

Scott Fairbairn

Thursday, January 15th • Doublewood Inn, Fargo



Scott Fairbairn's seminar, Four Cornerstones of Walleye Success is an overview of the building blocks for successful walleye angling. This seminar is built to give a strong foundation in the four major walleye techniques.

Scott Fairbairn is a full-time professional walleye angler from Hager City, Wisconsin. Over the last ten years Scott has quickly become a major force in the walleye tournament arena. His major accomplishments

include two tournament wins on the Professional Walleye Trail (PWT) and fifteen top ten finishes in major walleye tournaments. Scott has qualified for ten national championships and in 1998 became the youngest angler at 25 to win the coveted PWT "Angler of the Year" title.

Scott's success as a walleye angler can be directly attributed to his ability to take the complexity of modern walleye angling and create simple easy to understand formulas for catching walleyes. Scott has shared these formulas with walleye anglers throughout the walleye world through print and television as well as through the numerous seminars he conducts each year.

Scott's current sponsors include Crestliner Boats, Evinrude Outboards, Garmin Electronics, Rapala, Blue Fox, Northland Fishing Tackle, Mustad, Berkley Trilene, Fireline and Powerbait, JNB Originals, Guest Chargers, Irish Setter, Aqua-Innovations and www.thenextbite.com.



See you all on Thursday, January 15th at the Doublewood Inn, Fargo, ND. Doors open at 6:30 and the program starts at 7:00 Sharp! Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank.

Free and Open to the public.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 13 Board Meeting

January 15 Regular Meeting: Scott Fairbairn

January 24 YMCA Ice Fishing Tournament -Cormorant Lake

> February 6-8 Boat Show

February 15 MN Walleye Season Closes

> February 17 Board Meeting

February 19 MEMBERS ONLY Annual Meeting/Chili Feed *Legendary Angler - Marv Koep*

> **February 20** Pelican Spring Classic entries to be mailed out

March 1 Pelican Spring Classic open to all entrants

ALL MEETINGS AT 7 PM AT THE DOUBLEWOOD INN OF FARGO, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.





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President's Comments

I hope everyone has survived the Holidays and the Flu Season to try out the new fishing gadgets you received as gifts. I know I am excited to try out my new Buzz stick. I just know it'll double my catch rate, right?

Well, Last year there were two big



happenings in the club. We purchased the Cormorant Fall Classic and a tournament trailer for \$6000. The first year revenues from the tournament provided a net profit around \$3000. The trailer/tournament will have paid for itself after the 2004 Cormorant Fall Classic. We had 97 teams compete for cash awards.

Ron Sahr received the club's newly implemented Distinguished Member Award. The Award will be given annually to the person who best displays the ability to unselfishly work towards the clubs goals. Please get your nominations in to a board member by January 23rd. The award will be given away at the February 19th Annual Meeting.

Lastly, The club owes a Big THANK YOU to the following folks who gave of their time to make this club better for you: The Board of Directors for their time, energy and ideas in making our club what it is, Jack Fuller for making Walleye Lines enjoyable to read with his monthly contributions, Jean Nygaard for her time & effort in managing the Pelican Tournament, Bob Jensen & Tom McGeehan for running the Cormorant Tournament, Steve Hall & Guy Kimball for organizing the club fishing outings, Bruce Bokinskie for running the calendar raffle, Jeremy Frie for writing reviews of the meetings for the Walleye Lines and all the others who have pitched in thru ought the past year.

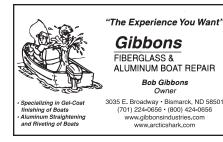
Happy New Year and Best Fishes,

Chad Maloy

CLUB HATS & STICKERS

Many members have been asking for stickers and hats. Well, the club has finally put in an order for some baseball hats and stickers. We hope to have them available for the January meeting. Stickers will be \$3. Hats will be in the \$15 range.

