



United States Coast Guard Auxiliary U.S. Department of Homeland Security

NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK У May 21-27, 2011

Jerry Raguse from the United States Coast Guard will be giving a power point presentation on Boat Safety. This should be a great opportunity to get up to date on the current safety guidelines. Jerry will also be helping with our youth Boating safety class before the meeting.

LYNN R. SCHLUETER



gameandfish DEPARTMENT

Aquatic Nuisance Species Coordinator Fisheries Division North Dakota Game and Fish Department

Good day to all of you. I grew up in northeastern

Nebraska on the family farm. It was a small dryland operation - dairy cattle, farrow to finish hogs, sheep, chickens, and corn and other row crops. My uncle started my interest in fishing focusing on bullheads and bluegill. Later, a family friend, a wildlife biologist, encouraged me to be a resource professional. My formal education includes attending the University of Nebraska/Lincoln, receiving a Bachelor of Science in Wildlife Management (emphasis on fish management) in 1973. In 1992, the American Fisheries Society named me a Certified Fisheries Scientist.

My fisheries career began in 1972 with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission. Twenty years later, I moved to Devils Lake, North Dakota, and became a North Dakota Game and Fish Department District Fisheries Supervisor. During the past 35

years, my fish work has included hatcheries (spawn take to distribution); collections (netting to explosives which was interesting/fun); management (tagging /population estimations/modeling, introductions, and long term planning), and interacting with other agencies/entities. The profession has changed – building fish hauling tanks to commercial units; typing reports to PC documents; using a slide ruler (yes - some of us still have one) to writing/using spreadsheet programs; chemical reagents to electronic water quality units. Yet, it has remained the same - the biologist using their knowledge/background to understand the problem(s), the constraints (natural or man made), managing for the resource's or recreational benefit(s), and problem solving to meet the public and private demands.

For the past few years, my focus has been on aquatic nuisance species (ANS) problems and prevention/public education efforts. We, fish managers and public, cannot allow ANS to ruin our resources. The Department has adopted a strong proactive approach rather than simply reacting to infestations. This approach demands keeping impacted parties moving toward consensus and in problem solving. I use fisheries management principles, convincing public and corporate views for prevention, education in an effective manner, and interacting with others. While ANS is a challenge, the future recreation is important to me and the Department. In addition, I continue to work on the Devils Lake carp prevention and outletting issues, Red River fisheries management, and other problems as they crop up.

If you are inclined to do so, let's go fish for cats on the Red River - you bring lunch and remember, sardines and pudding cups are welcomed.

Come join us May 19th at the Kelly Inn on Main in Fargo. Doors open at 6:00pm for the swap meet and the meeting starts at 7:00pm. This meeting is free and open to the public, bring a friend



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2010 MEMBERSHIPS EXPIRED FEBRUARY 28TH - IF YOU HAVE NOT RENEWED PLEASE DO SO

May 19th FMW Club Meeting 6:30-9:30 at the Kelly Inn on Main in Fargo, ND The speakers will be Jerry Ragussi from the Coast Guard and Lynn Schlueter from the Game and Fish Dept. Also we will be having a swap meet (Call Scott Brewer for more details)

June 2nd Annual Pelican Classic Rules Meeting Fair Hills Supper Club

> June 8th Take a Vet Fishing YMCA on Big Cormorant

June 9th Board Meeting 6:00pm at the Kelly Inn in Fargo Members Welcome

June 18th & 19th Big Pine Lake, Perham, MN See page 3 for details

July 16th & 17th Rose Lake, Perham, MN

August 20th & 21st Upper Red Lake, Red Lake, MN See page 3 for details

NO JUNE GENERAL MEETING

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

WALLEYE LINES

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2011 CLUB OUTINGS

Date: April 30th and May 1st

Location: Waubay Lake, Webster, SD Time: 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Sunday Weigh In: Breske Bay Landing Lodging: Holiday Motel (605) 345-3323, (800) 667-3323 The Gallery Steak House and Motel (605)345-9989

NO CLUB OUTING IN MAY

Date: June 18th & 19th

Location: Big Pine Lake, Perham, MN Time: 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Both days) Weigh In: Whispering Pines Resort Lodging: Whispering Pines Resort (218) 346-3188 (800) 452-4338

Date: July 16th & 17th

Location: Rose Lake, Perham, MN Time: 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Both days) Weigh In: Rose Ridge Resort and Campground Lodging: Rose Ridge Resort and Campground (218) 342-2060

