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February 2010

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KID'S ICE OUTING REPORT

Over 300 kids participated in this years event. In addition to children from all over southeast Michigan we had cub scouts, boy scouts and girl scouts show up. We served over 800 hot dogs to the kids and adults. Then there was the 28 gallons of chili and 8 gallons of chicken soup that was served to the crowd. Throw in gallons and gallons of coffee and hot chocolate and it is easy to see how this is one of the best ice fishing events in the area. The LSCWA also paid for 200 parking spaces at Gino's so the parents had a safe place to park.

The next free fishing event will take place at Metro Beach Metro Park in July. Please bring your kids out for another fun day of fishing.

Thanks go out to Mark Tews, Ron Sharp and Geoff Regulski who organized the event. We then have to extend a thank you to all the members and their families who showed up on Saturday or Sunday to help out.

TRADE-A-TRIP

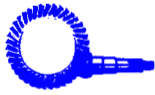
The Trade-A-Trip for 2010 is starting to fall into place. The Battle Creek Steelheaders will be here the weekend of April 17th and 18th. Several members of the LSCWA have volunteered to take them out to fish the lake and the two rivers for Walleye. Then on the weekend of June 26th and 27th the Battle Creek Steelheaders will be sponsoring the fishing on Lake Michigan. Members of the LSCWA will be going to that side of the state for fishing experiences they will not forget.



The LSCWA started the year out great with the annual Kid's Ice Outing. Over 300 children participated this year. Pictured above is one of the many children who had a great afternoon of fishing and feasting on hotdogs, chili, chicken soup and more.

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WEDNESDAY ~ 7:30 P.M.
February 17, 2010**

Next Meeting March 17, 2010

Gino's Surf
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Walleye World

The WALLEYE WORLD is the official newsletter of the Lake St. Clair Walleye Association, and welcomes all contributions from the members. These can be news items, articles, photographs, and art-work. We reserve the right to edit material for length, etc. All signed articles appearing in any issue reflect the opinions of the writer and are not necessarily the policy of the organization or its members.

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CALENDER OF EVENTS

- Feb. 17.....General Membership Meeting
Feb. 20LSCWA Bowling Fundraiser
Feb 25-28.....Outdoorama at the Rock
Financial Showplace
Mar 17General Membership Meeting
Mar 18-2165th Annual Ultimate Sports Show
at the Grand Rapids DeVos Place
Apr. 21General Membership Meeting
Apr. 23-25.....First LSCWA Derby for the 2010 Season
May 2,Walleye Palozza
May 7-8.....MUCC Distric 8 Walleye Tournament
May 16.....Bill Rose Memorial (Tenative Date)
May 19,General Membership Meeting
June 5-6LSCWA & Gilbert's Sportsmans
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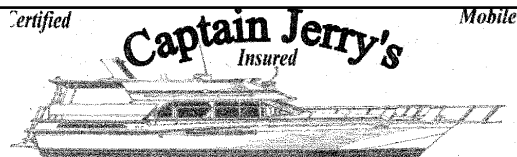
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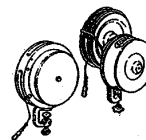
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CHARITY POKER FUNDRAISER

MARCH 3- 6, 2010

By Bob Barnes

The club will be at Snooker's, located by Dick's Sporting Goods off Hall Road in Utica, on March 8- 11. We will be working a Charity Poker Fundraiser in an attempt to raise funds. We need some volunteers to help out, especially during the day time, as the hours are from Noon to 2 AM each day.

We raised \$3500 at the December fundraiser and this one should be just as good. The money we raise will be used to support our kid's outings such as the latest ice fishing event and the proposed LSCWA college scholarships. So come on out and lend a hand and have some fun for a good cause. Together we make a difference!!!

