

Fish Tales Newsletter

Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen

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Ride a Charter Boat Day Tuesday May 15, 2012 6:00 pm

Upcoming Club Events for 2012:

- Boat Rides 5/15/12
- Meeting 6/19/12
- Junior Derby 6/23/12
- Powder Puff 7/18/12
- Inter-club Contest 7/22/12
- Cobo Derby 8/11/12
- Meeting 10/16/12
- Meeting 11/20/12
- Meeting 12/18/12

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The Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen's club will again be sponsoring our 8th annual "Ride a Charter Boat Day". This year's event is scheduled for Tuesday, May 15, 2012 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. The club will not be involved in a fish boil this year. 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. At last year's 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 club's website. Volunteers will again be needed to help with boarding and organization. Please volunteer this year by contacting Jim Schlegel at 920-918-2628.



Join the fun! Free boat rides & refreshments on the Boardwalk 5/15/12

2012 Club Fishing Contest - Big Fish Challenge

The "Big Fish Challenge" is now underway. The contest will remain the same as prior years except that 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 fishing all summer long you have a chance to win. Contest runs April 1 to October 31, 2012. Official contest rules, details and standings board are posted on our club website. Last year's \$500 winner was John

2012 Big Fish Challenge

Catch a
\$500
Fish this Year

\$1,175 in Cash Prizes

Vertacic with his rainbow. Join today for your chance to win.

Renew your Club Membership now for 2012 - Sign up Today!

The Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen club would like to thank all our members for their support and continuing membership. Our organization is one of the longest running sport fishing clubs around the



Great Lakes and was even awarded the National Wildlife club of the year for our many community projects. There are so many projects sponsored by our club membership that we would like to remind our membership of just a few that we were involved in over the years: We maintained the public fish rack and fish cleaning station, provided life rings and boxes, provide free boat rides to the public, hold an annual swap meet, awards banquet, fish contests, donations to maintain the local fish hatchery, informational website, sponsor DNR skills workshop, monthly meetings with

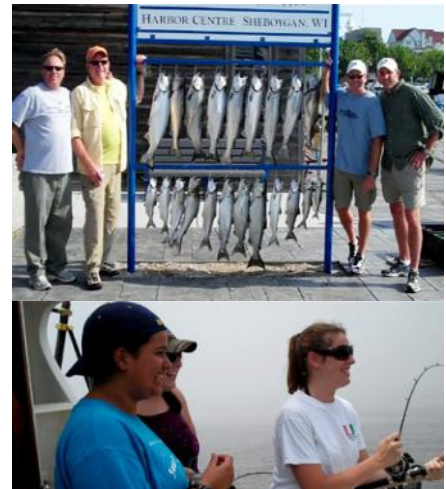
guest speakers, donate to kids Coho Derby, promote kids involvement in boating safety, fishing and education. Our club membership was also involved in making a major donation to help build the Kohler Andrea State Park fishing pond. We added the "Big Fish Challenge" to our yearly fishing contest. We are very fortunate here in Sheboygan, having some of the best trout and salmon fishing in the world right at our doorstep. Please continue to help support our areas Great Lakes sport fishery by filling out the enclosed membership form. Thank you all for your continued support!

Inter-Club Contest July 22, 2012 - Sheboygan will Host

Sunday, July 22 2012 will be our Inter-Club contest with the Ozaukee fishing club. This year it is being hosted by our club right here in Sheboygan. 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 last years win and we would like it back here in Sheboygan. Our fishing club will provide a lunch for all participants entered in the contest. We had a good turn out last summer and would like to see the same amount of interest for this years fishing contest. Now is a good time to start organizing your fishing party and sign up today for this great event!



New Club Brochure, Website & Facebook Page for 2012

Our club is sporting a brand new brochure, website, video and Facebook page for 2012. 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 new website and Facebook page are now up and running. The new website was set up and designed by Bryan Gruenke and

can be updated and changed by any club member with a password. Anyone interested in volunteering for this project should contact Bryan 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

2012 Sport Fishermen's Swap Meet - A Huge Success

The Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen's club held its 10th annual Sport Fishermen's Swap Meet and fundraiser on Saturday, March 24, 2012. Doors opened to the public at 9:00 am and ran until 1:00 pm. This 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 this year's swap meet. Russ Kleinert was this years chairmen and did an outstanding job of hosting our annual swap meet.

