

2015 MOMC Newsletter

Volume 9 Issue 2



News and events:

The May General Membership Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 27, 2015 7:30 P.M. at the Bruce Post in S.C.S. The May meeting will give members an opportunity to register for the 2015 season. Local lure manufactures will also be on hand with their goods.

2015 Board of Directors

Executive Board

Lance Koester	President
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Tim Schwark	Greg Virga	Joey Virga
Tony Virga		

Weighmaster
Richard Bachran

The 8th Annual MOMC Spring Walleye Classic will be held Sunday, April 26th at the DYC. This event is open to the public. Come on out and try your skills against some of our past champs. We end the tournament with a great lunch catered by the DYC.

2014 Champs – Team Heatwave (Capt Craig Miller)
2013 Champs – Team Angler's Point (Capt Brad Smyth)
2012 Champs – Team Hungry Howies (Capt Andy Hartz)
2009 Champs – Team FishHeadz (Capt Joel Piatek)

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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

CLUB Notes

Please be advised, the club's new address is:

21817 Bon Heur St.

St Clair Shores, MI 48081

Look out for the 2015 Muskie Gear Raffle. We will be raffling off all the gear you need. Ask a director how to get one!

Wednesday June 24th is this years date for The Special Olympics Charity Derby. Please see attached participation letter for more info.

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

The 2015 Lake Huron Spring Fling Salmon Tournament will be April 18th and 19th. Call Anderson Pro Bait for more information (810) 987-7722 (THIS IS NOT A CLUB SANCTIONED EVENT)

If you know of a marina that would like to host the youth derby or if you would like to help organize it, please contact one of our directors.

Join the club online through Paypal

Let um Go, Let um Grow...

MUCC Corner...

Every month we will highlight some of the actions in Lansing regarding our great state. You can follow more at www.mucc.org

Join the DNR for Public Fisheries Forums in March, April and May

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Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 12, 2015

Contact: [Elyse Walter](#), 517-284-5839 or [Ed Golder](#), 517-284-5815

Conversations & Coffee with DNR Fisheries Division scheduled throughout state

The Department of Natural Resources has announced it will again this spring offer public forums throughout Michigan, inviting the public to discuss local and statewide fisheries management activities and concerns.

Conversations & Coffee with DNR Fisheries Division will take place in each of the eight DNR management units that oversee Michigan's fisheries. The purpose of these forums is to allow the public to meet managers and biologists, discuss local issues and management activities, and get specific questions answered.

These informal forums also will make information available on local and statewide regulations affecting anglers. Refreshments will be provided.

Meeting dates, times and locations include:

- Southern Lake Michigan Management Unit
 - Monday, March 30, 7 to 8 p.m. (EST) at Cabela's, 3000 44th St. SW in Grandville
- Central Lake Michigan Management Unit
 - Wednesday, April 15, 7 to 9 p.m. (EST) at the Carl T. Johnson Hunting & Fishing Center, 6087 M-115 in Cadillac
- Northern Lake Michigan Management Unit
 - Thursday, April 2, 6:30 to 8 p.m. (CST) at Bay College West Campus (Room 321 A) in Iron Mountain
- Lake Erie Management Unit
 - Tuesday, April 21, 6 to 8 p.m. (EST) at Clinton-Macomb Public Library (Room B), 40900 Romeo Plank Road in Clinton Township
- Southern Lake Huron Management Unit
 - Tuesday, May 5, 7 to 8:30 p.m. (EST) at Saginaw Bay Visitor Center, 3582 State Park Drive in Bay City
- Northern Lake Huron Management Unit
 - Thursday, April 9, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (EST) at Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary, 500 W. Fletcher St. in Alpena
- Eastern Lake Superior Management Unit
 - Tuesday, April 7, 7 to 8:30 p.m. (EST) at Tahquamenon Area Public Library, 700 Newberry Ave. in Newberry
 - Monday, April 13, 7 to 8:30 p.m. (EST) at Sydney's Restaurant (Grand Island Room), 400 Cedar St. in Munising
- Western Lake Superior Management Unit
 - Tuesday, March 24, 7 to 9 p.m. (EST) at Ishpeming Township Hall, 1575 U.S. 41 in Ishpeming
 - Wednesday, March 25, 6 to 8 p.m. (CST) at Gogebic Community College, E. 4946 Jackson Road in Ironwood
 - Thursday, March 26, 7 to 9 p.m. (EST) at Portage Lake District Library, 58 Huron St. in Houghton

For more information on these meetings, visit michigan.gov/fishing.

