

MICHIGAN ONTARIO MUSKIE CLUB

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NEWSLETTER

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Ken Valley Memorial Derby

. The Ken Valley Memorial Derby will be held Oct. 11th & 12th at Michigan Harbor Marina located on the Nautical Mile. Michigan Harbor is between 9 and 10 mile just north of Jefferson Beach Marina. There will be wells available if you would like to come to the weigh in by boat.

The weigh station hours are: Sat. 9a.m. – 8 p.m. - Sun. 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Fast Eddies will be catering our weigh in again so if you missed the excellent meal last month try to make it to this one for a great dinner. The menu will be marinated b.b.q chicken, baby back ribs, mosticolti with meat sauce, baked beans, mixed vegetables, tossed salad and rolls. Hope you can make it to our last muskie weigh in of the season!!!

* Please be aware that the trailer is open as a weigh station until the end of the season. If you have a potential “Top 5” fish you would like to register **and you plan on releasing the fish**, call any director and we will try our best to weigh the fish for you.

Joe Pierce Memorial Derby

The first ever Joe Pierce Memorial Derby was held Sept. 13th & 14th at Lens gas dock in Emerald City Harbor. A special thanks goes out to Len for allowing us to have our tournament at his gas dock.

Even though hurricane Ike made fishing difficult, we managed to have a successful tournament. The crew of Impatient made it to the scales with little time to spare on Sunday. Keith Jones took first place with a MONSTER fish weighing in at 38.75 lbs., was 53 3/8” long and had a girth of 22”. This fish is the third largest fish registered in the MOMC to be successfully released. GREAT JOB!!!! Second place went to Shelby Budzeak aboard Shelby Kristy. Her fish weighed in at 33.35 lbs, was 51 3/4” long, and had a girth of 21”. It is great to see the junior members of our club get into the fishing action!! Richard Maison Jr. took third place with his fish weighing in at 32.55 lbs, with a length of 49 1/2”, and a girth of 22”. Nice Job Downtime!!!

We also had two junior releases over the weekend. First went to a familiar junior angler of the club, Brendan Budzeak. His release was 52” long, caught at the Thames on a Dog Turd Wiley. Second place junior release went to Taylor Picarella aboard Gore-May with a 51 1/2” length, caught at the Rusom on a brown and white Buck Tail.

I would like to point out that the top 3 registered fish from this weigh in were all released!!

Even though it was raining like cats and dogs we had a great turn out at the weigh in. If you weren't there you missed a great dinner from Fast Eddies. It was awesome!!! Thank you to Jason Allred and Tod Stanton for filling in as weigh master on Sunday.

Directors Meeting:

Director's meetings are held at Gilbert's Lodge on the second Tuesday of each month. They start at 7:30 pm and are open to the general membership.

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Boat US Discount

We are once again an affiliate with Boat US this season. 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.

Rule Reminder

Please remember the new rules:

2.3.2 – When M.O.M.C. Tournament Headquarters are closed, during scheduled tournament fishing hours, a current MOMC Board of Director or Derby Committee member **IS** permitted to perform Weigh Master duties for a MOMC member in good standing, at their discretion. This is done as a courtesy, in an effort to help those releasing their muskie for another day. A Board of Director is **NOT** allowed to register his/her own muskie, without another MOMC Board of Director present, who is **NOT** fishing on their team.

2.4.1 – The MOMC Tournament Scale **IS** an official MOMC Authorized weigh-In Station, and is recognized as such, at the discretion of any MOMC Board of Director, for the entire MOMC fishing season.

As an active member of the MOMC it is your duty to know and comply with the MOMC Rules and Regulations. This will make for enjoyable and satisfying fishing experiences.

October General Membership Meeting

At our last board of directors meeting a few issues arose that will need to be further discussed at the next General Membership Meeting:

One of the issues was about changing the ending fishing time for the Spring Walleye Classic. A few people have suggested to the board of directors to make that time earlier. The times for the tournament this year were 6:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Please e-mail your suggestions to director@lscmomc.com or come to the next General Membership Meeting @ 7:30 p.m. @ the V.F.W. Bruce Post in St. Clair Shores on Wednesday, October 22nd. We would be happy to hear your ideas

MOMC – 2008 Calendar of Events

- Oct. 11th&12th **Ken Valley Memorial Derby
Michigan Harbor
St. Clair Shores**
- Oct. 19th **M.O.M.C. 5th Annual Perch Derby
Michigan Harbor
St. Clair Shores**
- Oct. 22nd **General Membership Meeting
7:30 PM @ VFW Bruce Post
St. Clair Shores**
- Jan. 24th, 2009 **Annual Awards Banquet
MacRay Harbor & Banquet
Center
Harrison Twp.**
- Jan. 28th, 2009 **General Membership Meeting
7:30 PM @ VFW Bruce Post
St. Clair Shores-Elections**

M.O.M.C Top 5 Registered Fish

- 1.) Mike Pittiglio – Muskie Mania –
41.45 lbs. – 55 ¼” length – 22 ½” girth
**(MOMC “Top 5” & “Cash Year End” prizes – NOT
eligible – Rule 4.2, Capt./Open – NO)**
- 2.) Keith Jones – Impatient
38.75 lbs. – 53 3/8” length – 22” girth
**(MOMC “Top 5” – 1st, “Cash Year End” – 1st,
Capt./Open – 1st)**
- 3.) Ed Pascua – Medicine Man
37.40 lbs. – 53 5/8” length – 21 ½” girth
(MOMC “Top 5” – 2nd, “Cash Year End” – 2nd)
- 4.) Frank Murphy – Murphy’s Law
35.00 lbs. – 52 ¾” length – 21” girth
(MOMC “Top 5” – 3rd, “Cash Year End – 3rd)
- 5.) Dave Clark – Liquid Sedation
34.70 lbs. – 54 ¼” length – 21 ½” girth
(MOMC “Top 5” – 4th)
- 6.) John Obidzinski – Miss Megan
34.60 lbs. – 54 ¼” length – 20 ½” girth
(MOMC “Top 5” – 5th)

5th Annual M.O.M.C. Perch Tournament

It's hard to believe the fall is already here. For the perch fisherman in the club, this is a favorite time of year.