Please thank him next time you see him for a job well done. Thank you to



all the vendors who participated, the volunteers who helped setup/take down tables, worked the sign in table, kitchen helpers and the raffle tables. A big thank you to Mike Mohr Fishing Charters for donating the grand prize of a fishing trip, as well as, the other vendors who donated items for our raffle table. Thanks to all that joined us for another successful swap meet.



Club Brochure Rack - Changes at Blue Harbor Resort

The club fishing brochure rack which was located at Blue Harbor Resort has been temporally removed due to the remodeling project of the lobby entrance. At the time of this newsletter we are currently working with the manager of the resort to get this back up for the summer fishing season. We will have an update at the next club membership meeting. Only businesses that have contributed for a spot will be allowed in the rack, all others will be removed. You can stock the brochure rack yourself, or you can drop off your brochures at the Wharf and a club volunteer will pick them up

weekly to replenish the rack as needed. If you are interested in reserving a spot for your brochures, there is a one time fee of \$25, you must be a club member and owner of the business and information must be fishing related. This has been a great opportunity for our club members to gain valuable exposure for their business to the tens of thousands of visitors who visit Blue Harbor Resort annually. We will do our best to promote our great fishing opportunities we have here in Sheboygan. Contact Jim Schlegel if interested in more details about the clubs brochure rack at 920-918-2628.



Awards Banquet - Sheboygan Yacht Club Feb. 4, 2012



The Banquet was again held this year at the Sheboygan Yacht Club. We had good attendance of 110 members and

guests. Everyone had fun and enjoyed the great food served. Brian Hoffman did a great job as the MC for the night. We would like thank all of our raffle donors for the great prizes. Awards were presented for our club contest, Big Fish contest and membership participation. A big thank you goes to Grace Brown & Jennifer Peschke, the chairpersons of this event, and all others that made our annual banquet another success.



Presidents Report

Hello Club Members:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the speakers we had at our club meetings during this past winter season. In February, Russ Gahagan of Angler's Avenue was our speaker. Russ gave a presentation on flashers, since that is his favorite method of fishing. Russ recommends silver flashers for sunny, bright days in the upper column, green with glow for deeper depths, white for mid-depths, and UV flashers for shallow depths. There are no specific rules, only these guidelines, since we all know that every day the conditions change, so your fishing techniques have to change as well. Russ also likes to run one big 11" flasher deep and close to the bottom. He also recommends running longer leads between flashers and flies of 28" to 32". With 8" flashers, Russ starts his leads at 23". He prefers a slow troll of 1.9 to 2.1 because he feels big fish are lazy. Russ targets plugs for harbor fishing, and stated that spoons have their time and place and prefers Stingers, Moonshines and Pro-kings. Magnum Walker divers on a wire line is his hot ticket, with the inside set at one and the outside diver set at three for when the kings go deep. Copper wire on boards is also hot when fish go deeper than 100 feet. In February, we also had Cheryl Masterson, Lake Michigan Fisheries Technician, to introduce herself to our club and she offered to get more information on the stocking and planting of fish for our club. It is great to have Cheryl on board. Jeff Brown was our speaker in March, giving a presentation on hot coho set ups. As we all know, Jeff is a tackle manufacturer and gets good advice and information from many charter captains. Jeff recommends red and orange flashers for cohos, with red being his favorite. Tape is available to easily update your flashers with the hot colors. Jeff also mentioned that there is a 4-colored fly available at The Wharf that works because if the fish don't like blue, they will see the other colors and bite it. Jeff suggests that short leads between the fly and flasher work the best. The lead should be twice the flasher length. Faster troller speeds of 2.2 and up is a good starting point. Jeff also spoke about new UV tape and spoons that are out, with the UV tape working better than the UV paint. In March we had Steven Klock, giving us the latest information on the situation with the invasive species. Steve will be in charge of trying to help control the invasive species being transported from the Great Lakes to inland waters. Our May meeting will be held at The Wharf for our annual "Ride-A-Charter Boat" event. Please come and help, or stop by to see what our club gives back to the community. As always the kids and parents will be smiling from ear-to-ear during their boat rides. Finally, on a more somber note, we lost a long-time member of our club. Lyle Peschke passed away on Sunday, April 8th, after his long and courageous battle with cancer. As you all know, Lyle was the President of our club from the year 2000 to 2008, and served our club with honor and pride. Our deepest sympathies are extended to his wife, Jennifer, who is a hard-working member of our club as well.

