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NEW MEMBERS

These are the new members to the club who joined over the past several months. Hopefully, we did not forget anyone. A very warm and heartfelt welcome is extended to all of them.

Lee Venson • Mike Ulrich • Paul Bemiss

PERCH FESTIVAL

It is getting closer and closer to the weekend of the big Perch Festival being put on by the club. It will be on September 15th. The festivities will be starting at 2pm that day as the people come in from fishing.

Boundaries are from the end of the Detroit River to the top of the St. Clair River and include all of Lake St. Clair. We will be having the weigh-in at the Sugarbush Inn. The entry fee will cover not only the Perch fishing part but will include a Pig Roast for those who entered. A brochure and entry form should be ready by the July membership meeting.

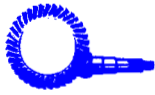
The information has been printed up and includes an application form. These can be picked up at many of the area bait shops including Lakeside in St. Clair Shores, Professional up by the Crocker Rd. launch site, and at Blue Water on Anchor Bay. There will be extra copies of the information packet available at the meeting this month.



John E. Jasper from the Battle Creek Steel Headers. He caught this Pike in the North Channel while fishing for Walley in the Trade-A-Trip event earlier this year.

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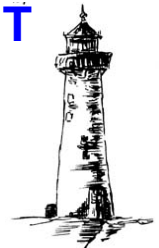
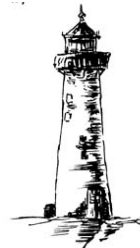
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AUGUST 15, 2007

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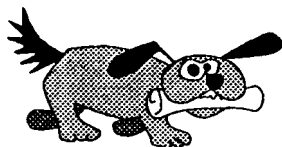
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AUGUST 17 - 19, 2007DERBY 5 WEIGH IN AT AMVET'S

AUGUST 19, 2007LSCWA'S SUMMER PICNIC - AMVETS'S

SEPTEMBER 19, 2007GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

OCTOBER 3-6, 2007.....MWC WALLEYE WORLD
 CHAMPIONSHIP, DUNDEE, MI

OCTOBER 17, 2007.....GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

NO NOVEMBER MEETING

DECEMBER 19, 2007GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
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JULY DERBY

This July proved to be a real challenge for club members who fished the derby. The Walleye were there but the fishermen had to really work to find them, especially the large ones. But, the club has some excellent fishermen and they pulled through and entered fish at the club's derby hosted by Professional Fishing Center.

A special thanks goes to Capt Steve Jones and his staff at the Professional Fishing Center for the efforts they went through for our event. They supplied a place to hold the event and helped out with several boxes of pizza and cases of soda for the gang.

The next derby is the final one of the season and will be held at the club's Annual Picnic. The weigh-in will be starting at 4pm and will end at 6pm. We hope to see all the members out there even if they do not have a chance to get out that weekend for some Walleye fishing.

The results of the July Derby are here. Some nice fish were brought in. Fish came from the entire area and even the Detroit River produced some nice Walleye as shown in the Open and the Team divisions. The tips and techniques that the members talked about will come in handy.

MASTER'S DIVISION

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|-----|-----------------|--------------|
| 1st | Joe Fettue | 3.0520 " |
| 2nd | Jerry Formella | 2.2019 " |
| 3rd | Dennis Stroheck | 1.9519 " |
| 4th | Theresa Shue | 1.9518 " |
| 5th | Joe Northrup | 1.9518 3/8 " |

OPEN DIVISION

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|-----|-------------------|--------------|
| 1st | Ron Sharp | 5.5527 " |
| 2nd | Curtis Kratt | 5.2024 3/8 " |
| 3rd | Brian Manasterski | 4.7024 1/8 " |
| 4th | Brian Mikolajczyk | 3.0520 " |
| 5th | Don Murray | 2.7521 " |

SUPER SIX DIVISION

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|-----|---------------------------------|-------|
| 1st | Curtis Kratt | 20.30 |
| 2nd | Mike Morris / Brian Manasterski | 15.85 |
| 3rd | Jerry Formella / Joe Northrup | 11.70 |
| 4th | Doug Bair / Joe Fettue | 11.70 |
| 5th | Bob Barnes / Don Murray | 10.90 |

YOUTH DIVISION

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SELECTIVE PATROL AREA

from Dave Wilemski

Recently several of us have seen larger boats traveling at speeds high enough to cause wakes. These boats will often travel 2 to 4 across creating a dangerous situation for smaller fishing boats. The complaints on this have gotten the attention of the St. Clair County Sheriff's Marine Division. Take note of the message I received recently from the Sheriff's office.

