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Newsletter of the Winnebago and Musky Club April Addendum 2026

April Recap – Annual Banquet Success

Our Annual Banquet on April 4th was a great success with an outstanding turnout. The feedback we've received has been overwhelmingly positive, and it sounds like everyone enjoyed all aspects of the evening—from the atmosphere to the raffles and camaraderie.

A big thank you to everyone who helped organize, support, and attend the banquet. Events like this don't happen without the time and effort of our members and volunteers, and it truly showed this year.

May Meeting – Guest Speaker & Special Raffle

Join us on May 6th for our next Club meeting featuring Guide Gus Mantey of Sug's Fishing Guide Service as our guest speaker. Gus specializes in guiding musky and smallmouth bass fishing in Vilas and Oneida counties of Northern Wisconsin. <https://sugsfishing.com/> He is the host of the Muskies On Tap podcast.

We'll also be holding a special attendee-only raffle for a guided trip with Gus Mantey, so be sure to attend for your chance to win and learn from one of the best.



First Club Outing – May 15–17

Our first outing of the year will take place May 15 - 17 on Fox Lake and Little Green Lake. Members will gather for a group lunch on Saturday, with more details to be announced soon. It's a great opportunity to connect, share tactics, and kick off the season together.

Boat Raffle & Recent Events

The Alliance boat was featured at Rippin-Lips on April 11th, with Korey and Dakota Krupp leading the event. Sales were strong, and the event was an overall success—thank you to everyone involved.

Boat raffle tickets are available through: Dave Mace – (920) 960-4179. This raffle is our main source of revenue for the year, allowing us to fund stocking efforts, Club initiatives, and events like the Veterans Trip. Please help support the Club by selling your share of



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tickets. With raffle season underway, we encourage members to step up and assist at upcoming events whenever possible.

Wisconsin Musky Expo Recap

The Wisconsin Musky Expo in Wausau (March 20–22) was another successful event for the Club.

A special thanks to: Jeff Klein, Dakota Krupp, Jeff Kliefoth, Korey Krupp, Rich Rienhart

Through the **Adopt-a-Musky Program** and raffles, we raised \$1,300 for the Club.

Special thanks for donations:

- Dakota Krupp – custom musky rod
- Eric Larsen – baits
- Scott Klapperich – pheasant print

These funds will go directly toward stocking efforts and our Veterans Trip this August.

Member Involvement – A Key to Success

One of the biggest challenges we face during events, boat showings, and Club activities is member participation and volunteer support. For the Club to continue growing and achieving its goals, we need members willing to contribute some of their time. Even a small effort makes a big difference.

More help = more successful events = more funds to support our lakes, stocking programs, and community initiatives. Please consider stepping up when opportunities arise—we can't do it without you.

Member Volunteers Needed

One of the biggest challenges the Club faces during events, boat displays, and Club activities is getting enough volunteers. Members sacrificing even a small amount of time to assist makes a big difference. The more help we have, the more successful our events become and the more funds we can raise to support musky fisheries, expand Club projects, and benefit the lakes and communities we support.

Next Meeting

The next Club meeting will be May 6th at Trier Puddy American Legion with a special guest speaker to be announced soon.



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2026 Meeting Schedule

Trier-Puddy American Legion
500 Fond du Lac Ave
Fond du Lac, WI

January	No meeting
February 4th	Meeting
March	No meeting
April	No meeting

May 6th	Meeting
June 3rd	Meeting
July	No meeting
August 5th	Meeting
September	No meeting
Oct 7th	Meeting
November	No meeting
December 2nd	Meeting - Elections

Outings

May 15 - 17	Little Green / Fox Lake
June 26 - 28	Lake Namekagon
July – <i>No outing</i>	
Aug 21 - 23	Alliance Tournament
Sep 25 - 27	Elkhart Lake
Oct 9 - 11	Lac Vieux Desert

You can order your apparel at <http://outdoormamadesign.com> You can also get the Club logo put on your own clothing for \$10/decals.

Club hats and decals are available online.



We're looking forward to another strong season of fishing, events, and conservation. See you at the May meeting and on the water soon!