

September 2019 newsletter

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

So long summer

Meeting schedule back on track; get ready for serious fall fishing



The sun sets on another great adventure on Lake of the Woods.

By Dick Cholke Flatlanders president

Summer is behind us and the fall bite is starting! We get back into our normal meeting schedule starting Tuesday, Sept. 17. This month we will share the tales of the summer trips and get ready to hit the cooler water. Wally is working to get speakers in for the October and November meetings. Hopefully their schedule has an opening to present to the Flatlanders. Bring photos of your summer trips and we will try to get them up to share with the group. We should have a computer, projector, and the big screen.

We will fill you in on how our two teams did at the Muskie Inc. Chapter Challunge at Lake of the Woods. Quite the surprise our teams did not take home top honors but we did take home some great memories of another week on the Lake of the Woods. Here is the paragraph from the Star of the Norths FaceBook page.

Muskies Inc Chapter 15 Star of the North

Thanks to all who came up to Red Wing Lodge for the Gil Hamm Chapter Challunge!
Congratulations to the Bemidji/Cass Lake chapter

team who edged out the Fargo/Moorhead chapter on the final day to take the top spot. Lake of the Woods was definitely kind to the 102 participants as there were 156 muskies registered during the 2 1/2 day event.

I will try to get the final results from the Challunge for the meeting. There are some results coming in on local trips also. Steve will bring us up to date on fish from our trips outside of the outing. Unfortunately I have not contributed to these tall tales with some good time on the water. FYI: Castle Rock was 65° on Thursday and had some color to the water. Cloudy condition did not take precedence over the dreaded East winds. The black and white furry little guy was in my boat again.

Our September Outing to the Bay of Green Bay is right around the corner - September 28, 29, and 30 Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. I may stay up on Tuesday for an additional day. To repeat the logistics: Currently we are booking 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, and 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.

If you noticed on page 24 of the Muskie Inc. magazine the 3rd Annual Jordan Olson Memorial Cancer Fundraiser Tournament is Sept. 28 on Green Bay and the Fox River. Feel free to enter the event and fish with us the rest of the weekend. We can look at it, as the downside there may be a few more boats on the water Saturday. The upside is that these guys will also be on their best spots and we can take note of these spots for the rest of the weekend. Also, we have to recognize this event is to raise money for a very good cause. Realistically this is big water and it should not make that much of a difference for one day of fishing.

Our last outing is heading back up to Lake Alice Oct. 18-20. There should be some nice fall







The good, bad and ugly of Lake of the Woods: The good, of course is beautiful fish that bite like the one Tim Scruggs is holding. The bad is that the Rock Monster eventually will take a bite or two out of your motor.

colors and big fish, plus a few Leinenkugel's Octoberfests should make for a nice wrap up to the season. This fall make sure you let other club members know of your side trips – it is always more fun and successful when we get the group fishing together.





What's left

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 Christmas Party.

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

Get on the water and get on the board.



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