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Tuesday, May 30, 2023 Membership Meeting River Bends Park (Recap)

NOAA National Weather Service speakers Kyle Tilley and Brian Kleis, based out of the White Lake State Recreation Area, WFO Detroit/Pontiac, explained to DAS members the details involved in weather prediction. The use of weather balloons to predict temperature, wind, precipitation, and humidity was fascinating and useful to us as boaters on the Great Lakes. The balloons collect the data, data is interpreted, and then disseminated to us. I thought it was fascinating.

June 27, 2023 Membership Meeting 7:00 PM at River Bends Park

Thanks to our connection with long time member Mark Williams, we will benefit from hearing from Captain Paul Vanderwall who runs a 31' Tiara out of Grand Haven named the Alure. He will be talking about summer salmon tactics on lake Michigan. He knows the Ludington , Manistee area very well. Should be a very informative talk at the right time of the year. Tight lines and see you there.

Remaining 2023 AOTY Event Schedule

Date	Location Pc	ort Captain/Coordinator
June 10, 2023	St. Clair River St. Clair Harbor (Walle	ye) Rob Pinsky
June 10/11, 2023*	Auburn Hills Kids Outing	
	*This will not be scored as an Angler event.	outing. It is a separate
July 15, 2023	Au Gres (Walleye)	Gary Gross
September 9, 2023	Lake St. Clair Harley Ensign Ramp (Pe	erch) Gaspare Aragona
September 30, 2023	Manistee River (Steelhead/Salmon)	J. Anderson/L.Gamblin
October 14, 2023	AuSable River (Steelhead/Salmon)	Gary Gross
October 28, 2023	Manistee River/Pier/Beach (Steelhea	ad) M. Wyrick/A. Kulpa
November 4, 2023	Manistee River/Pier/Surf (Steelhead) Bob Paradise
December 9, 2023	Caseville River (Lake Trout)	Rob Pinsky

Remaining 2023 SOTY Event Schedule

Remaining 2023 Boat Trolling tournaments:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PORT</u>	PORT CAPTAIN	<u>TIMES</u>
JUNE 3 JULY 8 JULY 22 AUGUST 5 AUGUST 12	HARBOR BEACH PRESQUE ISLE MANISTEE LUDINGTON FRANKFORT	JOE VON GRABE BLAISE PEWINSKI SCOTT CAMPBELL FRED CHARTIER NATE CASE	5:30 AM - 1 PM 5:30 AM - 1 PM 6 AM - 1 PM 6 AM - 1 PM 6 AM - 1 PM

	ROIT AREA STEELHEADERS, INC. Box 297, Sterling Heights, MI. 48311-297					
□ New Member - \$35 Yearly □ Senior (65 & over)- \$20 Yearly □ A	· · ·					
□ Special Event Rate (New Members Only)- \$20						
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Angler of the Year Outing Saturday, May 13 Algonac (Walleye)