Lake St Clair is part of the Lake Erie Management Unit

Club Member News

Keep Tod Stanton in your thoughts after a trip to the hospital. We saw him at Michigan Muskie Show and is in great spirits waiting for the ice to break.

Congrats to Tim Schwark and family welcoming a new grandchild. This is Wyatt's first kiss to sister Olivia Monroe Schwark born 3/4/15.



Congrats to Tony Virga and family for welcoming 2 new additions to the Virga Clan and future members to the MOMC.



Aleksandra Joy Virga with Proud Grand Father
Tony Virga
Born 1/21/15 9 lbs. 21" long



Paxton James Lipari with Proud Mother
Karla and Grand Father Tony Virga
Born 3/23/15 7 lbs. 13 oz. 21" long

Tom Joyse is recovering well after his trip to the hospital. His Miller Marina Gas Dock will be open for business this week!

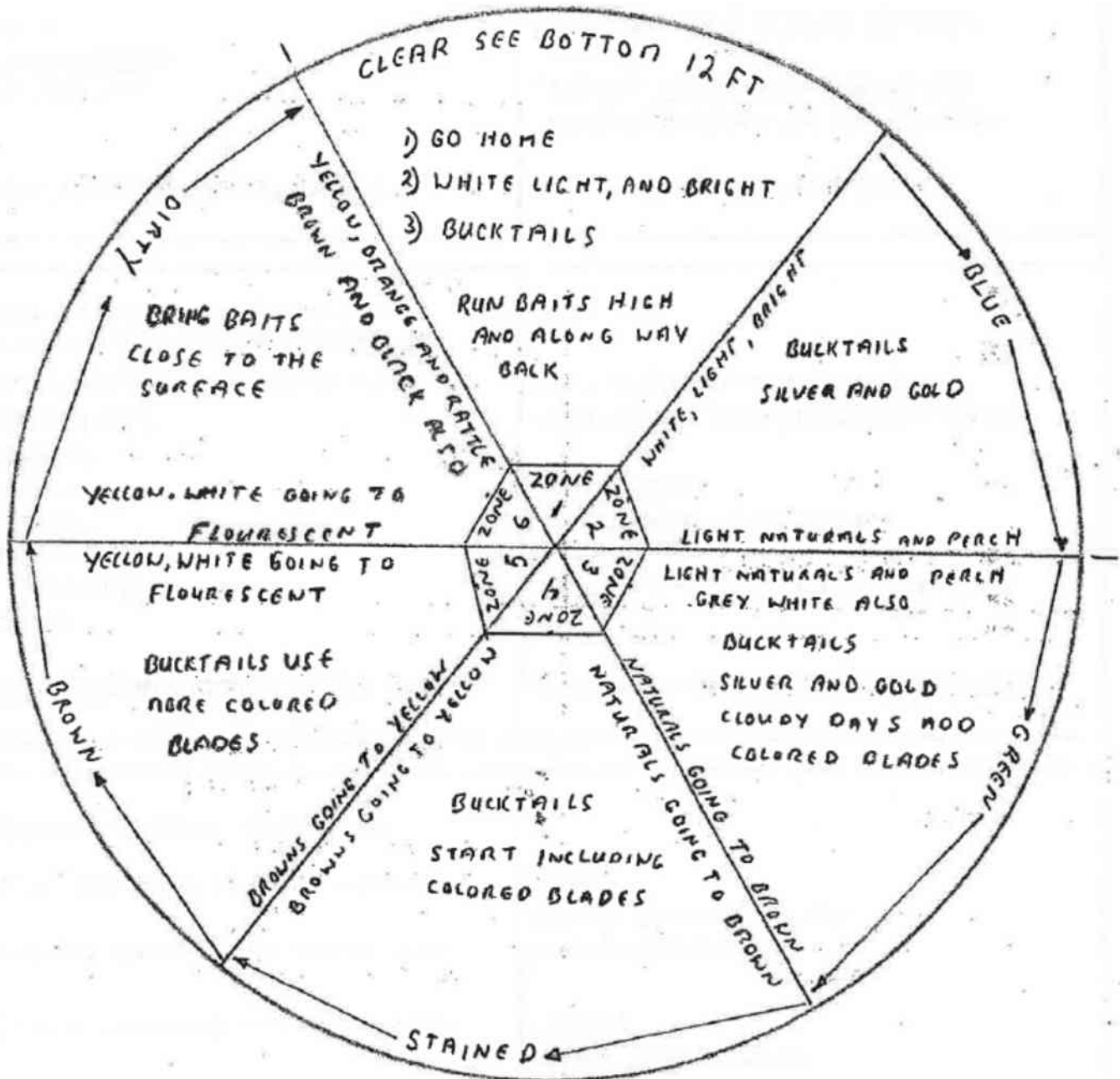
Tournament Talk

We will update you with the happenings of the last tournament in this section. The next update will be the March issue. We will have The Spring Walleye Classic notes here.

