



WALLEYE LINES

OCTOBER 2004

FMWU, Inc.: Promoting conservation, sportsmanship and education in respect to walleye fishing.

Thursday, October 21th ANOTHER DOUBLE HEADER!!

Featuring Mapping and Photography

Korey Kirschenmann owner of Kirsch's Outdoor Products has developed Lake Trax mapping technology for your computer and GPS. Lakes he has mapped include Devils Lake and the Pipestem Reservoir in ND along with Big Cormorant, Big Pine, Crystal, Dead, Detroit, Franklin, Lida, Little Pine, Lizzie, Melissa, Ottetail, Pelican, Rush, Sallie, and Star in MN. Korey plans on bringing his computer, a few GPS units and a projector to show us his product and do a little presentation. You can visit his web site at www.laketrax.com.



*Magellan Color GPS:
Devils Lake
-West Bay Area*

Drew Lockwood from Monarch Photo will share some photography secrets with the club. He will give a seminar covering gear including both traditional and digital along with tips on taking memorable photographs of those trophy walleyes and other outdoor subjects. Drew is very knowledgeable and is on the cutting edge of photography. His seminar will provide us all information helping us take better quality photos.



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**Doors open at 6:30 and the program will begin at 7:00.
This event is free and open to the public.**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 19
Board Meeting

October 21
Regular Meeting
Mapping & Photography

November 16
Board Meeting

November 18
Regular Meeting
Chip Leer

December 14
Board Meeting

*No Regular Meeting in
December*

January 18
Board Meeting

January 20
Regular Meeting
Tommy Skarlis

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

President's Comments

I want to say thank you to everyone who helped make the Cormorant Fall Classic a success. Everything ran very smooth, the weather was great and some nice fish were caught.

Fall is finally here and so is some fabulous fishing. Rumor has it that the greenbacks are back in the river at Pine Falls. Mobridge, SD provided some good fishing with many fat fish in the 16-20" range. The Rainy River should also produce some nice catches.

The board is busy setting dates for next year's events such as the Dinner Dance, Pelican Spring Classic and Cormorant Fall Classic. We will be searching for volunteers to help out with the Dinner Dance so please let me know if you are willing to call on some businesses for donations.

I hope everyone enjoys the beautiful fall days since we all know what is just around the corner.

Best Fishes,

Chad Maloy



FMWU Board Meeting Minutes – Sept 14, 2004

Meeting called to order by Vice President Jeremy Frie at 7:07 pm, Doublewood Inn, Fargo.

Members present: Steve Hall, Dennis Flom, Bob Jensen, Lester Sjoblom, Jeremy Frie, Steve Meyer
Treasurer's report by Treasurer Bob Jensen – balance of \$21,344.44.

OLD BUSINESS

By-Laws committee update – a work in progress.

Cormorant Tournament Update – 85 teams have signed up to date. Deadline is Sept. 18. Everything is on track for a successful tournament. Bill Berg has been notified of the Calcutta and check sent (\$100). DL Marine will pick up the boat donated by Lund. Tim has the signed permit. Two flights. Take off is at 8 and 8:30 am with a return of 4 and 4:30 pm. 8 boat numbers are missing from the Pelican Tournament. Some teams just can't seem to get things turned back in...

Tournament trailer – Steve Meyer is coordinating the final touches of a railing and steps.

Hats – 2 dozen are ready to pick up at Kostkas.

NEW BUSINESS

Picnic review – went well. Thanks to the Sahr's for hosting the event. Similar plan for 05.

Advertising sales/sponsors/etc- need to streamline. Have specific member contact specific organizations.

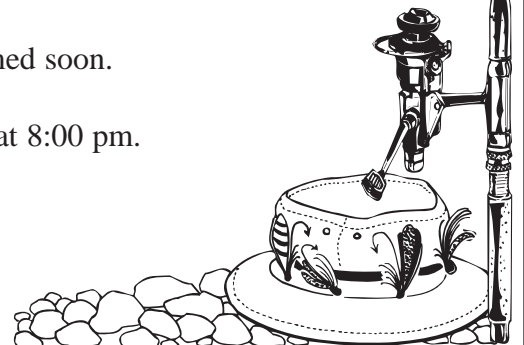
Work in progress.

