

# Innsbrook Fishing Club

## Newsletter



### Fall 2020

December 2, 2020

On behalf of the Innsbrook Fishing Club, we hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and will enjoy the upcoming holiday season with family and friends. This year has been unique with the COVID pandemic impacting everyone. The number of anglers and the amount of fishing increased dramatically this last year as property owners, their families, and guests spent more time at Innsbrook sheltering in place. Fishing provided a way to social distance while enjoying the outdoors.

We are excited about the projects the Fishing Club completed in 2020. COVID limited our time together with other club members but we managed to stay connected through social media. Our success this past year was due to support through our members and Innsbrook supporting our requests for improvements to the lakes. A special thank you to Charlie Boyce and Jeff Yegge for your continued interest and support of the Fishing Club.



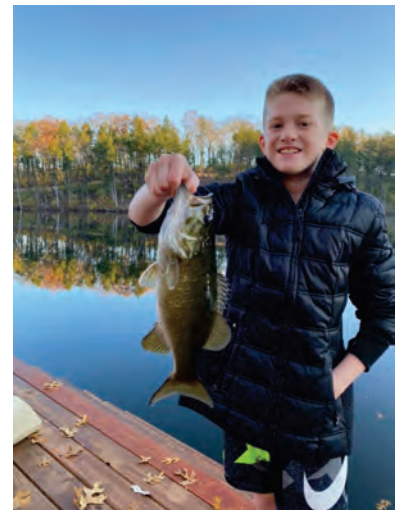
### Activities and Projects Completed in 2020

The Fish Habitat Day in March was a major success due to volunteers stockpiling Christmas trees in December. Our crew of volunteers placed fish habitats in Lake Aspen and Lake St. Gallen. Please consider helping gather Christmas trees or helping with our Habitat Day in March this year, more details at end of this Newsletter.

Fish stocking occurred twice this past year to enhance the forage base and genetics within our lakes. In the spring, we stocked fish into Lake Alpine, Aspen, Klor, Innsbrook, and Frieden. This fall cool water species such as walleye (Wanderfern), smallmouth bass (Alpine) and black crappie (Aspen) were stocked. Walleye are stocked to control green sunfish. Please remember walleye and smallmouth are catch and release. We also introduced yellow perch into Alpine and Klor Lake. A pair of northern pike were donated for Lake St. Gallen. Our efforts over the last few years have shown a significant improvement in the number, size, and quality of fish.



*Yellow Perch stocked into Alpine*



**Trout fishing has arrived at Innsbrook!** A long-time goal has been realized! In November, over 300 pounds of trout were stocked in the Park Pond and Charrette Creek Commons Pond. Innsbrook has provided funding to stock the trout, so please let them know you are enjoying winter fishing. Initial response from anglers has been fantastic; everyone is enjoying fishing for trout and the ability to harvest a couple for eating. Trout stocked in the Park Pond along Meadow Valley Drive may be harvested immediately. Please obey regulations and limit your catch to two (2) trout per angler per day and record your harvest on the card located at the pond so we know how many fish have been removed. The Charrette Commons Pond is catch and release until Jan 1, 2021. The goal is to increase the size of the trout in the Commons Pond over the next 30 days to allow larger fish to be harvested after the first of the year.



Our virtual tournaments over Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends had many anglers in the adult and children divisions. While we enjoyed these multi-day format tournaments, we quickly learned that the cellular and Wi-Fi capacity within Innsbrook was a major issue for recording catches. Our winners in each of the divisions for these tournaments were:

**Memorial Day Weekend Tournament**

Adults

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Peter Sloan
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Paul Harris
- Drawing Winner Tom Dolson

Children

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Brayden Hudnall
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Milo Rush
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Joe Kaminski



**Labor Day Weekend Tournament**

Adults

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Brandon Janosky
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Peyton Kautzner
- Drawing Winner Ed Whalen

Children

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Brayden Hudnall
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Declan Ruzicka
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Bryant Janosky & Charlie Marschuetz



As we consider tournaments for 2021, we are exploring options to bring our members together in an organized and appropriately socially distanced format. We are exploring a weigh-in tournament format with designated times that is live-streamed to our members. More to follow.

