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October 25 Member Meeting Recap From Club 54

The high-energy persuasion of Lake Huron Citizens Advisory Committee Vice-Chair Randy Terrian was on display as he discussed his interaction with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. His focus was on the timing of the salmon release in the ports the DNR has selected in order to give the new release a better opportunity to survive. The obvious result would be a better fishery for all of us. Thank you Randy for a great presentation.

November 29, 2022 Membership Meeting at Club 54 7:30 pm—37722 Van Dyke Ave, Sterling Hts.

Our November 29 speaker will be Matt Forte from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife service. He will talk about the overall health of the Lake Huron and Lake Michigan fishery with a special focus on Steelhead. This should be a very interesting presentation. Come out and join us, what else have you got going on a cold November evening?

Annual Meeting and Election of Officers Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at Club 54

The annual meeting is an awards night and celebration of 2022 success. It is also an opportunity to fulfill our By-Law requirement to elect the Board-of-Directors. More on the celebration elsewhere in this newsletter. The election is your opportunity to have a voice in the operation of the Detroit Steelheaders. The club needs you to step up and add your voice in the direction the club will take in the future. Any member in good standing (dues paid up) can choose to run for office. James Anderson has agreed to be our election chairman for this election. If you want to have a say in the clubs operation, let James know so he can place you on the ballot.

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October 29, 2022 Manistee River, Pier, Beach AOTY Recap



Detroit Area Steelheaders AOTY Manistee Pier, Beach, and River Outing, 3 Best Steelhead 16 DAS members ventured into the dark early morning to the North Pier and Manistee River. It was a bit chilly with a light easterly wind and the dark morning turned into a beautiful sunny day which made fishing tough. The wind changed slightly to an easterly south wind and a little action happened on the pier. There was one hit, and than another hit. Unfortunately the first one didn't stay on and the second hit was on for at least 5min and unfortunately the fish came off. There was 10 minutes left of the outing and yet no fish was landed, it sure sounded like another no fish outing. Then it happened, a rod went off and all DAS members raced to help and cheer the member who had a fish on. The fish went thru 3 rods and luckily did not get tangled in the lines. Carefully taking time the fish was finally close enough to the pier and was netted. It was quite the day since no action or fish was landed all day and for such a surprise at the end of the outing. First place and Big Fish went to Anna Kulpa with her 10lb Steelhead on her Pink Rod, Pink Rod Holder, and Pink Spawn Bag. Thanks to members Mark Wyrick for netting the fish and Nate Case Jr., and Bob Paradise for moving the rods out of the way. If it wasn't for all your help the fish would of surely been lost. Thanks to Tom Thieda for Hosting the outing and providing a great pizza luncheon from Big Al's. Thank you to all DAS members for participating and creating fishing memories and stories. See you all at the next outing in Manistee, November 5th Pier, Beach, and River Fishoff against Metro-West.

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- Renewal - \$35 Yearly
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Top 20 places for 2022 Angler of the Year. As you can see, with one event remaining, the competition for the top three spots will be determined by the results at Caseville on December 10. Caseville is one of our more popular events where we get large numbers of club participants and it is also the most difficult to predict how to fish the existing conditions on that date. We never know what to expect so bring everything you have and be ready for anything.