Motion by Meyer, second by Flom to approve spending \$100 for Thursday meeting attendance prize and \$100 for the general raffle. Motion passed.

Discussion on possible speakers for October meeting. Speaker to be named soon.

Motion to adjourn by Meyer, seconded by Sjoblom. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Jeremy Frie



The "A" Team takes the 2004 Cormorant Fall Classic

Cormorant Lake, Becker County, MN....Art Anderson, Horace, ND and Jeff Atchison, Lake Park, MN won the 2004 FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc., Cormorant Fall Classic on Big Cormorant Lake Saturday, September 25th. They took home \$4,300 in prizes including \$3,100 cash and \$1,200 worth of bedding from Comfort King Mattress Factory. Fishing against 90 of the regions best walleye anglers, Anderson & Atchison landed 9 fish for 18.66lbs over the two-day tournament to claim the win. Anderson & Atchison placed 8th at the Pelican Spring Classic earlier this year. The pair also claimed the day- one big fish award with a 4.74lb walleye. The day- two big fish award went to the team of Ronald Wagner & Larry Grandbois who pulled in a 5.91lb walleye to which claimed the Lunker Award for the largest walleye of the tournament.

Tournament anglers brought in 123 fish weighing 223.16lbs on day one and 120 fish weighing 220.50lbs on day two. Overall, 243 fish were caught weighing in at 443.65 lbs with the average walleye weighing 1.98 lbs. The top finishers were as follows:

Place	Partner 1	Partner 2	Day 1 Total		Day 2 Total		Final Total		Payout
			#	Wt	#	Wt	#	Wt	
1	Anderson, Art	Atchison, Jeff	6	14.12	3	4.54	9	18.66	\$ 4,300
2	Frisco, Gary	Varriano, John	6	11.09	2	4.35	8	15.44	\$ 2,100
3	Bjorkman, Brian	Bjorkman, Eric	4	7.29	2	6.73	6	14.02	\$ 1,500
4	Wagner, Ronald	Grandbois, Leroy	2	6.51	2	7.40	4	13.91	\$ 1,300
5	Oberg, Bruce	Lentner, Mark	1	1.87	6	10.77	7	12.64	\$ 1,000
6	Johnson, Conrad	Anderson, Mark	3	6.15	3	6.33	6	12.48	\$ 750
7	Schroeder, Gene	Schroeder, Chris	3	4.29	3	7.93	6	12.22	\$ 650
8	Pritschet, John	Freeman, Don	5	7.10	4	5.06	9	12.16	\$ 550
9	Thompson, Dan	Hoppe, Karl	1	2.98	3	8.84	4	11.82	\$ 500
10	Dahl, Mike	Ham, Brian	4	8.75	1	2.88	5	11.63	\$ 450
11	Ward, Bob	Beilke, Eldo	4	7.83	2	3.17	6	11.00	\$ 425
12	Rosenfeldt, Bruce	Bahr, Rob	3	4.50	4	6.01	7	10.51	\$ 400
13	Anderson, Scott	Carey, Brian	3	5.30	2	4.99	5	10.29	\$ 350
14	Schmitz, Tim	Brown, John	2	4.25	4	5.53	6	9.78	\$ 340
15	Isaman, Rich	Isaman, Jesse	1	1.39	4	8.06	5	9.45	\$ 330
16	Cavalin, Brent	Mastin, Scott	1	3.04	3	6.28	4	9.32	\$ 320
17	Bostow, Dwight	Walla, Bruce	2	2.70	3	6.58	5	9.28	\$ 310
18	Pappe, Rodger	Nelson, Jerry	0	0.00	4	9.11	4	9.11	\$ 300
19	Rieber, Scott	Nesius, Eric	4	5.34	2	3.44	6	8.78	\$ 290
20	Amble, Tim	Tobolt, John	2	4.96	3	3.57	5	8.53	\$ 250
21	Fischer, Dean	Bakken, Gary	3	3.80	3	4.17	6	7.97	\$ 250
22	Graalum, Jamison	Kjar, Brad	4	5.74	2	2.17	6	7.91	\$ 250
23	Hanson, David	Hanson, Lloyd	3	7.50	0	0.00	3	7.50	\$ 245