The same rules will apply in this year's tournament. The tournament will be held @ Michigan Harbor on Sunday, October 19, 2008. A signup sheet will be available at www.lscmomc.com regarding this tournament. If the weather does not cooperate we will call the tournament Saturday evening and reschedule or refund the entry fees.

If you have any questions regarding this upcoming event, call Dave Rybicki @ (586) 483-1200.

Perch Tournament Rules

1. Participants agree to accept all decisions by the four judge panel, which include: Brad Horton, Scott D'Eath, Dave Rybicki & Tim Adams.
2. The derby fishing stops promptly @ 2:00 PM on the 19th of October, 2008. All captains must be **ON** the Michigan Harbor Gas Dock no later than 2:30 PM. **This means** – fish in hands and standing in the weigh in line on the dock. Any late comers are disqualified from weighing their fish. **NO EXCEPTIONS !!!!**
3. Only perch up to one (1) limit of 50 each counts toward the official registered catch of the vessel.
4. In the interest of conservation & preservation of the species, we limit the minimum size of all registered perch to 8" or larger. That would be 8" on a ruler scale not 8" on the Man scale.
5. The amount of cash prize is dependent on the total number of entries minus the total expense of the derby. The heaviest registered catch of 50 perch or fewer wins the grand prize. There will be a prize for the largest single perch by length. Pay outs will be for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd places.
6. All waters of Lake St. Clair as well as the waters of the Detroit & St. Clair Rivers are open to the derby.
7. Only the fish caught the day of the derby can be entered into the weigh in and the catch must be preserved on ice.
8. **Only legal means of angling may be used to harvest the perch as identified by the Michigan DNR & Ontario MNR.**

MOMC Derby Control will monitor channel 80 as the primary channel & channel 72 as the backup.

MOMC Classifieds

- 1988 28' Wellcraft Coastal - 10' beam - Twin 350 Crusader Inboards - Fully equipped - 1100 hours – Asking \$12,950 – Contact Mike McMonigle @ (586) 954-9328

- Moved out of state – Approx. 400 new & used muskie baits – also other misc. equipment (rods, reels, other baits) – For all you hunters: 10 acres of prime hunting land in thumb near Crosswell for sale - \$65,000 – Contact Jared Frank (586) 215-1905 or (305) 743-3385

- 1991 Four Winns 220 Horizon – Professionally maintained – Excellent for fishing, cruising, skiing, & camping – Set up for muskie trolling - \$4,900 – Contact Harry Krupsky @ (586) 540-7766

- 1989 Tiara Pursuit – 25.5' – Center console cuddy – Twin outboard – Trailer - \$29,900 – see craigslist: sale-818934488@craigslist.org

If you would like to place an add in the MOMC Classified section you can contact any director or call Christine Soulliere @ (586) 634-0296 with your info.

Take a U.S. Veteran Fishing

A few of our MOMC members have teamed up with area U.S. Veteran groups to take returning veterans out muskie fishing. Most of the veterans are returning from tours in Iraq or Afghanistan, but could include Vietnam, and other foreign wars, and do not have much opportunity to experience muskie fishing. There seems to be good interest on part of the veterans, and anyone in the MOMC interested in taking a veteran out, is welcome to do so. We would like to have at least 10 boats participate. If you are interested in paying respects to our U.S. armed forces, by taking out one or a few U.S. Veterans, for a day of fishing, please contact Tug Orr (248) 568-4310 or Greg Virga (586) 634-0217 for more details.

A Fisherman's Quote

“Three-fourths of the Earth's surface is water, and one-fourth is land. It is quite clear that the good Lord intended us to spend triple the amount of time fishing as taking care of the lawn” – Chuck Clark

Joe Pierce Memorial Derby – Sept. 13th & 14th

Name	Boat	Weight	Length	Girth	Location	Released
Keith Jones	Impatient	38.75	53 3/8"	22"	Mid-Lake	YES
Shelby Budzeak	Shelby Kristy	33.35	51 3/4"	21"	Thames	YES
Richard Maison Jr.	Downtime	32.55	49 1/2"	22"	Ruscom	YES

Joe Pierce Memorial - Junior Release

Name	Boat	Length	Lure	Color	Set Up	Location
Brendan Budzeak	Shelby Kristy	52"	Wiley	Dog Turd	Board – 30' & 2 oz.	Thames
Taylor Picarella	Gore-May	51 1/2"	Buck Tail	Brown-White	Board – 40' & 2 oz.	Ruscom

Joe Pierce Memorial – Adult Release

Name	Boat	Length	Lure	Color	Set Up	Location
Dave Smith	DeeBookKee	54"	Maison	Black/Silver	Board – 20' & 2 oz.	Ruscom

Captains Open

Name	Boat	Weight	Length	Lure	Location	Released
Keith Jones	Impatient	38.75	53 3/8"	Loke	Mid-Lake	Yes

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