Angler of the Year(AOTY) Overall Standings To Date													TODAY: 11/12/2022	
Entrant's Name	1-29 MB	2-26 SF	3-26 MA	4-23 OS	5-07 AL	6-11 SCR	7-16 SW	9-10 LSC	9-24 MA	10-29 MA	11-05 MA	12-10 CV	Best 5	Place
1 BOB PARADISE	1	1	50	50	2	3	75	1	1	50	6	75	6	1
2 GASPARE ARAGONA	2	3	50	75	6	14	3	3	50	50	50	75	17	2
2 JAMES ANDERSON	8	50	4	1	7	16	5	5	2	50	50	75	17	2
4 LAURIE GAMBLIN	4	7	2	50	75	75	4	9	50	50	1	75	18	4
5 MARK WYRICK	9	75	60	50	75	2	1	19	50	50	5	75	36	5
6 DANIEL CHISHOLM	10	5	75	75	16	20	75	10	50	50	4	75	45	6
7 ANNA KULPA	11	75	50	50	75	13	7	15	50	1	50	75	47	7
8 BLAISE PEWINSKI	75	75	75	75	13	4	2	6	75	75	75	75	100	8
9 NATE CASE	15	4	50	75	75	9	75	75	50	75	75	75	128	9
10 ZBIGNIEW PIOTROW	75	50	75	75	17	8	8	50	75	75	75	75	133	10
11 NATE CASE JR	50	6	50	75	19	17	75	75	75	50	75	75	142	11
12 ROB PINSKEY	75	2	75	75	10	1	75	75	75	75	75	75	163	12
13 RABIH ABDALLAH	16	75	50	50	75	75	75	75	50	50	2	75	168	13
14 GARY GROSS	75	75	75	50	20	75	50	7	75	75	50	75	177	14
15 KYLE COVIK	75	8	75	75	50	75	75	17	50	75	75	75	200	15
16 SAMUEL ANDERSON	75	50	5	50	75	75	75	75	50	75	50	75	205	16
17 JON NEEF	75	75	75	2	50	75	9	75	75	75	75	75	211	17
18 TOM GORGUZE	75	75	50	75	14	12	75	75	75	75	75	75	226	18
19 DENIS HARPER	13	50	75	75	75	75	75	15	75	75	75	75	228	19
20 ROGER PARADISE	75	75	3	75	1	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	229	20



Join us **Tuesday, December 13, 2022** at Club 54 to celebrate the holidays with your fishing friends. Each December, we celebrate fishing achievements, and recognize members who make our club special.

- The annual meeting is limited to members, spouses, members children, and grandchildren.
- All attendees are eligible to participate in the 50:50 drawing, but only members will be eligible for door prizes. Your door prize ticket will be attached to the 2023 Officer Election ballot.
- Doors open at 6:30 pm, meeting at 7:00PM. Club 54 is located at 37722 Van Dyke Ave. Sterling Hts. 48312.
- Every year Salmon Claus brings gifts for young fisherwomen and fishermen. We want to make sure that his elves have enough presents. As always, Club 54 will provide a cash bar. Membership dues must be current by December 1st to attend.

In order to make this a successful event, we ask everyone attending with young children to RSVP right away. The event is a 30 days from today. Email Kellie Ventimiglia with the members name, number of children attending, along with each child's name and age. If information for your child is not received in advance, Salmon Claus may not have a gift for your child.

Email Kellie at: ventimigliak@yahoo.com



Detroit Area Steelheaders Manistee Fall Fishoff with Metro-West Steelheaders Pier, Beach, River best 3 Steelhead DAS and Metro-West members headed out into a dark rainy morning. It was quite warm for a November morning as the winds were SE and changed to South as the wind picked up throughout the day to almost 25mph by the time the tournament ended with rain throughout the day. The pressure was on since the last outing in Manistee was tough and only one fish caught. Five minutes into the outing the bite was on, Mark Wyrick landed the first fish. It was at least another couple hours or so and the bite picked up as the winds and rain were pouring. Rabih Abdallah caught the 2nd fish. About another couple hours later Rabih caught the 3rd fish, than Kevin Longley and Dan Chisholm each had a fish on. At the end of the outing Bob Paradise caught a fish. There was word from the river fisherman that fish were caught by a few members and fish caught on the beach by fellow Metro-West members. With the weather conditions fishing could have been better, although the fishing was better than the last wknd. 1st place went to Laurie Gamblin, 2nd place to Rabih Abdallah, 3rd place to Kevin Langley, 4th place to Dan Chisholm, 5th place to Mark Wyrick, and 6th Bob Paradise. Big Fish went to 1st Rabih Abdallah, 2nd Kevin Longley, 3rd Dan Chisholm. Once again this Fall the Detroit Area Steelheaders out fished Metro-West Steelheaders and we took the plaque home again Thank you to Bob Paradise for hosting the outing and setting up a great dinner at The Painted Lady. Thank you to all DAS and Metro-West members for participating, always a great time and great memories. See you all at the next outing in Caseville December 10 for Lake Trout!! FISH ON.

FPN: We have some awesome fishing women in this club. This is the second AOTY event in a row that has been won by a woman. Great job lady DAS fishing women! You ROCK!