SOUTH END PATROLS

LT. William J. Krul

We are getting serious complaints about larger boats transiting through the North Channel (outbound between the "No Wake Buoy" at Belvidere Boat Club island to beyond Grassy Island) producing a large wake and nearly swamping smaller boats fishing just within and just outside the buoyed area. This problem has come to the attention of our county administrator, Shaun Groden.

Although this is not a "Slow-No Wake" area under the state administrative code, this is clearly a violation of "operating in a non prudent manner", MCLA 324.80145 (civil) or "reckless operation", MCLA 324.80147 (misdemeanor). Also, small fishing boats cannot obstruct traffic nor anchor in the very narrow areas of the channel.

Please make this a "selective enforcement" area and issue citations as needed. Please note on your daily activity report the times you dedicate to this area.

FALL WALLEYE TRIP TO THE BAY OF QUINTE

by Keith Krych

I am planning a fall walleye fishing trip to the Bay of Quinte the last weekend of October for LSCWA members.

The Bay of Quinte is located on the north-east shore of Lake Ontario. In the fall HUGE walleyes migrate into the area from Lake Ontario. The Bay has been featured in In-Fisherman, The Next Bite TV, and many other TV shows and magazines.

The Bay of Quinte yields walleyes in the fall up to Fourteen pounds! Ten pound fish are common with many eleven and twelve pound fish also. This is your chance to put a real hog walleye on your wall!

We are planning to stay at Merland Park Cottages. They are located right on the Bay and have their own launch and docking facilities. They have one, two and three bedroom cottages as well as a motel. Six people sharing a three bedroom cottage works out to be \$40 a night. They also rent boats and motors, and have fishing charters available.

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FEDERAL FUNDING HELP

from Ted Stehney

The following was passed out at the LSCWA meeting last month. Please pass this along to everyone that has children interested in Michigan hunting and fishing.

DNR officials today urged anglers to consider buying \$2 youth fishing licenses as a way to help the department draw down more federal funding.

The youth fishing license is a voluntary license purchase. Youths 17 and older are required to purchase regular fishing license, but anglers under the age of 17 are not required to purchase a license. "The \$2 voluntary youth license is a great investment for anglers in our state because FOR EVERY LICENSE WE SELL, WE GET BACK \$8.18 IN FEDERAL FUNDING under the Dingell-Johnson act," said DNR Director Rebecca Humphries. "Also, purchasing a license for a youth angler helps teach children the importance of supporting conservation." For every fishing license sold in Michigan, the DNR receives \$8.18 from the Dingell-Johnson Act," also known as the federal aid in sport fish and restoration act.

Passed by congress in 1950, the program is funded by revenues collected from manufactures of fishing rods, reels, creels, lures, flies and artificial baits, who pay an excise tax on these items to the U.S. Treasury. The funds are then distributed to the state fish and wildlife agencies based on the number of licensed anglers and the amount of land and water area in the state.

Similarly- For each "unique" hunter (youth, adult, etc)- the DNR, fish and game fund receives \$9.84 from federal funding under the Pitman-Robertson act. Hunters who buy multiple hunting licenses only count as "one unique hunter" under this funding plan. The DNR urges the purchase of junior small game licenses (for 10-16 year old hunters.) for \$1.00- which will result in a total income to the DNR of \$10.84. The DNR is committed to the conservation, protection, management, use and enjoyment of the state's natural resources for current and future generations.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AT AUGUST MEETING

Election of club officers will take place at this month's meeting. Voters will be choosing all five executive officers, President, Vice President, Financial Secretary, Recording Secretary and Membership Secretary, along with five of the ten members of the Board of Directors. The elected officers will run the business of the club for the next year.

Nominations for officers will be taken at the meeting prior to the election. Anyone wishing to nominate a candidate for office must do so at the meeting. All members should attend this meet-

ing and vote.

HAVE A BLAST SUPPORTING CONSERVATION!

1) Sporting Clays Fun Shoot, August 18th in Metamora, MI

Come join MUCC's staff and the crew of Michigan Out-of-Doors TV and magazine for this non-competitive event that will feature a round of 50 clays and lunch. Optional bird dog training seminars are available. Tickets are \$75 per person. See www.mucc.org for more details and call 517-346-6463

2) MUCC 2007 Muskie Tournament, August 24th at the Detroit Yacht Club

Join us for this annual fundraiser where you will experience a day of world-class muskie fishing courtesy of the Detroit Yacht Club. This event includes dinner and an address by Richard Mode, the 2007 Budweiser Conservationist of the Year. Tickets are \$150 per person. Call 517-346-6463 for reservations.

