

# Fish Tales Newsletter

## Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen

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### Juniors Awards Party - 6:00 pm Tuesday January 15, 2013

#### Upcoming Club Events for 2013:

- Junior Awards 1/15/13
- Club Banquet 2/2/13
- Meeting 2/19/13
- Meeting 3/19/13
- Swap Meet 3/23/13
- Club Contest 4/1/13
- Meeting 4/16/13
- Boat Rides 5/21/13
- Junior Derby 6/29/13

The Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen's club will again be starting off the year with our annual "Break Out Party". Please come out and support our junior club members for their awards ceremony, as well as our annual free pizza party following the awards presentation. Guest speaker will be Eric Trempe to introduce the vari-

ous Slide Divers and explain their proper use. This is the first meeting of the new year and a good reason to attend. We will also briefly go over all of this years scheduled events, activities, contests and new developments concerning our great fishery here in Sheboygan Wisconsin. Come out and enjoy the evening with your fellow local fishermen.



### Club Awards Banquet - 5:30 pm February 2, 2013

The club's annual awards banquet will again be held at the Sheboygan Yacht Club. We had great attendance last year and would expect the same this year. Cost is \$20 per person which includes meal, dessert and free beer and soda. Invites have been mailed, so make sure to send them back

to Jennifer with your payment today or call her at (920) 452-9660 for additional details. Please plan on attending to support your club membership and the fishing contest award winners. There will again be plenty of great raffle prizes donated from local merchants and entertainment.



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### Club Fishing Contest - 2012 Big Fish Challenge

The "Big Fish Challenge" is now officially over. The contest has remained the same as



prior years. We will be awarding an additional grand prize of \$500 cash to one of the largest fish entered this season. The winner will be selected from a blind drawing of entries during the clubs annual awards banquet held in February 2013. Now every day out on the water fishing during the summer you have a good

chance to win. Contest ran April 1 to October 31, 2012. The official club contest rules, details and standings board are posted on our club website as well as at the Wharf. Last years "Big Fish Challenge" \$500 winner was John Vertacic with his big rainbow trout. This is a great benefit of being a Great Lakes club member. Best of luck this year.

## Ride a Charter Boat Day - 6:00 pm Tuesday May 21, 2013

The Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen's club will again be sponsoring our 9th annual "Ride a Charter Boat Day". This years event is scheduled for Tuesday, May 21, 2013 and will take the place of our monthly



general membership meeting. Charter captain club members will again be donating the use of their boats and time to provide free boat rides to the general public beginning at 6:00 pm. Our club will also provide free boat rides to area school children starting at 3:30 pm. This is a great opportunity to visit with area guides and club members, review how the boats are rigged for fishing, inspect tackle and equipment and ask all your fishing related questions. The Sheboygan Coast Guard and area commercial fishermen have also been invited to attend this event. Club members will be grilling a variety of their special salmon recipes

for you to try, as well as, smoked fish from the Wharf. Patti Zerger of the Longfellow School Fishing Club will be organizing a lunch for the school children and their families. Every year this event seems to draw more and more people to our boardwalk. The weather has always cooperated with us. At last years event our captains gave over 600 persons free boat rides up and down the Sheboygan River. Watch a short video of our past boat rides at our clubs website. Volunteers will again be needed to help with the life jackets and boarding. Please contact Jim Schlegel at 920-918-2628 to volunteer or participate this year.

## Inter-Club Contest July 14, 2013 - Port Washington will Host

Sunday, July 14 2013 will be our Inter-Club contest with the Ozaukee fishing club. This year it is being hosted by the Port Washington club. This is a contest that works for both large and small boats, so don't let your boat size prevent you from joining the fun. Contact Ken Mueller at 920-980-0993.



The sign-up sheet is available at the Wharf and a complete set of rules are posted on our club web site. Cost to fish this contest is \$5.00 per person or \$18.00 per boat. The Port Washington fishing club currently has the traveling trophy from past years win and we would like it back here in Sheboygan. There fishing club will provide a lunch for all participants entered in the contest. We would like to see good turn out for this annual event organized by both the Sheboygan and Ozaukee fishing clubs. Now is a good time to start organizing your fishing party and sign up today for this great event!



## Club Brochure, Website & Facebook Page for 2013

Our club has a new brochure, website, and Facebook page for 2013. The color brochure describes many of our club's activities and events and includes a membership form and photos. We have these available at all our club events and many area tackle shops. The website and Facebook page have been up and running all year. The website was set up and updated by Bryan Gruenke and Jim

Schlegel. It can be updated by any club member with a password. Anyone interested in volunteering for this project should contact the club to obtain details. All club information is available online such as our club fishing contests, rules, and standings board, club events, trap net locations, guest speakers, fishing reports as well as a variety of valuable information on Sheboygan fishing activities. Please



plan on visiting the website regularly for all the latest fishing updates at: [www.sheboyganfishingclub.com](http://www.sheboyganfishingclub.com)



