

# 2017 MOMC Newsletter 61 years of Sport Fishing

## November Volume 11 Issue 11



### News and events:

Thank you all for making this club a true conservation club. We are dedicated to making our fishery a better place. Congratulations on your hunts in 2017 for the ultimate predator in the Great Lakes.

## 2017 Board of Directors

### Executive Board

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**January 24th, 2018**

**General Membership Meeting & election - 7:00 pm**

VFW Bruce Post - St. Clair Shores

**Feb 10th 2018**

**Annual Awards Banquet**

Lakeland Banquet Center - St. Clair Shores

Join us this year as we honor our club champions and we give ... the 1<sup>st</sup> ever MOMC Lifetime Achievement Award.



FOR MONTHLY TOURNAMENTS, THERE WILL BE A 6PM FRIDAY CUT OFF FOR BOATS ENTERING INTO THE SIDE BETS. GUESTS CAN BE ENTERED THROUGH THE WEEKEND BY INFORMING THE WEIGH MASTER OR A BOARD MEMBER. YOU MUST SHOW A COPY OF YOUR RECEIPT TO THE WEIGHMASTER IF YOU ARE A LATE ENTRY OR GUEST. IF THE GUEST HAS NOT PAID, THEY MUST IMMEDIATELY PAY THE WEIGHMASTER BEFORE ANY FISH IS WEIGHED IN. ALL GUESTS MUST PAY AT DINNER IF THEY DO NOT WEIGH A FISH.



GROSSE POINTE  
HARPER WOODS COMMUNITY



SPECIAL OLYMPICS



# A Notice from the Board

Thank you to the committees from the MOMC, Muskies Inc, and the Charter Captain's Association who organized and spoke at the NRC meetings regarding the proposal to introduce CIR to LSC year round for muskie. Our groups are strongly against this proposal.

The NRC did vote to implement these proposals starting in April of 2018. The guidelines include:

**Catch and Immediate Release – year round**

Statewide opener to begin first Saturday in June

Mandatory harvest registration

Specific Minimum Size Limit changes

As a club it is our job to protect our home territory. We put up a hard fight only for the NRC to vote in favor of politics and money vs scientific evidence (or lack there of), and the recommendations of our 3 clubs. With LSC fighting VHS and pollution, we now have a spawn to protect. We encourage all of our members to voice your displeasure to Phone: 517-284-6237 [NRC@michigan.gov](mailto:NRC@michigan.gov). We also encourage you to speak to your state representatives. The other thing we can do is let the public know our stance and the reasons behind it. We believe muskie are very vulnerable during the spawn. We believe in their weakened state, they should not be targeted. Please tell this to other fisherman and let them know our stance. We highly recommend that all club members do not start targeting muskie on LSC until the first weekend in June. **We will not open CPR before this, so do not ask.**

The next battle on our hands is muskie spearing. This CIR was a political move for the <http://www.mi-darkhouse.org/> Michigan Darkhouse Angling Association. A Mr Botek from this group has openly talked about the next step being a week long spear season on LSC. We hope this opens your eyes to the battle we have.

Thank you Brad Smith, Eric Woodhouse, Chuck Smith, Jason Quintano, Spencer Berman, Tony Virga, Ed Pascua, and Joel Piatek for fighting for us. Thank you Dave Lagman and Brad Koehn from Muskie Inc, and thank you to the LSC Charter Captain's Association.

# RIP Bill Maertens

Bill, the esteemed big fish MOMC member. He won the club big fish award in 1982 with a 34 lber. He has 8 registered 30lb fish to his name. He wrangled in 2 registered muskie over 35 lbs in his career. He caught the first registered 40 lb fish in MOMC history in 2003 aboard Musky Baby. We named this tournament after Bill because of his illustrious BIG FISH record during MOMC tournaments. God's Speed Bill.

