



The Follow Up- February 2019

First Wisconsin Chapter of Muskies, Inc.

Website: <http://firstwimuskiesinc.org>

If you have anything you would like added to the newsletter, please email travis.sharer@hotmail.com.

Dates to Remember:

Feb 4 – General Meeting – 7:00 – Fill-In Station – Josh Borovsky

Feb 18 – Board Meeting – 6:30 – VFW 305

Mar 1-3 – Wisconsin Musky Expo – www.wimuskyexpo.com

Mar 15-17 – Wisconsin Sports Show – www.wisportshow.com

If you have any articles, pictures, stories, or anything they would like added to the newsletter please send to travis.sharer@hotmail.com

Check the EVENTS tab on our website for more dates <http://www.firstwimuskiesinc.org>

Members Only Fishing Contest

Please register your catches of legally caught muskies, 30" and above, in the "Lunge Log" online at muskiesinc.org as soon as you can so we can keep the MOFC current as possible. If you don't have online access, "Entry forms" can be requested at the address below. Entries must be made or post marked within 30 days of release.

All muskies under 30" caught by Junior Division fisher people count for the chapters contest. Please send an entry form to:

1st WI Chapter of Muskies Inc.
P.O. Box 122
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
January 4, 2019 deadline for registering fish
for 2018 MOFC

MOFC chairman- Paul Gottwald pjgecwi@gmail.com 715-271-6652

Century Club-8 anglers

Ace Sommerfed, Brian Wright-300;
Dan Hanson, Matt Ross-200;
Mike Milz, Cortland Spletter, Chris Hostak, Jeremiah Wolf-100

50" Fish- 10 fish

Shane McLaughlin-50.25", 50" *Dave Jann-54.25"
Andrew Adams-52.25" Jordan Klingbeil-52"
*Josh Rabska-52" Chuck Spletter-52" *Kris Brenner-50.5"
*Clint Keuler-50.25" *Nathan McKeeth-50"
* First 50"

Personal Best - 22 anglers

Dave Jann, Andrew Adams, Jordon Klingbeil, Josh Rabska,
Kris Brenner, Clint Keuler, Nathan McKeeth, Chris Liske,
Jeremiah Wolf, Max Gibson, Trevor Nelson, Fischer Smith,
Brandon Wilcox, Darcy Carlson, Jack Gerlach, John Goodbrake,
Tony Eckart, Sam Hall, Rayce Palacek, Travis Sharer,
Diesel Larson, Jacob Weeks.

21 Tiger Muskies longest - 40" Matt Rokus

64 Anglers, 840 Fish, 10635 Points, 44.41" Average Longest

54.25" Longest Dave Jann

Division Winners

Juniors – Fischer Smith 339 points/30fish

Womens- Loretta Carter 41 points/3fish

Mens- Jeremiah Wolf 1244 points/99fish

Mens Masters- Rick Hall 741 points/61fish

The Chapter, for the milestone, gives a patch for the First 50” Fish with a star, and the First Century Club.

Additional Release, 50”Fish Stars and Century Club Bars patches are available for purchase at Merchandise table.

Certificates for Individual Fish are available from Paul Gottwald pjgewi@gmail.com 715-271-6652 the MOFC chairman.

The history categories on the chapter website’s Release Standings page should be updated shortly.

Good Luck in the coming season!

Practice catch & release.

Rod and Gun Boat Launch Stickers

The Annual Parking pass at Chippewa Rod N Gun will be going up in cost on March 1st, 2019. It is \$25 before then, or \$35 after. We will send out another reminder closer to that time.

Please send a self-addressed stamped envelope with a check payable to Chippewa Rod and Gun Club.

Chippewa Rod and Gun Club
P.O. Box 392
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

January Banquet Notes:

Programs to come: February – Josh Borovsky

March – Brad Wert

April – Lee Tauchen

January 8th at Rice Lake Moose Lodge – Dustin Carlson

April 9th at Rice Lake Moose Lodge - TBD

January Seminar in Rice Lake:

Dustin Carlson of Northland Muskie Adventures Guide Service came to the Rice Lake January meeting. The weather was much better than last year, it must have known it was going to be a good seminar.

Dustin discussed how to fish pressured muskies. He shared how he identifies where and when to fish on waters, as well as what to do on pressured waters. He also discussed things you should pay attention to as an angler.

We had over 40 people show up for the seminar, including the Rice Lake Fishing Club!

Thanks everyone show showed up and big thanks to Dustin for making the trip!