	Angler's Name 💌	Statu 💌	Entry Fe	Big Fish F -	Qty Fsh -	5 Tot Wg -	Heaviest -	Place -	1
1	MARK WYRICK	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	13.55	2.97	1	
2	ANNA KULPA	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	13.31	3.78	2	
5	ANDREW STOCKTON	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	12.65	2.56	3	1 -
1	MIKE PARADISE	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	12.41	2.86	4	
5	BOB KSIONZEK	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	12.16	5.23	5	1 [
5	JAY GILLIAM	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	11.62	2.68	6	
7	ROB PINSKEY	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	10.10	2.94	7	
в	JAMES ANDERSON	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	9.32	0.00	8	
9	MARK PARADISE	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	4	9.07	3.43	9	1 🗖
0	TOM GORGUZE	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	4	8.86	2.67	10	1 -
11	DANIEL CHISHOLM	M	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	8.30	2.13	11	
2	ED PAEHLIG	M	\$15.00	\$10.00	3	8.23	3.63	12	1 6
3	TODD RIDLEY	M	\$15.00	\$10.00	4	7.62	2.58	13	
4	HAYDEN PAEHLIG	M	0.0.00	\$10.00	3	7.59	2.92	14	
5	BOB PARADISE	M	\$15.00	\$10.00	2	5.00	3.35	15	
6	BLAISE PEWINSKI	M	\$15.00	\$10.00	3	4.98	2.46	16	
7	ARTRING	M	\$15.00	\$10.00	2	4.90	2.89	17	-
8	CHRIS NYTKO	M	\$15.00	\$10.00	2	2.60	1.55	18	-
9	STAN BILEK	M	\$15.00	\$10.00	1	2.28	2.28	19	-
0	JON MARTENS	M	\$15.00	\$10.00	2	2.15	0.00	20	-
1	ROGER PARADISE	M	\$15.00	\$10.00	1	1.47	1.47	21	-
2	NATE CASE JR	M	010.00	\$10.00	1	1.31	1.31	22	-
3	BRAD WALTON	M	\$15.00	\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	1
3	DON JASMAN	M	\$15.00	\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	1
3	JANETTE HARREN	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	
3	LUKE PARADISE	м		\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	1
3	MARK EICKHOLDT	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	1
3	PAUL GJELDUM	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	1
3	TOM BLYTHE	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	1
3	TOM THIEDA	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	
3	VIRGINIA WILLIAMS	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	
23	ZBIGNIEW PIOTROW	м	\$15.00	\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	
23	MARC KALA	G	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	12.22	5.30	23	* JOI
3	BOB LINKEWITZ	G	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	12.20	3.72	23	
3	BILL HOFFMAN	G	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	11.12	2.86	23	
3	TOM STOCKTON	G	\$15.00	\$10.00	5	9.49	1.99	23	
3	JAMES BALTIESRA	G	\$15.00	\$10.00	4	8.31	2.55	23	
23	ED JOHNS	G	\$15.00	\$10.00	4	8.14	2.68	23	
3	GEORGE PEWINSKI	G	\$15.00	\$10.00	2	2.52	0.00	23	
3	BOB LINKEWITZ JR.	G	\$15.00	\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	
23	DICK LOTHIAM	G	\$15.00	\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	
3	TONY YEAREGO	G	\$15.00	\$10.00	0	0.00	0.00	23	



Angler of the Year Overall Standings

		1	2023 An	gler of th	e Year()	AOTY) O	verall Sta	andings						TODAY:	5/15/2023		
	Entrant's Name	1-21 ME -	2-05 SF -	3-11 Lex5 -	3-25 M/	4-22 050 -	5-13 AL -	6-10 SC# -	7-15 Aut -	9-091.50	9-30 M/	10-14 05	10-28 M	11-04 M	12-09 CV	Best 5	Place 1
1	BOB PARADISE	4	1	5	50	18	15	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	43	1
2	MARK WYRICK	9	75	3	50	7	1	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	70	2
3	KEVIN LONGLEY	3	2	1	50	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	106	3
4	GASPARE ARAGONA	2	50	2	50	12	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	116	4
5	JAMES ANDERSON	7	50	75	3	50	8	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	118	5
6	ANNA KULPA	50	50	50	50	50	2	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	202	6