## Sport Fishermen's Swap Meet - Saturday March 23, 2013

The Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen's club is holding its 11th annual Sport Fishermen's Swap Meet and fundraiser on Saturday, March 23, 2013. Doors are opened to the public at 9:00 am and run until 1:00 pm. Last years event was our best ever with over 48 vendor tables sold and a new record setting attendance. Thousands of items exchanged hands and many bargains were found. This event has always been a good fundraiser for our club and has had great support from all our membership. The club profited approximately \$2100 from last year's swap meet. Russ Kleinert is this years chairmen and is currently taking reservations for

tables. Please call Russ today to secure your table at (920-457-4933). Cost for



admission this year is \$3 per person. We could use a few volunteers for setup and cleanup. We have some great raffle prizes: a fishing charter from Mike Mohr Fishing Charters and a Canadian fishing trip package for two to Lake Savant at Wildewood Lodge valued at over \$2300. Please plan on attending our swap meet this year and pass the word to others.



## Past Great Lakes Club President - Lyle Peschke Passes

Lyle E. Peschke, age 80, of 325 Washington Ct., Sheboygan, passed on to sail the sea forever on Easter Sunday, April 8, 2012, after a courageous and hard fought battle with cancer. He was born December 11, 1931, a son of the late Edwin and Ethel (Scott) Peschke in a log house in Waupaca County. At age one and a half, Lyle fell into the cistern of ice water and was saved by his father. Lyle was a life member of the VFW and American Legion and a member of Milwaukee Great Lakes Sports Fishing Club, life member of the U.S. Power Squadron and life member of the Port Washington

Yacht Club. After moving to Sheboygan in January of 1999, he became a member of the Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sports Fishing Club and was their president from 2000 until 2008 when he became sick. He was also a member of the Sheboygan Yacht Club, serving as flag lieutenant. Lyle taught safe boating as a Power Squadron Commander for a number of years. He was also a life member of the National Rifleman Association and the Sheboygan Pistol Club. Additionally, he was a former member of the Butler Lions Club. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him.



## Fishing Clinic at Kohler Andrae State Park



Last year our club was invited to sponsor the first annual Fishing Clinic at Kohler-Andrae State Park. Our club contributed \$2000 for the construction of this pond, and it was money well spent. This years event is scheduled for Saturday April 13, 2013 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The park planted 300 bluegills and 300 rainbow trout for kids 15 and younger to catch. About a dozen of our club members volunteered at various times through-

out the day to teach kids to cast, tie knots, identify and clean fish. Fish printing was also provided by park volunteers. All kids that participated received a plaque of accomplishment from the park staff. The park did not know what to expect since this was the first event held at the brand new fishing pond that just opened to the public last year. It was a great turnout. Our club will again be supporting this event and will need several volunteers.

## Presidents Report

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Hello Club Members & Happy Holidays

What a great year we have had. Our club had the first club sponsored Kids' Fishing Clinic at Kohler Terry Andre' State Park, and it was a great success. I feel it can only get better in the years to come. Our club will host it again on April 13, 2013.

In 2012, the spring fishing was great with the kings showing up early and staying around until August. We had a big turnout for the Kids' Coho Derby. As we have always done in the past, our club assisted this event with donations and manpower.

The Sheboygan River cleanup has been going on for the past several months, and this long awaited project is nearing completion. We will be proud to have a river that has very few contaminants, and will be deeper as well. I would like to extend a special thanks to all the groups that made this possible.



As a reminder, our club meetings are always held on the third Tuesday of each month at the River Boat Club, starting at 7:00 p.m. Our board meeting is at 6:00 pm and our membership is always invited. Our upcoming meetings will include the following guest speakers:

January – Eric Trempe will be the speaker on slide divers. Eric has taken over Randy Even's company, and will talk about the setup, and the correct use of the slide divers. He will also be willing to discuss new ideas and any problems that you may want to discuss.

February – Jim Buchholz, DNR supervisor, will be giving us a presentation on the Kohler Andrea State Park fishing pond and clinic.

March - Cheryl Masterson, DNR Fisheries Technician, will be giving us an update on the most current fish stocking programs.

April – We will be discussing flasher fishing, such as setups, live bait rigging, how to run flashers, leader length, hot setups, etc.

As I am sure you all are aware, this past year we lost our former President, Lyle Peschke. Lyle was a great club President and he will be sorely missed. Jennifer Peschke still has the following items for sale: (2) 30 Amp Shore Power Cords, 125 volt - \$100 each, Rubber Boat Tarp 30 x 40' (blue) - \$100, 15 HP Mercury 1995 trolling motor with gas cans and extra prop, low hours - \$1,500, Life Ring with rope - \$15, Boat Compass - \$25, 14 ft. Aluminum Boat - \$300, Anchor - \$10. Please call Jennifer at (920) 452-9660 if interested.

