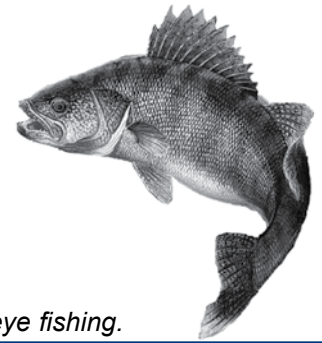




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April Guest Speaker:

TOM BRIGGS, Owner of Wigwam Resort



Tom Briggs was born in Nisswa, MN in 1963 and was raised in the same community. Tom started guiding for the Nisswa Guides League at the age of 14. He worked and fished out of Koeps Bait Shop for the next 14 years, with a brief 3 year stint in Dillingham Alaska guiding. After the Nisswa Guide League, Tom worked for Great Northern Equipment for 12 years while selling and distributing Honda Engines until 1998. At that time the avid fisherman and guide wanted back into the fishing industry so he subsequently purchased the Wigwam Resort on Lake of the Woods, and to this day still owns and operates this facility and business. Presently Tom is in northern Minnesota loving life to the fullest. He is married to his wife Nina of 12 years and has 3 children...2 sons, Garrett and Bryce, and a daughter Gloria.

Come join us April 21st at the Kelly Inn on Main in Fargo. Doors open at 6:30pm 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

April 21st
Tom Briggs from Wigwam Resort
Doors open at 6:30pm and the Seminar starts at 7:00pm at the Kelly Inn on Main in Fargo, ND

April 30th and May 1st
Waubay Lake, Webster, SD
See page 3 for details

May 5th
Board Meeting
6:00pm at the Kelly Inn in Fargo
Members Welcome

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.

President's Comments...

Club members, it's been a long winter for me. I think I'm getting a bad case of Cabin Fever, need to put on my list of things to do "GO SOFT WATER FISHING"!!!

With the weather moving into the lower 50's it's time, time to start looking into my tackle box, time to dust off the boat.

Last year the ice went off area lakes around April 1st, I am guessing ice out this will be...April 28th

FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc. would like to thank James Lindner for taking the time out of his busy schedule to talk to our club at last months meeting.

This months meeting features Tom Briggs, Owner of Wigwam Resort, Hope to see all of you the at the Kelly Inn on April 21st.

Gary Sauvageau President

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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2010 DISTINGUISHED MEMBER AWARD

The 2010 FM Walleyes Distinguished Member Award was presented to Barry Chouinard. This award is comparable to a Hall of Fame Award. Barry is a well-deserved recipient. He is involved in the club's activities such as "Take A Kid Fishing", Pathways to Fishing, the Annual Dinner Dance, securing Club Memberships, recruiting sponsors, tournament director for the spring and fall Classics, the AYA tournament in Devils Lake, participation in the club outings, serving on the Board of Directors, and serving as an officer of the club. He is also our club's spokesperson at the Annual Minnesota DNR Round Table. The list could go on and on. Barry is always contributing his time and talent to this club. Thank you, Mr. Chouinard for your many contributions and your commitment to the success of this club.



2011 CLUB OUTINGS

Well, the 2011 fishing season is here after a super long winter. The ten feet of snow in November makes for a late ice out, with a lot of unwanted and extra water this spring.

Our first Club Outing is going to be held in Webster, SD on Waubay Lake on April 30th and the 1st of May, starting at 7:30 a.m. both days. It is being held a little later this year. With all the snow pack and ice left to melt, it's been the consensus that "the later the better" will likely be our best bet.

As always, we will have a fish fry on Saturday night, right after the outing. Please bring an item to share. We will cut it short on Sunday, concluding at 2p.m.