7	LAURIE GAMBLIN	75	50	50	6	26	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	207	7
8	DANIEL CHISHOLM	1	75	50	75	75	11	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	212	8
9	RABIH ABDALLAH	75	75	50	4	22	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	226	9
10	ROB PINSKEY	5	75	75	75	75	7	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	237	10
11	NATE CASE JR	75	50	50	50	75	22	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	247	11
11	ROGER PARADISE	75	75	75	1	75	21	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	247	11
13	NATE CASE	75	50	50	5	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	255	13
14	SAMUEL ANDERSON	8	50	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	258	14
15	BLAISE PEWINSKI	50	75	75	75	50	16	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	266	15
16	LUCAS MAIANI	75	75	4	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	279	16
17	BOB KSIONZEK	50	75	75	75	75	5	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	280	17
18	ZBIGNIEW PIOTROW	50	75	50	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	300	18
19	JOE BAKER	75	75	75	2	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	302	19
20	TERRICK PATTERSON	75	3	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	303	20
20	ANDREW STOCKTON	75	75	75	75	75	3	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	303	20
22	MIKE PARADISE	75	75	75	75	75	4	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	304	22
23	MARK CARLSON	6	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	306	23
23	JAY GILLIAM	75	75	75	75	75	6	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	306	23
25	MARK PARADISE	75	75	75	75	75	9	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	309	25
26	TOM GORGUZE	75	75	75	75	75	10	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	310	26
27	ED PAEHLIG	75	75	75	75	75	12	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	312	27
28	TODD RIDLEY	75	75	75	75	75	13	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	313	28
29	HAYDEN PAEHLIG	75	75	75	75	75	14	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	314	29
30	JON NEEF	75	75	75	75	14	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	314	30
31	ART RING	75	75	75	75	75	17	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	317	31
32	CHRIS NYTKO	75	75	75	75	75	18	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	318	32
33	STAN BILEK	75	75	75	75	75	19	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	319	33
34	JON MARTENS	75	75	75	75	75	20	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	320	34
35	CURTIS WILLIAMS	75	50	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	325	35
35	KYLE COVIAK	50	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	325	35
35	BRAD WALTON	50	75	75	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	325	35
35	DON JASMAN	50	75	75	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	325	35
35	JANETTE HARREN	75	75	75	75	50	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	325	35
35	VIRGINIA WILLIAMS	75	75	75	75	50	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	325	35
41	GARY GROSS	75	75	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	350	41
41	GIL GRAFTON	75	75	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	350	41
41	KEVIN GROSS	75	75	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	350	41
41	LIZ KULPA	75	75	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	350	41
41	WILLIAM KUHN	75	75	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	350	41
41	LUKE PARADISE	75	75	75	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	350	41
41	PAUL GJELDUM	75	75	75	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	350	41
41	TOM THIEDA	75	75	75	75	75	50	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	350	41





