lawry's, Lemon Pepper, Cajun spice, Paprika, Garlic Powder, and Parsley. Sprinkle the cheese over the fish then drizzle the remaining butter and lemon mixture on top of the cheese. Bake for 20 minutes. If the cheese hasn't browned, turn on the broiler for about 1 minute (be sure to watch it closely).

### 2020 AOTY Outing Schedule

**Sat., September 12** - Sterling State Park Perch Outing  
Best 5 Perch by length  
Chairperson: Gaspare Aragona (248) 330-1774

**Sat., September 26** - Manistee Pier/Surf Outing  
Best 3 Trout or Salmon by weight  
Chairpersons: James Anderson (313) 330-3680 / Laurie Gamblin (810) 730-2373

**Sat., October 31** - Ludington Big Tom Tournament  
Chairperson: Tom Thieda (586) 206-5902

**Sat., November 7** - Manistee Lake Shore Motel Annual Steelhead Tournament - Manistee Area Fish-Off with Metro-West Steelheaders  
Best 3 Steelhead by weight  
Chairperson: Tom Thieda (586) 206-5902

**Sat., December 12** --- Caseville Lake Trout Outing  
Best 3 Lake Trout by weight  
Chairperson: Blaise Pewinski (248) 890-4517

### Results: St Clair Walleye Outing



We had a beautiful day for the St. Clair Walleye outing on Saturday June 20th! The weather was about as perfect as could be. Clear skies, warm temperatures, and a very light breeze from the south. We had 13 boats entered and a total of 34 people fishing. Conditions were great and the fishing was great, but the catching was a little slower than expected. That's the way the bite has been lately, good bite one day and slow the next. For me fishing started out great with me catching two in the first 10 minutes. They were both only 14"-16" and I decided not to keep either one of them and wait for something bigger. The next one I caught was about 18" and I kept it. Then the bite died for us for almost two hours. Finally I found a little pocket of fish and we worked over them with several short passes and things started to look a lot better. The first fish my

partner Ed caught was an absolute WHOPPER (7.51 lbs.). We continued to peck away and ended up with a pretty nice catch. We pulled lines at 11:05 and headed in to get set up for the weigh in.

All in all I think everyone had a great time and there were some very nice fish caught and a few really good catches! We had 22 people bring fish to the



Here are all of the results of the 5 best division:

- 1) 10.48 lbs. Rob Pinsky
- 2) 9.12 lbs. Mark Paradise
- 3) 8.58 lbs. Gaspare Aragona
- 4) 7.74 lbs. Randy Alderman
- 5) 7.51 lbs. Ed Paehlig
- 6) 7.13 lbs. Mike Paradise
- 7) 6.62 lbs. Brian Bach
- 8) 6.27 lbs. Chris Nytko
- 9) 6.15 lbs. Joe Delisi
- 10) 6.00 lbs. Mark Eickholdt
- 11) 5.68 lbs. Luke Paradise
- 12) 5.18 lbs. Paul Gjeldum
- 13) 4.93 lbs. Tom Gorguze
- 14) 4.71 lbs. Garry Wartenberger
- 15) 4.06 lbs. Bob Paradise
- 16) 3.89 lbs. Dan Tikus
- 17) 2.75 lbs. Dan Chisholm
- 18) 1.61 lbs. Mark Wyrick
- 19) 1.60 lbs. Ty Voight
- 20) 1.51 lbs. Fred Chartier
- 21) 1.39 lbs. John Martins
- 22) .99 lbs. Fred Aynixk
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weigh in. The big fish pool was won by Ed Paehlig with a 7.51lb. WHOPPER! The smallest (legal 13") fish pool was Won by Gaspare Aragona with a 13 1/16" .65lber! The 5 Best Division winners were: 1st. Place, Rob Pinsky 10.48lbs., 2nd. Place Mark Paradise 9.12 lbs., 3rd. Place Gaspare 8.58 lbs.

I want to thank everyone who participated. We hope to see you at the next event.  
Tight lines, Rob Pinsky



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### COVID 19 ANNOUNCEMENT

DAS activities are resuming with modifications to encourage social distancing, and promote safe practices. Face masks are suggested at gatherings, and we should practice good social distancing. We hope to see a good turnouts as we emerge from the COVID-19 shutdown. It may be prudent for individuals with special health concerns to continue isolation. Please follow our website, message forums, and Facebook pages for more details on precautions, revised procedures, and event updates.

### The 2020 SOTY Schedule Has Resumed

Skippers meetings are eliminated. Online PDF entry forms should be e-mailed to trolling director Bob Feisel by midnight before each event. To enter the day of the event, please call Bob directly before the tournament start . Set lines at 6:00AM and pull lines at 1:00PM. Next up is Frankfort.

- **Sat., July 11 Frankfort** Port Captain: Dan Chisholm, Roll Call 7:00AM. Fish Calls 9:00AM & 11:00AM on Channel 72
- **Sat., Aug. 1 Ludington** Port Captain: Bob Feisel, Roll Call 7:00AM. Fish Calls 9:00AM & 11:00AM on Channel 72
- **Sat., Aug. 22 Manistee** Port Captain: Tom Gorguze. Roll Call 7:00AM. Fish Calls 9:00AM & 11:00AM on Channel 72