Lodging info (Both locations are located on Highway 12)

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Date: April 30th and May 1st

Location: Waubay Lake, Webster, SD
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 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Sunday
 Weigh In: Breske Bay Landing
 Lodging:
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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
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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
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 Weigh In: Big Bog State Campgrounds,
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“ANGLERS NIGHT OUT” WITH JAMES LINDNER

Well over one hundred avid anglers, many suffering from extreme cases of cabin fever, gathered at the Kelly Inn on Thursday, March 24th for FM Walleyes Unlimited “Anglers Night Out” event. This event, an annual tradition as winter gives way to spring and we start focusing on the open water season ahead of us, was sponsored by KFGO and Beverage Wholesalers. The evening was started at 7pm sharp with special MC for the evening Mike McFeely of KFGO radio. Mike congratulated the club again for their induction into the Fishing Hall of Fame. This was handed off to Steve Hall who was here to recognize and present the “Distinguished Member Award” to a member of FM Walleyes Unlimited. This year’s award, chosen from nominees by a panel of the past five DMA winners, was given to Barry Chouinard. Barry has given countless hours of his time as Classic Cup tournament director, AYA Co-Director, being involved in youth education, Take a Vet fishing event, membership and Take a Kid fishing at White Earth Lake. Congrats to Barry for an award well deserved.

James Linder was up next and said that “this is my favorite group to speak too, a fishing club”. His goal here tonight, was to cover “How to become a better angler”. James said he has fished all over North America and his favorite fish to catch are “The ones that are biting”!

To become a better angler, you must understand the fish. Habitat, seasonal movement, and forage location are key. In the winter, fish are going to be in the deep warm water basins. In the Spring, they will certainly be in the warmest water on the lake, but that location depends on the specific characteristics of that lake. One thing is almost always certain, 90% of the year, forage is the key factor in fish location. Big food shelves are where to start looking. “Fish are prisoners of their habitat.”

James asked, “how many have you been at the boat landing and heard, ‘the fish weren’t biting today?’” James’ thought is, “No, you just were not where the fish were biting”. Fish move; just because they were there yesterday, does not mean that they will be there today. You have to be on the move also. “Walleyes are more vertical than any other fish... Look for baitfish.”

James says that, “electronics and mapping are the biggest advancement in fishing”. Using your electronics you can find fish that are holding on very specific spots on certain structures in the lake. “...Good spots are good spots.”

“When it comes to baits, depth is most important. Size next, and speed. Most of the time walleyes are in neutral or negative feeding moods. The more walleyes are feeding on the forage, the more selective they will be.”

“Using shad raps in the Spring, fish them shallow. In the Fall, I fish them deep. The X-Rap is my favorite and most versatile lure. The Extreme lure!!! You can fish it fast and rip it or you can let it idle and slow to entice them to bite. Fish are always biting, you just have figure out what they want.”

The evening concluded with drawings for membership raffle, the general raffle and a special raffle consisting of a trolling package and a limited edition print donated to FM Walleyes Unlimited by the Boy Scouts Northern Lights Council.

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YOUTH ROD BUILDING CLASS EXPANDS IN 2011

FM Walleyes Unlimited partnered with Chuck DeRemer and Scheels All Sports to put on the largest youth rod building class to date. On Saturday, March 5th a group of 15 young anglers met at Scheel's in Fargo, focused on learning the craft of custom rod building. This year's class was expanded from 12 participants the prior two years due to the popularity of the class and the willingness of the instructors to facilitate the added participants. FM Walleyes Unlimited club members Chuck DeRemer, Galen Briese and Gary Sauvageau were on hand as instructors to ensure that each participant had the proper guidance to understand each step in the process. Each participant was accompanied by a parent or adult mentor to assist with the project. By day's end, everyone had learned not only how to build a fishing rod, but also how each component contributes to the function and quality of the rod. The finished projects were picked up in the fishing department of Scheels on Sunday after drying all night.

Thank you to Chuck, Galen and Gary for donating their time and expertise and sharing it with those who participated in the class. Thank you to Scheel's All Sports for donating the classroom space and allowing equipment and supplies to be stored there throughout much of the weekend. And finally, thank you to all who purchased FM Walleyes Unlimited custom rod raffle tickets in the past. The proceeds from this special raffle made it possible to offer this class free of charge to the participants. The custom rod raffle supports this and other FM Walleyes Unlimited youth education activities. A passion for fishing and the outdoors was shared by all who attended and instructed. Memories were made the day of the class that will certainly outlive the fishing rods that they built. These youngsters are the future of organizations like FM Walleyes Unlimited. It is great to see them get so excited about the sport that we all love.



For information about this and other FM Walleyes University classes contact Kyle Agre at 701-429-1242 or kyle.agre@gmail.com or Bill Carr at 218-790-7452 or bcifish@hotmail.com.

