

# On the Water



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## 100% of George Wahl Memorial Muskie Tournament Proceeds Benefit Metro-Area Muskie Fishery



*Dustan Forschen registered the biggest fish of the 2016 George Wahl Memorial Muskies Tournament, a 48.5 inch muskie from White Bear Lake. One of the requirements to register a fish is that a Saturday newspaper must be showing in the photo submitted for registration.*



*Sadie Maas who registered this 42 inch muskie from Minnetonka was awarded a \$300 check for the Mary Villnow Memorial Award. The bonus is given in memory of Mary Villnow, an avid muskie fisherwoman to the top three women who register a fish.*

**A** record twenty muskies were registered by 18 anglers in the 8th annual George Wahl Memorial Muskie Tournament held Saturday, September 24 on 12 metro-area lakes.

2015 tournament winner, Joe Tuma repeated this year with two Forest Lake muskies - 44 and 45.5 inches. He walked away with a \$1000 first-place check in addition to an Eagle Tail lure, \$50 Thorne Bros. gift card, a commemorative Sinister lure created by Todd Cleveland, and a plaque that each of the top five anglers received.

Second and third place fish both came from White Bear Lake. Second place winner Dustan Forschen registered a 48.5-incher, the longest fish registered for the day. David Rask with a 46.5-inch muskie finished in third place. Second and third place winners received a check for \$500 and \$250, respectively

Dawson Johnson, with a 40 and 41-inch muskies from Lake Harriet, placed first in the Junior Division. This was the first time in tournament history that a junior has placed. Another tournament first this year – a woman registered a fish to earn the Mary Villnow Award. The award was presented to Sadie Maas for her 42-inch Lake Minnetonka muskie.

Every person who registered a muskie was entered in a drawing for the Grand Prize, a trip for 4 to Whitefish Bay Camp on Lake of the Woods and \$500. The winner was unable to take the trip and auctioned it off. Ultimate winner of the trip was Terry Schar.

The 176 muskie anglers who spent the day fishing contributed a little something toward our metro-area muskie fishery by participating in the George Wahl Memorial Muskie Tournament. Thanks to all the anglers for helping preserve our great metro-area muskie fishing.



*Defending champion, Joe Tuma, won again this year. Joe doubled with 44- and 45.5-inch muskies from Forest Lake. First place winnings were raised this year and Joe went home with a \$1000 check in addition to an Eagle Tail, a commemorative Sinister lure and a \$50 Thorne Bros. gift card.*



*For the first time in tournament history a junior registered fish in the tournament. Dawson Johnson, who was fishing in Lake Harriet with this father, doubled with 40- and 41-inch muskies.*



# 2016 Frank Schneider, Jr. Memorial Muskie Tournament

from Frank Schneider Tournament Director, Eric Bakke

The Frank Schneider, Jr. Memorial Muskie Tournament has come and gone again for the 49th year in a row! This is our chapter's longest-running fundraising event. How did you do?

First off, I would like to thank everyone who had a part in putting this event on. It takes a village to make something like this happen. Your efforts were all greatly appreciated!

Secondly, I would like to thank the participants. They are the lifeblood of our event. This year we had 485 people from 13 states enjoy a weekend of great weather, food, camaraderie, and most importantly muskies!

There were 94 muskies caught by 79 people and 3 northers were registered as well. Ten people doubled and 2 people tripled up to take the top two spots. Steve Plante, of Longville, caught his three fish on Woman Lake and was presented first place. As did all of the winners, Steve

received a rod and reel courtesy of Pure Fishing, as well as a plaque. He also received a week stay for 4 at Red Wing Lodge on Sabaskong Bay, Lake of the Woods.

Junior winner was Payton McDougall with a 42-inch muskie. Payton received a trip to Pine Beach Resort on Lake Garfield in addition to a rod, reel and plaque. Terry DeMenge registered the largest northern at 40 inches. He received a week stay at Huddle's Resort on Leech Lake.

Big fish of the event went to Kyle Bissen from Plover, WI with a 53-incher on Leech. Of the people who got their names in the drawing for the Grand Prize, Parker Butler of Owatonna, was the one at the end of the day standing on stage with a big check over his head for \$15,000.

This year we saw a lot of great successes come out of the 2016 Frank Schneider, Jr. Memorial Muskie Tournament that we hope to build on moving forward:

- \$3500 donation given directly to the MN DNR to go directly to the local fishery.
- We awarded a junior contestant, present at our Sunday Awards Program, a Minnesota Lifetime Fishing License.
- All three places for the Ladies Bonus were qualified for out of the 39 women that fished!
- All three Junior places were qualified for out of the 24 juniors that fished!
- This tournament has received statewide praise for our progressive stance on Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) awareness and prevention.
- A new Fly Fishing Division was initiated.
- We had a qualifying fish for the Big Fish Award (Lax Replica) to be handed out at next year's ceremony.
- We presented a Net Man/Woman Bonus to contestant who netted the largest fish. This year the award went to a lady who successfully netted the 53-incher.
- A Live Leader Board linked to our webpage and Facebook notifications of each fish phoned in.
- Proceeds from our event will be headed back to our state's fisheries as projects and research are presented to our chapter for funding.