OUTDOORAMA SHOW

By Ron Sharp

The Lake St. Clair Walleye Association is getting a booth at the Outdoorama Show this year. It will be a 10' X 10' size. We will only be selling raffle tickets for the donated 2010 Yamaha T-8 motor. We missed the Ultimate Fishing Show since the raffle license did not arrive in time to print the tickets. Show dates are February 25-28, 2010; Thursday and Friday 2:00 to 9:30 and Saturday 10:00 to 9:00 and Sunday 10:00 to 5:00. If you can help out please email me at srdsharp@wowway.com or call 810-523-5730. We will have the Wirelinngg Reel Raffle tickets and the Motor Raffle tickets available.

I would also like to THANK everyone who came out and helped make the Ultimate Fishing Show a great success again this year. It shows what a great number of LSCWA members we have who can aid in raising funds for the kid's outings.



"Dave Champine is chairing this years Bowling Fundraiser Event this year. It will be held on February 20th starting at 8:45 pm. The location is Fountain View Lanes on Groesbeck. This fun filled evening is open to everyone, even those who do not bowl, and is only \$20.00 per person."

RECIPIE SECTION

Fish Oscar Recipe

Ingredients

- 6 flounder filets
- dash of seasoning salt
- 1 lemon
- 1 pkg of knorr's hollandaise sauce
- 1 lrg can of asparagus spears
- 1/4 lb. snow crab,cooked

Directions

1. Wash filets and sprinkle with seasoning salt;set aside.
2. Using directions from the hollandaise pkg. make the sauce whisking as you go along.Add juice from 1/2 lemon;whisk until smooth and creamy.
3. Start grill to preheat.
4. Top each filet with asparagus spears,crab,and last with hollandaise;sprinkle each with remaining lemon.
5. Wrap each in a foil packet and grill for 30 mins.

Smoked Fish Spread Recipe

Ingredients

- 8oz Smoked Fish, skin and bones removed
- 4 oz. Mayonnaise
- 2 oz. Onion, small dice
- 1 lg. Lemon, juiced
- 1 T. Fresh Parsley, chopped
- 1 T. Dijon Mustard
- dash Tabasco Sauce
- to taste Salt & Pepper

Directions

1. Peel off skin and de-bone fish, crumble into a mixing bowl. Add all ingredients and mix well, taste and adjust seasonings, serve with toast points or crackers.

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 you.

Steve Williams • Ron Pisarski
Ross Milodrowski • Kenneth B. McNeil

2009 WAS A BANNER YEAR FOR BIG FISH IN MICHIGAN

Five new state record fish - highlighted by a world record brown trout - were among 1,433 fish entered in the Department of Natural Resources and Environment's Master Angler Program in 2009.

State records were also broken for pumpkinseed (twice), redear sunfish and Great Lakes muskellunge.

A 41.45-pound brown trout, caught by Thomas Healy of Rockford on the Manistee River on Sept. 9, has been certified as a world record by the International Game Fish Association.

Overall anglers entered 503 fish in the catch-and-keep category and 930 fish in the catch-and-release category, up from 430 and 871, respectively, in 2008.

The Master Angler Program recognizes anglers who catch fish that weigh more (catch and keep) or measure longer (catch and release) than established standards.

"Fishing was excellent in 2009 as evidenced by the large number of quality fish entered into our Master Angler Program," said DNRE Fisheries Divisions Chief Kelley Smith. "This only reaffirms what we've long known - there's world-class fishing in Michigan."

For complete lists of Master Angler fish submitted in 2009, visit the DNRE Web site at www.michigan.gov/dnrfishing, and click on Angler Information. Anglers who think they may have a record fish may contact Barbara Dilts in the DNRE Fisheries Division at 517-373-2966.



"Two of the members received Honorary Lifetime Memberships at the December meeting. Bob Brethaur, standing with his wife Shelby, and Morrey Schroeder were presented with this award by LSCWA president Keith Krych. Bob and Morrey have chaired several committees each over the years. They have donated time above and beyond what is considered normal to make the LSCWA stand out in the communi-

THE GOLDEN BUCKET

The second GOLDEN MINNOW BUCKET smack down is 7AUG 2010, the place Eireau, Canada. Some of our club members fished last year remember it like Pearl Harbor, and the saying "this date will go down in infamy" when we lost the golden bucket.

