



Marissa Liske, 11-year old Junior Member from Rosemount, MN, was fortunate to catch and release this 49.25" musky early September in Wisconsin. She started musky fishing 6 years ago and has continued to grow her interest and patience in the chase every year. This was a special fish for her and her family as it was not only her new personal best but she caught it together with her Dad who has been fishing these same waters for over 30-years.



Chapter Updates

1st Wisconsin's September board meeting was held in person at the local rod and gun. The meeting was well attended which resulted in meaningful discussion.

The board voted to cancel the October General Meeting.

Long time member and friend to many, Jim Coffin, Passed away on August 31st. We ask that you keep Jim and his family in your thoughts and prayers. Jim's obituary can be found using the following link: <https://www.olsonfuneral.com/obituaries/James-Coffin-3/#!/Obituary>

The Chippewa Valley Musky League concluded its 2020 season. 18 of 32 teams registered fish. Jason Beaulieu and David Green took first place. Coming in a close second was Nick Brenner (MI Board member) and his brother Kris Brenner. Hats off to all of the teams for grinding it out this season!

League Standings

Place	Team Name	Team Members
1	Team Teal	Jason Beaulieu and David Green Kris Brenner and Nick Brenner
2	Buckatil Brothers	Jake Rendmeister and Curt Kramer
3	River Rats	Mike Keown and Jonathan Gamble
4	Busted Rubber	Matt Ross and Jordan Klingbeil
5	Saucy 8's	

6	Blood In Blood Out	Shane McLaughlin and Ryan Crosby Josh Rabska and Mike Markowicz
7	Burn N Turn	Peter Ross & Carter Pritchard
8	Size Matters	Brad Peet and Tony Rust
9	Finding Fatty	Luke and Kayla Frome
10	Weapons of Musky Destruction	Jason Smith and Fischer Smith Brad Dittner and David Albright
11	Musky Smiths	Kyle Darley and Jamie Loiselle
12	Eau Claire Musky Maximizers	Kevin Rabska and Lisa Rabska Vito Meinking & Nathan McKeeth
13	Wi-Ski's	Cortland Spletter and Chuck Spletter
14	Date Night	Scott Christopher and Brian Marks
15	Ugly Pike	Adam Constantine and Aaron Constantine Len Rubesch and Brandon Wilcox
16	The Book Club	Dave Vollmer and Jessica Vollmer
17	Fish Hook	
18	Team Naturdays	
NF	Boys from the North	
NF	Just One More Cast	



NF	Kitten Mittens	Korey maves and Josh Woodward
NF	Mayhem	Stephanie Begley & Shane Begley
NF	Off Constantly	Jerrod Bromeisl and Kyle Spindler
NF	Slime Green	Norm Green and Dean Steines
NF	Snag Warriors	John Imm and Jennifer Grau
NF	Tail Pinchers	Jason Emerson and Randy Campbell
NF	Team Vexan	Rich Reinert and Penny Reinert
NF	The Hookers	Dylan Neibauer and Foua Her
NF	Green Hornet	Scott Schreiber and Greg Hassman
NF	Keepin it Reel	Alex Swanson and Travis Henry
NF	Squanch Donkey	John West and Jamie Kuhl
NF	High Five	Joe Heil & Steve Wilson

Members Only Lunge Log

First Wisconsin Chapter

MOFC as of 09/29/20

Juniors Fry

Member Name	Muskies Caught	Total Points	Largest Fish
Smith, Fischer	21	289	50.50
Liske, Marissa	15	152	49.25
Weeks, Jacob William	7	77	42.50
Weeks, Joel Leif	4	34	40.00
Liske, Mason	3	22	34.00
Rabska, Easton	1	13	39.25

Juniors Fingerling

Member Name	Muskies Caught	Total Points	Largest Fish
Emerson, Matthew	1	5	31.00

Womens

Member Name	Muskies Caught	Total Points	Largest Fish
Allen, Lesa	2	35	47.50
Bunch, Elizabeth	1	18	44.00
Eckert, Jeanne	1	9	35.00
Weeks, Kim	1	4	30.00

Mens

Member Name	Muskies Caught	Total Points	Largest Fish
Rabska, Josh	27	414	53.50
Martin, Tony	28	373	46.00
Mc Laughlin, Shane	30	336	46.00
Spletter, Cortland	26	305	43.25
Ross, Matthew	21	226	49.50
Mc Keeth, Nathan	20	213	46.75



Hanson, Dan C.	17	204	45.00
Bauer, Eric	15	198	45.25
Carlson, Todd	14	176	46.00
Goodbrake, John	11	123	42.00
Wilcox, Larry	7	105	53.00
Brenner, Kris	10	100	46.00
Keown, Mike	6	94	45.25
Wilcox, Brandon	8	94	47.25
Harris, Chad	9	92	41.75
Eckert, Tony	9	89	41.00
Ballweg, Mason	7	88	44.50
Weeks, Eric	4	66	48.00
Hammerbeck, Keith	5	64	46.00
Imm, John K	6	60	46.50
Palecek, Eric	3	55	48.25
Ursin, Martin	4	52	45.00
Meinking, Vito	5	47	39.00
Phillips, Brian D	2	39	50.00
Rabska, Kevin	2	36	44.00
Vollmer, David A	2	34	49.00
Darley, Kyle	3	31	45.25
Prestebak, Dan	3	27	36.00
Gibson, Mitchell J	1	23	49.00
Mechelke, Rick	1	21	47.40
Demulling, Corey	2	20	40.00
Smith, Scott T	1	17	43.00
Hillery, Tim	1	16	42.00
Sharer, Travis	1	14	40.25
Weeks, Vern W	1	14	40.25
Gottwald, Paul	1	14	40.00
Emerson, Jason P	1	8	34.00
Scott, Bruce	1	8	34.00
Weber, Bryce	1	8	34.00
Longacre, Adrian Wayne	1	5	31.00
Begley, R. Shane	1	5	30.50

