



PRESIDENTS LETTER

Our general membership meeting for January had a huge turnout! Many thanks go to Scott Decore and the “Hawg Gone” crew for providing a very informative seminar. It ended up being very interactive and surely seemed like everyone appreciated the information that was given out. If Larry “Lake Taker” had not told us what time it was I’m sure we would have been there talking fishing beyond 11PM! An added bonus was getting Shane and Dustin rolling out the information as well! I saw allot of note takers in the crowd so I’m sure they will be trying the tactics learned in the spring! Scott also donated his winnings from last year’s challenge series along with additional funds to sponsor this year’s “SU Opener”. Thanks Scott for your support! The Decore Tool donation now allows us to have a \$1,000 Big Fish along with \$300 for the largest of the remaining species.

We have really hit the ground running this year for Salmon-a-Rama. Sponsor requests are going out to every sponsor from last year as well as an even longer list of new potential sponsors. Please, if you have any idea’s or contacts feel free to contact Chris “Stretch” to get the ball rolling. We also have come up with alternate locations to prepare for any issues we might have with the new concession stand operator. That being said, we are also going to be issuing a proposal to run the stand ourselves. Hopefully, this will allow us to make a few extra bucks during the summer months and maybe get more members involved. Stay tuned, as I’m sure this year will have some changes and improvements to help increase participation!

New for 5th Street Yacht Club will be “Hot Wings”! They will be selling wings during our meetings so please support them as they certainly support us.

The new members of the board seem eager and enthusiastic. Even Bob.... I pretty much think Bob has held most positions in this club and a special thanks to him for all his years of service.

Our February guest speaker will be Captain Dan Grueneich from Full Throttle Charters! Captain Dan is a successful Tournament fisherman and brings with him a wealth of knowledge. Dan will be focusing how he utilizes his 20’ Lund to catch Perch, Walleye, and Salmon. His techniques from a small boat have landed him in the money at many tournaments on the Wisconsin side of the lake. Dan also knows how to burn the carbon out of the motor if you know what I mean. Plan on attending as I’m sure it will be informative, entertaining, and interactive.

Thanks,
Tom Pietila
Club President

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**Capt. Rich Gorske - Port of Racine
1PM to 2:30PM**

Salmon Fishing Techniques

**Capt. Mark Thayer – Port of Sheboygan
3:30PM to 4:30PM**

March 4th

Plugging For Salmon With Brads Cut Plugs

**Capt. Rich Gorske – Port of Racine
10AM to 11:30AM**

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**Capt. Josh Keeran - Port of Racine
1PM to 2:30PM**

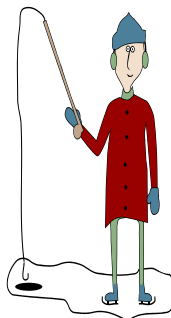
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This year’s ice fishing derby will be held on February 4, 2012 and will have a make-up date of February 11th to accommodate any bad weather or ice conditions as was the case last year when Racine got hit with the biggest snow storm in year’s just days before the derby. A big sigh of relief was felt the day before the derby when a Racine city plow cleared Christopher Columbus Drive allowing us access to Reefpoint Marina and the derby was on.

Last year 151 contestants took part in the fishing derby. We paid 80% of ticket sales (\$2,420.00) back to the contestants in the form of cash prizes. Prizes were awarded (1st thru 5th) in two categories; Brown Trout and Rainbow Trout. Although fishing was slow last year with only one Rainbow Trout registered, the remaining places were raffled off. Division winners of the 2011 derby were as follows: **Brown Trout;** 1st Place - Julie Johnson 10.15 lb. (\$570) 2nd Place - Jim Lafortune 10.10 lb. (\$420) 3rd Place - John Fritche 9.50 lb. (\$120) 4th Place - Shane Lemke 9.35 lb. (\$100) 5th Place - Tom Helland 9.25 lb. (\$ 50 Gift Card) **Rainbow Trout;** 1st Place - Eric Thompson 4.85 lb. (\$570) 2nd Place - Marian Cholelsa (Raffle \$420) 3rd Place - Ross DeVecchis (Raffle \$120) 4th Place - Jim Erickson (Raffle \$100) 5th Place - Jason Hetland (Raffle \$50 Gift Card). Every derby ticket sold was eligible for the Grand Prize Drawing of a Jiffy 3-HP 10” Ice Drill package valued over \$700 and donated by Veolia Water Milwaukee. This year’s winner was William Moczynski. Congratulation to all of the successful contestants of the 2011 Derby. After all derby expenses were paid, Salmon Unlimited raised \$374.04 in total.