## 2021 Fish Stocking

In the Spring of 2021, we will be stocking additional bluegill, crappie, and introducing a new genetic strain of largemouth bass. The Club has focused on larger lakes that have a boat ramp or provide access to anglers who can fish from the bank. We have consulted with several property owners regarding their smaller lakes. The Club is happy to assist with analyzing and creating a lake management plan for your lake. Please reach out to the Club to help with your fish management strategies.



This spring our fish supplier, Nemo Fisheries, has offered to provide a Fish Day for Innsbrook Property Owners. (No more running up to Orscheln or Rural King.) This would allow the fish hatchery truck to come to IBK and distribute fish you might like to stock into your lake. Additional information will be provided after January 1 to determine interest by property owners.



Please realize that the paddle fish harvest and most importantly, **membership dues** support all fish habitat improvements, fish stocking and club activities. If you are not a paying member, we would like to encourage you to join. **Thank you to everyone who has donated this year, your support is greatly appreciated.**

## Fishing Club Dues and Membership Levels

Listed below are various membership categories. We are providing an incentive this year of a Mossback Root Wad Fish Habitat if you join at the \$100 level or above. In addition, an electronic version of Pond Boss Magazine is included for members who join at the \$100 level or above.

<b>Membership Levels &amp; Benefits</b>	<b>Children Under 16</b>	<b>Friend</b>	<b>Tournament</b>	<b>Lake Master</b>	<b>Lake Captain</b>
<b>Membership Costs</b>	\$0	\$25	\$50	\$100	\$300
<b>Email Blasts</b>	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Newsletter</b>	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Membership Pin</b>	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Tournament Fees</b>			X	X	X
<b>Pond Boss Magazine Digital Subscription</b>				X	X
<b>Mossback Root Wad Fish Habitat (1)</b>				X	X
<b>Mossback Root Wad Fish Habitat (2 total)</b>					X

You can mail a check payable to “**Innsbrook Fishing Club**” to:

Mark Birchler, Treasurer  
Innsbrook Fishing Club  
761 Carman Meadows  
Manchester, MO 63021



*Mossback Root Wad Fish Habitat*

Or make an electronic payment to our **Venmo account**:

“Innsbrook Fishing Club”

It is the holiday season, what could be better than a membership in the Fishing Club!

## **Volunteer opportunities**

Our current list of volunteers has been amazing this past year. They have helped organize fish habitat days, fish stockings, management of lakes, assisting with tournaments, providing information to anglers and organizing our financial data. A big thank you to Kurt Kruger, Mark Birchler, Joe Kinnison, John Strain, Dave Jayne and Doug Lenger. These individuals have helped to make the Fishing Club a major success. If you would like to get involved, please let us know.

## **2021 Fish Habitat Day**

Over the last three years, the Club has had a major impact on fishing quality by the installation of fish habitats in Lake Alpine, Wanderfern, Lucerne, Innsbrook, Aspen, Seebrook, and St. Gallen. As we look toward 2021, these Habitat days may be impacted by COVID and social distancing requirements. We will be looking for volunteers to help pickup Christmas trees this year for our habitat efforts. If you have a truck or trailer, your help would be appreciated at the end of December. We are developing a list of lakes to install habitats in early March. If you have a specific lake that needs habitat, please drop us an email. Additionally, the Club is trying to secure a small well used pontoon boat to allow us to install habitats all year around. If you have a pontoon or know someone who might be ready to upgrade, please let us know.

## **Stay Connected and Informed**

**Online at:**

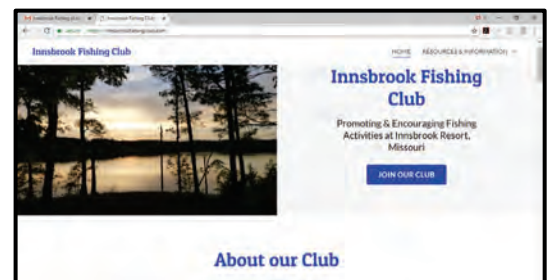
<http://www.innsbrookfishingclub.com/>

**On Facebook at:**

“Innsbrook Fishing Club – Group”, at this link:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1758235011089741/>.

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**Wishing everyone a happy and healthy Holiday Season and a Wonderful New Year.**



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***Until Next Time!***

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