So this year I'm coordinating the second attempt for our club to shine, and win. I will need your support to catch fish, no arm twisting needed, and help host the downriver walleye federation. Some of the hotels in Eireau are listed at the end of this article with there phone numbers to make reservations.

I plan to run a up dated article in all newsletters until the event to try and make this a success. The success cannot happen unless I have your commit and support, so come on lets catch some fish and claim the golden minnow bucket for 2010.

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DERBIES & TOURNAMENTS

The list of LSCWA derbies is coming together. The dates are listed in the Calendar of Events on page 2 of the issue. The locations will be the same as they were for the last several years with one exception. The July Derby has been held at Professional Fishing Center and we have to thank Steve Jones for his years of support. Last fall the store closed. Lakeside Fishing Shop in St. Clair Shores has expressed an iterest in sponsoring both the June and July Derbies for this coming season. All members should thank Dan and Veronica for their continued support the next time they are in the store.

There are many local tournaments around the southeast Michigan area. These events are open to anyone interested and have entry fees. They usually have cash and merchandise prizes and sometimes have a small party after their weigh-ins. The LSCWA is not a sponsor for these but we do help with the weighing of the Walleye entered. A list of these tournaments can also be found in the Calendar of Events.

Everyone is welcome to fish the local tournaments. These are an excellent way to pick up new techniques and hot spots. Check the Calendar of Events for dates and locations.

2010 KID'S ICE OUTING



MEETING RAFFLE

The raffle table will have a couple major prizes for February There is a Teton jigging rod with reel. Also, there is a Strike Master thru the ice depth and fish finder. There will be other fishing related items as well to make your fishing more productive.

BUMP OR FISH

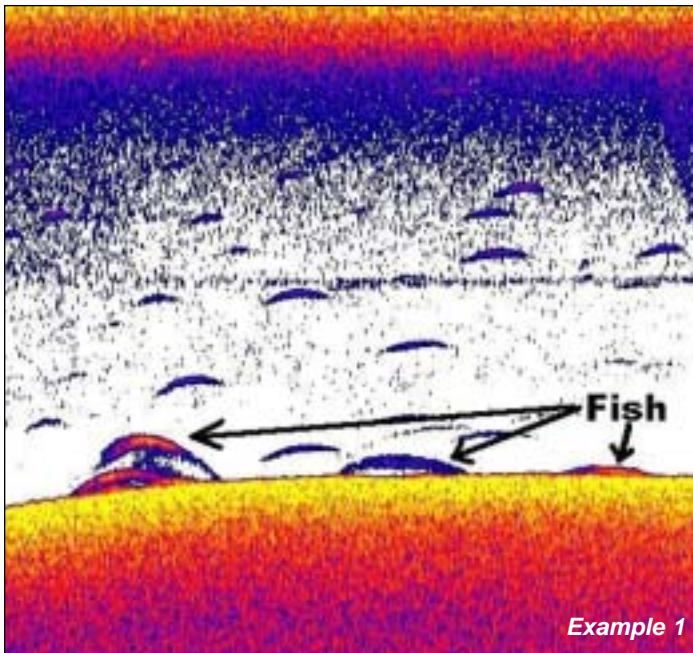
by Keith Krych

If you can't find fish you can't catch them. I will show you one way to find hidden fish using your sonar unit, or depth finder as some people call it.

Fish close to the bottom are sometimes displayed as bumps. You have 2 ways to decide if a bump on the bottom is a fish. You can drop an underwater camera or use high definition color sonar. Fish return weaker echoes so they display a different color than the bottom depending on the setting of your colorline and sensitivity.

