

# LAKE REGION ANGLERS ASSOCIATION

## YEAR IN REVIEW 2007-2008

Annual Meeting and Fishing Seminar: in March included a presentation by Professional Fisherman Mike Anderson introducing kids to fishing,  
Sportsman of the Year award to Randy Yoder  
Lifetime Achievement Award to Dave Tronson.  
Update on fish management and ANS by ND Game and Fish Department,  
Door prizes and club business including elections,  
Membership drive and an update on what LRAA is doing and a meal.

Monthly Board Meetings September-May: open to the membership and invited guests, fishing discussion afterwards (and sometimes during). Felix's Restaurant the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M.

Game and Fish Appreciation: an evening get-together in the Spring to recognize and thank the local and state Game and Fish Employees for all the work they do.

Newsletters 3/yr: information on club activities, how to fishing articles, topics of regional and statewide significance included Billings Lake Carp issues, Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS), legislative issues pertaining to fishing and anything else that inquiring fishing minds like to know.

Webpage: at ***ndsportfishingcongress.org***: LRAA maintains a webpage on the North Dakota Sportfishing Congress website. Information of significance to Lake Region Anglers members as well as information on other clubs around the state can be found here. NDSFC is also a watchdog organization for statewide fishing interests and you can often find out about it here and if the fishermen in North Dakota want something this is the organization that does something about it.

Email Tree: regular email notification to interested members on current and upcoming events and issues of interest. Also allows members and the public to contact LRAA through our email contact address of ***LRAA@gondtc.com***

Club Outings: Spring Northern Tournament

- East Bay Earlybird
- Devils Lake Open (open to the general fishing public)
- Adult Child Tournament
- Walleye Widow Outing

Ramps and Docks and things:

- Member of **Devils Lake Access Committee**: cooperative committee of City, County, DL Park Board and Lake Region Anglers to provide for improved access to Devils Lake both summer and winter.
- Coordinates new access projects and planned improvements with North Dakota Game and Fish Department and local entities

- Provides consultation, money and volunteer labor to maintain 6 mile, Lakewood, Henegar Landing and East Bay docks and ramps
- Coordinated and partially funded a new skid dock for Henegar Landing in 2007
- Coordinated planning an approved fish cleaning station for 6 Mile Bay in 2008
- Spring Cleanup of Ramp Areas and Docks at Lakewood, East Bay, 6 Mile

Calendar Raffle to support community activities. \$2,000 in cash prizes. Winners drawn weekly at Ed's Bait Ship during the summer.

F' Troop: a monthly discussion group of interested fishermen to share information, tell stories and get to know new people. Winter months study sessions and presentations at Felix's Restaurant, Summer sessions are a get together on the water. See your newsletters and/or emails for announced times and agenda's

Master Angler: an informal multi species competition for adults and kids with recognition plaques at the Annual Meeting

Clean Water Grant: activities to help local businesses provide equipment to clean boats help prevent the spread of Aquatic Nuisance Species

Supports Lur'em for Life with 5 full scholarships for kids. A week long Camp at Lakewood to teach kids about the joys of fishing and take them fishing.

Supports Exploratory Days for school kids with financial aid, equipment and volunteer support.

Provides Equipment, technical assistance and volunteer support to:

- The Flyway Bar (formerly Hagels Fish Fry)
- Devils Lake Area Chamber of Commerce Fish Fry
- Sportsmen for Youth Expo
- North Dakota Telephone Co Fish Fry
- Law Enforcement Fish Fry
- Devils Lake Chamber Fishing Tournament
- Devils Lake Volunteer Fire Dept Ice Fishing Tournament
- Kim Barstad Memorial Fishing Tournament

Member of North Dakota Sportfishing Congress: Presently the President and Vice President of NDSFC are LRAA members as well as a Board Member and two Delegates.

Representation at: the Ramsey County Water Board, the Joint County Water Board and the Billing Lake Subcommittee addressing issues that affect sportfishing in the Lake Region such as the danger of Carp introduction.

Representation at the North Dakota State Fishing Tournament Committee