We would like to start a club directory of the businesses our club members own and classifieds. This will be a great service to provide answers to questions you have, services you need, and a name you can recognize. We will include Charters, Lure makers, Landscapers, home builders, electricians, boat repair, marinas, ETC. If you would like your service listed or a classified ad, please send your information to Woody at [murdoc9595@comcast.net](mailto:murdoc9595@comcast.net)

### **CLUB Notes**

Please be advised, the club's address is:  
21817 Bon Heur St.  
St Clair Shores, MI 48081

Please email pictures and label them to be included in yearbook (name, boat, size of fish) [DIRECTOR@LSCMOMC.COM](mailto:DIRECTOR@LSCMOMC.COM)

We will have all store inventory on sale at the next meeting. We will be selling new MOMC gear!

Update your email address with us so you get a newsletter by emailing [DIRECTOR@LSCMOMC.COM](mailto:DIRECTOR@LSCMOMC.COM)

**PLEASE CONTACT A DIRECTOR IF YOU HAVE NEWS TO SHARE OR EMAIL**  
[MURDOC9595@COMCAST.NET](mailto:MURDOC9595@COMCAST.NET)

Members with Guests must notify a MOMC board member (President, VP Secretary, Treasurer or weigh master) or Registered on PayPal should be paid (if possible) before 8:00 a.m Saturday for the monthly derby.

You can follow club activities, standings, and photos on the Michigan Ontario Muskie Club Facebook page.

**\*\* No Minimum Length in CPR \*\***

Please include the number for the weekend and 2017 in your picture. No transfer of fish from boat to boat for measuring purposes.

Join the club online through Paypal

Let um Go, Let um Grow...

## **Michigan Corner**

# **Mr. Botek MI Darkhouse Angling Assoc**

I don't have a complete list of the updated/newly changed Fisheries Orders, but I'm hearing that the NRC has passed year round CIR for muskie, including LSC. This is potential good news in our quest to for a one week winter muskie season on LSC that also includes spearing as a method of take.

I will update with links as soon as I get them to the updated regs.

**THIS IS WHAT IS BEING TALKED ABOUT ON MANY FISHING FORUMS!**

# Club Member News

Happy Birthday Tug Orr!

Great job Tug for releasing 2 midnight tankers that could have been registered. He released them to let them swim again.

Happy Bday Jason Wiegand

Good Luck MOMC hunters!

Thank you to our first year board members:

Dave Calcaterra

Jason Wiegand

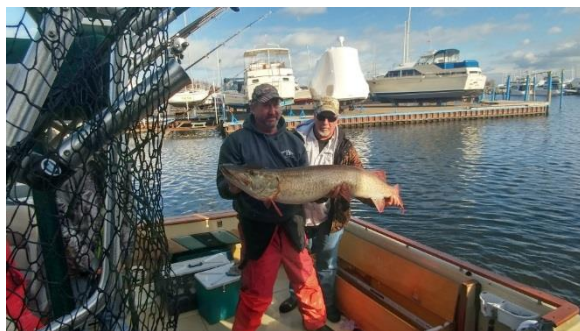
Ross Cassady

Dave Zagacki

We appreciate your efforts.

## Tournament Corner

Congrats to the crew of Reel Therapy who won Tom's Gas Dock year end tournament. The Tournament was a non sanctioned MOMC event. The rules were best two lengths of fish. Great job to this MOMC Team that produced the 3<sup>rd</sup> place year end fish. Congrats Mark Nowicki, Kurt Nowicki, Dave Herschelman, Chris Ardanowski, and Corrinne Skinner.



# Heart Attack: First Aid

We are in the beginning stages of organizing a certified CPR and First Aid class that is American Heart Assoc. approved this Spring. We will keep you abreast of the time and date. This will count for USCG captain requirements and healthcare worker requirements.