Have a safe and fun fishing season from Sahr's Sudden Service 601 N. 4th St. Fargo, ND 58102 293-1918 and Red River Boarding Kennels 789-7510 Ron & Kathy Sahr, Owners



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Good Photos Take Time

By Chad Maloy

Since joining FM Walleyes Unlimited seven years ago I have had opportunities to fish many great walleye lakes in the Midwest with many club members. This opportunity has drastically increased the number of trophy fish I have caught. Being one that likes to practice catch & release I enjoy taking lots of photos of the fish caught on our trips. Here are a few tips I picked up about taking photos that I would like to share with you.

Cameras • *You do not need to purchase an expensive camera to take a good photo.* I usually just purchase the \$5 single use 35mm cameras with 200-speed Kodak or Fuji film and a flash. Good film is important. They are not the best cameras but do work fairly good for close up photos. The nice thing is that I do not have to worry if I break it or drop it into the water. Other cameras will allow you to use a variety of film speeds and have more flexibility changing lenses. Digital cameras are becoming popular and from my research a 3mp is good for most photos and 5mp if you intend to manipulate the photos or if you want enlargements.

Film Speed • *Film speed relates to the speed in which the film captures light.* A fast film (400, 800) is good for action photos and low light situations. However, it is grainier and you will loose sharpness. Slow speed film (200, 100, 50) will give you a sharper photo and will allow for better enlargements. A good overall film for fishing photos is 200-speed. It is available in the single use cameras. If you are looking for magazine quality photos you may want to use 50-speed slide film. The down side to slower film is that you need to have a steady hand.

Lighting • *The position of the sun is very important.* The old rule is to have the sun behind the photographer. However, this puts the sun right in the eyes of the subject causing them to squint. It is better for the sun to be at a 45-degree angle so it is to the side of the photographers shoulder. This creates more depth and reduces the chance of squinting. If the sun is to far to the side or behind the subject there will be lots of shadows resulting in a poor photo. Use your flash when you are outdoors but remember that it is only effective when the subject is less the 10' away.

Composition • Good composition can make the difference between a snap shot that is put into the drawer and a photo, which is framed and put up on the wall. Besides getting a mount, a photo is the only way to preserve a trophy. Take a little time and compose a good photo, it may be the only reminder of the outing. Once that trophy fish is landed put it into the live well until you are ready to take the photo. Do a little thinking. Do you they want to be holding a rod & reel? Do they want the lure or jig to be hanging from the fish's mouth? It is important to clear the clutter so the photo doesn't look messy. Survey the area. Is there a nice shoreline you can use for the background? If so, motor over and position the boat for proper lighting. Once everything is set and you have your camera ready, have the angler take the fish out of the live well. Wipe off any blood with a wet towel. Have the angler hold the fish in the manner they wish but give them tips on positioning the fish to get the proper lighting. Turn the body of the fish in or out to catch more light, lift it up or down, get the dorsal fin to stand up, make sure your fingers are behind the fish as much as possible, etc... the fish should be held out towards the camera and just to the side or just below the anglers face. Keep it tight. If the fish is held vertical, take a vertical photo or if held horizontal take a horizontal photo. The photographer should be within 5 feet or less so that the angler and the fish fill most of the viewfinder. Leave a little space at the top of the photo with the center of the subject just below the center of the viewfinder. Take photos from straight on, shooting down will cause the subject to appear smaller then they actually are and shooting up at the subject will make it appear larger. Hmmmm, maybe try taking photos from a lower position than the subject to make it appear larger. Crop the photo so you do not to cut off the fish or the angler. Review the background to make sure that there is not a telephone pole growing out of the anglers head. Take multiple shots so that the chances of a good photo are increased. It never fails that when a single photo is taken you blink, sneeze, or something else happens to diminish the quality of the photo.

Developing • The last piece in the making of a good photo is developing. A good developer can make up for mistakes in exposure and lighting. It is important to take your film to a place that will take the time to develop it properly. If you have an important photo do not take it to the one-hour photo lab at the grocery store around the corner. I take my film to Monarch Photo where they have professional photographers on staff. They have been very helpful in answering most questions.

