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ANNUAL MEETING

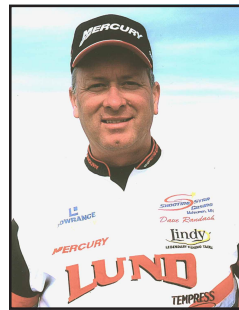
Thursday, February 15th

El Zagal Shrine Center • 1429 3rd St N, Fargo, ND



WALLEYE INSIGHTS

They're back! PWT Super Pro's Tom Backer and Dave Randash will present their Walleye Insights Seminar at the FM Walleyes Annual Meeting on Feb 15, 2007. The duo are club members who most of you know well. We are all excited to hear



what they have to share with club members.

Tom and Dave bring over 50 years of combined tournament fishing experience to the stage. Both anglers qualified for the inaugural PWT Super Pro series in 2006 and have over 10 years each as touring professionals on the PWT Tour. Since the last time they spoke to the club, Tom has also earned the title of PWT Champion.

Walleye Insights will appeal to all levels of anglers. They will cover basic, subtle and important techniques that will add to your walleye fishing success. Both anglers spend considerable time on Devils Lake and Western MN lakes so this will be a great opportunity to learn about the lakes you frequent. If previous seminars are an indication, Thursday's meeting is certain to be entertaining as Dave and Tom share tips and tales from their time on the water. Does anyone remember the Golden Shovel from their last FMWU seminar?

The seminar is brought to us through Tom and Dave's sponsors which include Lund Boats, Mercury Marine, Lowrance, Bartness Industries, Gateway Chevrolet, Lindy Tackle, Interstate Batteries, Rapala, Tempress, EZ Loader Boat trailers, Motorguide, and Beckman – Drift Control.

We hope to have on display the latest in Chevrolet towing vehicles and Mercury Powered Lund Boats. In addition, In-Fisherman PWT has donated an Amateur entry to the Chamberlin tournament that will be raffled off to someone in attendance! Please join us for what promises to be a fun, educational, and entertaining evening.

Doors open at 5:30, with the free Chili starting at 6 PM. Bring a friend and sign them up as a member.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 13
Board Meeting

February 15
Annual Meeting, Chili Feed,
Backer-Randash
at El Zagal Shrine Center

March 1-4
Sportsmen Show
at the Fargodome

March 10
Dinner Dance
at El Zagal Shrine Center

March 13
Board Meeting

March 15
Anglers Night
Bob Jensen
Fishing the Midwest

April 17
Board Meeting

April 19
Member Meeting
Rapala Lure Rep.
at El Zagal Shrine Center

**ALL MEETINGS AT
7 PM AT THE
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President's Comments...

Dear Members,

I would like to start out by saying "Thank You" to Bruce Nereson for his service on the Board. We appreciate the hours you put in. The Board accepted Nereson's resignation during the January Board meeting. I would also like to congratulate Tami Stillwell. The Board appointed Tami to replace Bruce and serve the remainder of his term. We appreciate her willingness to take a leadership role in the club.

The club also needs to say thanks to a few organizations for their donations. Lund Boats is sponsoring our annual meeting by providing our speakers Tom Baker and Dave Randash. Both the FLW and PWT have donated one Co Angler entry which we will use for raffles. We will sell chances for the PWT entry at the Annual Meeting with the winner being drawn that night and we are selling raffle tickets on the FLW entry, with the drawing taking place at in April. Lastly, Scheels has donated one seat to their Walleye University class. We decided to use this donation as an incentive for club members to completely fill out a survey whose results will be reviewed by Board Members. All members who return a completed survey will have their name put into the drawing. Please make sure to give thanks to these organizations for their support of your club.

I hope to see everyone at the Annual Meeting on Thursday, February 15 at the El Zagal Shrine!

Best Fishes,

Chad Maloy, President



2007 Anglers Night Thursday, March 15th

Featuring: Bob Jensen - Fishing the Midwest
Meeting held at the Doublewood Inn, Fargo



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Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

On behalf of the entire Detroit Lakes DNR Fisheries Staff, I'd like to thank you for your generous contribution towards the walleye rearing ponds this year. We leased access to 55 ponds this year.

There are two documents included with this letter. The first document is a list of the ponds that were stocked, and how many walleyes were netted out of each pond. You will notice that some ponds produced very little or no walleyes. In most cases, the ponds that did not produce many walleyes contained bullheads, fathead minnows, or other species of fish.