[By Mayo Clinic Staff](#)

**Someone having a heart attack may experience any or all of the following:**

- Uncomfortable pressure, fullness or squeezing pain in the center of the chest
- Discomfort or pain spreading beyond the chest to the shoulders, neck, jaw, teeth, or one or both arms, or occasionally upper abdomen
- Shortness of breath
- Lightheadedness, dizziness, fainting
- Sweating
- Nausea
- A heart attack generally causes chest pain for more than 15 minutes, but it can also have no symptoms at all. Many people who experience a heart attack have warning signs hours, days or weeks in advance.

**What to do if you or someone else may be having a heart attack**

- **Call 911 or your local medical emergency number.** Don't ignore or attempt to tough out the symptoms of a heart attack for more than five minutes. If you don't have access to emergency medical services, have a neighbor or a friend drive you to the nearest hospital. Drive yourself only as a last resort, and realize that it places you and others at risk when you drive under these circumstances.
- **Chew and swallow an aspirin,** unless you are allergic to aspirin or have been told by your doctor never to take aspirin. But seek emergency help first, such as calling 911.
- **Take nitroglycerin,** if prescribed. If you think you're having a heart attack and your doctor has previously prescribed nitroglycerin for you, take it as directed. Do not take anyone else's nitroglycerin, because that could put you in more danger.
- **Begin CPR if the person is unconscious.** If you're with a person who might be having a heart attack and he or she is unconscious, tell the 911 dispatcher or another emergency medical specialist. You may be advised to begin cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). If you haven't received CPR training, doctors recommend skipping mouth-to-mouth rescue breathing and performing only chest compressions (about 100 per minute). The dispatcher can instruct you in the proper procedures until help arrives.
- **If an automated external defibrillator (AED) is available** and the person is unconscious, begin CPR while the device is retrieved and set up. Attach the device and follow instructions that will be provided by the AED after it has evaluated the person's condition.



# ATTENTION ANGLERS: NEW MUSKELLUNGE STUDY



DNR Lake St. Clair Fisheries Research Station and Lake Erie Management Unit

May 2016

## Help needed for Muskellunge tagging study

In order to understand the movements and behavior of Muskellunge and their associated fishery within the St. Clair-Detroit River System the Michigan Department of Natural Resources is launching a new study. The first step for this study begins this spring when a small number of Muskies (~20) will be tagged during the DNR's annual spring egg take in the Detroit River. Each fish will receive an internal acoustic tag which is automatically detected by listening stations deployed throughout the region. An **ORANGE** external FLOY tag will also be attached below the dorsal fin (see photos below). If you catch a tagged Muskie and plan to release it: please **DO NOT** remove the tag. Please record the tag number and contact Jan-Michael Hessenauer at (586) 465-4771 ext 35 or email: [hessenauerj1@michigan.gov](mailto:hessenauerj1@michigan.gov). If you harvest a tagged Muskie please remove the acoustic tag (approximate location shown below) and report the tag as per above. Reporting of tagged fish is greatly appreciated and will maximize the benefit of this study to the management of fisheries in the St. Clair-Detroit River System. Thank you!

If you catch a tagged Muskie

and plan to release it:

**-Please DO NOT remove the tag**

**Please Record:**

**-The tag number**

**-Location of capture**

**-Time of capture**

**Call / Email:**

**Jan-Michael Hessenauer**

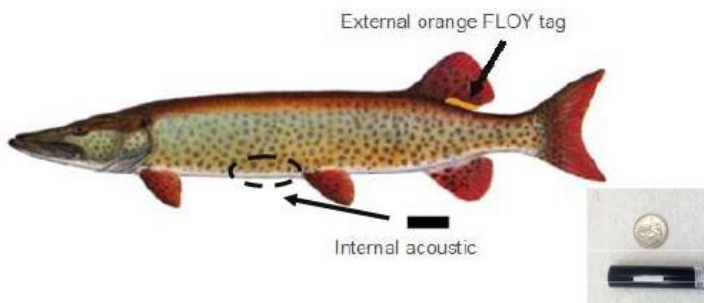
**Michigan DNR**

**(586) 465-4771 ext 35**

**[hessenauerj1@michigan.gov](mailto:hessenauerj1@michigan.gov)**



A close up of FLOY tag attached under the dorsal fin of tagged individuals



Approximate location of internal acoustic tag (insert) and external FLOY tag of tagged fish



A close up of FLOY tag attached below dorsal fin

# Rules and Regulations

All families are welcome to the banquet!