LAKE WINNIPEG ICE FISHING EXCURSION OFFERED ANGLERS CHALLENGES & REWARDS

Nearly ninety FM Walleyes Unlimited members traveled to Selkirk, Manitoba on March 18th through the 20th to fish for trophy greenback walleyes on massive Lake Winnipeg with members of the Walleye Anglers Association of Manitoba, or WAAM club. A good number of the participants traveled to Canada early to get in a few extra days of fishing prior to the event and to help pre-fish different areas of the lake in hopes of finding active fish for the group to pursue during Saturday's outing. One such individual was FM Walleyes Unlimited Vice President, Scott Brewer along with his son Adam and friend Chris. The three left Fargo/Moorhead very early on Wednesday morning in hopes of getting some quality time on the ice yet that day. They met up with club members Jay Kulla of Fargo and Craig Ferris of Winnipeg out on the ice. Having only fished for a short time Adam caught a beautiful 8 ½ lb. greenback. What a great way to start a fishing trip, how could it get better than that? After a few photos the fish was successfully released. Another ten minutes had barely passed when he noticed a heavy mark on his flasher suspended up off of the bottom. He raised his Live Target Golden Shiner up to meet the mark and within a brief moment had hooked into the fish of a lifetime. Adam proceeded to ice a 31" 14+lb class monster that would make any accomplished walleye angler jealous. This one, however, did not go back into the lake and is already in the taxidermist's freezer waiting to go on the wall.

Those who fished on Thursday learned the lesson of being prepared for the worst when venturing out onto a lake the size of Lake Winnipeg. With temps in the mid 30's to start the morning it seemed like the perfect day to spend out on the lake. The warm temps and rain the previous night had begun to turn the snow into slush, which was taxing on many of the snowmobiles and ATV's that made their way up to 7 miles out onto the lake to find fish. The beautiful morning transitioned into an afternoon blizzard and subsequent white out. More than one machine broke down out on the ice in an attempt to get back to shore. GPS technology was the key to getting back safely in the blinding snow. Cool heads and savy survival skills allowed everyone to return safely to shore with stories to tell and a new found respect for mother nature's fury.

Thursday's blizzard, which was accompanied by a substantial cold front, turned the fish to a negative mood, but brought a crisp, clear, sunny Friday morning. FM Walleyes Unlimited and WAAM members were spread out along the east shore of the lake as well as a few scattered places on the west shore. Fish were not cooperative, although they were there and a few were enticed to bite on Live Target Golden Shiners, Fin-Tech Jitt-R-Jigs and Northland Tackle Macho Minnows & Buckshot Spoons. Those having good luck were tipping the lures with salted shiners, live minnows or dabbing on Pro-Cure Ice Gel. Mike Kuklik and crew from Shaw TV, Winnipeg, accompanied one of the groups to film an episode of "Mike On Ice". The filming included an interview with both FM Walleyes Unlimited and WAAM members participating in the event and also shots of Curt Brewer's 25" and Seth Amundson's 24" greenbacks caught that morning. Not far away in another group, Jacob Denning was starting his trip out on a good note by icing a 29" beauty.

Friday evening kicked off the event with the Angler's Social at the Selkirk Inn & Conference Center. Participants met and talked fishing for some time before appetizers were served and introductions began. Roger Stearns shared some tips and tricks of fishing Live Target lures. Roger then presented WAAM members Todd Williamson & Mike Chanway with their 1st place plaques for the NAIFC tournament that had been held a few weeks earlier out on Lake Winnipeg. Todd and Mike also shared their suggestions for taking trophy greenbacks through the ice. The evening wrapped up with drawings for door prizes that were donated by the event's sponsors; Scheels All Sports, Northland Fishing Tackle, Fin-Tech Fishing Tackle, and Kopper's Live Target Lures. Two special drawings were held at the end of the night, including an entry into the Fall Classic in Pine Falls, MB donated by the WAAM club. The lucky winner was FM Walleyes Unlimited member Mike Dow. The other drawing was an entry into the Cormorant Fall Classic Tournament. This drawing was won by Todd Williamson.