Kyle Bissen registered the biggest fish of the tournament, this 53-inch Leech lake muskie. Kyle will receive a replica of the fish from Lax Reproductions and the Twin Cities chapter. The replica will be presented at the next year's Frank Schneider tournament.

Awards program emcee, Paige Carlson (left), presented Stacey Ahcan, top place in the Ladies Bonus with a \$300. Stacey registered a 47.5-inch muskie. The Ladies Bonus is awarded to the three women anglers of any age with the three largest muskies.



Next year's Frank Schneider tournament is a special one, as it marks the 50th anniversary of this great event. We encourage everyone who has ever fishing in our tournament to come back for this historical event. It will be a celebration of all that is good in muskie fishing and what is possible if people work together towards a common goal.

The 2017 event will be September 8-10, so mark your calendars and call up old fishing partners. We hope to see everyone there!

# Twin Cities Chapter Members Only Contest

from Members Only Contest Chair, Casey Friskney

Well folks, we're two-thirds of the way through the 2016 muskie season. The days are getting shorter, the waters are starting to cool down, and we're transitioning into true fall pre-turnover fishing. That means weeds will start to die off (as does the rec traffic), docks will get pulled, and hopefully the big girls start showing up hungry!

Since my last update, bucktails put the majority of registered fish in the boat; my guess and general observation is blade size is tipping toward the larger end of the spectrum. Outside of throwing blades, we've seen a slight surge in top-water and crank bait action. Moving forward I suspect we'll see anglers pull out the live bait rigs, large trolling cranks, and big rubber lures start put fish on the board.

Noteworthy action on the Members Only Contest Board:

- We've got more ladies getting in on the action, with Cindy Hegdahl registering three fish to claim first place atop the Women's Masters Division, and Linda Knutson boating a 36.5-incher to take second place in the division.
- Brent Hirsh has been busy over the last month, putting the hurt on a lot of Wisconsin fish. He's propelled his way to an impressive command of the Men's Masters Division with 23 fish. He also bagged a Wisconsin Tiger and is now the sole entry on top of the Men's Masters Hybrid Division.
- There's still time to register big fish this month, but for the time being Brian Hanson nabbed the second place spot in the Men's Masters Division with a 49" beast that, as it presently stands, is the (unofficial) Luncker of the Month for September.
- The highly contested Men's Division saw no movement in the top three rankings, but the top 10 is starting to set the bar for measured success. If you want your name in the standings, it's going to take at least three quality fish, or as in my case, a strong quantitative approach where you register a bunch of smaller fish.

Keep pulling lures people; I'll see you out on the water!

Current standings:

## JUNIOR DIVISION

	NAME	POINTS	NO. FISH	LONGEST
1ST	Elijah Woods	25	1	50.5"

## WOMEN'S DIVISION

1ST	Terra Castillo	117	6	54"
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## WOMEN'S MASTERS DIVISION

1ST	Cindy Hegdahl	47	3	46"
2ND	Linda Knutson	11	1	36.5"



Josh Borovsky has registered the longest fish of the season so far. Josh caught this 56.5-incher in June on Lake Vermilion.

## MEN'S DIVISION

	NAME	POINTS	NO. FISH	LONGEST
1ST	Nolen Ryba	225	14	48"
2ND	Mike Dahlstrom	95	6	49.5"
3RD	Alexander McLean	79	5	46.5"
4TH	Casey Friskney	77	7	41"
5TH	Gary I Woods III	71	6	43"
6TH	Todd Lindberg	68	4	46.5"
7TH	Jeff Nelson	66	5	53"
8TH	Phil Groth	62	4	47.5"
9TH	Pat McAllister	58	3	50"
10TH	Dustan Forschen	53	3	48.5"

## MEN'S HYBRID DIVISION

(points already tabulated with pure-strain releases)

1ST	Jesse Carpentier	15	2	34"
2ND	John Harazin	10	1	36"
3RD	Erik Chrissis	4	1	30"

## MEN'S MASTERS DIVISION

1ST	Brent Hirsch	262	23	46"
2ND	Brian Hanson	86	4	51"
3RD	Mark Fredrick	67	4	52.5"

## LUNKER OF THE MONTH

APRIL - Official - John Harazin - 4/30 - Clear Lake, IA - 46"

MAY - No fish registered 45" or over

JUNE - Official - Josh Borovsky - 6/20 - Vermilion - 56.5"