# MOMC Tales

## Halloween 2017 aboard Hot Shot



# 2017 - M.O.M.C. Calendar of Events

March 22nd	<b>General Membership Meeting - 7:00 pm</b> VFW Bruce Post - St. Clair Shores
April 30th	<b>10th Annual MOMC Spring Walleye Classic</b> Detroit Yacht Club - Detroit, Michigan Captain's Meeting 6pm April 28th at 7PM D.Y.C.
May 24th	<b>General Membership Meeting - 7:00 pm</b> VFW Bruce Post - St. Clair Shores
June 3rd & 4th	<b>Joe LePage Classic</b> Scale & Dinner Tom's Gas Dock @ Miller Marina
June 20th	<b>22nd Annual - Special Olympics Charity Derby</b> Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Capt. Meeting 7pm on 19th at G.P.Y.C.
July 8th & 9th	<b>Homer Lablanc Muskie Derby</b> Scale & Dinner @ Shore Club South
TBD	<b>Tod Stanton Youth Derby</b> Shore Club- St. Clair Shores
August 12th & 13th	<b>Bill Maertens 40lb Derby &amp; Summer Slam</b> Scale @ Belle River Marina - Belle River Ontario Dinner @ Toms Gas Dock Miller Marina for awards
August 27th	<b>8th Annual Operation Musk-E-Meet</b> Shore Club- St. Clair Shores
September 9th & 10th	<b>Joe Pierce Memorial Derby</b> Scale & Dinner @ Tom's Gas Dock Miller Marina
October 13th	<b>General Membership Meeting - 7:00 pm</b> Big Dog Captain's meeting 7:00 pm VFW Bruce Post - St. Clair Shores
October 14th & 15th	<b>John Muliatt "Big Dog" and Ken Valley Memorial</b> Scale @ Belle River and Dinner @Tom's Gas Dock at Miller Marina - SCS
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Feb 10th 2018	<b>Annual Awards Banquet</b> Lakeland Banquet Center - St. Clair Shores <i>* Tournament location and menu items subject to change by the MOMC Board of Directors</i>

**Monthly Derby Weigh In times are:**

**9:00 am to 8:00 pm Saturday / 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Sunday**

**Awards Presentation 3:00 pm Sunday at Tournament Headquarters**

**Monthly Tournament standings are announced on Ch. 80 on the hour and updated when Muskies are registered**  
**Show Radio courtesy near and during announcements**

# Keep the Lake Clean

Be a part of  
the solution!

Eurasian Watermilfoil

Silver Carp

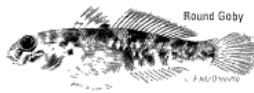
## Aquatic Hitchhikers



Volunteer cleaning boat propeller  
Ann Arbor

Invasive aquatic animals and plants are spreading at alarming rates by hitching rides with anglers and boaters. Whenever boaters leave a body of water without cleaning their recreational equipment, they may be transporting one of these harmful creatures from one lake or stream to another. A few invasive species are highlighted in this brochure.

**ROUND GOBIES** are bottom-dwelling fish that compete with native fish, like sculpins and log perch. They're also aggressive egg predators – feeding on the eggs of other fish, such as smallmouth bass and walleye, contributing to the potential decline of many valuable sport fish populations.



Round Goby

**ASIAN CARP**, including the high-jumping silver carp and the voracious bighead carp, pose a serious threat to native species.