42nd Annual Muskie Tournament

We need a few more people to help seek out donations and help plan for next year's tournament.

If you have any ideas, thoughts, or comments, please come join us to help improve next year's tournament.

We need ideas, thoughts, comments, and ways to improve next years (43rd Annual) Tournament.

Please contact Travis Sharer if you would can help out travis.sharer@hotmail.com



<http://www.muskyhunter.com/musky-matters/musky-clubs-alliance-benefit-special-license-plate/>

Banquet Information

105 members showed up! Thanks to everyone who joined and participated!!!!

The Early bird winner was Paula Marg!

The Banquet Rod and Reel combo winner was Charlie Elmberg.

Kyle Darley won the Whispering Winds Resort package.

Josh Rabska won the Bob Benson trip

Dave Vollmer won the Pete Rich Guide trip, John Carlson Guide Trip and the Green Bay trip!

Joe Heil won the Dan Altman Guide Trip.

Donner Bay Resort won by Riley Peterson

Musky Marks Guide Trip was won by Gary Hughes

Jim Bunch Memorial Chapter award went to Travis Sharer.

Board Meeting Minutes

Secretary's report:

- Nothing new to report. New calendar of events will be posted online on the website after board confirmation.

Treasurer's report:

- We need a new treasurer, Jack is stepping down and we need someone to help us keep the chapters funds straight. Jack will be around to help out and give guidance.

- The report was given, all is well financially.

- Discussion was had about the donation to Stevens Point for the annual scholarship.

- 2019 Budget discussed and Approved

Chapter Rep Report:

- President ballot was sent in. Jim Ashton was the only one on the ballot.

- Taking nominations for the V.P. of Membership at International, if anyone is interested, contact John Imm.

- Motion was made to approve a matching donation of \$2,400 to DNR for Genetic testing on Lake Wissota. Motion was approved, 6 to 2.

General Meeting Notes

-Amsoil fishing reports online.

-We have the 2019 stocking quotas from the DNR. If you would like to see or discuss, contact Tom Riedel.

- Boat launch stickers will be going up March 1st for the Rod N Gun Club

Any patches, stars, etc. will be available at the Annual Banquet in January if interested.

Membership: 233 Members

Fisheries Report:

- We will be sending funds to the DNR to conduct genetics tests on Lake Wissota to learn more about growth, genetics, and how different strains are adapting to the lake.

Tagging:

- Tagging information has been gathered and will be submitted. Thanks to those who actively tag and record data.

Outings / League: We are in need of someone that is willing to take over the outings for the chapter. We have some ideas on some things to try to bring the chapter together for fun outings.

Fundraising:

- March Events – Eau Claire and Wausau shows will need to be manned. We will need people to help set up and man the booth.

- We need a fundraising chairperson as John will be stepping down

Youth:

- If anyone has any ideas for promoting youth fishing, please let us know.

- Money is available for youth projects or ideas.

- High School Fishing clubs interested in muskies, or any other ideas are welcomed.

Programs:

- Nothing new to report.

October – Joe Gerbyshak of WI DNR

November – Mark Saemisch of Muskie Marks Fishing Guide Service

December - Jason Halfen – Fishing Electronics

February – Josh Brovofski

March – Brad Wert

April – Lee Tauchen

January – Rice Lake 8th – Dustin Carlson

April 9th Rice Lake - TBD

Merchandise:

- Nothing new to report.

Newsletter:

- If there is anything you would like added to the newsletter, please send to Travis.

New Business:

- If there are any events that you would like to see added to our website, please contact Joe Heil.

- Dave Jann will be our new Chapter President

- John Goodbrake will be our new Vice President

- Joe Heil will be Assistant Treasurer
- Travis Sharer will be Secretary

Old Business:

- We are still seeking a new home for our Muskie Aquarium. If you know anyone interested in displaying it in a high traffic area of fishermen and women, please let us know.

New Business:

- We will be doing individual election for board members.
- The idea is to get more board members to join.
- We will need new people to fill in roles. We need officers and Board Members.
- Patches are available if desired.

Banquet Info:

Saturday the 19th of January 2019 at the Fill Inn Station. Information is coming out soon on details of that.

Volunteers Needed

We are always looking for more volunteers to help with various events, youth outings, board members, and chair persons. If interested, contact anyone on the board for more information.

There are multiple board members that are looking to pass the torch. If you are interested in being a board member, or have questions on it, please speak with anyone on the board.

Board Members To be updated soon.....

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