Charter Captain's Corner

IF YOU ARE A CHARTER CAPTAIN AND WOULD LIKE TO ADD SOME KNOWLEDGE PLEASE TELL LANCE OR WOODY

DRIFTER II Charters 519-845-1115 Jim Flemming



June— 4" or 6" Small Body Baits — Bucktails
July— 6" or 7" Body baits — Bucktails
Aug. 6" or 7" Starting 8" Body baits - Bucktails
Sept. 8"— Starting 10" Body Baits — Bucktails
Oct/Nov/Dec— 8" with mostly 10" or larger

Sun or cloud will have a
Large effect on water
Clarity

Wave action plus or
minus. Will also effect light
clarity

Main Muskie Baits I Use are

- 1) 6" Loke
- 2) Ziggie 8" or 10"
- 3) Nils Master 10"
- 4) Salmo 8"
- 5) Jake 10"
- 6) Mason 6"
- 7) Muskie Train 6"
- 8) Hi Fin Bucktail Single and Double Blade
- 9) Cowgirl Bucktails Single and Double Blade
- 10) Spanky Bucktails Double Blade Large

Another issue is Straight vs Jointed

That is a matter of personal preference

On any given day one will out
fish the other

I operate with more Straight than Jointed
But I carry and use Jointed Baits

Top Colors By Myself for L.S.C.

- 1) St. Lawrence
- 2) Nine Dollar Bass
- 3) Perch
- 4) Walleye
- 5) Brown Nine Dollar
- 6) Strawberry, Sheephead, Illusion— White Baits
- 7) Helin, Special Perch—Yellow Baits
- 8) Frogs

Yellow Belly Vs White Belly

Yellow Belly early in the day and again
Late day. Remaining times White Belly

More White Belly in Zones 1, 2, and 3
Start more use of Yellow in Zone 4
More use of Yellow Belly in Zones 5 and 6

Cloud cover can have an effect on Color

8th Annual MOMC Spring Walleye Classic Sunday - April 26, 2015



Heaviest Five (5) Walleye Combined - per Team

Fishing Hours – 6:30am to 1:30pm (*Shotgun Start @ 6:30am from NYC)

Weigh-In Time - 2:00pm @ Detroit Yacht Club

Awards Ceremony & Catered Lunch @ 3pm

Cash Prize Money - 1st, 2nd & 3rd

Entry Cost \$50/Angler - 4 Angler Max per Boat

Heaviest Walleye Side Bet - \$20/Boat

Entry Open to the Public – Capped @ 75 Boats (so mail yours in early)

Mandatory Captain's Meeting Saturday April 25, 2015 @ NYC

5-6pm Registration *** 6-7pm Captain's Meeting**

See Reverse Side for Rules

For Additional Information check us out at www.lscmomc.com

Contact Information - director@lscmomc.com

Mail Entry Form and Payment to:

MOMC

Michigan Ontario Muskie Club

21817 Bon Heur st.

St. Clair Shores , MI . 48081

Boat/Team Name: _____ Total Anglers @\$50/ea: _____

Captain's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Angler 2: _____

Angler 3: _____

Angler 4: _____

Largest Walleye Side Bet @\$20: Yes No (Please Circle One)

All Entries Must Be Received by April 25, 2015

8th Annual MOMC – Spring Walleye Classic

Rules & Regulations

1. All participants agree to accept **ALL** decisions made by a three judge panel.

2. All boats must pass inspection, prior to tournament start. Boats will be inspected in the water, at the Detroit Yacht Club, from 5:00 – 6:15am. After inspection, the captain **IS** required to sign in for their crew, with the MOMC inspector, and pick up your fish tags. Teams **NOT** signed in or have **NOT** tagged their fish, will **NOT** be eligible to register their catch.