3) First Ever MUCC Shoot Out Pro-Am & Scramble Golf Event, September 9th in Lansing, MI

We anticipate a great day of golf and camaraderie, but more than that, this will be a unique event to celebrate the outdoor heritage we all cherish. The full day event will be topped off with a fantastic steak dinner banquet. Tickets for the Pro-Am Scramble are \$200 per person and tickets for the Amateur Scramble are \$150 per person. Contact 517-346-6496 to register.

NEW INVASIVE SPECIES CONFIRMED IN MICHIGAN: SIREX WOODWASP

The Michigan departments of Agriculture (MDA) and Natural Resources (DNR), along with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced the confirmation of Sirex Woodwasp in Macomb County. A single specimen was collected from a trap on July 6 and later identified by the USDA.

Sirex Woodwasp is a wood-boring insect native to Europe, western Asia, and northern Africa and is a potentially serious pest of commercially produced pine trees. It was first detected in North America in Oswego, N.Y. in 2004, and has since been found throughout central New York, northern Pennsylvania, and southern Ontario.

The larvae of this exotic pest are responsible for damaging the tree. It severs the trees' conductive tissues, interrupting the transport of water and nutrients. Adult females lay their eggs in two- and three-needled pine trees, including: Austrian, jack, red, and Scotch pines.

Sirex Woodwasp is not expected to significantly impact healthy landscape pine trees in the state. Its impact on vigorous, well managed pine plantations in Michigan, while not yet fully defined, is likewise not anticipated to be severe.

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Free fishing weekend and thus the kids Ice Fishing Outing will be Sunday Feb. 17, 2008. We expect over 300 this time. Contact Mark Tews.

The annual LSCWA Bowling Fundraiser will be Friday Feb. 22, 2008 at 8:30PM. The new location - 'Total Sports' off North River Road near I-94. Adults only, limited to 120. We have all 20-lanes reserved. Same price as before. Tickets will be available this fall. See Dave Wilemski. 586.292.6143

MUCC 2007 CONVENTION

from Dave Wilemski and Bob Brethauer

This yearly event was held in Sault Ste, Marie, Michigan June 23rd. and 24th. Bob Brethauer and I missed the June Derby to attend. Here is a short synopsis of the voting results by all Michigan MUCC Clubs.

These were on resolutions submitted beforehand by MUCC clubs.

#01: Failed. Archery Deer Baiting, 15-days before the start of the deer archery season.

#02: Failed. Charitable Gaming Raffle License, MUCC support the amendment to House Bill #4188.

#03: Passed. Clarification of Casing or Uncasing a Firearm from a Vehicle.

#04: Passed. Use of Hunter Orange While Predator Hunting. Allowing an exemption.

#05: Failed. Michigan DNR Sampling Survey Allocations. To change the formula the DNR now uses.

#06: Failed. License Increase. Add 1/10% to Michigan Sales Tax for funding of MDNR.

#07: Pulled Out by Author. One Buck Rule for the Upper Peninsula. (No discussion).

#08: Passed. Reduction in Yellow Perch Limits for Brevort Lake. From 50 to 35, plus a 7" minimum size limit.

#09: Passed. Dark house Angling (Spearing) Add the month of December plus first two weeks of March to the January-February Season especially in the Northern Michigan regions.

#10: Failed. Crossbow as an Option during Archery Deer Season.

#11: Passed. Lake Sturgeon License Requirement. Must have an all species license for a sturgeon permit.

#12: Pulled. One Buck per Calendar Year.

#13: Passed. Deer Baiting. MUCC is opposed to the continued use of bait for harvesting whitetail in Michigan.

#14: Passed. Eurasian Milfoil Control on Inland Lakes and Waterways. Create a Fund for this project.

#15: Passed. Michigan DNR License Fee Increase. Increase fees to the 2005 budget level for 2- years. Find permanent funding.

#16: Failed. Primitive Hunting Season. Another separate season.

#17: Failed. Changing All Fish and Game Season Opening Days to Saturday. (I am glad this failed).

#18: Passed. Support for Nuclear Energy. Alternate to fossil fuel generation of electricity.

#19: Withdrawn. Fall Turkey Season. Changing date to Sept 1-Dec 31, excluding deer firearm season.

#20: Passed Unanimously. Stop seagoing vessels from entering the great lakes without treating the ballast water; plus annual inspections.

#21: Passed. Funding the Management of Michigan's Natural Resources. Require perpetual funding bill.

#22: Passed (208/107). Doe Permit Distribution. Lower the land owner acres requirement to something less than the now 40 acres minimum.

#23: Passed. (This is Bill Furtaw, Chairman, District-8 resolution). Lake St. Clair Pike Regulation. Change the daily limit from two back to five per day; and the combination limit back to the 2002 mix.