Date: August 20th & 21st

Location: Upper Red Lake, Red Lake, MN Time: 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Sunday Weigh In: Big Bog State Campgrounds, Waskish, MN Lodging: Big Bog State Park (866) 85PARKS On line: www.stayatMNparks.com (make reservations early) Questions call: Steve Hall 701 261 4379

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ARE MANY WITH FM WALLEYES UNLIMITED

Would you be willing to donate some of your time and/or expertise to the help with the exciting things going on in FM Walleyes Unlimited? There are many opportunities available to donate few hours, a whole day or an entire weekend to many of the upcoming events scheduled for this spring and summer. If you are interested in helping out, contact volunteer coordinator Tami Stillwell at 701-367-6741 or stillwelltami@ideaone.net for more detailed information. Upcoming opportunities include:

Event	Date/Time	Location	Help Needed
FMW Club Meeting	Thursday, May 19 th 6-7 p.m.	Kelly Inn, Fargo	Ticket/raffle sales prior to meeting
Hooked On Scouting	Tuesday, May 26 th & Thursday, May 28 th 5:30 – 8 p.m.	Woodhaven Pond, Fargo	Fishing 101 & fishing on the pond for Tiger Cub scouts
FMW Pelican Spring Classic Tournament	Thursday-Saturday, June 2 nd – 4 th , various times	Fair Hills Resort, Pelican Lake	Set up and tournament operations any or all of the days
Lil' Fisherman's Derby	Monday, June 6 th , 4:30-7:30 p.m.	Dike East, Fargo	Learning stations &/or assist with fishing in the Red River
Take A Veteran Fishing	Wednesday, June 8 th 3-8 p.m.	YMCA Camp Cormorant, Big Cormorant Lake	Need guides to take veterans out fishing
Take A Kid Fishing	Saturday, June 11 th 10 a.m – 2 p.m	Cedar Crest Resort White Earth Lake	Need guides to take kids out fishing
Angler Young Angler Tournament	Friday & Saturday, July 8th& 9th, various times	Devils Lake, ND	Set up & tournament operations

WALLEYE LINES

A NIGHT WITH TOM BRIGGS

Our special guest this month was Tom Briggs from Wigwam Resort on Lake of the Woods. Tom has been fishing since he was a child and by the time he was a teenager, he was guiding for some big name fisherman. Tom grew up in Nisswa, MN and honed his skills and style on and around Gull Lake.

Tom was very excited to visit with the FM Walleyes and started the program by filling us in on his background and then started taking question from the crowd.

Tom talked about the water clarity from the river and into the lake. Tom said, Yes, fish are going to be more active in clear water than the water that gets dirty running out of the river.

Tom takes many of his guests out fishing with access to his 4 launches and his 21ft boat. When fishing off the launch boats, Tom mainly uses down-riggers thus getting the bait where the fish are.

Tom was asked what other types of fish are caught; and here was his list: Small mouth bass, large mouth bass,

trout, sauger, sunnies, pike, muskie, walleye, crappies, sturgeon, carp, buffalo... Tom said this is why he wanted to live on this lake because of all the resources and all the fish the lake has to offer.

Tom mentioned wind does affect when you can fish, and when you cannot. Wind is big factor on the lake and can work for you or against you.

Tom was asked about the evasive species and, Yes, they are there in the lake. He has worked with the MN DNR to help study the effects and to find a solution. At this point, they are still working on stopping and ridding the lake.

Tom was asked how he has been so successful in fishing tournaments and for him, it was trial and error. He would know that he was on walleye and would keep trying till he had them in the boat. His philosophy was if they were on fish or were in the area of fish, Tom would stay put and fish the same spot all day. Many times, this put him in the winner circle.

Tom likes to put a lot of bait on the hook. Years ago they started trying half a shiner and half a night crawler. He still uses this approach today.









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Aquatic Nuisance Species

FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc. was founded in 1977 to promote conservation, sportsmanship and education in respect to walleye fishing so whenever possible we attempt to provide material that may help to educate our members on the potential negative cause and effect issues like Aquatic Nuisance Species could have on our watersheds, our lakes and our rivers.

The following is shared as a way to assist in educating our members and the public on Aquatic Nuisance Species and some of the frequently asked questions (FAQ) that have been presented to the North Dakota Game & Fish Department.

<u>Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS)</u> – The following was taken from the Game and Fish website and has been modified to present the information in a manner that will hopefully be helpful to our members.