Canals and other connections to the Mississippi River Basin could allow Asian carp into the Great Lakes. Boaters and anglers can do their part to avoid accidentally transporting carp eggs, larvae, and young in bilge water, livewells or bait buckets.



Silver Carp

**ZEBRA and QUAGGA MUSSELS** feed extensively on algae and plankton, thereby disrupting the delicate balance of the entire aquatic ecosystem.

Just because they make the water clearer by eating plankton doesn't mean they're good for lakes! In addition to changing the food web, the filter-feeding invasives build up contaminants in their bodies, which in turn, exposes other animals to higher levels of contaminants. They have been known to attach onto and kill native species of mussels. While zebra mussels can colonize any hard object, quagga mussels are far more versatile. They can live in colder, deeper water and thrive on a sandy lake bottom.

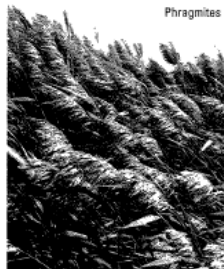


Quagga mussel



Zebra mussel

**EURASIAN WATERMILFOIL, PHRAGMITES AUSTRALIS and PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE** are invasive aquatic plants that also endanger our waters and wetlands. While they may look harmless, these plants can crowd out native plants and take over large areas quickly. Milfoil, a submerged plant, often gets wrapped around boat propellers. It's important to clean plants like Eurasian watermilfoil off of your boat and trailer because they can reproduce in new areas from a strand as little as two inches long.



Phragmites

## Found Something Strange?

The Great Lakes Aquatic Non-indigenous Species Information System (GLANSIS) website is your one-stop portal for Great Lakes invaders. If you find an invasive species while boating or fishing, check GLANSIS first for:

- Identification information to verify if it is a native or non-native species.
- Fact sheets about invasive species impacts.
- Collection details: has this species been documented before in this body of water?
- Link to a reporting form to help scientists track the spread of aquatic non-native species.
- GLANSIS:  
[www.glerl.noaa.gov/res/Programs/glansis](http://www.glerl.noaa.gov/res/Programs/glansis)

### Additional Information

- Michigan Sea Grant:  
[www.miseagrant.umich.edu/ais](http://www.miseagrant.umich.edu/ais)
- Department of Environmental Quality:  
[www.michigan.gov/deq](http://www.michigan.gov/deq)
- National Protect Your Waters:  
[www.ProtectYourWaters.net](http://www.ProtectYourWaters.net)



# CLUB BUSINESS DIRECTORY

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EMAIL [murdoc9595@comcast.net](mailto:murdoc9595@comcast.net) to add your info

## BODY SHOPS/Auto Parts

Cass Collision – Brent Wojcik [www.casscollision.com](http://www.casscollision.com)

(586)-463-3601

US Auto – Brad Horton [www.usautosterlingheights.com/](http://www.usautosterlingheights.com/)

(586)-731-1616 Sterling Hts  
(313)-894-1194 Detroit Location

## PHARMACY

Bloomfield Pharmacy – Ed Pascua [www.bloomfieldpharmacypontiac.com/](http://www.bloomfieldpharmacypontiac.com/)

(248)-334-7700

## FINANCIAL SERVICES

Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc. – Eric Woodhouse, MBA Associate Vice President Financial Advisor  
101 W Big Beaver Ste 425 Troy, MI 48084 [www.ameripriseadvisors.com/eric.a.woodhouse/](http://www.ameripriseadvisors.com/eric.a.woodhouse/)

(248)-925-4357

## Charter Captains

Fish HeadZ – Joel Piatek [www.fishheadz.com/Fish\\_Headz.html](http://www.fishheadz.com/Fish_Headz.html)

(586)-243-0914

Heatwave Charters – Craig Miller [www.heatwavecharters.com/](http://www.heatwavecharters.com/)

(586)-242-1032

Medicine Man Charters – Ed Pascua [www.medicinemancharters.com/](http://www.medicinemancharters.com/)

