John Bacarella Seminar

by Jim Lease

John Bacarella gave another great ice fishing seminar at our January General Meeting. John has been fishing Lake St. Clair for the last 38 years and has been sharing his knowledge for many of those years. This seminar covered some basic tips as well as some more advanced tactics.

John covered such things as “Squidin” which is a tube hung upside down on a jig. When you jig your rod the tentacles sort of puff which will drive the perch crazy. Other topics John touched on were the beaded spoon, Jig N Rap, Hali and the Jensen Egg with a tail.

One of the last comments John made was “Electronics is the key” and he uses his Vexilar to fish from the top of the water column to the bottom.

John is the owner of Sportsman’s Direct and has been located for the last 3 years on Jefferson. Stop by and he will be glad to share where the bite is on and what technique the fisherman are using to fill their buckets.

John, on behalf of the club, I would like to thank you for spending some of your time with us and sharing your ice fishing knowledge. You really do put on a great seminar.
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Feb 5, 6, 7 and 8  Feb 14 and 15  Bass Pro Classic
always looking for volunteers.

Feb 11-14  Poker Night at Rosemack Bingo
Hall 20791 E. 13 Mile and Little Mack. 6pm until 2am on the 11th
and 13th and 6pm to midnight on the 12th.

Feb 18th  Next General Meeting featuring Jerry Fox and
his planner board seminar.

Feb 25th  Tree House Get-2-Gather at Strawberry Fields.
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**President’s Corner**  
*by Richard Benson*

Warm winter greetings, hopefully everyone is out catching perch or icing some eyes out there on Lake St Clair. January was an extremely busy and successful month for the LSCWA, as we participated in quite a few events. Bass Pro Shops had us assist them in their in store ice fishing event, the Ultimate Fishing Show in Novi, the WCSX “Cold as Ice” tourney and our own LSCWA kids ice outing. I can’t say it enough how grateful I am of the volunteers that stepped forward and made these events possible. I am proud to count you as club members and friends.

Looking forward to this month, past president Jerry Fox will be highlighting our meeting with his seminar on tuning up and maintaining your Off-Shore planer boards as he has done in the past. There will be a short video on the kids ice outing and Stan Bydlos will have some important news on changes to the 2015 fishing rules.

As the days get longer and spring begins to appear, I’d like to remind everyone that the time is now to get your reels out, do that maintenance on them, respool them, recalibrate the line counters and or replace old and worn out gear. There is no better place to do that than anyone of our sponsoring bait shops, please, buy local.

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**Upcoming Meeting Topics**  
*by Alex Vitek*

Coming up over the late winter and into the spring the topics for the meeting seminars will be a bonus for everyone trying to improve their Walleye fishing success.

In February we will have Jerry Fox, Sr as our guest speaker. His topic will be trolling big waters and using planer boards for Walleye.

March will be the the multi seminar topic meeting. There will be tables set up and members and guests will be able to attend and of the mini-workshops.

April is the popular Swap ‘N Shop meeting. We will also have guest speakers who will give tips on how to whip fish for Walleye. This technique is often called whipping.

Keith Krych will have a seminar on how to read and interpret the screen on your sonar unit. This is for the May meeting.

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**February Guest Speaker**  
*by Alex Vitek*

Several months to go before trolling on the lake really gets going but now is the time to make some plans. Jerry Fox Sr will be the guest speaker at the February meeting of the Lake St. Clair Walleye Association. If scheduling allows for it his son Jerry Fox Jr. will also be on hand for an in depth lake fishing seminar.

The Fox team has been doing this pre season seminar for several years. They provide some very good information on how to fish for Walleye while trolling the big waters using planer boards. Their tips can be used while fishing Lake St. Clair, Lake Erie or Saginaw Bay and more. Jerry Fox, Sr is partial to Off Shore boards but the tips and techniques will apply to most other boards including home made ones. His tips have included how to avoid short strikes and what could really be happening when the flag trips but there is no fish on the lure.

If there is time after the main seminar Jerry will give tune-up and maintenance tips for the Off Shore boards brought in by LSCWA members.

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**Multi-Seminars In March**  
*by Alex Vitek*

Next month we will have the mini-workshops meeting. This is when there will be several different workshops going on at the same time. Members can go from one to another or stay with just one or two. Each seminar is put on by a member or local fisherman and they concentrate on just one specialty.

We are asking members to step forward and help by putting on one of these little mini-workshops. Or, get a buddy to help put it on with you. The bonus to helping out like this is that you often learn more about the topic not only thinking about it but by answering questions that others put to you.

Give it a thought. Don’t leave everything to just a couple of members on the board of directors. They are getting tired and more than one of them is approaching that stage of being burned out.
Michigan Out of Doors Youth Camp
by Tim Muir

I received an email from MUCC asking for donations for the youth camp at Cedar Lake that the LSCWA sends kids to every summer. This is a good opportunity to give to a good cause. Please consider donating anything on the list below or making a small monetary contribution to help keep this camp going. If you can help out please give anything you are donating to me and I will forward it on. All donations will be made in the name of the club unless you specifically tell me. Thank you.