#24: Passed. Protecting Michigan's Hunting Heritage.inform the public on hunting, trapping, harvest ethics, actual game laws, and the benefits of sustainable wildlife management due to hunting, fishing and trapping.

#25: Failed. Senior Cross Bow. During regular Archery season. (65-years of age.)

#26: Failed. (189/142) Senior Cross Bow Hunting During Archery Deer Season. (55-years of age.)

#27: Passed. Coyote Hunting in the Lower Peninsula. During regular fire arm deer season.

#28: Failed. Age as a disability. "MUCC does not support the use of advanced age as a factor to determine a handicap or the changing of a regulation."

End of resolutions submitted.

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ANNUAL PICNIC THIS MONTH

by Alex Vitek

It is time to get in the last summer fun. In other words, it is time for the club's picnic. It will be held on Sunday, August 20th, at the AmVets Post #72 (directions at the end of this article). The traditional starting time is at noon and the festivities run until evening. The picnic is open to all members and their families so bring the kids. For the children there will be special activities and fun.

We will be serving hot dogs and fries and corn-on-the-cob (some of the best in the state). All the fixings will be available. The cooking crew is also going to have watermelon. Soft drinks will be ready for all and beer will be available. After many years we have gone to the "pay one price and eat all day."

The Amvets Post 72 is located at 57581 AmVets off of New Haven Road. From the west take I-94 East to exit 247 which should be New Haven Road. At the top of the exit ramp turn left onto New Haven. Go 1/4 mile past 26 Mile Rd. and turn right onto the AmVets Post 72 driveway. Go to the end and you should see the signs and the parking area. Call 586-749-5201 (for more directions.)

MICHIGAN UNITED CONSERVATION CLUBS HIRES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Michigan United Conservation Clubs, Michigan's oldest and largest conservation organization – and the largest grassroots conservation organization in the United States – has announced that it has hired Dennis Muchmore as its new Executive Director.

An avid sportsman with a love for fly fishing, as well as pheasant hunting, Muchmore has long been an advocate for Michigan's great outdoors, serving as a lobbyist on behalf of the MUCC on many important conservation issues over the years, including Michigan's seminal bottle deposit bill.

"The Michigan United Conservation Clubs has worked for seventy years to protect Michigan's important natural resources and great outdoors," said Muchmore. "It has led the conservation movement in Michigan, and is considered one of the great statewide conservation organizations in the country. I want to ensure that we carry that leadership forward. The need for a strong voice for Michigan's outdoors has never been greater."

Muchmore was selected following a search that began in February and was conducted by a committee comprised of members of the MUCC board of directors and executive committee, as well as members of the public at large.

As Director, Muchmore will manage the organization, direct media relations, spearhead fundraising and promote the MUCC's core conservation mission.

Muchmore was a founding partner of Muchmore, Harrington, Smalley & Associates, a leading Michigan public affairs firm, and currently is "Of Counsel" to MHSA. Most recently he has served as an Executive Vice President of DHR International, the nation's fifth largest executive recruiting firm. Along with serving on several corporate and educational boards, Muchmore is a member of the Advisory Committee of the Michigan State University Public Policy Program. He has served as Vice President of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce and consultant to the Michigan Senate Select Committee on Municipal Finance.

Bob Garner, past MUCC treasurer, life member, and former producer and host of their flagship television show, Michigan Out-of-Doors, gave Muchmore and the MUCC Search Committee

a ringing endorsement.

"Dennis is absolutely the best person they could have chosen out of a field of great candidates. It shows me that the committee knew their mission, understood what kind of leadership we needed for the organization, and selected exactly the right person at the right time. Dennis will be great, not only for the MUCC, but for all those who care about Michigan."

Newly re-elected board president, Don Meixner, also a member of the search committee, concurred. "Dennis has terrific insights, ideas, and a great vision for the future of the MUCC. He brings a fresh energy that will help us embark in new directions as Michigan's first voice for conservation."

Muchmore and the MUCC received high praise at the national level as well. Fred Myers, Vice President of the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership, one of the most prominent outdoor sporting and conservation coalitions in the country said, "Theodore Roosevelt, America's greatest conservation president declared, 'There can be no issue greater than that of conservation.' Without a doubt no outdoor organization in America has worked harder or done more to advance T.R.'s conservation legacy than MUCC. Their choice of veteran lobbyist and conservationist Dennis Muchmore once again signifies MUCC's commitment to give Michigan hunters and anglers a determined voice for their policymaking interest in Lansing."

Muchmore replaces Sam Washington, who stepped down last spring. Prior to Muchmore's selection, MUCC Policy Director Donna Stine served as Interim Director.



The clown shows magic tricks and ties balloons for children at the August Picnic in 2005. This year will be another fantastic time so bring the family along for this fun filled event.