This is Anna Kulpa's excellent report on the May 13 Algonac Walleye outing:

Detroit Area Steelheaders AOTY Outing Algonac St. Clair River 5 Best Walleye. On Saturday May 13, 42 DAS members made their way to the Algonac DNR boat launch and headed out on the river in search of walleye. The morning was a bit chillier and windier than expected with some cloud cover. DAS members fished all over the St. Clair River from south of the launch all the way to Marysville on the U.S. and Canadian side. Fishing was a bit difficult, a lot of the fish were small and not in the areas as expected to be. Although some members were able to find fish and of quality size. Eventually the warm sun came out at the end of the outing making it a beautiful day. First place, went to Mark Wyrick, Second place, Anna Kulpa, and Third, Andrew Stockton. 1st Big Fish went to Mark Kala, 2nd Big Fish went to Bob Kzionzek, and third Big Fish Went to Anna Kulpa. A Big thank you to Tom Gorguze and his wife for hosting the outing at their home and providing a wonderful perch and walleye fish fry with all the extras. Thank you to all DAS members who fished the outing and making memories doing what we love to do See you all at the next AOTY Outing on June 10 in St. Clair on the St. Clair River for Walleye. FISH ON



Algonac AOTY Walleye Outing











Skipper-of-the-Year Trolling Tournament May 20/21, 2023 Grand Haven two-Day

	Grand Have	n Standings		20			5/	20/2023	Day 1	Loon										/21/2023	Day 2		y er er er					
lan	Boat Name	Skipper	# d Fal		Catch	by Species &	Weight		Best 5 Total Wo	Best 5 Total Pte	Best 4 Total Wo	Deduction Code	Points Deducter	Total Points	# of Fish	<u>(</u>	Catel	by Species	5 Weight		Best 5 Total Wo	Best 5 Total Pte		Deduction Code	Points Deducter	Total Points	2-Day Total Pres.	Place
1	Wonder	Joe Delisi	0						0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	5					K 7.35	52.80	77.80	45.45	NONE	0.00	77.80	78.80	1
2	Equalizer	Nathan Case	0						0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	5		0 K 10.8				48.60	73.60	41.00	NONE	0.00	73.60	74.60	2
	Sloppy Joe	Joe Von Grabe	0						0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	5					K 6.95	46.85	71.85	39.90	NONE	0.00	71.85	72.85	3
	Silent Majority	Jason Sherrill	0					•••••	0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	5	K 12.4		K 8.2			44.70	69.70	37.30	NONE	0.00	69.70	70.70	4
1.0	Lake Buzzard	Fred Chartier	0	******					0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	5	K 10.0	0.00000				38.50	63.50	32.40	NONE	0.00	63.50	64.50	5
	Vicki's Seacret	Bob Feisel	0						0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	4	K 14.9		-	K 4.35		33.75	53.75	33.75	NONE	0.00	53.75	54.75	6
	Rangy Lil	Mike Mioduszewski	0						0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	5	K 8.05						52.25	23.50	NONE	0.00	52.25	53.25	7
	Miss Adventure	Allen Devoll	0					•••••	0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	4	K 9.65		K 7.20			29.40	49.40	29.40	NONE	0.00	49.40	50.40	8
	Hardtop & Tails	Jim Zanke	0		******	******		******	0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	5	K 8.50	K 5.15	K 4.00	K 3.40	C 2.25	23.30	48.30	21.05	NONE	0.00	48.30	49.30	9
		Boat Name	5	Species	Wgt.	No. Caught		9	Total	Boats							Bo	t Name	s	ecies	Wgt.	No. Caught						
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			-	King	0.00				D	eduction Co	de LEGEN	D					Wonde	r	Pool Ki	10	15.05				NRRC	= No Respo	onse Role Call	
	L		Coh	0	0.00	0			NRRC	= No Respo	onse Role (al				L	Rangy	Lil	Coho		2.30	2			LTWI	= Late To V	leigh-In	
	A		Pool	Coho	0.00				LTWI	= Late To V	Veigh-In					A	Rangy	Lil	Pool Co	ho	2.30				UCC	= Unauthor	ized Crew Chg	ç.
		The second second	Lake	e Trout	0.00	0			UCC	= Unauthor	ized Crew I	Chg.					Vicki's	Seacret	Lake Tr	out	7.10	2			DQ	+ Disqualify	ed .	
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	G			lhead	0.00	0			0	* Guest		_				G			Steelhe	ad	0.00	0						
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Grand Haven 2023

First off, I would like to welcome two new boats to our fishing tournaments, Silent Majority and Miss Adventure! It's always great to get new people to participate. We had 9 boats and 27 participants. A great turnout. As always, the weather played a key role in fishing. We pre-fished Thursday afternoon and Friday mid-day. Friday's weather was iffy in the morning with showers and possible thunderstorms. It cleared up by 10 am. We caught 2 fish each day and thought it was going to be another scattered fish weekend. Saturday morning winds were quite high at 14 mph out of the Northwest and building. Because of the small craft advisory, the tournament was cancelled for the day. Those that wanted to brave the wind and waves could go out on their own. Even though fishing was cancelled, we had a nice lunch of taco, Spanish rice, and nachos.

Because Grand Haven is a two-day tournament, we fished Sunday from 6am to 11am. The weather calmed down considerably, and all 9 boats went out. All caught fish! Wonder came in first place with 10 fish. They also had the big king at 15.05 lbs. Equilizer came in second with 9 fish. Sloppy Joe caught 10 and came in third. Silent Majority caught 10, in fourth. Lake Buzzard caught 7, in fifth. Vicki's Secret came in sixth with 4 fish. They also had the big laker at 7.10 lbs. Rangy Lil came in seventh with 6 fish. Miss Adventure caught 4 and came in eighth place. They won the steelhead portion of the big fish pool by lottery because no steelhead were caught. Hardtop & Tails came nineth, but we were happy just to catch 5 fish.

All in all, it was a good weekend. Thanks to all the boaters that participated. Jim Zanke – Port Captain

Grand Haven SOTY Tournament Pictures













Grand Haven SOTY Tournament Pictures













Harbor Beach 6/3/2023

What a beautiful morning we had at Harbor Beach this year. Not too cold, not too hot, no bugs to speak of, and one footers to start out with. The seas did build a little as the day progressed, but since most if not all the boats fished north, the ride back to port was no problem as the wind was out of east northeast.