There is only one major rule change for the 2012 ice derby. We have added a make-up date and a DERBY HOT LINE to call if postponement or cancellation of the derby is deemed necessary. This phone number is not yet available but will be included in the rules section of the registration form.

Even if you’re not big on ice fishing, the camaraderie enjoyed at the weigh-in station or sipping a nice hot cup of coffee, hot chocolate or tea in the warm confines of Spinnakers Restaurant, overlooking the harbor, is a great way to spend a couple hours on a Saturday afternoon. It sure beats lying on the couch watching more Super Bowl hype. Hope to see you there.

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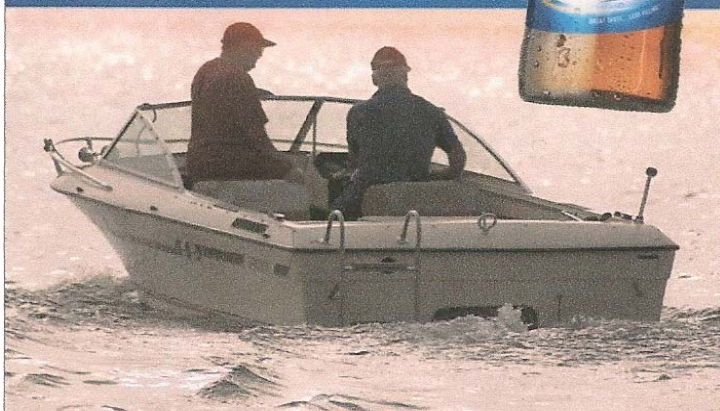
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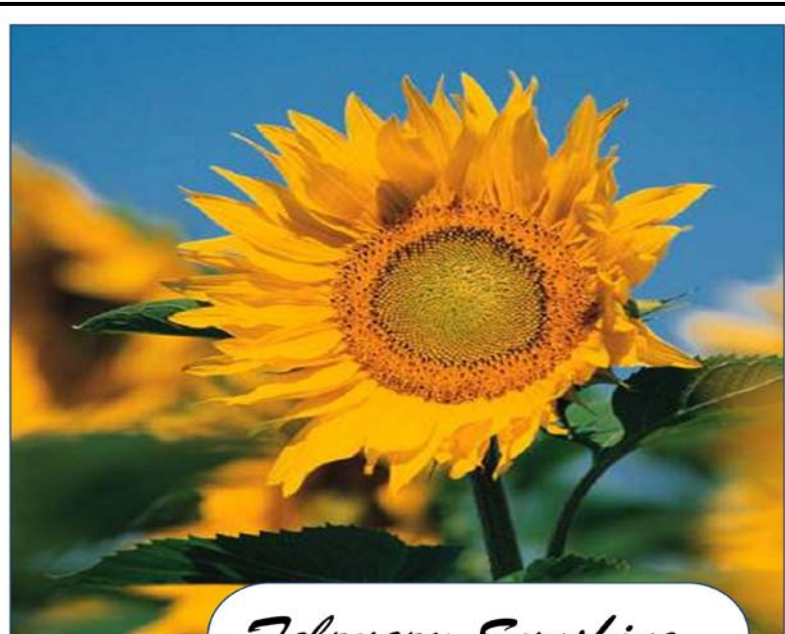


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Ice Fishing Derby	4-Feb
Kids Clinic	14-Apr
1st outing (Sunday)	20-May
2nd outing (combined with SU Open)	2-Jun
Vets Outing	24-Jun
First Annual On Water Seminar	28-Jul
3rd outing (Sunday)	29-Jul
4th outing	25-Aug
5th outing (combined Kids Outing??)	8-Sep
Makeup date if 3 Outings not met	15-Sep



February Sunshine

Jeff Kingfield has had a heart attack, and is home recovering!

