MICHIGAN ONTARIO MUSKIE CLUB

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NEWSLETTER

January-2010

New M.O.M.C. Board of Directors

The January general membership meeting was well attended. Many items were discussed which will be further outlines in detail. One of the items on the agenda was the nomination of the 2010 Board of Directors. The new board is as follows:

President-Ron Welsch

Vice President-Scott D'Eath

Treasurer-Doug Felster

Secretary-Adam Heinrich

Comptroller-Dave Rybicki

Jim Fleming Rocky Richards

Dale Bartlett Tim DiMartino

Chuck Dill Jason Frame

Tod Stanton Greg Virga

John Tomlin Mike Hurley

Greg Sultana Lila Tomlin

Cooper Smith Russ Pillette

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M.O.M.C. Annual Awards Banquet

I.A.C.C. January 23, 2010

The annual awards banquet, held at the Italian American Cultural Center, was a true success. The M.O.M.C. would like to thank all the directors and members that lent a hand in obtaining prizes and setting up for this night of fun. The club would also like to give a huge thumbs up to Chef Chris and his staff at the I.A.C.C. for the wonderful cuisine!

The prizes were excellent this year, two TV's, a ton of great muskie baits, hand held GPS's; it was almost as good as Christmas. Thank you to all of the people that donated raffle items this year.

The big surprise of the evening, however, came when Tony Jaros was recognized for his lake and M.O.M.C. record 48.5# muskie. Apparently, a group of Tony's friends had collected the funds to commission a Fittante replica of Tony's fish. For those of you who missed it, it is a beautiful piece of art!

Once again, thanks to all those that made it happen, and the huge number of members for attending.

Membership Fee Increases

The M.O.M.C. is beginning to feel the effects of the economic downturn locally. In a response to this change in financial climate, the club directors have decided to slightly increase the membership fees in order to increase revenue.

Effective immediately, the follow increases have been made:

SINGLE MEMBERSHIP: \$65 increased from \$55.

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP: \$90 increased from \$70

SENIOR MEMBERSHIP: UNCHANGED

The director's goals with this increase were twofold:

- 1) To increase operating cash flow.
- 2) To increase payouts in monthly M.O.M.C. derbies.

The fees for the club side bets will also remain unchanged.

March General Membership Meeting

The March general membership meeting will be held at 7:30 PM, at the Bruce Post SCS, on Wednesday, March 24.

We will be discussing some rule changes made within the club as well as taking input from club members. There will be prizes raffled off and complimentary refreshments.

This year, we will also be selling memberships at the March meeting. This will hopefully allow us to decrease the amount of work that needs to be done at the May meeting. So, if you or someone you know is interested in joining the club, please attend the March meeting.

The club will also give a presentation of the club finances at this meeting. Club treasurer, Doug Felster, will be showing a PowerPoint presentation outlining where exactly the club funds are spent annually.

3rd Annual Walleye Tournament

The 3rd Annual M.O.M.C. Walleye Tournament will be held on Sunday, April 18, at the Detroit Yacht Club. For those of you that have not fished this tournament, it is really one of the nicest walleye tournaments hosted on this lake.

There will be a continental breakfast as well as a catered dinner. Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place and largest fish will be paid. There will also be raffles

Please check <u>www.lscmomc.com</u> and the local bait shops in the next couple of weeks for entry fees.

2010 M.O.M.C. Events Calendar

MARCH 24	General Membership Meeting VFW-Bruce Post 7:30 PM
APRIL 18	3 rd Annual Walleye Tournament Detroit Yacht Club
May 26	General Membership Meeting VFW-Bruce Post 7:30 PM
June 5-6	Joe LePage Classic Sun-Up Marina-Anchor Bay
June 22	15 th Annual SOM Charity Derby Grosse Pointe Yacht Club
July 10-11	Homer LeBlanc Muskie Derby TBD
Aug. 7-8	Bill Maerten's 40LB Derby and Summer Slam TBD
Aug. 29	2 nd Annual Operation Muskie Meet TBD
Sept. 11-12	Joe Pierce Memorial Derby TBD
Oct. 9-10	Ken Valley Memorial Derby TBD
October TBD	General Membership Meeting VFW-Bruce Post 7:30 PM
January TBD	General Membership Meeting VFW-Bruce Post 7:30 PM
January TBD	Annual Awards Banquet

Rules Changes

At the January general membership meeting, two rules changes were introduced and voted into action:

- 1) The M.O.M.C. will now move to an 8 rod limit in its club sanctioned events.
- 2) The M.O.M.C. will allow a transfer of fish in one of its sanctioned tournaments to a boat that is displaying an M.O.M.C. flag, occupied by an M.O.M.C. member that is fishing in the same tournament, after a director is notified.

The exact wording of the above rule changes will be discussed in detail at the March meeting.

MOMC Classifieds

- 1994 29" Tiara Open "Loke" – fully loaded – ready to fish

\$79,900 - Contact John at (586) 725-5911

If you would like to place an ad in the MOMC Classified section you can contact any director with your information.

Change in Membership Card Mailing Policy/Newsletter Mailing Policy

In an effort to decrease the amount of money spent on postage, the club has changed its membership card mailing policy.

Effective immediately, memberships received online will be available at the following general membership meeting. For example, if you sign up for a membership on March 10th, your card will be available at the March 24th general membership meeting. If you are not in attendance at that meeting your card will then be available at the May general membership meeting. All cards that have not been picked up by the May meeting will then be mailed.

Members **WILL ABSOLUTELY** have their cards before the opening weekend Joe Lepage Classic.

As far as the newsletter goes, the M.O.M.C. will only be mailing the newsletter to its Senior members. Postage for the monthly newsletter mailings approaches \$2000 annually. The money saved from last year was used to increase the payout for the Year-End fish at the banquet. The newsletter will be available on the website.

Any questions regarding this policy, please contact any director at: director@lscmomc.com.

Boat US Discount

The MOMC is an affiliate with Boat US. If you are an MOMC member and would like to join Boat US you will receive a 50% discount on your yearly membership dues. The regular cost is \$25 and for MOMC members it is \$12.50. Our Cooperating Group Profile is: GA83799B. Please take advantage of this great offer.

2009 - Top 5 Registered Fish

Name	Boat	Weight	Length	Girth	Location	Released
Tony Jaros	Tureen	48.5 LBS	56 1/8"	26"	Thames	YES
Rocky Richards	Ship It IV	44.5 LBS	54"	26"	Belle River	NO
Ron Tempich	Almost Paradise	39.15 LBS	56 1/8"	22"	Weather Buoy	YES
Mario Giurlanda	Shoot Out	38.25 LBS	51 3/4"	23 ½"	Puce	YES
David Clark	Liquid Sedation	38 LBS	51 ½"	24"	Thames	YES

2009 - MOMC Year End / Side Bet

Name	Boat	Weight	Length	Girth	Lure	Color
Tony Jaros	Tureen	48.5 LBS	56 1/8"	26"	Ziggie	Brown Bar
Rocky Richards	Ship It IV	44.5 LBS	54"	26"	Nils	Chocolate Perch
Ron Tempich	Almost Paradise	39.15 LBS	56 1/8"	22"	Loke	St. Lawrence

2009 - Captain / Open Side Bet

Name	Boat	Weight	Length	Girth
Rocky Richards	Ship It IV	44.5 LBS	54"	26"

2009 - Largest Registered Release

Name	Boat	Weight	Length	Girth
Mitchell Mueller	Huntress	39.1 LBS	52 ¾"	23"

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