



June 2019 newsletter

Meetings at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of every month at the Loves Park VFW

Big girls show up at Green Bay

Duane Nichols, Dick Cholke land 47- and 45-inchers; Alex Larson wins Capital City event



If you've fished Green Bay, you probably can figure out where Duane Nichols caught this 47-incher.

*By Dick Cholke
Flatlanders president*

On June 8 the Capital City Chapter of Muskie Inc. held their "Wisconsin Youth Muskie Championship" on Lake Waubesa. Alex Larson

took home top honors for the tournament claiming first prize. Congratulations Alex! Fifty youth anglers worked hard to put a muskie in the net. With a tough day, no muskie made it to the

bump board. Alex brought in a 33-inch northern to take the lead for the day. The photo shows him receiving the trophy next to Lee Tauchen. We thank the members of Capital City for hosting this event.

It seems like there is less news with the season in full swing. But what can be better than counting down the days to Lake of the Woods. We are getting close! At the June meeting we will get together to finalize our plans. Make sure to bring your maps. We will be sharing a lot of spots that have produced in past years and every year. I hope that everyone has their paper work in order including: passports, RABC, fishing license, ROAM app, vehicle and boat registrations. We finalized our ROAM app process the other morning before heading up to Twin Valley. I would suggest that you do not put this off to the last minute. It is time consuming and a little frustrating. Be aware the Scrugg's boat will be shooting a lot of video of the trip so dress sharp – dig out that old plaid sport coat and white belt.

Looking forward, the executive committee is hoping to get a speaker for our September meeting. I met with the Rock Valley Anglers last week and discussed the Rockford All City Muskie Night. They were very happy with the past event and we agreed we should work together again for a second annual RACMN. Mark your calendars for April 8, 2020 for another great evening. We discussed some improvements and ideas for speakers. Please forward me the names of any speaker that you would like to see present. We are looking for someone with national recognition that will help draw a larger crowd.

To repeat last month news for those of you who are considering our September outing to the Bay of Green Bay, we have some more information. Currently four of us have booked rooms at the Econo Lodge in Oconto. To avoid the traffic of the Packer game on Thursday Sept. 26 the outing will be on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday the 28.29.30. The Econo Lodge was formally the Riverview Motel. Duane and I stayed there a while back. The rate is better than some of the Green Bay motels at \$76.50.



You will save about \$10 if you call them directly. If you are thinking about fishing this outing book the rooms now and avoid any problems. They have a 24 hour cancellation policy. At this time the place is wide open -- we were the first reservation for that weekend. Come to the meeting and get the report on the early season in Green Bay from a few of us that fished there recently.

It is shaping up to be a good year. Here is the rest of our schedule:

June 18: Flatlanders General Meeting - prep for the Lake of the Woods outing

July 12 – 20: Outing at Lake of the Woods

Aug. 17-24: Gil Hamm Chapter Challenge

Sept. 17: Flatlanders General Meeting

Sept. 28, 29,30: Flatlanders Outing at the Bay of Green Bay – Note these dates have been changed because of the recently released Green Bay Packer schedule (The Packers finally posted their schedule)

Oct. 15: Flatlanders General Meeting

Oct. 18-20: Lake Alice

Nov.19: General Meeting – elections

Dec. 17: Flatlanders General Meeting – Christmas Party and Lure Swap

This season plan to fish a few more of our outings and donate a few hours to support our chapter.

See you at the Flying J ready for the grand tour of Wisconsin and Minnesota heading to Baudette. Get your CB mounted ready for some good jokes and the crazy stories.

Get on the water and get on the board

A little more than a month away

The Flatlander invasion on Lake of the Woods is coming next month. Right now we have close to a record number of attendees going staying at three different resorts (I hope to have a final head count by the end of the June meeting). By now all of you going should have your passport, RABC and license. You should also have the CBP ROAM app loaded on your phone. This replaces the I-68 pass. Jerry O. has practiced with it and he strongly suggest we all do the same. So get your documents/app in order, sharpen those hooks, prep the boat and be ready for my favorite trip of the year.

Release contest update

Howdy fellow Flatlanders. It has been a LONG time since I have written you last. The good news is there are some fish being caught. We kick the year off with Randy Brady. During the first outing of the year on Lake Storey Randy boated a 42 incher. Since we are talking about Lake Storey, Jeremy Ven Huizen cranked up a 30 inch Esox since the outing. I too was there after the outing and got a 30 inch toothy critter on an Ace Tandem. Carson Wilary got out for the northern Wisconsin opener and popped a 37 inch Lunge. Jerry Oestreich was also out shortly after the northern opener and jigged up a 34 incher. President Dick Cholke has been beating the water to a froth and has scored the most so far. Dick has been up on Wingra and trolled up 34 and 39 inchers. He then went to Green Bay and banged a 45 inch Esox. Way to go El Presidente!!!

That is all the fish turned in so far. Hopefully our weather will stabilize soon and then we can all get out and stick a piggie!!

Remember to send your release forms postmarked within 30 days to:

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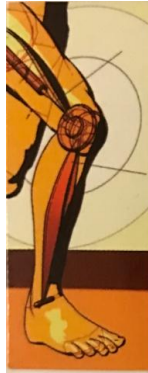
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