Randy Even from U Charters creator of the Slide Diver has passed away.



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Steelheaders Summer Classic	5/11-5/12	St. Joseph MI
Su Open	2-Jun	Racine
Possible Kenosha Tournament	16-Jun	Kenosha
Morris	6/22-6/23	Northpoint IL
Port Salmon Shootout	7-Jul	Port Washington
Super Sweepstakes (SAR 7/14-7/22)	14-Jul	Racine
Two on a boat (SAR 7/14-7/22)	15-Jul	Racine
Brew City	11-Aug	Milwaukee
SUPA	18-Aug	Northpoint IL

- Salmon Unlimited January 11th, 2011 General Membership Meeting called to order by Tom at 7:02 pm
- Tom wished the membership a Happy New Year and a Happy Birthday to several club members, Travis Manard, Dan Arnold and Scott De Core. ☺☺☺
- Secretary's Minutes were read by Mary Lee, there were no additions or corrections. There was a motion to approve by Chuck Boedecker and 2nd by Ron Seeger. All were in Favor ☺
- Treasurer's report was given by Tom in Al's absence
There were no additions or corrections. There was a motion to approve by Chuck Boedecker and a 2nd by Bob Weidman. All were in Favor☺
- Website-Ice Fishing Info on the page. Will be transitioning to a new page. Contest dates on the front page, one date will be changed. Please use the message board! ☺
- Big Fish-Tom forgot the list to get to Ron for the final tallies for the banquet.
- Fishing Committee-Ice Fishing contest discussed. Issues of no ice and what might happen. Khris Radke discussed the prize structure and raffle tickets. They have already sold enough tickets to cover prizes. The makeup date is the 11th. There is a hotline; the number is listed in the rules. Raffle will be at 2 pm on the 11th, if there is no ice. If there is good Ice they are anticipating 200 contestants. There was a round of applause for Khris and Dan Radke!
☺☺☺
- Craig bender discussed the Whitefish outing on January 28th (depending on Ice) Might be postponed until February 18th, if no Ice on the 28th. The location to be discussed. The Club will provide the food and beverages. Craig asked for a show of hands of how many members are interested. Also asked if members that might need to share a ride and if any members have an ATV to bring along. Craig had a small display set up on what to bring with and some tips for a successful ice fishing trip.
- Tom reviewed outing dates. The 1st annual on the water demonstration may need to be changed. Tom reviewed all the totals from last year. Money tournaments reviewed. Stated that we need to talk over the Vets outing plans with Ron Seeger. Tom also discussed the South West lake Michigan Salmon Series. Tom is talking with the Sportsman Channel about crews coming onto boats to televise our outings.
- Picnic-Mike the Plumber (Westpahl) will Chair. Mary Lee and Brian Lehman to help with the Kids Contest, which will be on the same day. I discussed having the kids contest the same day as the picnic with Brian and he thought that, the kids would be able to catch bigger fish later in the year.
- Banquet-Just a reminder that there is a change of venue. It will be at the Fountain Banquet hall in Sturtevant. \$20.00 per person, Sit down, must pre request dinner choice-Prime Rib, Chicken Masala or Teriyaki Salmon. 5 pm Cocktails, 6 pm Dinner, 7 pm Awards. March 31st. Tom asked for a round applause for the Strege Family for all their work on this event. ☺☺☺
- SAR-the club needs the SUPPORT of the membership to make this work. SAR is our only money maker and this needs to be supplemented with this raffle. Other items are the possibility of a location change; a lot is pending who gets to run the concession stand down at the ramp. There was a show of hands on if the club should pursue running the concessions at the ramp. There was an overwhelming YES to do so. We are working on a Charter Boat ticket. We also need volunteers in all areas of this event☺ Real Racine has stated that they are not willing to help us this year. Tom has written a letter of concern to Real Racine, the Mayor and the City Administrator. SAR is the longest running event in the city. Tom read the letter to the membership and the club gave him a round of applause for his efforts☺ The Prize committee is hard at work, Chris Skrezcko, Keith Slater, Jim La Fortune and Tom have all been very active to solicit donations.
- Membership-Curt Kell has reviewed all non-paying members for 2010-2011 members. Hopeful to have new Roster out just before boating season starts.
- Sunshine-Randy Even from U-Charters (the creator of the Slide Diver) has passed away. Larry stated that Gerry Roloff would soon be coming home from the hospital.
- Federation-
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- New Business-Cheryl is no longer our liaison with the DNR. Dave from the DNR reviewed some details on stocking numbers and a new survey has shown that there are signs of natural reproduction in Steel Head and Coho. The DNR is also working on a wish list.
- Greg Seitz spoke about the importance of this raffle and members helping to sell them. We have 6 months to sell them and encouraged members to take some tonight and turn them in by SAR. Chris Skreczko got up and re enforced the fact that a lot of other clubs have larger due and mandatory work hours that selling these tickets is the least members can do to support Salmon Unlimited.
- Vendor Night was discussed and we are not doing one this year, there will however be a Club Swap Night. Sign up at the next meeting if you would like tables set up.
- Lake Michigan Angler is having a Spring Seminar on February 25th. He has 5 speaker lined up. Also a 2nd date on March 17th. Frank also stated that he took Lorin Lichtermann Ice fishing in North point.
- Bob Weidman brought up the article in the paper about the county buying the Marina.
- Shane Schneidewind won the attendance raffle \$25.00
- The HAWG GONE TEAM was the night's speaker. Scott De Core very generously donated \$300.00 for the club to use towards trophies. ☺☺☺
- Motion to adjourn by Shane and 2nd by Fran, All were in favor ☺