Not sure what a Lake Huron Grand Slam is but the Lake Michigan version is when you catch a King, Coho, Laker, Steelhead and a Brown. For this tournament, (as a club), we were just short a Brown Trout of getting what I'll coin as getting a Super Grand Slam. Weighed in were a King, three Cohos, three Atlantics, five Steelhead and lots of Lakers. Many Pink Salmon were also caught that didn't weigh.

For us, we started out off of Port Hope in about 93 fow. After we had a few lines set we had our first fish on and then a few minutes later our second and third. It looked like it was going to be a good day. The rest of the day we just picked away at them at about a fish per hour rate. All of our early action came off of the riggers with nothing coming on our coppers or dipseys. Around eleven o'clock, we took off the coppers and switched them to a seven color, half core and a high line with a Thin Fin on it. The High Line quickly took two Steelhead and the seven color a nice Laker. At the same time, a dipsey finally went. Four fish in about fifteen minutes. I wish I had run a couple of High Lines all day. We had nine club boats entered with one guest boat, "The Lund", invited to join us. The guest boat didn't end up fishing with us but he contacted me after and said he planned on joining our club.

At the first fish call, Lake Buzzard and Wonder reported six fish each. The second fish call had Lake Buzzard with ten, Wonder with seven, Miss-Adventure with seven, and Sloppy Joe with six.

At the weigh-in, everyone enjoyed Subs and Wraps from Subway, along with cookies and assorted chips.

Lake Buzzard took first place, with Wonder second and Miss-Adventure third. There was less than a pound difference between first and second place. Miss-Adventure took the big Salmon prize of \$70, with big Steelhead going to Equalizer and big Laker to Wonder.

Joe von Grabe

"Sloppy Joe"

(Editors Note: we went to press just before the Harbor Beach results were published. The Harbor Beach results and SOTY 2023 results can be located on the DAS Message Board now, and we be on display in the July issue of Fishin Tales III. Pictures will be included).

Pg 10 Angler-of-the Year Outing June 10 St. Clair River Walleye

This event will be held at the:St. Clair Boat Harbor, 902 S. 2nd. Street, St. Clair, Mi. 48079Phone: 810-329-4125stclairboatharbor.com

They do rent slips if anyone would like to overnight.

To enter simply TEXT me, Rob Pinskey at (810)543-3191 by 4:00 pm. Friday June 9th. 2023 so I can finalize the food for the lunch.

For boat entry: Include the captains name and phone number first, followed by all other anglers' names (first and last) on board.

Entry fees are \$15.00 per person which includes the lunch plus Big fish pool is an additional \$10.00. You may opt out of big fish if you choose but everyone on board will either be IN or opt OUT. Be sure to let me know in your entry text if you are opting out or you will be considered IN and required to pay the big fish pool fee.

If you are fishing from shore, just text your name and that you want to participate. The entry fees will be the same.

This is an individual event for AOTY (Angler Of The Year). YOU MUST KEEP EACH PERSON'S FISH SEPERATE AND IDENTIFIED.

We will strictly follow the DNR 15" minimum size rule.

The limit is 6 fish per person, but we will count your best 5 fish by weight plus 5 points per fish. Any ties will be determined by length of fish.

Boundaries are the St. Clair River only from the Blue Water Bridge in Port Huron down to where the North, Middle and South Channels enter Lake St. Clair. Canadian waters are included. Of course, be sure to have a Canadian License and follow all Canadian fishing regulations.

You may start fishing at 5:30 am. You must pull lines by 12:00 noon., Coolers MUST BE IN LINE BY 1:30 pm. BE SURE TO ALLOW ENOUGH TIME OR MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO DROP OFF YOUR COOLERS AND HAVE THEM IN LINE ON TIME.

The launch ramp does get backed up and you may be waiting a while to pull your boat out. Have somebody get your fish cooler in line on time!

Weigh-in and picnic will be at the second Pavilion S. of the marina office (same place as past years events).

AOTY Comtinuation

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The water level has gone down more since last year's event.

