



Chapter Updates

1st Wisconsin's April Board Meeting: The held its first virtual board meeting in April. The change was motivated by Tony Evers decision to extend the stay at home order. The virtual meeting was a success.

May's general meeting has been canceled. The lure raffle that was scheduled for the general meeting will be held live on our facebook page. Keep an eye out to see if you are one of the lucky winners.

The May board meeting will be held virtually on its regularly scheduled date.

1st Wi's Top Water Challenge

Due to a schedule conflict with God's Country Chapter of Muskies Inc, the top water challenge will be held on Dairyland Flowage. The event will be hosted at Jose Creek County Campground. The event will run from 9:00am – 5:00pm with a lunch break running from 12:00-1:00. Tune up your top water game in advance of the outing to enhance your odds of taking home the traveling trophy. Reach out to Dave Jann or Mathew Ross for more information.

New Horizons

With a current membership base of 217, the board of directors is thinking outside the boat on how we can attract more members. We are looking for volunteers to help improve our reach in the Youth and Female fishing categories. If you are a Female or Youth musky angler and would like to volunteer, or have ideas on how we can improve our followership, please reach out to us.

Current Fundraisers

The Tamarack Island Lodge Raffle is also underway. The winner will receive one week of house keeping for two people (Valid September 1st 2020 – ice up 2020). Only 200 tickets will be sold and the drawing will take place on June 4th. We are also selling raffle tickets for the Muskie Alliance Ranger Boat. The boat drawing will be held on August 23. Thank you to all the vendors who supported the Lure Raffle. Tickets (for the lure raffle) will be drawn on May 4th.

If you are interested in purchasing raffle tickets, please reach out to our board or email KyleDarley@Darley.com to arrange pickup. Thank you to all of you that have purchased tickets to date. The money raised is paramount in keeping our chapter funded.

One Fish, Two Fish

The Board has been diligently exploring the potential of re-introducing a stocking program. Tom Riedel (Musky Madness), Nick Brenner, Paul Gottwald, and Josh Rabska (Rabska Musky Lures) have been working with local fisheries biologists, rearing ponds, and 1st WI Muskies Inc. members to learn how the chapter can revitalize the stocking program. Although we had a slight window to stock last fall, we weren't able to procure the needed fish in time to make it happen. Recent information leads us to believe we will be able to begin stocking muskies in the next 5 years. Meanwhile, we are exploring the feasibility



of partnering with local clubs and agencies to build habitat and stock varying (non-musky) species in our musky fisheries.

Interested In Volunteering?

We are actively seeking volunteers to fulfill assistant roles on the board. Any interested members can reach out to a board member to learn more. Further, we are looking for volunteers to help make the 44th annual 1st Wisconsin Muskies Inc Tournament and other chapter events a Success. If you or someone you know is interested, please reach out to one of the board members.

Digital Transformation

The club has made a proactive decision to shift a considerable amount of our communication to the chapter Facebook page. Timing couldn't have been better considering the recent shelter in place order enacted at the state level. Please take a moment to log on to facebook and like our page to ensure you are receiving the most up to date information on club happenings.

The club is also working on giving our website a facelift. Members who frequent our website will soon be pleasantly surprised by the enhanced online experience provided by Capture Life (Web Development & Design company).

Regional Meeting Summary

The Regional meeting was held in Wausau in March. Tom Reidle provided the summary to follow. the biggest thing that was done were motions were presented to disband the state chapters organization, as it largely duplicates the region in function

and for duties related to the Kleeba Challenge be shifted to the region (passed). It was further motioned that the remaining roughly \$1250 in the state chapters account be given to the DNR shocking boat project in central WI as this in a project very near completion, most clubs have invested in it already, and it will affect a significant portion of musky water (passed). Our chapter supported the electroshock boat by providing a \$2000.00 donation.

Lunge Log

Congratulations John for the first fish of the season registered!

Chapter Fish List for 2020 First Wisconsin Chapter

Member Name	Division	Muskies Caught	Total Points	Largest Fish
John Goodbrake	Mens	1	6	32.25

Lunker of the Month for 2020 First Wisconsin Chapter

Month	Member Name	Length
March	John Goodbrake	32.25



Chapter Events

Note: Due to SARS-coV-2, All Chapter Events are canceled Until Further Notice

Date	When & Where	Event
04/06/2020	7:00 PM General Membership Meeting Fill Inn Station- Chippewa Falls	Guest Speaker- Noah Binsfeld:
04/13/2020	Wisconsin Conservation Congress Hearing Held in each County	Usually help at 7 PM Consider attending
04/14/2020	7 PM Membership meeting North Rice Lake Moose Club	Guest Speaker- Steve Genson
04/20/2020	6:30 PM Board Meeting VFW 305 on Starr Ave Eau Claire	*
05/04/2020	5:30 PM Annual Fish Fry Chippewa Rod-n-Gun	Members Bring a dish to pass
05/18/2020	6:30 PM Board Meeting Online – Invite to come	*
05/30/2020	Musky Opener North Hwy 10	*
06/01/2020	5:30 PM General Membership Meeting Chippewa -Rod-n-Gun	Summer Meeting

06/15/2020	6:30 PM Board Meeting Chippewa Rod-n-Gun	*
07/06/2020	5:30 PM General Membership Meeting Chippewa-Rod-n-Gun	Summer Meeting
07/20/2020	6:30 PM Board Meeting Chippewa Rod-n-Gun	*
08/03/2020	5:30 PM General Meeting Chippewa Rod-n-Gun	Summer Meeting
08/17/2020	6:30 PM Board Meeting Chippewa Rod-n-Gun	*
09/07/2020	No General Meeting Tournament Month	*
09/18/2020	44th 1st Wisc Annual Musky Tournament	September 18-20th, 2020
1/23/2021	Annual Banquet	Fill Inn Station

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Editors Corner:

Thank you to all of our members for making our events a success. We are looking forward to getting back to business as usual following the passing of SARS-coV-2. A special thank you to all of our volunteers & Donors for keeping the wheels turning. If you have anything exciting you would like to share in an upcoming newsletter, please reach out to Kyle M. Darley by email: KyleDarley@Darley.com