- January 18th, 2012 Salmon Unlimited Board Meeting was called to order by Tom at 6:45 pm after a quorum was met.
- Secretaries minutes were not read
- Treasurer's report-a brief report was given by Al. Al stated that he would have the year-end financials by the February meeting. Clothing inventory and how it needs to be handled for taxation purposes were discussed. There were no additions or corrections. There was a motion to approve by Bob Weidman and a 2nd by Jeff Kingsfield. All were in favor☺
- Membership-all persons not paid for 2010 will be deleted from roster and any one whose dues for 2011 that are not paid by March 2012 will also be dropped from the roster.
- Sunshine-Jeff Kingsfield has had a 90% blockage of a major artery, and is recovering nicely☺
- Federation-
- Vet's Outing-still needs discussion
- Kid's Contest-will be combined with the picnic, Brian Lehman to help
- Kid's Clinic-Jeff Kingsfield to contact Jeff Camell , otherwise will need a volunteer to run. Jeff stated that the poles are ready to go. The DNR holds clinics on how to run the kids clinic.
- Clothing-Jeff and al have come up with numbers on what to re-order and what to just sell thru on.
- Banquet-Just reviewed details and suggested dignitaries to invite.
- Scholarship-applications have been handed out and a date was set for Sunday February 12th for the scoring meeting to be held at Chris and Monica Skreczko's home.
- Bob brought up the ad for Fetek and Grady, Tracy needs to pull from the Fish On.
- Jalenskys participation was discussed and how best to handle the situation.
- SAR tickets to be finalized by February
- Date for the "On the Water Seminar" needing to be changed due to a conflict with another money tournament.
- Tom in talks with the Sportsman Channel as a Major contributor
- Motion to adjourn by All ☺