I hope this helps some of you improve your photo success. *If you have a nice photo of you or a fishing friend please submit it to Walleye Lines and share it with us all.*

According To... by Lester Sjoblom

According to Mandy LaZella Erickson, Fisheries Specialist from the Detroit Lakes Area Fisheries Office, their office had a lot of success this past year rearing walleyes. The ponds they leased access to produced enough walleyes to fill all of their stocking quotas – including some supplemental stocking – and they were also able to assist other areas in the state fill their quotas. While some of the ponds didn't produce any results, success can vary from year to year. The ponds that did not produce will this year may turn out to be the ponds with the best results next year. This is normal, and emphasizes why it is important to have as many ponds as possible. Details follow:

HARVEST SUMMARIES by POND

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From	Data	ADL	FGL	YRL	Grand Total	From	Data	ADL	FGL	YRL	
Abbey	lbs	50			0	Anderson	lbs	10		175	
Brandy	lbs	50			50		#	18		315	┡
	#	20	4074		20	Rustad	lbs		35		
Long	lbs		1874		1874		#		175		┡
	#		37480		37480	Swede Grove	lbs			10	┝
Hand	lbs				0	Youman	lbs		100	10	
Audubon	lbs		416		416		#		2400	10	┡
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Lura	lbs			613	613	Severson	lbs		792		
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Boland	lbs		528		528		#			690	
	#		6336		6336	Warling	lbs				Γ
Finger	lbs		325		325	Aakre	lbs				Γ
	#		3900		3900	Vale	lbs				F
Axberg	lbs		1227		1227	Little Berg	lbs				F
	#		12270		12270	Crist Olson	lbs				F
Madson	lbs		3		3	Knudson (Fifteen)	_			275	F
	#		48		48		#			550	
Candy North	lbs		10	43	43	Maria	lbs		3935	000	F
	#			129	129	Mana	#		19675		
Sands	lbs			115	115	Wendell Field	lbs		43		F
Sanus	#			115	115		#		172		
Beaudine	lbs		445		445	Tatlie	lbs		112		F
Jones	#		15575		15575	Hunt	lbs			4	┝
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STOCKING OR TRANSFER TOTALS BY LAKE OR AREA

	Size				
То	Data	ADL	FGL	YRL	Grand Total
Bemidji Area	lbs		305	380	685
	#		3154	4133	7287
Detroit	lbs		3204		3204
	#		35498		35498
Long	lbs		152		152
	#		1520		1520
Melissa	lbs		215	970	1185
	#		1655	5585	7240
Sallie	lbs	50	288	294	632
	#	20	5748	574	6342
Mortality	lbs		15	64	79
	#		75	140	215
Bad Medicine	lbs		450		450
	#		10501		10501
Fergus Falls Area	lbs		565	223	788
	#		6881	938	7819
Elbow	lbs		200		200
	#		2365		2365
Floyd	lbs	10	695	1049	1754
	#	18	11325	5269	16612
Union	lbs		395		395
	#		5590		5590
Sarah	lbs		204		204
	#		2112		2112
Cotton	lbs		1541		1541
	#		17487		17487
Toad	lbs		561		561
	#		7483		7483
Upper Cormorant	lbs		590	75	665
	#		5097	900	5997
Little Bemidji	lbs		188		188
	#		2062		2062
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	Size				
То	Data	ADL	FGL	YRL	Grand Total
Tulaby	lbs	60	439	131	630
	#	60	10451	996	11507
Store	lbs		50		50
	#		1000		1000
Roy	lbs		491	220	711
	#		9316	2520	11836
Juggler	lbs		298		298
	#		2980		2980
Island	lbs		575	118	693
	#		10085	302	10387
Eagle	lbs		141		141
	#		1410		1410
Turtle	lbs		140		140
	#		2800		2800
Acorn	lbs		105		105
	#		2100		2100
Ida	lbs		353	85	438
	#		7438	228	7666
Silver	lbs		108		108
	#		3105		3105
Lee	lbs		83	89	172
	#		1160	223	1383
Maple	lbs		1100	682	1782
	#		13155	4040	17195
Baudette Area	lbs		399	265	664
	#		2965	1733	4698
Glenwood Area	lbs		162		162
	#		1365		1365
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Total Sum of Num	98	187883	27581	215562	



Mark your calendar! The Annual Dinner Dance will be held Saturday, March 20th at the Courtyard by Marriott in Moorhead. Please call Chad Maloy at 293-2491 to reserve your tickets.