(734)-709-2766

Muskie Mania Sportfishing – Mike Pittiglio [www.muskiemaniacharters.com/](http://www.muskiemaniacharters.com/)

(586)-260-4068

BigFish Charter Services – Tom Loy [www.bigfishes2@gmail.com](mailto:www.bigfishes2@gmail.com)

(810)-580-9252

Fish Predator – Capt Steve Jones [www.fishpredator.com](http://www.fishpredator.com)

(586)-201-0887


## Outboard Motor Mechanic

Personalized Marine Maintenance – Bill Schrader <http://pmmmarine.com/>

(313)-838-8387

# Classifieds

If you would like to add a FREE classified contact Eric "Woody" Woodhouse 586- 945-0390 or [MURDOC9595@comcast.net](mailto:MURDOC9595@comcast.net)




### Aquatic Hitchhikers

For many of us, fishing, swimming and boating in cool, clear waters is one of life's pleasures. Today, these waters are under attack by invasive fishes, mussels and plants. Native to places like Europe and Asia, many non-native species come to the Great Lakes in the ballast waters of large ships. These "aquatic hitchhikers" have done irreparable harm to lakes, rivers and wetlands throughout the Great Lakes region.

If you have been cruising across your favorite lake and tangled your propeller in milfoil, you know how annoying invasive species can be. But their impact goes way beyond annoying — they put our native species and ecosystems in serious jeopardy.

**Sometimes it's not what you see, but what you don't that counts.**

The larvae of many invasive species, like zebra and quagga mussels, are often microscopic and, therefore, easy to overlook. These tiny organisms can live for days in moist environments and can be easily spread without knowing it. Anglers, boaters, birders, hikers and anyone who enjoys our Great Lakes can play a part in keeping our waters healthy by following the Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers recommendations, see back panel.




### STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!

[www.ProtectYourWaters.net](http://www.ProtectYourWaters.net)

**Prevent transport of aquatic invasive species. Clean ALL recreational equipment.**

**BEFORE launching... BEFORE leaving:**


- ✓ **INSPECT** watercraft, trailer and other equipment.
- ✓ **REMOVE** visible aquatic plants, zebra mussels, other animals, and mud before leaving any water access.
- ✓ **DRAIN** water from boat, bilge and livewell by removing drain plug and opening all water draining devices. Regulations require this when leaving any body of water in Michigan.
- ✓ **DISPOSE** of unwanted bait (including minnows, fish parts, worms, and rice) in the trash.
- ✓ **SPRAY/RINSE** recreational equipment with high pressure and/or hot water (120°F/50°C or higher), OR
- ✓ **DRY** everything at least five days before going to other waters.





**Great Lakes RESTORATION**

Michigan Sea Grant works to keep resources healthy and vibrant. Michigan's coastal waters have experienced dramatic changes and recovery. In collaboration with the University of Michigan and Michigan Sea Grant, Michigan Sea Grant is part of the Michigan Sea Grant Program, a part of the Michigan Sea Grant Program.

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### Protect Our Waters



**Sea Grant Michigan**



## 2017 Big Fish Standings

### Top 5 Registered Fish

#### Weight

1	38.10	51 3/8		Chris Michayluk
2	37.95	53 3/4"	22 1/4"	Doug Felster
3	37.55			Chris Ardanowski
4	36.45			Carl Reams
5	35.75	51 1/4"		Scott Murray

### Top 3 Fish Year End Side Bet

1	38.10	51 3/8		Chris Michayluk
2	37.95	53 3/4"	22 1/4"	Doug Felster
3	37.55			Chris Ardanowski

### Captain's Open Side Bet 38# Minimum

39	55 5/8	Jason Quitano
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### Largest Registered Release Side Bet

38.10	51 3/8	Chris Michayluk
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### Catch-Picture-Release (CPR) Length

55 5/8	Jason Quintano
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