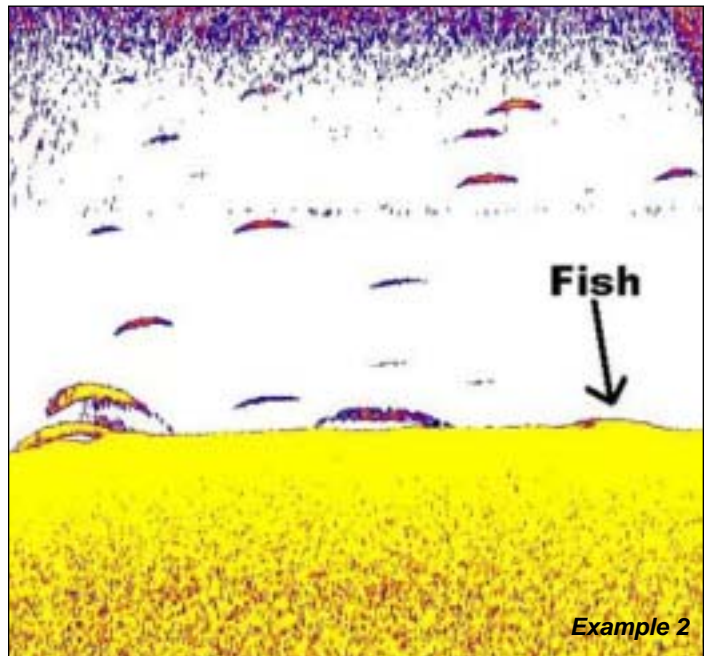
The examples used are from my Lowrance unit but the techniques will work with other color and B&W units. Find the settings for sensitivity and for colorline in the color units. If the unit has a setting for Fish ID then turn it off.

Example 1 shows a fish near the bottom showing as a bump. The fish is displayed as a bump instead of an arch because the tips of the arch are hidden in the bottom display. You will notice the fish on the left has arches because it is closer to the transducer. The "bump" fish has a different color than the bottom because it is returning a weaker echo.

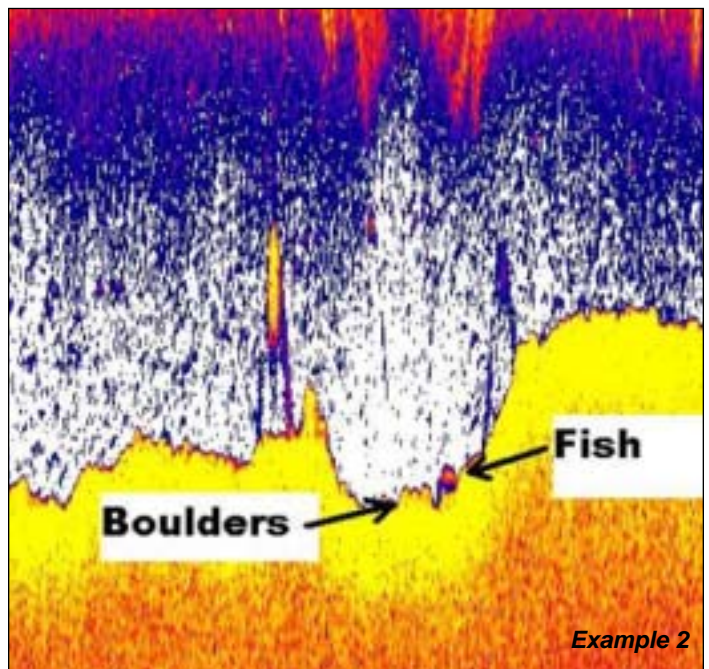


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Example 2 has the sensitivity and colorline poorly adjusted and the difference is not displayed.



Example 3 displays boulders as bumps. These bumps have similar echo strength as the bottom therefore they return more signal than the fish. One fish is displayed as a weaker echo return. With Lowrance color units on the default screen, white is a no echo return, blue is weaker than red and yellow is the strongest echo return. Other manufacturers use different colors for signal strength.



The best way to understand setting of colorline and sensitivity is to log some charts with your Lowrance and replay them in the SonarViewer as I have demonstrated and adjust the settings at home when you are not distracted with fishing. The log chart function and the SonarViewer are explained on the Lowrance web site and in the manual for your unit. Even if you do not have a Lowrance take the time to read your owners manual again. It is a good winter-time activity and will help you find more fish this spring.