Saturday morning found the group splitting up in search of fish. Many headed back to the east side of the lake in areas that had been fished the day before while still others made the drive an hour north to fish near Riverton, Manitoba. Success was scattered, although overall the fishing was better than it had been the prior two days with limits of fish being common in both areas. On the ice fish fries or barbequed burgers and brats could be found throughout the groups of anglers. Later that evening at the Angler's Social back in Selkirk awards were given for big fish of the day in both the FM Walleyes Unlimited and WAAM group. Congratulations to Jan Bass who's 29" walleye caught near Balsam Bay won him a custom built Chuck DeRemer ice rod donated by Chuck for this event. FM Walleyes Unlimited member Ryan Heyer went home with a beautiful laser engraved trophy and the Eric Mederhand carved walleye traveling trophy for his 28" fish caught with the group in Riverton. In addition to these trophies, Fin-Tech Fishing Tackle donated a rain suit and wind suit to be awarded to the two largest fish caught with Fin-Tech Tackle. Claude Provencal of WAAM caught the largest with a very nice 26 ¾" fish and Barry Chouinard was close behind with a 26 ½" walleye.

Sunday morning brought an overcast sky and scattered rain. Many participants headed out onto the lake and found some success while still others packed up and headed back home. Be on the lookout for information regarding the 2012 Lake Winnipeg Ice Fishing Excursion. It is sure to be a great time, with great people and great fishing!

LAKE WINNIPEG ICE FISHING EXCURSION 2011



Adam Brewer's 31" - 14+ lbs



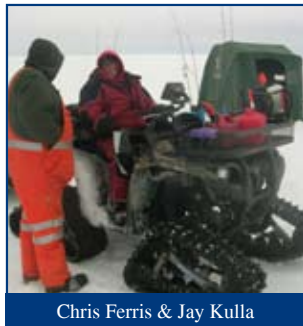
Gary Hasse - 25"



Chris Augustin - Nice Walleye



Barry Chouinard



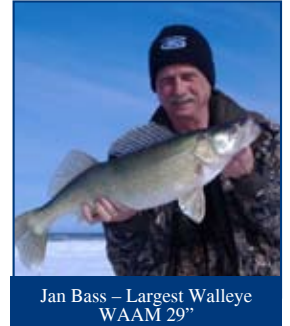
Chris Ferris & Jay Kulla



Scott & Adam Brewer - Adam's 31"



Here's trouble!



Jan Bass - Largest Walleye WAAM 29"



Jacob Denning's 29"



Ryan Heyer - 28" Largest Walleye



Roger Stearns presents Todd Williamson & Mike Chanway with 1st place NAIFC plaques



Largest walleye trophies FMW & WAAM

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Cole Pallock with a nice Lake Winnipeg Walleye

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Rick Olek poses with a monster walleye caught on Lake Winnipeg



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- 1. Do you need an "actual cash value" or "agreed value" policy?** If you have a claim, actual cash value policies take depreciation into account when reimbursing for a loss. For example, if your 12-year-old bass boat is totaled, you will be reimbursed for its current market value. Actual cash value policies are generally the less expensive option. On the other hand, agreed value policies are more expensive, but pay for repairs or replacement up to the value stated on the policy – except for a few specified items – regardless of the age or condition of the boat or equipment.
- 2. Is my fishing gear covered?** Any fishing boat insurance policy should automatically include some type of coverage for expensive tackle. If the boat is trailerable and used in freshwater, you may find a policy that includes this coverage without any additional cost.
- 3. What is the fine print on using towing services?** Some fishing boat insurance policies include on-the-water towing or roadside assistance service. The problem is that when you need to call upon these non-emergency services – such as an on-the-water gas delivery, a tow back to the launch ramp or roadside tow vehicle jump-start – it counts against you as an insurance claim. Find an insurance company that offers them but does not require you to file an insurance claim in order to use them. You shouldn't be penalized when taking advantage of these valuable services.
- 4. Where can I go?** Unlike car insurance that is good for every state you drive in, most boat insurance policies have what's called "cruising areas," limiting where the policy is in force. Trailer your fishing boat outside those areas and you'll need to call your insurer for an "extension" to ensure coverage remains in effect. Find an insurance policy that doesn't put limits on where you can trailer your boat.
- 5. What about tournament coverage?** If you fish tournaments, make sure you have the liability coverage required. What if you've paid your entry fee but miss the tournament due to a breakdown while trailering? Look for a policy that offers some type of reimbursement for your entry fee if trailering troubles or other covered losses prevent you from competing.