Our Great Lakes are going through some changes. I was invited to a DNR forum recently. The topic of this forum pertained to the allocation of fish stocking, such as how many will be stocked per each port. The alewife population is down due to the zebra mussels cleaning the lakes of plankton. In order to stop the elimination of the alewives, the DNR is reducing the planting of chinook salmon by 50%, which amounts to 723,700 fish in Wisconsin starting in 2013. They indicated they can reduce the stocking of coho, rainbow, brown or lake trout in coming years to limit the reductions in Chinook stocking. They are considering the economic impact, the catch rate, and the number of anglers. I asked if they would consider stocking more brown trout, since the browns are feeding on gobies, which are out of control. However, I was told the browns also eat alewives, so I asked for a study on the percentages of alewives vs. gobies being eaten by the brown trout. I will be attending more of these forums in the future, along with other members from all of our ports. The total picture is not so bleak, since Michigan is experiencing a natural reproduction of salmon, and these fish move around the Great Lakes and are caught in our summer months.

I would like to remind our members that our banquet is being held on February 2nd at the Yacht Club. This is a great venue for an opportunity to meet other anglers. If you are interested in attending please call Jennifer at (920) 452-9660 for tickets.

Angler's Avenue has now posted their ice fishing tournaments (depending on ice) as follows: December 30th – Gopher Lake, January 19th – Long Lake, February 2nd – Lake Winnebago. Contact Angler's Avenue directly to confirm tournament dates and times.

On March 23, 2013, we will be having another Swap Meet at the South Alliance Church in Sheboygan. Please give me a call to reserve a table (920-457-4933). These Swap Meets give people an opportunity to sell or buy fishing supplies and other sporting goods. The grand prize for our raffle this year is a trip for two for seven days to Canada. The prize is sponsored by Matt & Kim Neufeld of Wildewood on Lake Savant valued at over \$2300, so be sure to buy plenty of raffle tickets for your chance to win and support our club.

Sincerely,  
Russ Kleinert  
President Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen

## Big Fish Board Results - 2012

The following is a list of the largest documented fish caught out of the port of Sheboygan this year. Any angler is welcome to enter their fish on the "Sheboygan's Big Fish Board". You do not need to be a club member to register your catch. All fish must be caught in Sheboygan waters and the weight documented at either the Wharf or at a recognized local fishing tournament. A trophy will be awarded to all anglers at the end of the year and presented by the Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen Club. Awards will be presented at the club's banquet held on February 2, 2013. All the best of luck this season!

<u>Species</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Angler</u>	<u>Boat</u>
Chinook Salmon	23.34 lbs	38"	7/28/12	Luke Hanson	Good Clean Livin
Coho Salmon	12.62 lbs	33"	9/16/12	Cody Werdec	na
Rainbow Trout	14.31 lbs	33"	8/12/12	Randy Mueller	The Bounty
Lake Trout	22.70 lbs	40"	9/30/12	George Stacey	Dead Reckon
Brown Trout	23.62 lbs	35"	10/12/12	Ken Street	Sea Dog



## Club Fishing Contest Results - 2012

The Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen's club has been sponsoring a club fishing contest for more than 30 years. The following is a list of this years results. You must be a club member to participate. The contest runs from April 1, 2012 to October 31, 2012. The adult division will be paying out cash for the top 3 places in all five Great Lakes species: 1st place - \$75, 2nd place - \$50, and 3rd place - \$25. The winner of the \$500 cash Big Fish Challenge will be drawn from the five members who have caught the biggest king, coho, rainbow, brown and lake trout. The blind drawing will be held at the clubs annual awards banquet held in February 2, 2013. The four other participants not selected will each receive \$75 cash. You must be a SAGLSF club member at least one day prior to registering a fish. A club member MUST have caught the fish. All fish registered must be caught on Lake Michigan or its tributaries. Official rules are posted on our clubs web site. Congratulations to John Vertacic, last seasons \$500 Big Fish Challenge winner.

### Adults' Chinook Salmon

L. Hanson	23.34 lbs
A. Sharpe	23.18 lbs
T. Stapleman	20.44 lbs

### Adults' Coho Salmon

M. Wisse	9.62 lbs
A. Sharpe	9.38 lbs
A. Riesterer	6.56 lbs

### Adults' Rainbow Trout

B. Gruenke	12.55 lbs
S. Caldwell	11.75 lbs
M. Holby	11.33 lbs

### Adults' Lake Trout

J. Ganga	15.89 lbs
J. Ganga	15.75 lbs
J. Gruber Sr	14.69 lbs

### Adults' Brown Trout

P. Voss	17.36 lbs
D. Wakefield	15.75 lbs
D. Groh	10.89 lbs



### Juniors' Chinook Salmon

J. Buth	16.92 lbs
E. Entringer	15.75 lbs
J. Buth	15.16 lbs

### Juniors' Coho Salmon

T. Potter	4.53 lbs
J. Buth	3.94 lbs
J. Buth	3.02 lbs

### Juniors' Rainbow Trout

J. Buth	8.58 lbs
J. Buth	7.97 lbs
J. Buth	7.96 lbs

### Juniors' Lake Trout

J. Buth	14.62 lbs
J. Buth	9.73 lbs
M. Buth	7.34 lbs

### Juniors' Brown Trout

No Entry	0 lbs
No Entry	0 lbs
No Entry	0 lbs





**2012 Big Fish Challenge**

**Catch a**

**\$500**

**Fish this Year**

**\$1,175 in Cash Prizes**



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