



God's Country Muskie's Inc.



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Update Your 2012 Calendar

January 2012

Tuesday 24th-Regular Club Meeting at 7pm at the American Legion in La Crosse. Meeting will include presentation by Jerry Carow from Rusk County Wildlife Restoration Association. He is looking for financial support for restoration of the Dairyland Flowage and ongoing habitat improvement projects. Other topics will include Banquet update, planning fish outings including dates, forming work group for kiosk at Neshonoc, finalize apparel order.

Tuesday 31st- Speaker meeting 7pm at the American Legion in La Crosse.

Mike Keyes from Keyes Outdoors Mike is a new MI partner and was featured in this months MI magazine.

<http://www.keyesoutdoors.com>

Bring your fishing buddies, this event is free and everyone is welcome.

February 2012

Tuesday 28th- Regular Club Meeting at 7 pm. Finalize banquet and outing plans, bait making demos by club members, think about warmer weather.

March 2012

Saturday 10th- 30th Annual Banquet

Tuesday 27th- Regular Club Meeting at 7 pm. We will recap the banquet.

Time to sharpen hooks and buy new baits.

April 2012

Highway cleanup to be determined.

Tuesday 24th- Speaker meeting 7 pm.

Steve Genson

MI partner, musky activist.

<http://www.fishhunts.com>

May 2012

Tuesday 22nd-Regular Club Meeting at 7pm.

Get boat battery charged up for the weekend and head north.

Fishing opener-go fishing Wisconsin

South of Hwy 10 May 5

North of Hwy 10 May 26

Minnesota June 2

June 2012

June 1-3 Kleeba Challenge hosted by Capital City

June 21-23 Holcombe Club outing at Pine Point. We have reserved our regular sites 43-47.

Tuesday 26th-Regular Club Meeting at 7pm

Additional outing dates will be determined at January meeting, if you have requests please bring them to the meeting!

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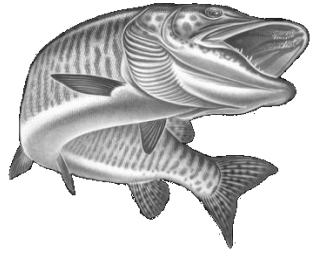
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Thank You Notes

Our club is making a difference in our community.

Operation Musky is a group to which our club has made generous donations. Last year, thanks to God's Country Musky Inc., a veteran was able to spend a week fishing for Musky in Canada. Operation Musky sent a thank you for our contribution last year.

Fishing has no boundaries is an organization that helps people with challenges access fishing



areas. Last year our club donated \$150 to help fishermen with special needs.

These donations are made possible by the success of our annual banquet and other fundraising activities.

Neshonoc Information Kiosk

A big thank you to Brad Foss for sticking with the kiosk project and getting approval to build on county property near the shoreline.

The club has seen the need for an information kiosk at the south landing at Neshonoc for several years. Our vision will now be able to be-

come a reality in 2012. Construction will start in the spring. Volunteers are now need to work with Brad to build the kiosk according to the guidelines the county required.

Contact Brad if you would like to get involved with this project.

CHAPTER NEWSBITS

The 2012 Larry Kleebea Challenge will be headquartered out of the Gateway Lodge and Resort on the Turtle Flambeau Flowage near Mercer, Wisconsin. The dates of the Challenge will be June 1, 2, and 3. At this point in time, the plan is to hold a meeting of all participants on the evening of June 1st, fish all day Saturday with a break for lunch, fish half a day on Sunday, and hold the awards ceremony at about 1:00 p.m. on Sunday. More details will follow. Contact person:

Lee Bartolini
President
Capital City Chapter of Muskies, Inc.

CIB, Courtney International Battery, located in the industrial park between La Crosse and Onalaska, has an surplus sale of sealed cell batteries for \$5 each. These batteries are commonly used in fish locators and cameras. CIB is a God's Country sponsor, so stop in and let them know you are a member.

Banquet committee members are in the process of contacting our regular donors. Club members are encouraged to help collect donations for the annual banquet. However, please check with a committee member to make sure we have not already requested a donation before making a contact. We have a delegated list of all businesses we will contact.

Musky Club Logo Apparel

Please get your orders in for clothing with the God's Country Musky Inc. logo. You can place orders at the January regular meeting or via phone or email.

We have narrowed the order to t-shirt, heavy weight zippy or fishing shirt with short sleeves. There are several colors available. The estimated cost is

\$15 for t-shirt and \$50 for zippy and fishing shirt.

Contact Kim Smith or Mike W. if you would like more information.

We are not ordering any extra apparel, so get your orders in at the next meeting to make sure we look sharp at our outings this year!



God's Country Chapter Muskies Inc. Release Standings 2011

Note: Members can only win one replica, if you qualified for the replica but do not want to be included in the drawing for this year please contact John DeGeorge. The top three from each category will receive a plaque, if you do not want to receive one please let club know. All juniors will get plaques.

MASTERS

| | <u>NAME</u> | <u>RELEASES</u> | <u>LARGEST RELEASE</u> | <u>POINTS</u> | |
|-------|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------------|-----|
| MEN | JEFF SEDLACEK | 32 | 50 | 463 | |
| | JOHN DEGEORGE | 23 | 51 | 301 | |
| | CORY PETTIS | 42 | 47 | 411 | REP |
| | SCOTT FRENG | 9 | 47 | 119 | REP |
| | JIM MCCANN | 2 | 50 | 36 | |
| | LEIF TOLOKKEN | 13 | 42 | 137 | |
| | MIKE WEIDEMANN | 8 | 45 | 99 | REP |
| | John RUDE | 41 | 47 | 489 | |
| | JIM WILTINGER | 4 | 48 | 49 | rep |
| WOMEN | Ardell Green | 1 | | 6 | |

REGULAR

| | <u>NAME</u> | <u>RELEASES</u> | <u>LARGEST RELEASE</u> | <u>POINTS</u> | |
|-------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------------|-----|
| MEN | TODD HUFFMAN | 1 | 48.5 | 23 | REP |
| | DON DOLAN | 24 | 40-5 | 199 | |
| | MARK BUEL | 4 | 44 | 56 | |
| | DAN CIECHANOWSKI | 4 | 47 | 66 | rep |
| | BRAD FOSS | 8 | | 88 | |
| | KEVIN KING | 7 | 45 | 71 | REP |
| | TIM SCHUENDINGER | 3 | 47 | 59 | REP |
| | GARY PETTIS | 1 | 48 | 22 | rep |
| | BOB NONTELLE | 10 | 42 | 100 | |
| | BOB NIEDZIEJKO | 2 | 44 | 33 | |
| | JIM MAZZONE | 3 | | 34 | |
| | JIM STEINMETZ | 2 | 46 | 29 | REP |
| | BRENT HELGESON | 1 | | 11 | |
| WOMEN | DIANA BOLICH | 1 | 39 | 13 | |

JUNIORS (UNDER 18)

| | <u>NAME</u> | <u>RELEASES</u> | <u>LARGEST RELEASE</u> | <u>POINTS</u> | |
|--|-------------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------------|-----|
| | BRYCE KINGSLEY | 5 | | 43 | |
| | SAM SCHUENDINGER | 3 | | 29 | |
| | ANTHONY WILTINGER | 2 | | 14 | |
| | HUDSON STENSGARD | 1 | 42 | 16 | REP |
| | NATE BUEL | 2 | 43 | 24 | REP |

TOP RELEASE 2011

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|---------------|----|
| JOHN DEGEORGE | 51 |
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30TH ANNUAL BANQUET SATURDAY MARCH 10TH