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UPCOMING MEETING - WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 2ND, 7PM

Wednesday October 2nd is our next regular meeting (7:00 pm American Legion Fond du Lac). The issue or nominations for 2025 officer elections will be brought up. Watch your email for announcement for any speaker engagements.

OUR LAST OUTING RESULTS

The last outing on Lake Poygan was won by the muskies. No muskies were reported. A couple of northerns were the only thing caught. 14 members participated. The bean feed at the Fin N Feather was excellent and everyone enjoyed the social event.

THE LAST REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 5TH

Mat Hegy owner of Mat's Reel Repair in Eagle River made an excellent presentation to the club. Mat discussed a number of maintenance issues that need fishermen's regular attention. One of the maintenance issues that he advised was to NOT TO overlubricate your reel. It ends up collecting more debris that wears out parts. He also advised that reel owners pay careful attention to the drag, not just tighten it to the hilt and leave it there forever. One hint was to not leave your reel out in the weather constantly. Another, pay attention to the knob on the side of the reel that controls the free spooling and adjust it for each lure you are using. It is very sensitive and really makes backlash messes less frequent. The items mentioned are just a few of the things discussed and learned about at this meeting. Mat mentioned that maintaining reels regularly really helps keeps these intricate pieces serve you longer.

Maintenance work requires a lot of lead time. Please call Mat to discuss this timing issue. Mat's Reel Repair contact information is: 1961 US Highway 45 N

Eagle River, WI 54521

Ph- 715-337 2337

matsreelrepair.com to check out his website.



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THE ANNUAL BOAT RAFFLE

Members that sold boat raffle tickets this year attended and brought in impressive amounts of ticket sales. The Club thanks those of you that sold tickets and helped with the raffle project. This is an important fundraiser that allows the Club to do projects like stocking. The Raffle is a very generous opportunity given to us by the Alliance as a tool to raise funds. Without this fundraiser, the Club will struggle to be able to provide money for stocking, making charitable contributions, engaging speakers, etc. Keep this in mind next year so you can help with this project. In addition to those of you that sold or bought tickets we offer thank you to those that spent time moving the boat and physically selling tickets. Please let me know if I missed you by calling or texting me (Dave-920-960-4179). . Any oversight on this is important, so please let me know! Importantly, we also thank the businesses listed for their assistance in selling our raffle tickets at their establishments. We do not pay them. They do this out of their generosity and confidence that we are a good organization. A real thank you to them would be for you to do business with them when you are out and about, and mention your personal thank you to them.

We set a sales record for our Club this year by selling **\$9,160 worth of tickets**. We ranked #3 in all the Alliance members. Number 1 was the C & R Club with \$12,475 and #2 Boundary Waters with \$9,460

Member Volunteers

John Bartow
Richard Feustel
Mark Klapperich
Terri Klapperich
Korey Krupp
Traci Krupp
Ron Lange
Jerry LaPine
Maryanne Lapine
David Lapine
Mary LaPine
Tom LaPine
Gerald Loop
Bob Rennock
Paul Roloff
Greg Stubbe

Business Establishments that Helped WMC

Heritage Ridge Travel Plaza, 1705 Shaler Waupun, WI
Fish Tales Bait & Liquor, 529 W State St, Fox Lake, WI
Tavern on the Ave, 725 Fond du Lac Av Fond du Lac, WI
American Legion, 500 Fond du Lac Ave. Fond du Lac, WI
Lake View Inn, N2905 WI-44 Markesan, WI
Woodeye's Bar and Grill, 204 W Main Winneconne, WI
Fin"N Feather, 22 W Main St Winneconne, WI
Hansen's Badger Tire, 350 W Johnson Fond du Lac, WI
Central Barber, 4 N Main St. Fond du Lac, WI
Philly's Grocery & Deli, 321 4th St Fond du Lac, WI
Ripon Lips Tackle Co, Main St Fond du Lac & Stockbridge
Tommy J's, W2663 County Rd W Malone, WI
Downtown Fond du Lac Partnership, Farmers Market
2024 Waupun Truck-N-Show



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FISH REPORT by GREG RUBIN

7/20/24	Greg Stubbe	44"	Lake of the Woods	Crank Bait
7/22/24	Greg Stubbe	40"	Lake of the Woods	Crank Bait
7/24/24	Greg Stubbe	46.5"	Lake of the Woods	Plastic/Rubber
7/27/24	Bob Kuhr	40"	Lake Vermillion, MN	Bucktail
8/3/24	Korey Krupp	37.5"	Oneida	Top Water
8/17/24	Owen Ziemer	48.25"	Pioneer	Bucktail (Outing Fish)
8/21/24	Camden Watson	36.5"	Catfish	Plastic/Rubber
8/22/24	Camden Watson	41"	Eagle	Plastic/Rubber
8/22/24	Camden Watson	35.25"	Catfish	Plastic/Rubber
8/25/24	Eric Larsen	44.5"	Green Bay	Crank Bait
8/25/24	Dakota Krupp	39.75"	Green Bay	Crank Bait
8/25/24	Dakota Krupp	54.5"	Green Bay	Crank Bait
8/31/24	Jeff Kliefoth	39.5"	Namekagon	Bucktail (New Member)
8/31/24	Jeff Kliefoth	44"	Namekegon	Bucktail (New Member)

Thank you members for reporting your fish with photos to winnebagomusky@gmail.com. Remember to register your musky catches and releases with the Club within 10 days of your catch. It would also be nice to send a photo too.

Operation WinnebagoLand Muskies

This past weekend, (9/6-9/8), the 11th Annual Operation WinnebagoLand Muskies was held in Three Lakes, Wisconsin. This outing is held as a partnership with Salute the Troops, a local veteran's support organization. The veteran musky outing included 13 veterans and 7 WinnebagoLand Musky Club members as guides. Thanks to Scottie's Bait and Tackle for a great meal on Friday night and Sunset Grill for a delicious breakfast. Thanks to all the veterans, guides and staff for supporting this outing. It was an awesome weekend with all wishing it didn't have to end. Good food and a great time were had by all. Both veterans and WMC members shared heartfelt stories around the campfire of military experiences and military support. These stories were not limited to the campfire, while on the boats for many hours, the guides were able to learn and begin to appreciate the sacrifices made by these military veterans. The weather was a bit chilly but warmed up each day. Fishing was ok with multiple muskies spotted and two nice muskies, 44.25" and a 35" caught along with four Northern pike. Thanks again to the veterans for attending and for their service. We are already planning for next year's event.



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