The information shared here is presented for informational purposes only. The information is not meant to be an interpretation of any North Dakota Law, of how the North Dakota Game & Fish Department (ND G&F) may administer any of their enforcement policies, nor is the information detailed here a stated position of the Lake Region Anglers Association.

If you have specific questions related to the information presented here we suggest you contact the North Dakota Game & Fish Department at 701-328-6300 or e-mail them at ndgf@nd.gov

Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) are animals, plants and diseases that are not native to North Dakota and have the likelihood to become well established if introduced. They can displace native plants, animals and cause serious economic and ecological damage. North Dakota has adopted a number of rules designed to minimize the threat of ANS some of which are;

1) All aquatic vegetation must be removed from boats, personal watercraft, trailers and associated equipment such as fishing rods/lures/ duck decoys before leaving a body of water. This means equipment must be "vegetation free" when transporting any watercraft and equipment away from a boat ramp, a landing area or a shoreline.

2) All aquatic vegetation must be removed from bait buckets whenever leaving the water.

3) All water must be drained from boats and other watercraft, including bilges and motors, before leaving a water body (Note: effective October 1, 2010, this includes live-wells and bait-wells).

4) Live aquatic bait or aquatic vegetation may not be transported into North Dakota. Also, all water must be drained from any watercraft or equipment prior to entering the state.

5) It is in North Dakota's best interest that anglers, boaters and hunters understand and comply with these important regulations. The following questions and answers are intended to provide additional insight into Aquatic Nuisance Species and their cause and effect.

We also wanted to share the link to the 100th Meridian website http://www.100thmeridian.org/ which is a site that provides a wealth of information on Aquatic Nuisance Species, what they are, how their spread can be mitigated, has training tools on ANS, along with other informational topics.

Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) - Frequently Asked Questions

Why are ANS such a big deal?

ANS can degrade or ruin habitats and compete with native desirable species for food and space. Not only can recreational fisheries suffer but so can industries and communities that rely on lakes or rivers for their water supply. Once established, the cost of controlling ANS would far exceed the minimal costs required to keep ANS from spreading into and within North Dakota.

Can the spread of ANS be stopped?

Perhaps not stopped, but if precautions are taken and everyone is in compliance, the spread can be controlled but it requires everyone's participation.

How do I make sure I'm doing the right thing?

To comply with the regulations, you simply need to remove all aquatic vegetation from your boat, your trailer, your bait bucket, decoys, etc., when you leave any body of water. You will need to drain all of the water from your boat at the ramp site before you leave a body of water. Remember that you cannot dump any bait into any body of water.

Do I have to run my motor dry also before I leave a lake?

No. The amount of water in the motor's cooling system is so minimal that it holds a small risk of containing ANS. As you exit a lake lower the motor to let gravity drain the lower unit, then raise to transport. The intake screen should also be inspected and free of aquatic vegetation.

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Can I drain water from my boat anywhere?

No, you must drain the water (pull all plugs, etc.) back into the water (immediate area) from which it originated. This must be done at the ramp or parking lot before you leave.

Why can I no longer keep fish alive in water in my live-well when I trailer my boat home?

Aquatic Nuisance Species can include small plant fragments or seeds, microscopic animals and viruses or diseases. If ANS exists in a body of water, whether known or not (many are unseen to the naked eye) and water is pumped into a live-well, these problem species are then potentially present in the live-well water. If an angler fishes another body of water on the same trip, the ANS could be released into the new lake as water is pumped in and out of the boat.

While most individuals typically go straight home and do not fish in another lake or river the thought is that so long as water is allowed in a live-well the ANS can still be transported. For example, if the live-well is drained into the local storm sewer, which could in turn run into a river or holding pond the transported ANS could become a problem in a new body of water.

This concern is greatly elevated with the finding of zebra mussels in the Red River. The potential of the problem is compounded by the fact that there are approximately 10,000 boats licensed in Fargo, West Fargo and Grand Forks area and many of these anglers fish other areas outside of the Red River. Since it is a known that ANS is already present in the Red River those anglers who fish other North Dakota lakes such as Devils Lake, Lake Sakakawea, the Missouri River system, or any other North Dakota lake increases the chances that there could be a spread of ANS (zebra mussels) from the Red River to other North Dakota lakes.

I still don't fully understand the threat of retaining water in live-wells/bait-wells when I go directly home after fishing and clean my fish.