JULY - Official - Tera Castillo - 7/4 - Minnetonka - 54"

Alan Albrecht - 7/21 - Vermilion - 54"

AUGUST - Official - Mark Fredrick - 8/28 - Plantagenet - 52.5"

SEPTEMBER - Unofficial - Brian Hanson - 9/14 - Little Sand Lake, Ontario - 49"

Remember, there are three ways to register your fish: On-line at the national website. [www.muskiesinc.org](http://www.muskiesinc.org). You must sign in to the site to register your fish. Print out a registration form and mail it to: Casey Friskney, 908 Heritage Crt W, Vadnais Heights, MN 55127. Fill out the registration form and email it to [tcmi.membersonly@gmail.com](mailto:tcmi.membersonly@gmail.com).



# Last Outing for Chapter Summer Fishing League

from Greg Kappes, Summer Fishing League Chair

**W**here did the summer go? There is only one outing left on the schedule for the chapter's Summer Fishing League – **Sunday, October 16 from 7am to 1 pm on Eagle Lake.**

The league is intended as a fun outing with other chapter members. Every chapter member is welcome to come out for the league outings.

Two muskies have been caught during the outings. Matt Olson leads the standings with 19 points for a 45-inch fish caught during our Capable Partners outing in June. Those who were guides for the Capable Partners had their fish counted for a league outing. Greg Kappes holds second place with a 43 incher from Minnetonka.

The George Wahl tournament on September 24 counted as a league outing. There were 2 fish caught by chapter members during that event. Possibly they will register their fish for the Summer League and the standing will change.

Participants in the league could choose to participate for cash prizes by donating \$50 each to the chapter stocking and Rearing Fund. With the limited number of participants, \$80 will go to the fund this year.

Hope to see more chapter members out on October 16.



## — this 'n that —

### Look for Muskies with the Yellow Tag

The Twin Cities chapter, the North Metro chapter, and the MN DNR have collaborated on a multi-year stocking/data collection program. Muskies with a small yellow tag near the dorsal fin were stocked over 4 years in Lake Minnetonka, Bald Eagle Lake and White Bear Lake.

When fishing those three lakes, you should be looking for fish in 24-45 inch range that have the yellow tags. By this time, the tags may be covered with algae and other material, so look closely. If you see a yellow tag on any muskie, the DNR really needs data from you. Specifically, they need the number on the yellow tag, the length of the fish, and lake. They would also appreciate your name and phone number in case they need to follow-up. **DO NOT REMOVE THE YELLOW TAG.** They need data on the re-catchability of fish. You can go online to the DNR tag reporting website page [www.dnr.state.mn.us/fisheries/tagged\\_fish\\_reporting/index.html](http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/fisheries/tagged_fish_reporting/index.html) or leave a message for BJ Bauer at 952-826-6771.

### Tell Us Your “Muskie Tale”

While you're fishing this season, keep in mind all the things that happen while you're out. It might earn you the chapter's “Muskie Tale”. We're looking for stories that are something a little out of the ordinary – what happened while fishing; on the way to fishing; on the way back from fishing. Maybe some kind of mishap happened while you were out fishing; or you found something interesting on the end of your line.

We've already seen a picture of a giant snapping turtle caught during the Metro Muskie Tournament. We're not necessarily looking for the “big fish” story. We all hear enough of those. Share with us by emailing your “tale” to Denise Olson at [olson@3pete.com](mailto:olson@3pete.com). The person with the best tale will have the honor of keeping the chapter Muskie Tale Award for a year.

### Facebook Trivia Contest

Answer the monthly trivia question on the Twin Cities Muskies, Inc. Facebook page and be entered in the drawing for a give away. Every month a new question is posted. Answers can be found by searching through the Muskies, Inc. website and Lunge Log. Submit your answer by EMAIL to [tcmi.fbcontest@gmail.com](mailto:tcmi.fbcontest@gmail.com). Please **DO NOT** post or share your answers in the comment section on Facebook. Our Facebook page can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/Twin-Cities-Muskies-Inc-121519154541005/?ref=hl>

### Peacock Bass Fishing on the Amazon River

A peacock bass fishing trip to the Amazon River is being organized by former Twin Cities chapter member Bob Junghans. The trip, scheduled for January 7-14, 2017, will be outfitted out of Manaus, Brazil and includes 7 days of guided fishing on areas of the Amazon and its tributaries. Lodging is in floating, double-occupancy, air conditioned, wi-fi connected cabins, that are moved multiple times during the trip to assure fishing unpressured water. Cost of the trip is \$5,595.00 per angler and includes one night's lodging in Manaus and all meals. Travel to Manaus, tips for guides are not included. For information contact Bob Junghans at 612-812-6060 or [bobjung305@gmail.com](mailto:bobjung305@gmail.com).

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