3. Shotgun start at 6:30am from DYC. Fishing hours are from tournament start until 1:30pm, April 26th, 2015. All captains must be in line **AT** the official MOMC Weigh Station (DYC), no later than 2:00pm, with your five (5) tagged heaviest fish. Late arrivals will **NOT** be eligible to register their fish. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

4. All fish must be caught between 6:30am and 1:30pm on April 26th, in order to be eligible. Your fish must be fresh and tagged with the tags provided during inspection, in order to be entered. (Alive and breathing would be helpful!!) The three judge panel will determine the freshness of all fish turned in. We are promoting catch and release of any walleyes entered, if you are able to ensure a safe release please help grow the population.

5. Only one (1) angler limit of five (**5**) walleye will count towards your team's official registered catch. Culling **IS** permitted during fishing hours. Walleye must be 15" or longer to be eligible, in the interest of conservation & preservation.

6. All waters of the Detroit River are open for fishing, during the MOMC Spring Walleye Classic. Specific boundaries are waters West of the Lake St Clair 35ft Racon Light, and North of the Green D33 Channel Marker at the mouth of Lake Erie. (Yes – Sturgeon Hole is open to fishing!!!)

7. The amount of cash prize is dependent on the total number of entries, minus the total expense of the derby. The heaviest registered catch wins the grand prize. Pay outs for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd places will be awarded. The heaviest single walleye will be used as tie breaker for heaviest registered catch.

8. The Calcutta for the largest single walleye will be determined by WEIGHT. Tie breaker for the Calcutta will be determined by the longest length of the heaviest walleye.

9. Only legal means of angling may be used to harvest walleye, as identified by the MDNR & OMNR.

10. The tournament committee reserves the right to inspect and/or dissect any walleye which is suspected to have been fraudulently enhanced, by any method. Enhanced fish **WILL** result in immediate team disqualification, and loss of all entry fees.

11. **ALL** tournament participants must conduct themselves in an appropriate sportsmanlike manner, so as to bring a favorable impression on the MOMC & DYC. Failure to do so could result in disqualification from the tournament.

12. Protests must be written, signed and presented by the Team Captain, along with a \$100 "No BS" retainer. Protests received must be submitted no later than 15 minutes after closing of the scales. Retainer will be returned **IF** the protest is found to be valid. Otherwise, retainer becomes property of the MOMC general fund.

13. Any tournament participants found in violation of the above rules can be disqualified from the tournament.

NOTES:

MOMC Derby Control will monitor VHF – Channel 80.

Participants **ARE** allowed to have their legal limit of walleye, per angler, in possession. Please keep these separate from the five (5) fish you plan to enter.

All registered walleye will be fin clipped, after being weighed, to prevent trade offs.

In keeping with an era gone by, we believe and you agree, to accept all liability for everything concerning you. Your crew accepts liability for themselves and the organizers accept responsibilities for nothing. Thanks for participating and good luck fishing!!!

20th Annual MOMC Charity Derby

Well, it's that time of the year and we are preparing for the 20th Annual Special Olympics Derby out of Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Last year you participated in this Great event and I'm sending you this letter to see if you are still aboard for this year.

The 20th Annual Michigan Ontario Muskie Club Charity Derby, which will benefit the Harper Woods - Grosse Pointe Chapters of the Michigan Special Olympics, will be held on Wednesday June 24, 2015 at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. This event is a joint effort of the Michigan Ontario Muskie Club, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, Detroit Yacht Club and the Detroit Athletic Club.

We will have all the great raffles as prior years along with the ever popular Golden Rod Call-in and the Call-in for Detroit Tiger Tickets. After fishing we will have the Awards presentation along with the buffet dinner. If you know someone that wants to attend the dinner only; tickets are \$55 a person for a reservation.

Tuesday night we will have a Captains Bar-B-Q sponsored by a local business & Dragon Mead Beer for the Captains that bring their boat Tuesday night. Please RSVP if you plan to attend. We need to give Alex Turner (GPYC Harbor Master) a heads up on who to expect. We also need a head count for the Captain's dinner.

We have more sponsors available than we have Captains and boats. So if you know a Captain that would like to participate that has not participated in the past, please have them contact me.

The cost is as follows:

Bring your own boat and equipment, 6 people, \$700.00 per boat

Sponsor a boat with Captain, mate, equipment, 4 guests, for \$800.00 per boat

(Additional anglers - \$125.00 per adult, 18 & under \$60.00, 12 and under free)

Dinner only - \$55.00 per person

Please RSVP and send in the enclosed entry form before May 27th.

Thanks,

Eric Woodhouse and Ed Pascua



Michigan Ontario Muskie Club

M.O.M.C. proudly presents the...