Although most people's intentions are to go straight home there are some boaters/anglers that fish more than one body of water on the same day. This is typically only a small percentage of anglers but even if it's only 1 percent of the total anglers who move from one body of water body to another body of water the threat for ANS movement increases dramatically as tens of thousands of gallons of water are transferred to new bodies of water via these anglers, hunter's live-wells and equipment.

When at a boat ramp, where do I put the aquatic weeds I pull off my trailer and/or boat?

Any weeds removed can be discarded along the shore and / or in trash receptacles (if available in parking lot). ANS regulations specify the removal of all aquatic weeds prior to leaving the immediate access area.

Why aren't these ANS regulations effective when you enter a body of water versus when you leave?

The goals of these rules are to greatly reduce the threat of ANS being transported from one body of water to another body of water. This potential pathway of transport has been identified as one of the highest risk areas by the Aquatic Invasive Species Committee. By eliminating this risky pathway at its source – i.e. the ramp site when a watercraft leaves a ramp – provides the most protection as it reduces transport risk.

If the removal of the weeds and water doesn't occur immediately at the exit ramp site and happens prior to one entering a new body of water the potential ANS would be still be present at the ramp or along the shoreline which increases the odds that the ANS could find itself washed into a "clean" body of water. Further, the transportation of weeds and water could infest other bodies of water as the vehicle, the boat and trailer travel across the state's roads where the ANS could blow into an uninfected body of water.

By not removing weeds and water upon exiting the ramp of an ANS infested water the result could be the unintentional introduction of ANS into a new body of water even though the angler, the a hunter has the best of intentions. While learning how to combat ANS is an ongoing learning process currently it has been determined by the Aquatic Invasive Species Committee that following these methods the program has its best chance at successfully keeping ANS out of North Dakota water's.

If I can't use my live-well, how do I transport my fish home and keep them fresh?

For fish transport away from a body of water the Game and Fish Department suggests placing your fish on ice in a cooler. As an old-fashion alternative, some older generation anglers have recommended to the Department that fish could be placed in wetted gunny sacks where they will remain fresh long enough to a fish cleaning station or transported home.

When coming off the water, what is meant by "when out of water" as it applies to the ANS regulations that require all boats to drain water (including live-wells) and that all equipment be vegetation free?

Obviously some time is required to remove aquatic vegetation from equipment and to drain the water from a boat when it is out of the water. The pulling of the plugs and the removing of all vegetation should occur right on the boat ramp when these activities do not interfere with others who may be using the ramp. When there is other traffic the boater should pull into the immediate parking lot area and perform the mandated tasks while attempting to not interfere with others.

Some locations have an available fish cleaning station located immediate to the parking lot. In these situations the boater can pull up to the cleaning station and perform the mandated tasks so long as there are not signs prohibiting such. (Keep in mind that in some cases, the parking lots and fish cleaning areas will not be a paved, concrete area and water should not be discharged in areas that may become muddy). Legally only the ramp, the parking lot and immediate fish cleaning station are the areas allowable for vegetation removal and the draining of all water from the watercraft and equipment.

Do the same rules apply for tournaments?

Yes; if a tournament has an approved live-release format, the weigh-ins and fish releases will need to occur at the boat ramp site where the boats launch and exit the lake. Fish will not be allowed to be transported in live-wells to an off-site weigh-in station.

How then do I legally move my minnows from the bait shop to the lake and then back home?

Transporting bait in a live-well / bait-well when out of the water is illegal. However the transport of legal live baitfish and bait to or from a body of water is still allowed via a minnow bucket or any other containers as long as they are of a 5 gallon water capacity or less.

Why is it OK to transport minnows in containers with up to 5 gallons of water in a bait bucket and move from lake to lake but we can't use our live-wells for our bait when we are out of the water?

Allowing water transport in bait buckets remains a potential pathway of ANS between bodies of water but eliminating the transport of water in bait buckets would essentially prohibit the use of any live bait fish in North Dakota. Allowing 5 gallons of water in bait buckets is a compromise between reducing the risk of transporting ANS while allowing anglers to possess enough water to keep their bait alive.

A bait bucket has a smaller volume (5 gallon capacity or less), making it a less likely method to transport ANS to a new location versus a live-well (which commonly have a capacity of up to 30 gallons of water). Also the smaller volume of water makes it easier to visually inspect the water to comply with the rule that bait buckets must be weed-free. The allowance of the transport of minnows in bait buckets has been factored into a risk assessment and at this time there are no plans to prohibit the use of bait buckets of 5 gallon or less capacity.