There should be plenty of height for almost any of our fishing boats to pass under the drawbridge without any concerns.

The drawbridge doesn't operate until 8:00 am. and then every half hour.

If you think you will have an issue with your boat passing under the bridge we will make an exception and you will be allowed to launch at the Marysville ramp.

This is the ONLY exception and the ONLY alternate launch ramp. Contact me Rob Pinskey, by text @ 810 543-3191

The most popular way to catch Walleye at this time of year will be dragging crawler harnesses.

Some fish are also still caught by vertical jigging.

We look forward to seeing you all at this event! Fishing is usually pretty good at this time of year! <u>Come on out and have some fun and catch some Walleye!</u>

Tight Lines, Rob Pinskey & Ed Paehlig

Angler-of-the Year Outing July 15 Au Gres (Walleye)

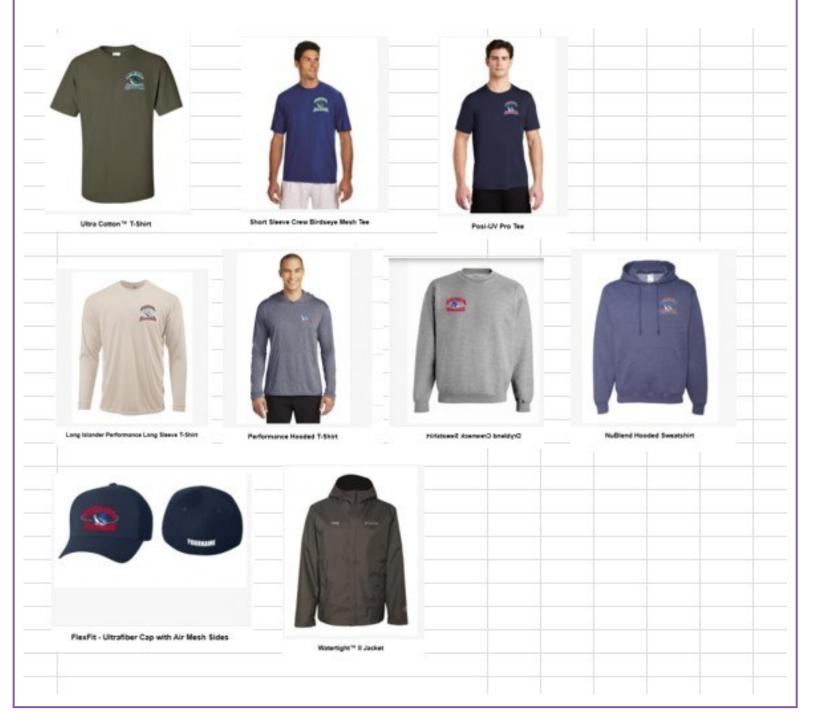
The Au Gres outing will be on July 15th. Walleys only.

Start time will be at 6:00 am. Pull lines at 1:00 pm . Weigh in will be at 2:00 pm at the fish cleaning station on Water Street South of the river next to a water park . Look for the big gray building . If the parking lot is full you can park on Water Street.

\$15 for registration and \$10 for optional big fish pool. Please call Gary by Wednesday before the outing at 586-291-1290.

The M-65 Bait Shop will be open at 0530 on the day of our outing. The address is 302 S Main Street. They have everything you need.

The 2023 DAS on-line store is still a work in progress but below is a preview of the items under consideration. There also may be travel cups and mugs as additional selections available.



Pg 13 Consent Decree Information as forwarded to DAS by our LMCFAC representative Mark Williams. This information has previously been available on our Web site and through e-mail blast

Consent Decree Update

Back-to-back court dates scheduled for this month could determine whether a proposed consent decree between the state, feds, and five sovereign tribes will cause drastic impacts to parts of our Great Lakes fishery.

An existing Great Lakes Consent Decree signed in 2000 governs fishing regulations in certain waters of lakes Michigan and Huron from Grand Haven north around the tip of the mitt to Alpena and most of eastern Lake Superior. The 2000 decree balanced recreational and Tribal commercial fishing of lake trout and whitefish through a zonal approach. That decree was set to expire in 2020 but has been extended by the court while a successor decree has been negotiated by the parties.