The second document included with this letter shows where the walleyes were stocked this year. Walleyes are stocked according to the management plan that is in place for each lake. The number of walleyes stocked in a lake depends on many things, including natural reproduction rates, lake size, and available habitat.

Thank you once again, for your organization's generous contribution this year. I will be contacting you in a few months to ask if your will be willing to contribute towards the walleye rearing pond leases for the 2007 season. If you have any questions between now and then, please don't hesitate to call me at 218-847-1579.

Sincerely,

Mandy LaZella Erickson
 Fisheries Specialist
 Detroit Lakes Area Fisheries Office

2006 Harvest Summaries by Pond

Pond	Sum of Pounds	Adult	Fingerling	Yearling	Total
Aakre	472			472	472
Abbey	0				0
Abrahamson	985		985		985
Anderson	202	202			202
Anderson	141	141			141
Anderson	15	15			15
Anderson	11	11			11
Anderson B	689		689		689
Anderson D	18	18			18
Beaudine	42	42			42
Bemidji Area	130	108	238		238
Big Berg	868	1813	2681		2681
Brandy	0				0
Candy North	0				0
Candy South	341	4092	4092		341
Cuba WMA	8	5	5		8
Dewey	292	5840	5840		292
Doran WPA	9	9			9
Hunt	180	1524	1524		180
Ida1	41148	41148			41148
Johnston	0				0
Jones	1	4	4		1
Kennedy	13	27	40		13
Knudson	117	34	151		117
Little McCormick	0				0
Long	2665	55965	55965		2665
Loon	1	1450	1451		1
	20	2908	2928		20

2006 Stocking or Transfer Totals by Lake or Area

Destination	Date	Adult	Fingerling	Yearling	Total
Bad Medicine	Sum of Pounds		578		578
	Sum of Number		21150		21150
Bass	Sum of Pounds	130	108		238
	Sum of Number	868	1813		2681
Baudette Area	Sum of Pounds	60	255		315
	Sum of Number	695	510		1205
Bemidji Area	Sum of Pounds	70	540	205	815
	Sum of Number	49	9830	285	10164
Big Sugar Bush	Sum of Pounds	443	151		594
	Sum of Number	11826	302		12128
Buffalo	Sum of Pounds	384			384
	Sum of Number	8147			8147
Detroit	Sum of Pounds	68	1638	189	1895
	Sum of Number	47	28733	383	29163
Ida	Sum of Pounds	360	72		432
	Sum of Number	7560	216		7776
Leif	Sum of Pounds	565	67		632
	Sum of Number	8298	201		8499
Little Sugar Bush	Sum of Pounds	148	50		198
	Sum of Number	3231	100		3331
Little Toad	Sum of Pounds	160	56		216
	Sum of Number	6450	168		6618
Maple	Sum of Pounds	75	1247	154	1476
	Sum of Number	75	18046	276	18397
Marshall	Sum of Pounds	210			210
	Sum of Number	5055			5055
Melissa	Sum of Pounds	479	476		955
	Sum of Number	10113	787		10900
mortality	Sum of Pounds	45			45
	Sum of Number	1032			1032
Pearl	Sum of Pounds	7	300	29	336
	Sum of Number	5	4780	58	4843
Round	Sum of Pounds	95	330	521	946
	Sum of Number	58	6050	926	7034
Sallie	Sum of Pounds	223	377		600
	Sum of Number	4330	787		5117
Sarah	Sum of Pounds	180			180
	Sum of Number	4169			4169
Sauer	Sum of Pounds	140	28		168
	Sum of Number	4731	36		4767
Sieversen	Sum of Pounds	34			34
	Sum of Number	1530			1530
South Twin	Sum of Pounds	15	499	36	550
	Sum of Number	11	6743	74	6828
Spring	Sum of Pounds	44			44
	Sum of Number	1232			1232
Strawberry	Sum of Pounds	566			566
	Sum of Number	10837			10837
Upper Cormorant	Sum of Pounds	425	47		472
	Sum of Number	7755	94		7849
Waboose	Sum of Pounds	415	47		462
	Sum of Number	7215	96		7311
West Metro	Sum of Pounds	85			85
	Sum of Number	1545			1545
Total Sum of Pounds		330	10228	2868	13426
Total Sum of Number		244	201951	7112	209307

Meeting Review:

Professional angler Jimmy Bell presents “Fishing the Extremes”, by Jeremy Frie



Minnesota native and professional walleye fisherman, Jimmy Bell, provided insight on fishing extreme depths, both shallow and deep. The shallow extremes included water less than 10 feet deep while the deep extremes reached 40-60 feet. The bottom line is that you need both oxygen and forage at any given depth in order for it to potentially produce walleyes.