Why does it need to be a bait bucket capable of holding 5 gallons of water (or less) and not a cooler or other container that has larger capacity but contains only 5 gallons of water (or less) when transporting bait fish?

A commercial bait bucket (which typically hold a gallon or two of water) or 5 gallon buckets are by far the two most commonly and widely used containers for transporting bait. Any type of a larger container even when only containing 5 gallons (or less) of water is unacceptable. One reason for this is to stay away from having to measure the volume of water in larger type of container which could be problematic for angler and the game warden while in the field. Only containers, coolers, bait buckets, containers capable of holding 5 gallons or less in volume of water are legal.

What if three people are fishing together for the weekend? Can they combine all their bait together in one 15-gallon or 60-quart cooler?

No. A container cannot exceed 5 gallons in volume no matter how many anglers. The three anglers however could have three separate containers, each holding 5 gallons or less of water in volume.

This bait provision only affects transport of bait, not keeping them alive at home, right? If a person keeps their bait alive at home can they do it in a larger container?

Yes. These rules apply to transport only.

Can I put game fish in a 5-gallon bucket with water and transport them live?

No; only legal bait and legal live baitfish can be transported.

What else can I do to help prevent the spread of ANS?

You can disinfect your boat by adding hot water (110° F or warmer) to the live-well along with enough household chlorine bleach to reach a solution of 1 part bleach to 20 parts water. Run the recirculation pumps and use a brush (a toilet brush works well) to scrub under the lid and in the corners. Drain the solution in an appropriate location, not into the lake. Air drying can also be effective in preventing ANS transfer.

The live-well, bilge pumps and other equipment must be allowed to dry completely which can take a few days. However some ANS produces hardy seeds and eggs which can withstand extended periods outside of the water, in these cases, air drying is not the answer. Power-washing can remove lake scum and unseen hitchhikers such as small plant fragments or egg masses from hard-to-reach places such as boat hulls, trailer frames and from with-in live-wells. The use of a commercial car wash that runs water through a sewage treatment system is a good cleaning source to help in preventing the spread of ANS. If clean-up, wash-downs are completed at home one must be careful that the wash water does not run down the street and into the storm sewer that could empty into a local river or lake.

What if I observe boats, trailers, jet skis, decoys, etc. that have weeds hanging from them away from a lake?

The best thing you can do if the boat owner / operator is present and approachable is to explain to them the concern North Dakota has on protecting it natural resources from the possible spread of ANS and ask them to follow the ANS mitigation procedures shared here. If the owner/operator is not cooperative call the Report All Poachers line (1-800-472-2121).

Please check out this educational video from Frabill

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_profilepage&v=H_AhnZgjHdY



Make it Part of Your Routine Every Time You Leave the Water



Remove all aquatic plants from boats, trailers, fishing tackle and other equipment. Remove all aquatic plants from livewells and bait containers.



Drain all water from boats (including livewells) and other watercraft when leaving a water body. All boats coming in from other states must have all water drained before entering North Dakota.



Do not bring in live aquatic bait from another state, and do not release baitfish in any North Dakota water.



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MEMBER PHOTOS



Tyler Schmaultz with an 11.2 lb Walleye

If you would like to submit a picture of your trophy or just a good memory please e-mail your photo to: brian.dahlin@randscasework.com

2011 CUSTOM COMBO RAFFLE

As I write this, it's cold, windy and wet outside. We seem to have a hard time getting rid of old man winter this year in the North Country. Hopefully by the time this goes to print, summer will soon be upon us. Summer also brings with it the 2011 Custom Rod and Reel Raffle. This will be the 4th year we have raffled off a premier combo with the hopes of making enough money to cover the FM Walleyes Youth Education Budget. This summers raffle will again have a beautiful Chuck DeRemer built StCroix/Shimano Stella combo. Chuck is a local rod builder and member of our club. He spent many hours building what many would consider a work of art that is one of a kind and is priceless. With the wood handle and the meticulous thread work, it may be a beautiful rod, but the feel of it is even better than it looks. All the proceeds from the raffle go to our youth education budget and provide things like the FM Walleye University classes, youth rod building class, plus other events. We will be selling tickets until the drawing on Sept. 15 or until they are sold out. We will have tickets for sale at club functions throughout the summer. If interested on purchasing or selling tickets, contact Scott Brewer (388-4408).