Since 1985, two decrees governing allocations have been in place. The foundation of those decrees was that our Great Lakes fisheries should be equally split between the parties.

Tony Radjenovich, President of Coalition to Protect Michigan Resources (CPMR) said the sport and recreational fishery was not represented during these negotiations.

"Last year, it became clear that the State of Michigan and its Department of Natural Resources had abandoned the principle of a shared fishery and were more concerned about placating the tribes," Radjenovich said. "Recreational anglers have little recourse for the biological damage that will occur in traditional recreational zones."

The current proposed consent decree represents a deal that CPMR was excluded from providing input on. CPMR believes it will jeopardize the Great Lakes fishery and the interests of recreational anglers around the state. In response, CPMR has launched a legal fight to seek significant changes to the currently proposed consent decree before it is entered and controls the parties for several more decades.

May 3, 2023: Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals

In June of 2022, <u>the relationship between the Michigan DNR and the Coalition broke down</u>. As soon as it became clear in July that there was disagreement over the outcome and a real lack of any chance to have input into the negotiations through the State, CPMR filed a motion to intervene, which was subsequently denied by the District Court in August. CPMR asked the District Court to reconsider its decision, but those efforts were again denied in early October.

An appeal was promptly filed with the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals in October, asking that the ruling of the District Court be overturned and the organization be included in the ongoing proceedings as a full party. The State, Tribes, and federal government oppose this appeal.

On May 3, attorneys from CPMR will present its case for intervention to the Cincinnati court in hopes of getting CPMR a seat at the table.

May 24-25, 2023: Oral Arguments to Decree

When denying the intervention of CPMR in August of 2022, the Judge announced his intent to allow <u>CPMR and its</u> attorneys to present oral arguments on its objections to the proposed decree.

Three key points attorneys will focus on are the abandonment of the Court's previous holding that the fishery resource is shared between the parties, the expansion of gillnets by area and season that will decimate and destabilize the fisheries as science and past experience shows, and the lack of any agreed-upon mortality rates to limit overharvest of the fishery, setting the stocks back decades.

Lake Michigan Citizens Fishery Advisory Committee (LMCFAC) Information Continuation

The Coalition has also included several other concerns in its objections, all of which will be heard in May.

Jim Johnson, retired Lake Huron DNR biologist and CPMR member, said mortality rates must favor natural reproduction.

"Mortality targets for lake trout, if set at 40% or lower, produce harvest policy that favors reproduction — it creates self-sustaining lake trout populations that are less dependent or independent of stocking," Johnson said. "Further, the mortality rate cannot simply be ignored in favor of increased stocking because stocking is not successful in large parts of the Great Lakes, particularly Lake Huron."

The premise and foundation of these decrees have been a shared resource, said Amy Trotter, Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC) executive director and CPMR board member.

"Opportunity is not a commodity conservationists are willing to give away with nothing in return — especially given that they may now have to use hook and line to compete with gill nets, which are far more effective and lethal, in popular recreational fishing zones," Trotter said.

In a <u>court-ordered study comparing bycatch of gill nets and trap nets</u>, it was determined that a gillnet fishery in northern Lake Huron with a whitefish quota of 240,000 pounds would kill as bycatch the entire harvestable surplus of lake trout in that management unit — gill nets could not be fished selectively where lake trout rehabilitation was a priority.

"While it's true that tribal nations are sovereign, it does not mean that they can abdicate co-management responsibilities," said Radjenovich. "It is unclear why the DNR negotiated using a tactic it clearly opposes and outlaws for Michigan anglers and state-licensed commercial fishers."

According to the DNR's website:

"Unfortunately, gill nets also indiscriminately harvested all fish species in the targeted size range and produced very high levels of bycatch mortality of non-target species... Therefore, in 1972 the DNR banned the use of small-mesh gill nets throughout the Great Lakes."

What can you do?

CPMR comprises conservation and angling groups across the state. The four A-share members are MUCC, the Michigan Charter Boat Association, Hammond Bay Area Anglers Association and the Michigan Steelhead and Salmon Fishermen's Association.