WALLEYE LINES

FM Walleyes Board Meeting Minutes

November 18th, 2003 Doublewood Inn, Fargo, ND.

President Chad Maloy called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Guests were Jean Nygaard and Bill Grames

Absent board members Jeremy Frie and Steve Meyer

Treasurer Bob Jensen gave his report with \$5476.51 in checking with bills and money to go out of \$3001.20.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bob Jensen reported Wild Rice Electric got back to him where light poles need to be for Cormorant...he will continue to update.

YMCA Ice Tourney is January 24th, 2004. Ron will head up and take care of.

Chad Maloy booked Sam Anderson for march meeting. Motion by Tim Amble, second by Tom McGeehan to pay \$800 to Anderson for presentation at meeting...motion passed.

Tom McGeehan reported on FM Walleyes stickers. Most popular are the 4x5 white stickers, he will continue to follow up on.

Tom also reported on membership mailing which will go out to those not at the January meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tim Amble reported on our Dinner Dance, with several items needing to get going, of which are tickets, determine menu options, ticket prices and what should go on the ticket. Will report back at next meeting.

Chad reported on Thursday's meeting...Lynn made a motion to spend \$100 for ice fishing equipment for meeting, second by Tim Amble. Motion passed.

Chad discussed Distinguished Member Award letter will be in Walleye Lines next month and will be discussed at monthly club meetings.

Chad brought up nomination committee which needs to fill four spots this coming year. Committee of Tim Amble, Lynn Johnson and Bruce Nereson will take this further.

Chad discussed tournament updates with a motion by Tim Amble, second by Lynn Johnson to set fees at \$240 for both Pelican and Cormorant for 2004 and to set \$250 for both Pelican and Cormorant for 2005 discussion followed with motion being passed. The date for Pelican of June 4-5, and for Cormorant of September 24-25th are now in stone. Discussion of necessary sponsors etc. Followed.

Chad discussed January meeting with Scott Fairbairn motion by Lynn Johnson, second by Tom McGeehan for necessary \$600 fee...motion passed.

Chad discussed calendar raffle and timing. Should go out mid January.

Lynn Johnson, second by bob Jensen for meeting adjournment. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

December board meeting at Dennis Flom's.

Bruce Nereson,

Recording Secretary

December 16th, 2003 Dennis Flom's residence, Harwood, ND. Meeting called to order by president Chad Maloy at 7:00pm, thanking Dennis for having us out to his place.

Absent board member Steve Meyer

Treasury report, treasurer bob Jensen reported \$6029.71 in checking.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dinner dance discussion by Tim Amble...looking at making several changes i.e. Two-entrée buffet with several item desert. Motion by Lynn, second by Tim to charge \$20.00 for dinner dance tickets. Motion passed.

Distinguished Member Award discussion has one letter/nomination to date received....Jean Nygaard is only individual to date.

YMCA Ice Tourney discussion motion by Tom, second by Jeremy to have the club buy breakfast for volunteers before the tournament. Tournament date is January 24th, 2004.

Sticker update...motion by Tim, second by Dennis to order new FM Walleye stickers...motion passed. Tom will take it from here.

President Chad discussed new plaques which would by used for both the Pelican Spring Classic and the Cormorant Fall Classic. The cost would be less than for 2003. Dates of June 3 - 4 for Pelican and September 25-25 for Cormorant are finalized.

Discussion of old tourney equipment, which Ron is storing. Motion by Jeremy, second by Tim to sell everything for \$500. Motion passed.

President Chad reported all on track for calendar raffle with the necessary permit paperwork sent to the city commission for approval.