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PORT</u>	<u>PORT CAPTAIN</u>	<u>TIMES</u>
MAY 6	ST JOE	JOE DELISI	6 AM – 1 PM
MAY 20-21	GRAND HAVEN	JIM ZANKE	6 AM – 1 PM SATURDAY 6 AM – 11 AM SUNDAY
JUNE 3	HARBOR BEACH	JOE VON GRABE	5:30 AM – 1 PM
JULY 8	PRESQUE ISLE	BLAISE PEWINSKI	5:30 AM - 1 PM
JULY 22	MANISTEE	SCOTT CAMPBELL	6 AM – 1 PM
AUGUST 5	LUDINGTON	FRED CHARTIER	6 AM – 1 PM
AUGUST 12	FRANKFORT	NATE CASE	6 AM – 1 PM

Entry fee is \$15 per person (Captain, crew, plus guests that will be joining us for lunch at the weigh-in). Fees will be collected at the weigh-in.

The optional Big Fish bet is \$20 per boat. Prize money is split 50% for biggest Salmon, 25% for biggest Steelhead, and 25% for biggest Lake Trout.

Captains are requested to register at least 3 days before the tournament. Late registrations will be accepted, but it might not be possible to include lunch at the weigh-in. Register on-line (detroitsteelheaders.com/2022-entry-form), or by text message to Tournament Director Bob Feisel (248-765-2504) and provide the following information:

- Boat Name
- Names of captain and crew
- Captain's cell phone number
- Total number of persons expected for lunch (captain, crew, guests).
- Participation in Big Fish Bet (yes / no).

DAS Assists DNR With Salmon-in-the-Classroom Delivery

On Friday, November 18, 2022 DAS members will assist DNR Aquatic Education Coordinator, Tracy Page in distribution of salmon eggs to approved/qualified schools in Southeastern Michigan. The distribution takes place at the Metropolitan Beach Nature Center Pickup will begin at 10am. This year qualified schools get the 150 eggs in a bag, food, a Chinook sticker and a poster. So extra swag! Pickup ends at 4pm. At 2:30 the workshop ends and those teachers are invited over to the Fisheries Research Station for a tour.

On Thursday November 3rd, the captains met to determine the 2023 Trolling Schedule and rule changes. Those not familiar with the meeting, any captain that participated in a 2022 trolling event is invited to determine trolling ports and dates for the following year. We also discuss rule changes. It was decided to raise the entry fee from **\$20 per boat to \$15 per person**. This change is to help reduce the Club's costs for the tournaments due to rising food costs. It was thought this was fair because of the variation of participants. Anywhere from 2 to 6 people occupy a boat.

I want to thank all the captains that volunteered to be Port Captain! Their duties include roll call, fish call, collecting for big fish, and most importantly – supplying lunch. For all of those that enjoyed a nice hot meal after coming off the water, I would like to add some comments. **It is very important to register early!** Whether the port captain is working with a caterer or preparing the food himself, it's critical to get an **early and accurate count**. Even ordering pizzas for a group this large requires a couple of days' notice. We always want to make sure there is enough food for everyone, with little waste. This also helps to keep the costs of the tournament down. So, when you fill out registration form, please include any non-fishing people that may join us for lunch - wives, grandchildren, etc. in the "Number of persons for lunch" . Bob Ksionzek has made this incredibly easy with the form available on the Steelheader's web site! The ports, dates, and port captains can be located on the DAS Message Board and on page 5 of this newsletter. Please join us and register early.

Jim Zanke

DAS Annual Dues

There has been some confusion lately regarding the DAS annual membership dues. Here are some guidelines to help sort this out:

- Regular (no discounts) annual membership dues: \$35 on your anniversary date.
- Seniors 65+: \$20 on your anniversary date.
- Event membership (this one has caused some confusion): A **NEW** member may join DAS during any of our sanctioned events for \$20. At the new members anniversary date, the age appropriate rate applies. \$35 for regular, \$20 for senior.
- Youth are granted free membership up until 16 YOA where the regular rate would then apply. Youth members are required to pay for any outing they attend.
- DAS Board of Directors membership are free while they serve on the BOD.

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MEETING NOTICE—PLEASE DO NOT DELAY

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Membership Expires:



Upcoming Dates

- November 18 SIC Salmon Eggs Assist at Metro Beach Nature Center
- November 29 Membership Mtg Club 54
- December 6 Board of Directors—Irena's Pastry and Bistro
- December 10 Caseville Lake Trout
- December 13 Annual Meeting and end of Year Awards

Life doesn't have to be perfect to be Wonderful!