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'Pre-Flight' Your Boat Trailer Before You Take Off for The Wild Blue Water

A properly maintained and loaded boat trailer makes getting to the water easier and safer. BoatU.S. Angler, part of BoatU.S., the largest recreational boating association in the United States, suggests a driveway "preflight check" before you head to the lake and offers these suggestions.

Loading your boat and trailer: Most trailer manufacturers recommend loading your boat with seven to eight percent of the total weight placed on the tongue. This helps prevent fishtailing and gives you good control on the road. But you also need to think about balance. If you are planning a long trip with sporting gear and camping equipment loaded inside your boat, distribute the items evenly so that tongue weight is still maintained but gear isn't piled up in one spot. It's also very important to make sure you do not exceed the trailer manufacturer's maximum weight limit.

Pre-departure trailer checks: Performing the following trailer checks will ensure your safety on the road and at the launch ramp.

- Before you hook up, check the radiator coolant, transmission and the engine oil levels in your tow vehicle. Any suspension issues must be addressed now. This is also the time to examine the hitch, receiver and safety devices.
- On level ground, couple the trailer to the tow vehicle and check the brakes on tow vehicle and trailer, trailer lights and turn signals. Safety chains should be crossed, secured with beefy fasteners and not make contact with the pavement.
- Ensure that sideview mirrors allow you see a complete picture of the sides of the boat and trailer wheels. If not, get a pair of temporary towing mirrors.
- Walk around the trailer and towing vehicle looking for any problems such as damaged springs or chafed wiring. Inspect tires for tread wear, inflation and overall condition. Check your spare tires, too.
- While at the tires, check the tightness of the trailer wheel lugs. Repeat this check periodically during your trip. Also ensure bearings are greased and dust caps in place.
- Be prepared for a potential roadside breakdown by ensuring any that tools, emergency equipment and foul-weather gear is readily accessible.
- Finally, check and inspect all bow, transom and gunwale tie-down straps.

BoatU.S. Angler is a new program from BoatU.S., the nation's largest association of recreational boaters. Its mission is to protect the interests of boat-owning freshwater anglers, increase boating safety, provide consumer assistance and ensure fishing remains worry-free. For more information, go to BoatUSAngler.com or call (866) 906-0013.

Event	Date/Time	Location	Help Needed
FMW Club Meeting	Thursday, April 21 st 6-7 p.m.	Kelly Inn, Fargo	Ticket/raffle sales prior to meeting
Scheel's Fish Fest	Friday, May 6 th 4-8 p.m. Saturday, May 7 th 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Scheel's All Sports, Fargo	Casting booth and "Make Your Own Fishing Tackle" classes
FMW Club Meeting	Thursday, May 19 th 6-7 p.m.	Kelly Inn, Fargo	Ticket/raffle sales prior to meeting
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 8 th &9 th , various times	Devils Lake, ND	Set up & tournament operations

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

BOARD MEETING MINUTES – Thursday, March 3, 2011 @ Kelly Inn on Main Avenue, Fargo ND

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

Absent Board Member: Steve Meyer

General Members Present: Tami Stillwell

Recognize new board members: Bill Carr & Scot Johnson

Review of February board meeting minutes. Motion made by Scott Brewer to approve minutes as written, 2nd by Kyle Agre. All in favor, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report. Current balance is \$4,952.98. Ron Sahr made motion to approve current balance, 2nd by Brian Dahlin. All in favor, motion passed.

Current Membership: 337.

Paid memberships were at 140 for 2011

February general meeting attendance: 106.

Update club's master calendar. Add James Lindner as our speaker for Anglers Night.

OLD BUSINESS:

Winnipeg, Kyle Agre. Kyle had 49 tickets sold and at this point, 88 FM Walleye club members scheduled to be on the trip. There will be 15-25 people from the Winnipeg club scheduled with us.

Sportsman Show, Kyle Agre. The club will be presenting a "Kids Fishing is Fun" program at the Scheels stage at the SW corner of the Fargodome. This is scheduled for 11am on Saturday and 12pm on Sunday. Kyle has a powerpoint presentation and volunteers needed. Scheels is donating a tackle bag for each child at the show.