These organizations have spent over \$200,000 fighting to protect our sportfishing heritage and Great Lakes fisheries. Other B-share groups throughout Michigan have supplemented their contributions in the tens of thousands. Detroit Area Steelheaders are a B Share member.

Without CPMR, your voice as an angler and conservationist would not be heard. The Michigan DNR has abandoned the principle of a shared fishery.

There is a <u>GoFundMe set up to help offset the</u> coalition's legal costs. We need all the help we can get to protect our great fishery.

LMCFAC Resolution

Resolution #01 Requires 2/3rd Majority

Submitted by:	Tim Hossack, Secretary, The NWMI Fishing Club
Management Region:	MM7 (Grand Haven to Pentwater
	MM6 Pentwater to Arcadia
	MM5 (Frankfort to Northport)
	MM4 (GT Bays)
	MM3 (Northport to Mackinaw)
	MM2 (Manistique)
	MM1 (Escanaba)
Submitted:	March 19, 2023
Title:	Lake Michigan Citizens Fishery Advisory Committee (LMCFAC)
	Disagreement with the DNR's Support of Gill Net Expansion

WHEREAS, all members of the LMCFAC Board representing fishermen in all of Lake Michigan, 1836 Treaty Waters of Lake Michigan, and south of 1836 Treaty Waters, unanimously reject the DNR's agreement to the expansion of Tribal Gill Nets and the proposed new consent decree covering treaty waters, and

WHEREAS, Whitefish and Lake Trout populations are not at "desired management levels" and Lake Trout are not self-sustaining and Gill Nets will do further long-term damage to the fishery, and

WHEREAS, no historical examples have been provided to rebut the negative effects of Gill Net use in a

fishery, and based on history, there will be long term harm to all species and not just whitefish and lake

trout. Gill Nets do not protect the fishery, and

WHEREAS, the proposed decree has no enforceable management measures to support scientifically valid catch limits or to properly weigh and record harvests, and

WHEREAS, no new enforcement personnel or weigh stations have been put in place to weigh and record harvests, and

WHEREAS, insufficient safety measures have been put in place that fail to safeguard boaters, and

WHEREAS, the "on your honor" reporting system included in the proposed decree has proven itself to be inaccurate, and untimely and will lead to overfishing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Lake Michigan Citizens Fishery Advisory Committee opposes the DNR's support of Gill Net Expansion in Lake Michigan under the proposed decree and its unenforceable management structure and demands that the DNR withdraw its support and approval of the current proposed consent decree.

Pg 16 Remaining Detroit Area Steelheader Meeting Dates and Locations

As a general rule all membership meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month. There are instances where a holiday may cause an adjustment for that month. Indoor meetings during cold months begin at 7:30 pm. Meetings in the River Bends Park* will begin at 7:30 in May but will begin earlier as we must adjust for earlier nightfall.

Meeting Date	Time	Location	Speaker
June 27, 2023	7:30	River Bends Park	Capt Paul Vanderwall (Manistee)
July 25, 2023	7:30	River Bends Park	TBD
August 29, 2023	7:30	River Bends Park	James Anderson (shore walleye fishing) (Club Potluck Picnic and swap meet)
September 26, 2023	7:30	Club 54	TBD
October 31, 2023	7:30	Club 54	Jay Wesley Mich DNR
November 28, 2023	7:30	Club 54	TBD
December 19, 2023	7:30	Club 54 Annual Mtg	Elections, awards, celebration & Salmon Clause

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Salmon Salad Recipe



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Upcoming Dates

June 3	SOTY Harbor Beach
June 10	AOTY St Clair River Walleye
June 10/11	Auburn Hills Kids Outing (Sat/Sun)
June 13	Board of Directors Mtg
June 10	AOTY St. Clair River Walleye
June 27	Members Mtg (River Bends)
July 8	SOTY Presque Isle
July 15	AOTY AuGres Walleye

Jean Paul Richter

"A timid person is frightened before a danger, a coward during the time,

and a courageous person afterwards".

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