Shallow water – in rivers, look for current seams. Fish tend to position themselves on the seams as it holds the best potential for ambush of baitfish. When fishing shallow, keep everything constant, don’t turn the trolling motor on/off/on/off as the fish recognizes this and they may spook out to deeper water. Leadcore is also a good way to probe shallow water. Trolling with leadcore can be an effective way to troll contours as the line will follow the boat path more closely than with mono or superline, which have a tendency to run too deep or too shallow when making turns. One watch out in the shallows is that these fish can sometimes be very neutral. A slow jig/minnow presentation can work well on these fish. Also, look for at least two types of weeds to be present in a shallow location for better results than just one type of cover. If you find a healthy weed bed, chances are that the fish will be there year round. Don’t be afraid to fish the inside of the weedline as well. Cast out to deeper water with jigs or crankbaits. Over the years, Jimmy’s interest in bass fishing has helped him understand shallow water walleyes.

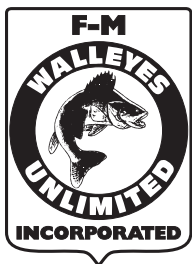
Deep water – Use as large of a jig as you can in order to feel the bottom in 30-70’ of water. Make sure and get a good hookset when fishing deep. If you feel the walleye shake it’s head, set the hook again to make sure it stays hooked up. In deep water, misses are often looked upon as “short biters”. Jimmy indicates that there really isn’t such a thing as a “short biter”. The walleye wants to eat the entire bait, but the fisherman messed up! Set the hook as soon as you feel a bite to improve success. Adding a stinger hook can help as well. Trolling large crankbaits can also be an effective presentation in deep water. Fish may be on the bottom or suspended. Watch your electronics closely to decipher the best depth to target. Consider using an underwater camera to help identify the unknowns of the deeper water.

Thanks to Jimmy Bell and Ranger Boats for providing this presentation!

Don’t miss the February meeting at the El Zagal Shrine in north Fargo where local walleye pros Tom Backer and Dave Randash will share some of their secrets. See you there!

Forget Valentines Day?

Make it up to your loved one with a night out.



Dinner Dance



Saturday, March 10, 2007 at El Zagal Shrine Center
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Dance from 9:00-1:00 with Live Music by MoJo Boogie Band
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In conjunction with the Lund Spring Catch Promo underway until April 1st, 2007 Lund will rebate an additional \$500 cash to anyone who is a registered, dues paid, official member of FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc., on or before March 16th, 2007, if said member purchases a new, non-registered (non-current models are allowed to play) Pro V, Tyee, Baron, or 2010 Pro Guide on or before April 1st, 2007. Lund will pay a \$250 rebate on the purchase of a Pike, Pro Angler, Fisherman, Explorer, Sport Angler, Pro Sport, Classic or Alaskan. The rebate will be paid by Lund in their usual timeframe and manner upon their receipt of the Warranty registration of the boat from the dealer. The offer is only valid to FM Walleyes members that appear on an official membership transcript to be submitted to Lund Boats at 9:00 am on Friday, March 16, 2007. See your Lund Boat dealer for more details on the Lund Spring Catch incentives which include up to \$1,375 in clothing & accessories plus the FM Walleye rebates.

YMCA ICE FISHING DERBY - JANUARY 20, 2007

BY RON SAHR

FM Walleyes would like to thank the following individuals for giving up their Saturday to help the YMCA put on their 6th Annual Ice Tournament: Steve Hall, Ron Sahr, Scott Stillwell, Tim Shiek, Steve Arntson, Bob Jensen, Jim Mohr, Wayne & Cody Wateland, Jon Chose, Larry Williams, Don LeClear, Kristi Schultz, Eric Kanti, Tim Noteboom, Steve Meyer, Barry Chou nard & Louis Wander.

The day started out windy but ended up a gorgeous 31 degrees with light winds. After a hearty breakfast we all met at Camp Cormorant. Members helped the Y Tournament Committee set up five large tents after drilling over 50 holes for the dozens of kids and veterans that would be arriving compliments of the YMCA and FM Walleyes. For many of these kids and veterans this was their first experience ice fishing and for some this was their first time fishing ever.

A special thanks to Scott Stillwell and his 4 wheeler. The lack of snow cover made for slipper conditions and Scotts 4 wheeler provided some much appreciated transportation to volunteers drilling holes and derby anglers.