List of items in need:

1. **Gator, ATV or Golf Cart** – Either on loan for the season or permanent donation.
2. **Zero-Turn Lawnmower** – Loan for the season or permanent donation. Minimum 42’ cutting deck.
3. **Picnic Tables** – 6 or 8 ft. w/ wooden seats and tables tops with metal or wooden frames.
4. **Work Bench for Garden Shed** – Heavy duty metal or wooden sturdy 4 thru 8 ft. long. x 2 ft deep.
5. **Bench Grinder** – Heavy Duty Bench mounted grinder with accessories.
6. **Weed Wackers** – Gas operated as heavy duty as possible with string.
7. **Leaf Blowers** – Gas operated as heavy duty as possible.
8. **Hand Power Tools** – 110v electric: drills, circular saws, sanders, etc. with accessories.
9. **Air Compressor** – Portable w/ wheels 3 gal tank 110volt or comparable. W/ hose and access.
10. **All Garden Tools** – Rakes, shovels, brooms, sledge hammers, axes, posthole diggers, and etc.
11. **All Carpentry Hand Tools** – Hammers, saws, screwdrivers and etc.
12. **Smoke Detectors** – U.L. rated 9 volt w/ batteries 10 thru 15 units.
13. **Firearm Cleaning Supplies** – for calibers .22-.223- .243- .20 gauge shotgun.
15. **Paper targets** – for the .22 rifle range.
16. **Portable / folding bow racks** – for field or storage shed use.
17. **3-D Archery Range targets** – We need everything but deer targets.
18. **Arrow fletching kits and glue.**
19. **White bandanas.**
20. **New Garden Hoses** – 2 or 3pcs. @ 50 ft hoses.

With exterior mounting hangars.

21. **Deck water sealer** – 2-5 gallons.
Ready for the knife

Nice mixed bag of panfish

Tim Bratton
Winner of 1st place hunting blind

Hosts from WCSX
Ben Perez and Juline Jordan
**Kids Ice Outing**  
*by Richard Benson*

The 15th annual LSCWA kids ice fishing outing on Jan.25th was a huge success this year. We had about 100 kids register to fish on that day, enjoying a great day on frozen LSC, hot food and beverages in the WCSX warming tent and a free raffle after with prizes donated from various sponsors.....and that soup that everyone has asked about, Achatz ham and potato soup! Thank you to all those who helped make this years outing a success.

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**Cold as Ice**  
*by Richard Benson*

The first WCSX “Cold as Ice” fishing tournament on Jan. 24 was a huge success! With over 300 registered anglers competing for the top prize of a $500 gift card to (and donated by) SDI. 1st place honors went to John Ballerini with 5.37 lbs, 2nd went to Nicholas Haggerty with 4.96lbs and 3rd to Kobe Valead with 4.26lbs. The event raised nearly $7,000 for THAW of Michigan and WCSX also donated $1,000 to the LSCWA to help fund our children’s activities, in addition to allowing us to use their tent, heaters and generators for the following day for our kids ice fishing derby. WCSX was extremely generous and great to work with and plans for Cold as Ice 2 are in the works. I would like to thank WCSX and all the club members who worked to make this event happen.

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**MUCC 2015 Youth Camp**  
*by Tim Muir*

The LSCWA sends two kids to the MUCC Youth Camp on Cedar Lake for a great outdoors learning experience and now we need those kids names to be selected.

Preference is given to ages 9-11 for the Inland Fishing Camp, June 21st-26th. The requirements for consideration are that the kids be family members of a current LSCWA member. The MUCC camp is a great time that will build memories to last forever. Please see me at the February general membership meeting with any questions or if you have someone wanting to go.

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**January Get 2 Gether**  
*by Jim Lease*

Lots of fun was had by all. Eleven people looking to break bread showed up for this months Get 2 Gether. Ice fishing and the ponds were at the top of the discussion list. Judi Ramin won a beautiful calculator with clock and a new battery. The prizes are getting better thanks to DAW.

Shown in the picture on the left side front to back Linda and Dave Wilemski, Dale Billings, Bob Peterson and Judi Ramin. Right side front to back are Bob Wilson, Joann Koch, Richard Koch, Eugene Ramin and far back is Curtis Patton. Photo by Jim Lease.
Puns for Educated Minds

1. I thought I saw an eye-doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.
2. She was only a whisky-maker, but he loved her still.
3. No matter how much you push the envelope, it’ll still be stationery.
YOU’VE BEEN WAITING FOR IT!
NOW IT’S HERE!!

THE NEW 2015 APPAREL

You’ve been wanting to have just the right shirt, sweatshirt, or hat to wear so everyone will know you are a member of the Lake St. Clair Walleye Association!

We have good news!!!

Waiting for you at the very next club meeting will be a variety of hats and hats with lights, hoodie sweatshirts, long-sleeved t-shirts, short-sleeved t-shirts. We have new colors, styles, and new designs. All these items are quality fabric and construction! You will want to have several!!
Ist Prize is on the move
By Jerry Comfort

The motor will be at 3 locations this month. Starting at Sportsmen’s Direct, 36072 Jefferson Ave, Harrison Twp from the end of January to the 8th of February, Lakeside Fishing Shop 25110 Jefferson Ave (corner of 10 Mile) from Feb 9 - 22 and then BP gas station at 23800 Jefferson Ave (corner of 9 mile) from Feb 23rd through March 9th.

1st prize is the 9.9 Honda outboard motor.
2nd and 3rd prizes are fishing charters.

Come check out the motor, buy some raffle tickets and help out our sponsors.

Merchandise Table by Maria Benson
By Maria Benson

This month I will be featuring Offshore boards and products on the raffle table along with a few other items. Thank you for your continued support.

Paraprosdokians

1. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit… Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

2. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.

3. I didn’t say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.

Bingo
By Rich Benson

Bingo!....we’ve been holding Bingo sessions for 2 months now, attendance is growing weekly, jackpots increasing and our investment in this fundraiser is starting to look good. Please, consider attending or pass the word along. We give out a minimum of $2200 in jackpots per night! Doors open at 4 pm, play starts at 6.

Dark Waters (1988)
By Russell Chatham

With the exception of painting, nothing in this life has held my interest as much as fishing. Fishing with a fly, bait, a handline; I don’t much care. Fishing, in my estimation, is not a hobby, a diversion, a pastime, a sport, an interest, a challenge, or an escape. It is a necessary passion.