Many anglers were overheard complimenting the club on how well it was run. All the credit goes to the Tournament Crew who did a great job. They included club members Richard Tholkes, Lester Sjoblom, Ray Simon, Marvin Fjeldseth, Bob Dobler, Bill & Rachel Kitzman, Ed Sklebar, Jeremy Frie, Bruce Nereson, Arnie Ellingson, Dan & Sharon Kaup. Dave Harmon, Jerry Thoemke and Paul Finstad from the YMCA Camp Cormorant also pitched in.

Tournament Sponsor's included: Comfort King Mattress Factory, Lund Boats, Berg Auto Supply, The Pub, DL Marine & Outdoors, Scheels Sports Outfitters, Gate City Bank, Northland Fishing Tackle, Cormorant Inn, Luther Family Ford and Visto's Trailer Sales.

The dates for the 2005 FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc. Classic Tournaments will be published prior to the end of the year.

Fishing Personalities by Jack Fuller

PREPARING YOUR BOAT AND MOTOR FOR STORAGE

Hey boys and girls, what time is it? Well, for you old enough to remember; it is not Howdy Dowdy Time and this is not Buffalo Bob. But it is time to get that boat and motor ready for winter storage or winterized as it is termed in the northland. Your boat served you well all summer; now let's put it to bed in good condition so it is ready to go again next spring.

Again this year, I solicited help from some of our area specialists:

1. Dan Wall from Moorhead Marine is the head technician and Shop Manager.
2. Chris Kimberlin, Parts and Service Manager at Crystal-Pierz, Fargo.
3. Jeff Huguelet, General Manager with Interstate Battery (17th ave. store) Fargo.

Start at the gas tank, a fuel conditioner such as OEM or Stabil should be used to prevent the gas from breaking down. Conditioners should also be used throughout the season if your boat sits idle for any length of time. Stabilizers are good for about 12 months. If the gas is not used in that time drain it and use it in your car or lawn mower. Keep fresh gas in your boat. The expenses of "cooking" out your carburetors if varnish builds up is not worth the neglect. Most motors are set to run on 87 octanes, but if you feel better about it use premium.

Dan and Chris both use many of the same techniques for motor preparation:

1. Start the engine and spray "fogging oil" in each carburetor liberally or until the motor stops (be sure to have the water supply hooked up). Take out the spark plugs and spray some in each cylinder. Turn the engine over a few times slowly while adding the oil and replace the plugs. If you need new plugs, spring is the time to change, right after running out the seasonal fogging oil.
2. Change the oil filter and oil on 4 stroke motors. Grease all zerks.
3. Check for worn hoses and wires.
4. Drain the lower unit and replace with new gear lube. If the old lube is milky or you see signs of water, there probably is a seal leaking. See your dealer for replacement.
5. Remove the prop and check for fish line etc., grease the shaft and replace. This is a good time to look for nicks and other prop damage.
6. Check the wheel bearings on the trailer. They should be repacked in the fall or spring each year. Are all the lights working on the trailer? It's time to take care of that also. Trailer brakes; roll back the rubber boots on the wheel cylinders to see if there is corrosion. Light grease helps here. Remember, they are submerged each time you launch and load.

Take care of the boat also. Wash and wax is a good idea. Clean the floor and carpet, get those old worms and crushed minnows out. Wipe down the dash and scrub the bugs off the windshield.