Youth Rod Building Class, Kyle Agre. This will be held on Saturday March 5th starting at 9am at Scheels All Sports in their Scheels room. 15 kids signed up, they will be provided lunch and a great time.

Youth Education, Kyle Agre. April Class, possibly "owning/working at a fishing resort in conjunction with speaker Tom Briggs @ WigWam Resort. May Class, boating safety with Coast Guard presentation. Scheel's Fish Fest, May 5 through 7th. We will be set up

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on Friday from 4-6pm & Saturday 10-12 with our casting booth & some tackle building tables. Scott said we will have our own tent. 1st 50 kids at the both booths will receive a free t-shirt. We will need volunteers to run both and assist kids. River Keepers/Fargo Park District "Lil' Fisherman's Derby" on June 6th. Need volunteers to assist with 5-6 learning stations.

Anglers night on Ice, Scott Brewer: It was a great show with Jason Gauthier & Craig Stapon. It was something different spending time to talk about Muskie's! I think some Walleye guys liked this. Also mentioned that we have Hooked Magazines. Raffles at last month's general meeting were very successful, thanks to everyone that supports the club.

Speaker Update: Scott Brewer has James Linder scheduled for our March meeting, with Tom Briggs, owner of Wigwam Resort. He is still working on May's speaker.

Distinguished Member Award, Steve Hall. Committee has chosen this year's recipient. This award is given out at the March Angler's Night meeting. Everything is in progress.

Sponsorship. Barry Chouinard has SE South Dakota Classic set for sponsorship and Brian has the info from them.

Youth Education March General Meeting, Kyle Agre: We are not doing the youth class at the March meeting because of the Youth rod building class and Sportsman show in March.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mail Received...

Appointment of new non-commercial registered agent for FM Walleyes: Barry stated we need to send renewals for ND and need to assign a non-commercial agent. \$10 a year fee. Barry made motion to appoint Gary Sauvageau resident agent to receive mail. Ron Sahr 2nd motion. All in favor, Motion passed. Ron made motion to give the authority to Barry to sign Domestic and Foreign Non-profit Corp Annual Report, Gary 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

Pelican Classic Cup, Barry Chouinard: Barry distributed the rules for the Pelican Classic cup and the Cormorant tournament. Cormorant rules meeting will be held at the YMCA camp this year. The Classic cup entry forms will be mailed out in mid March. AYA tournament forms at Devils Lake will not be mailed out; all will go via e-mail. Discussion was made about having a cut-off date before the Cormorant Classic instead of letting people fish up to the day before.

ROUND TABLE:

Ron Sahr: Ron and Brian will be attending the North Dakota United Sportsman Banquet.

Brian Dahlin... Need Walleye Lines information as soon as possible! Possible additions to the newsletter: Volunteers needed section, Kids page including word search, coloring page, etc...

Kyle Agre... FM Walleyes will be helping with Little fisherman Derby with the Riverkeepers during the 1st week of June. Fish fest at Scheels will be the 1st weekend of May and is looking for volunteers. Please contact Kyle if you can. The West Fargo Lions club is looking for someone from our club to speak at their April 11th meeting. 1-3 people to talk about our club, fishing on the river and/or other locations. Their club is looking to assist our club with possible donation to our youth education. Take a Kid Fishing Event, Mike & Pam Miller. To be held on Saturday, June 11th, 2011

Fish-On, Kids club purchased books for our club to sell. Our club will get a portion of those proceeds to be used to purchase additional books that FM Walleyes will donate to local schools.

Scott Brewer... Thanks and welcome to Bill Carr and Scot Johnson. Tami, Thank you for your great service to the club. Raffle budget will be ready next month. Looking forward to having James Linder as our speaker in March. Noted that our club is really on the grow and with our Winnipeg trip, looks to have brought in many new members. Great job to all. Also mentioned that we have Hooked Magazines.

Barry Chouinard: Welcome to our new members and ask current board members to reach out till they get comfortable. Working on year's end financials, ready next month. Getting busy with the tournaments coming up.

Ron Sahr: Welcome to our new members.

Motion to adjourn by Barry Chouinard, 2nd by Kyle Agre. 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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