Riedel, Tom	27	312	50.00
Sommerfeld, Ace	21	220	45.00
Klingbeil, Jordan	12	126	47.25
Brenner, Nickolas	10	114	46.50
Smith, Jason D	6	96	45.00
Wright, Brian H.	8	94	48.50
Rubesch Jr, Leonard J	8	88	46.25
Bunch, Jeffrey	4	47	43.25
Klein, Dan	4	45	45.00
Total Anglers	61	Total Muskies	475
		Total Points	5714
		Avg. Largest	43.35

Lunker of the Month

Month	Member Name	Length
March	John Goodbrake	32.25"
May	Brian H. Wright	48.50"
June	Josh Rabska	51.25"
July	Tom Riedel	50.00"
August	Josh Rabska	53.50"
September	Marissa Liske	49.25"

Milestones This Season

First Muskie Registered-	Mason Ballweg; Adrian Wayne Longacre; Tony Martin Vito Meinking; R.Shane Begley; Jeanne Eckert; Easton Rabska Kevin Rabska; Bryce Weber
Personal Best Registered-	Larry Wilcox-53"; Fischer Smith-50.50"; Marissa Liske-49.25"; Dave Vollmer-49" Eric Weeks-48"; Tony Martin- 46"; Kyle Darley-45.25"

MensMasters

Member Name	Muskies Caught	Total Points	Largest Fish
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Eric Bauer-45.25";
Elizabeth Bunch-44";
Travis Sharer-40.25"

Mason Ballweg-40"; Vito
Meinking-39"

Century Club- Ace Sommerfeld- 400
Matt Ross-100

50" + Josh Rabska-53.5",51.25";
Larry Wilcox-53"; Fischer
Smith-50.50"
Tom Riedel-50"; Brian D.
Phillips-50"

RULES for Chapters MOFC/Lunker of the Month

Link to Chapter rules are on the last couple pages of April 2020 newsletter.

Muskie Inc. "Lite" Entry system explained also.

http://firstwimuskiesinc.org/documents/newsletters/2020_04.PDF

Link to Muskie Inc. Fishing Policies

https://muskiesinc.org/indy_files/zz_llentry.php upper right of page

New Horizons

With a current membership base of 227 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

We wrapped up raffle ticket sales for the Muskie Alliance Ranger Boat. Jack Gerlach delivered the tickets to eagle river the week of august 17th. The boat drawing will be held on August 23. Thank you to Muskies Alliance for supporting the First Wisconsin Chapter. Also, a special thank you to Chuck Spletter (Carquest of Cornel), Loopy Kliech (Loopy's Grill and Saloon and Loopy's High Shores), and Rick Mohr (Eau Claire Ford Lincoln Quick Lane) for selling boat raffle tickets for our club. Thank you to all of you who supported the raffle by buying tickets!

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.

Additional effort & consideration has been given to improve musky habitat on our tournament waters. Long time chapter member Joe Heil is working behind the scenes to form partnerships to enhance our efforts. Keep up the good work, Joe!

Interested In Volunteering?

We are actively seeking volunteers to fulfill director and assistant roles on the board. Any interested members can reach out to a board



member to learn more. If you or someone you know is interested, please reach out.

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).

Member Rod Sale

Joe Heil has information on a members only rod sale. Please reach out directly to Joe if you are interested in purchasing a rod or rods at a discounted rate.

Board Meeting Attendance

Attendees:

1. Jack Gerlach
2. Tom Riedel
3. John Goodbrake
4. Joe Heil
5. Dave Jann
6. Paul Gottwald

7. Nick Brenner
8. Matt Ross
9. Nathan McKeeth
10. Kyle Darley
11. Josh Rabska
12. Kevin Rabska
13. Rob Given

Absentees:

1. Scott Schreiber
2. Don Maves

Board Moves

Dave Jann mad a motion to approve the treasurers report. The motion was seconded by Nick Brenner and passed unanimously.

Jack Gerlach made a motion to spend \$500.00 from the merchandise account for rods and tackle. The motion was seconded by Nick Brenner and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Jack Gerlach and Seconded by Kyle Darley to cancel the General membership meeting in October. The motion passed unanimously.

Chapter Events

<i>Date</i>	<i>When & Where</i>	<i>Event</i>
Oct 15	6:30 PM VFW Star Av. EC	Board Meeting
1/23/2021	Annual Banquet	Fill Inn Station
09/17/2021	44th 1st Wisc. Annual Musky Tournament	September 2021

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Editors Corner:

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