What about those batteries? Jeff says they are one of the most neglected pieces of equipment on the boat! Vibration is one of the biggest causes of failure, anchor them down well. In addition; check the water level regularly, see that the plates are covered with water, and charge fully after each use (12.66 volts), but do not overcharge. Check the battery in a couple of days to see that this reading was not just a surface charge. Bring it to a full charge at this time if necessary. It is always best to charge at a slow rate, 2 amps if you have the time. However, never charge at more than 10 amps. When storing, bring the batteries to a full charge and clean them up. They can be stored in your garage, shed, or whatever. For a fully charged battery to freeze it must get colder than -85 degrees. Look over the cables for corrosion and clean. A little vasoline or light grease will help prevent corrosion. Modern batteries may be stored on wood or concrete. The old wives tale of batteries being drained on concrete is false. I come from the old school and have a hard time storing without placing a board underneath however. If you leave them in your boat unhook the cables.

Authors note: a digital voltmeter is very important piece of equipment to own. They are small and inexpensive. Carry one in your boat and use it regularly.

So, tick, tick, tick, the time is getting near. Get out and get at it. If you feel you can't handle the job or don't have time, contact one of the guys mentioned above, they will be happy to do it for you.



Dan Wall



Chris Kimberlin



Jeff Huguelet

2004 Cormorant Fall Classic

REVIEW IN PICTURES...



First Place Team:
Anderson/Atchison
Winning Wt.
18.66 lbs.



Second Place Team:
Frisco/Varriano
15.44 lbs.



Third Place Team:
Bjorkman/Bjorkman
14.02 lbs.



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Fourth Place Team:
Wagner/Grandbois
13.91 lbs.
Big Fish



Fifth Place Team:
Oberg/Lentner
12.64 lbs.



Sixth Place Team:
Johnson/Anderson
12.48 lbs.



Seventh Place Team:
Schroeder/Schroeder
12.22 lbs.



Eighth Place Team:
Pritschet/Freeman
12.16 lbs.



Ninth Place Team:
Thompson/Hoppe
11.82 lbs.



“Cookie” (aka Lester Sjoblom) makes breakfast for the tournament workers as Rich Tholkes supervises. Eggs, bacon, toast, donuts, coffee, juice and milk were all on the menu.



Tenth Place Team:
Dahl/Ham
11.63 lbs.



Winners of the Lund Boat:
Fitch/Fitch

September Meeting Review

George Feder and the Power Tiller Steering

by Jeremy Frie

George Feder, Nevis, MN, gave a great presentation on the advances in tiller steering. The power tiller steering system can be seen at www.enginesteer.com. The manufacturer has taken a complicated system, placed it on a tiller handle, and the end result is an easy to use setup that makes running a tiller motor very enjoyable.

The unit takes up about the same space as a battery and can be placed in any rear compartment. The original tiller handle is replaced by a new handle that reacts to pressure. When pressure is placed on the handle, the motor will turn with ease. Once your hand is removed from the handle, the unit locks in place and the motor will not turn at all.


George brought his '03 620T Ranger with steering system on a 115 Optimax motor for the demonstration. Three guys holding the motor could not stop a volunteer demonstrator from turning the motor with two fingers! Amazing! Many members jumped in the boat to try out the system.

If you would like to try the system on the water, look George Feder up. He is willing and anxious to demonstrate the system to all interested parties!



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FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc -- Online

by Lester Sjoblom

In an effort to bring the fishing news to even more people, FM Walleyes recently added the Walleye Lines to the website hosted by the ND Sportfishing Congress. You can access monthly newsletters, membership forms and fishing information at <http://www.ndsportfishingcongress.org>, clicking on the link marked "Associate Clubs", then clicking on the link marked "F.M. Walleyes Unlimited, Inc". We are in the process of updating all of our pages and soon will have the new by-laws posted. Check back often, as this site posts changes regularly.



In addition to the FM Walleyes site, there are links to water levels, weather, fishing related sites, ND newspapers, state representatives and more.

Next time you are on-line, take some time to browse through their pages. The information you can glean is well worth your time.

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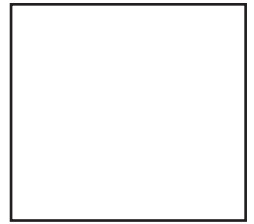
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Membership requirements: Persons desiring membership must be those who can act in a sportsmanlike manner and will be a credit to the organization. Receipt of this application, yearly dues and approval of the Board of Directors are required for membership. Mail application to:
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