According to the YMCA they sold over 240 adult tickets and 100 youth tickets. Approximately \$4,000 was raised for the YMCA's Camp Cormorant. A big THANK YOU to all the volunteers from FM Walleyes and the YMCA for putting on a wonderful experience for both kids and adults alike.

Board Meeting Minutes – January 16, 2007 @ Doublewood Inn

Meeting was called to order @ 7.14pm by President Chad Maloy.

Absent Member: Jeremy Frie

Treasury Report by Barry Chouinard: Balance of \$10,763.35.

Membership Report: 263 members as of 1/07/07

Minutes of December Board Meeting reviewed. Motion to approve minutes by C Augustin, second by D Marty. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Major Tournament Sponsors and Advertisers: discussion followed to inform that additional sponsors are needed to sponsor tournaments, any help finding these would be appreciated

Strategic Planning: Don Marty, committee chair, has survey to get input from general members as to the future of the club.

Tournament Update: Fair Hills has been confirmed as site for Pelican Tournament. Big fish contest will now be included in the entry fee. Proof of Rules & Regulations for Pelican Tourney reviewed. Timing of the mailing of entry forms to past participants discussed.

Meeting Updates....

January: Jimmy Bell is speaker complimentary of Ranger Boats. Setyr Rods, also a sponsor of Mr Bell's is offering VIF (Very Important Fisherman) discount of 45% to our general membership. Details will be available at the meeting.

Annual Meeting: Chili Feed is set for 2/15/07 at the El Zagal Shrine. The program will be Backer & Randash.

Door Prizes for Future Meetings: Motion to buy an inventory of door prizes for upcoming meetings made by L Sjoblom, seconded by L Johnson. Motion passed.

March: Bob Jensen with Fishing the Midwest has been confirmed.

April: A Rapala Rep will be the speaker. We will need to find a spot for this meeting as the Doublewood is booked. A motion was made to hold this meeting (and also the September meeting) at the Shrine. Motion passed. B Chouinard will reserve a room at the Shrine.

Nomination Committee: Still in need of good candidates to fill board openings.

Distinguished Member Award: To be presented at Angler's Night in March.

Dinner/Dance: March 10, 2007 at El Zagal. This year the event will be more of a social event.

YMCA Ice Fishing Tourney: Ron Sahr said that the Y is estimating that 30+ kids, 10 veterans will attend. There have also been over 200 tickets sold to the general public. The Drill Team will meet at the Fryn' Pan in Moorhead @ 9am. Motion made and passed that the club will be buying breakfast for the workers. The Tourney runs from 1-3p at the Y Camp on Big Cormorant.

NEW BUSINESS

The Club's Annual Business Renewal has been done.

Letter of resignation by current Recording Secretary, B Nereson, was accepted by the board.

Motion to appoint Tami Stillwell as new Recording Secretary to fill the current board opening was made by L Johnson, seconded by S Hall. Motion passed.

Rearing Pond Leases were discussed.

FLW & PWT co-angler entries donated were mentioned. Raffle tickets will be sold for each of these entries. Discussion on when these will be drawn. More details to follow.

Scheel's Walleye University: Held on Saturday, March 10th at the new Scheel's store. They are donating 1 free seat. General members that complete and turn in the Strategic Planning Survey will be entered in a drawing for this seat.

River Keepers Program List was also provided for all board members.

Walleye Lines: This month the deadline for articles needs to be moved to January 31st instead of February 1st (Lester will need to get this month's newsletter compiled a little early this month)

Ice Fishing Seminar: Next January, 2008, Gary Pyzer, will be the speaker.

Members Caught Column: S Garten asked for feedback regarding the new column in the Walleye Lines.

Jack Weaver: Longtime club member passed away, he has delivered the Walleye Lines to businesses in Fargo-Moorhead for distribution for many years for the club. We will miss him.

Club Outings: Steve Hall & Scott Stillwell have planned a lake picking night to be held at the Moorhead Pizza Ranch this Wednesday. New twist this year is that the member that picks the lake will host the outing & also will provide the main dish for the Saturday evening meal. Motion by S Meyer that the board cover the cost of the main dish for the 5 club outings, second by L Johnson. Motion carried. The information for the 2007 Club Outings should be in the February Walleye Lines.

Motion to adjourn meeting by L Sjoblom, second by S Meyer @ 8.30. Motion passed.

Next board meeting: February 13th @ the Doublewood. Please remember the General Membership is always welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted by Tami Stillwell, Recording Secretary

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