*20th Annual Michigan Special Olympics Fund Raiser Muskie Derby
Wednesday, June 24th, 2015*

Held at Grosse Pointe Yacht Club

Held in Cooperation with the GPYC, DAC & DYC

Continental Breakfast Served Prior to Derby

Dinner & Drinks Served after Derby with Awards

Captain: _____ M.O.M.C. Member: Y / N

Boat Name: _____

Sponsor: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Contact Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Office Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Donation:

\$800 / Boat & Equipment provided by MOMC, with Capt & Mate for Sponsor & 3 Guest

\$700 / Boat - Captain brings own sponsor, crew and boat. (6 person max)

The proceeds from this event will be donated to the
Harper Woods/Grosse Point Chapters
of Special Olympics of Michigan.

Lance Koester- President

Eric Woodhouse-Co- Chair

Ed Pascua- Co-Chair

Fill out & return no later than May 27th to:

21817 Bon Heur St. St Clair Shores MI 48081

The M.O.M.C. is a Non - Profit Organization

2015 MOMC Calendar of Events

March 25th

General Membership Meeting & Enrollment - 7:30 PM
VFW Bruce Post – SCS

April 26th

8th. Annual M.O.M.C Spring Walleye Classic
Detroit Yacht Club

May 27th

General Membership Meeting & Enrollment - 7:30 PM
VFW Bruce Post – SCS

June 6-7

Joe LePage Classic
Tom's Gas Dock @ Miller Marina

June 24th

20th Annual SOM Charity Derby
Grosse Point Yacht Club

July 11-12

Homer LeBlanc Muskie Derby
Shore Club Marina -SCS

July 19th

Tod Stanton Youth Derby
TBD

Aug. 8-9

Bill Maertens 40lb Derby & Summer Slam - Corn Roast
Belle River Marina
Miller Marina

Aug. 30th

6th. Annual Operation Musk-E-Meet
Detroit Yacht Club

Sept. 12-13

Joe Pierce Memorial Derby
Miller Marina

Oct. 7th

General Membership Meeting & Big Dog Capt. Meeting - 6:00 PM
VFW Bruce Post - SCS

Oct. 10-11

Ken Valley Memorial Derby And John Muliatt "Big Dog" Classic
Miller Marina

Jan. 27th, 2015

General Membership Meeting - 7:30 PM
VFW Bruce Post - SCS

Recipe of the Month

Salmon Brine before smoking

To enter a recipe, email it to murdoc9595@comcast.net with "RECIPE" in the title



SMOKED SALMON BRINE

1/3 c. brown sugar

1/4 c. non-iodized salt

2 c. soy sauce

1 c. water

1/2 tsp. onion powder

1/2 tsp. pepper

1/2 tsp. Tabasco sauce

1 c. dry white wine (Pinot Grigio gives a sweet taste)

1 cap liquid smoke

Brine salmon chunks 8 or more hours, keeping refrigerated.

CLUB DIRECTORY

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EMAIL murdoc9595@comcast.net to add your info

BODY SHOPS

Cass Collision – Brent Wojcik (member)

www.casscollision.com

(586)-463-3601

Classifieds

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gps/chartplotter
flowscan, knot meter, vhf stereo / cd player.... electric head, stove, frig, microwave
Call Mike O'Hara at 586- 944- 0246 \$32,500

2014 Big Fish Standings

Top 5 Registered Fish

Weight	Length	Girth	Angler	Boat
37.85	52 7/8	24	Joey Virga	Liquid Sedation
37.7	53 1/2	23	Frank Manzo	Shoot Out
34.7	51 1/2	22 1/2	Scott Smith	Family Tradition
34.2	52	21	Carl Reams	Cali Cole
33.7	49 1/2	24 1/4	Jason Frame	Rockstar

Top 3 Fish Year End Side Bet

Weight	Length	Girth	Angler	Boat
37.85	52 7/8	24	Joey Virga	Liquid Sedation
37.7	53 1/2	23	Frank Manzo	Shoot Out
34.7	51 1/2	22 1/1	Scott Smith	Family Tradition

Captain's Open Side Bet - 38# Minimum

Weight	Length	Girth	Captain	Boat

Largest Registered Release

Weight	Length	Girth	Angler	Boat
37.85	52 7/8	24	Joey Virga	Liquid Sedation

Catch-Picture-Release (CPR) - Length

	Length	Girth	Captain	Boat
- - - -	55 5/8	-----	Matt "Catfish" Firestein	



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