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Thanks for the Manual III



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

BOARD MEETING MINUTES - 6pm Thursday, April 5th, 2011 @ Kelly Inn on Main Avenue, Fargo ND

Meeting was called to order @ 6.00pm by President, Gary Sauvageau.

Absent Board Member: Rick Monahan

General Members Present:

Review of March board meeting minutes. Motion made by Scott Brewer to approve minutes as written, 2nd by Steve Meyer. All in favor, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report. Current balance is \$28,530.98. Gary made motion to approve current balance, 2nd Steve Gardner. All in favor, motion passed.

Current Membership: 364. Paid memberships were at 255 for 2011

March general meeting attendance: 115

Update club's master calendar. June Board meeting moved to June 9th. June 2nd is Pelican rules meeting. June 8th is "Take a Vet Fishing" at 4pm.

OLD BUSINESS:

Winnipeg, Kyle Agre. Ryan Heyer received Winnipeg Ice Fishing Traveling trophy. Lots of good things came out on this trip. Kyle had 93 tickets sold. Kyle figures that about 30-40 new members joined the FM Walleyes because of this trip. We learned a lot this year and plan to make some changes for next year to bring our costs down and the fishing up. We may have an option at getting into the Casino for lodging. Looking at moving the trip to one week later but have to take into that time of year and flooding.

Ron Thanked Kyle & Scott Brewer for putting together a terrific event.

Sportsman Show, Kyle Agre. The club presented at the Sportsman's Show on Saturday and Sunday with a number of club volunteers. The kids really seemed to enjoy the event and Scheels appreciated our participation.

Youth Rod Building Class, Kyle Agre. This was held on Saturday March 5th at Scheels All Sports in their Scheels room. The class was full with all 15 kids showing up. They were be provided lunch and had a great time.

Youth Education, Kyle Agre. Scheel's Fish Fest, May 5 through 7th. We will be set up on Friday from 4-6pm for the casting booth and from 6-8pm for the tackle making booth. Saturday 10-12 with our casting booth & 12-2 for our tackle making booth. Scheels will provide the line, beads, blades, and hooks. 1st 50 kids at the both casting booth will receive a free t-shirt. The 1st 50 kids to the tackle booth will receive a Plano tackle box. We will need volunteers, about 4-6 people per session to run both booths. The booth will be set up all weekend with various shifts to volunteer.

Anglers night up-date, Scott Brewer: The seminar was great with James Linder. James gives a very direct talk

on how to catch more fish, handed out a number of DVD's and seemed everyone enjoyed the night. The regular

Raffles at last month's general meeting was \$820 with the special raffle coming in at #385.

Speaker Update: Scott said he has Tom Briggs from Wigwam Resort for April's meeting and look for a great

night about his fishing stories. In May we have Jerry R???? from the US Coast Guard to talk about a number of

items. Scott is also thinking of having this same meeting as a local swap meet. Further details coming.

This will also be the time to really talk to members on getting volunteers for the next couple months. Nothing yet or Sept/Oct. Scoot has a number of contacts he is pursuing for next year.

Sponsorship. Barry Chouinard, New sponsor is Sabin Rod/Gun club and thank you to Bill Carr for his help.

Barry asked about increasing our sponsorship to the AYA FM Walleye Young Angler Tournament from \$500 to \$700. Steve Gardner made motion, Kyle made 2nd all for, motion carried.

Pelican Classic- Barry, All entries mailed out with not many back yet. Working on ideas for bringing back past member entries. Something to entice past teams to sign up.

In MN, it looks like the fishing license is going up. MN making a strong push to stop evasive species from spreading into more lakes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Raffle Budget, Scott Brewer; Scott handed out spreadsheet for raffle budget for the last 3 years. Scott requested raffle budget as same as last year. Ron made motion to pass, Steve Hall 2nd, All I's motion carried.

Take A Vet Fishing; Ron- Nothing new, set for Wednesday, June 8th at 4pm.

ROUND TABLE:

Ron Sahr: Nothing

Brian Dahlin... Need Walleye Lines information as soon as possible!

Motion to adjourn by Ron Shar, 2nd by Gary Sauvageau. All in favor, motion passed.

The next board meeting will be @ 6pm on Thursday, April 7th @ the Kelly Inn on Main, Fargo ND.

Please remember that all general club members are welcome to attend board meetings.

Respectfully submitted by Scot Johnson, Recording Secretary.

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