Bob Jensen reported on Wild Rice Electric conversations for the lighting on Cormorant...fee and rent @\$300.00/year. Nothing will happen until spring and amount is still under the agreed upon \$400.00/year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion on 2004 Sportsmen Show...motion by Tim, second by Dennis to have booth at show. Motion passed.

Discussion of necessary changes to board. Motion by Tim, second by Lynn to appoint Jeremy to Vice President and Ron to fill Jeremy's board position. Motion passed. Changes were necessary as Russ had resigned as President. Chad had already been appointed President at a previous meeting.

Chad discussed April meeting with Matt Straw of In-Fisherman. He will cover both walleye and crappie fishing. Chad still has attendance prizes of rods and reels.

Motion by Ron, second by Dennis to purchase four dozen new FM Walleye hats. Motion passed. Chad will handle from here.

Chad ended meeting at 8:30pm with next meeting to be January 13, 2004 @ 7:00pm Doublewood Inn, Fargo, ND.

Bruce Nereson, Recording Secretary



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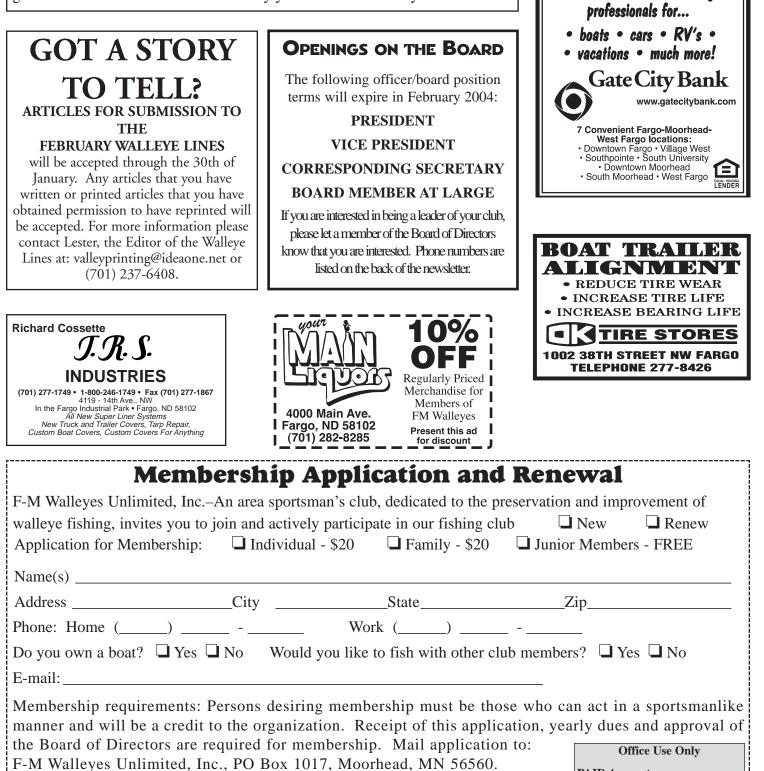
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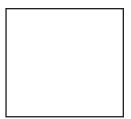
Board of Directors Fill Vacancies

Congratulations to Jeremy Frie who was appointed by the Board of Directors to fill the vacant Vice President position. Also, congratulations to Ron Sahr who was appointed to fill the Board seat previously held by Jeremy Frie. Both of these gentlemen have served our club for many years and we are lucky to have them.



Signature of Applicant: x	ζ	
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YMCA Ice Fishing Tournament January 24th, 2004

The 3rd Annual YMCA Ice Fishing Tournament is being held on January 24th at Camp Cormorant from 12-3pm. FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc. has committed to donate \$1000 to be used to sponsor underprivileged youth and bring them to the tournament, many have never ice fished before. Proceeds from the tournament will provide scholarships to the YMCA's Camp Cormorant. Last year over 150 scholarships were given out.

We can use your help in this project. We will be drilling holes and also working with the kids catching lots of fish. For more info call: Jerry Thoemke (235-4652), Scott Johnson (281-0126), Ron Sahr (293-1918) or Chad Maloy (203-2491)