Sincerely,
Russ Kleinert

Gas Discounts Available at Harbor Petro to Club Members

The Harbor Petro Gas station located at 905 Indiana Avenue is offering a discount to club members on fuel purchases. Members of the Sheboygan Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen club will receive a 3 cent discount per gallon if paid in cash. With the rising cost of gasoline this summer this is welcome news and should save our members a few dollars. Depending on how much fuel you use during the course of the fishing season, and could more than pay for your yearly club membership fee. All that is needed to receive your discount is to show your membership card when you are making your payment. Please note that in addition to gas, The Harbor Petro Gas Station also carries a variety of snacks, sandwiches, coffee, cold beverages, ice, and bait. If you have any special requests for your boating needs feel free to contact the station directly at 414-324-2997.

Club sponsored Fishing Clinic at Kohler-Andrae State Park

Our club was invited to sponsor the first annual Fishing Clinic at Kohler-Andrae State Park on Saturday April 14, 2012 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 throughout 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 just built last year. It was a great day weather wise considering the forecast and there was a good steady turnout. Our club contributed \$2000 last year for the construction of this pond, and it was money well spent.



When fishing out of the Port of Sheboygan, be aware of the current locations of the commercial whitefish trap nets.

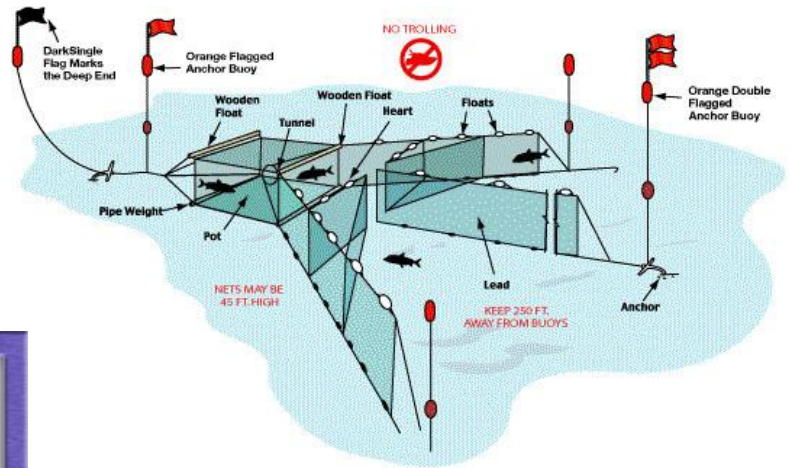
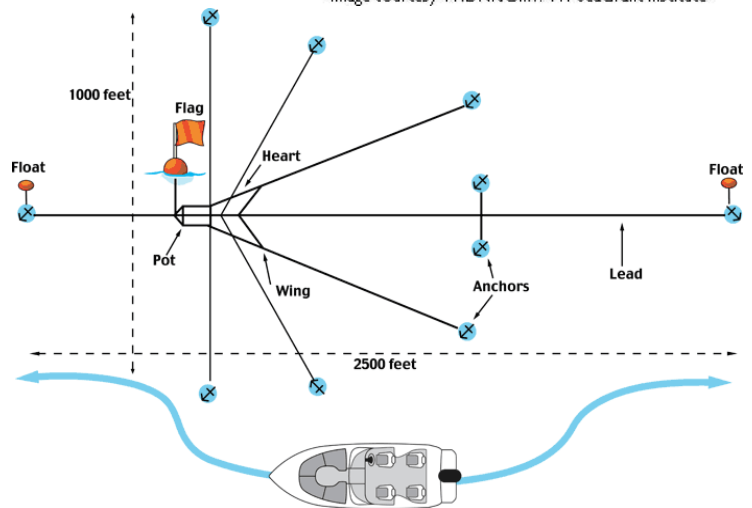
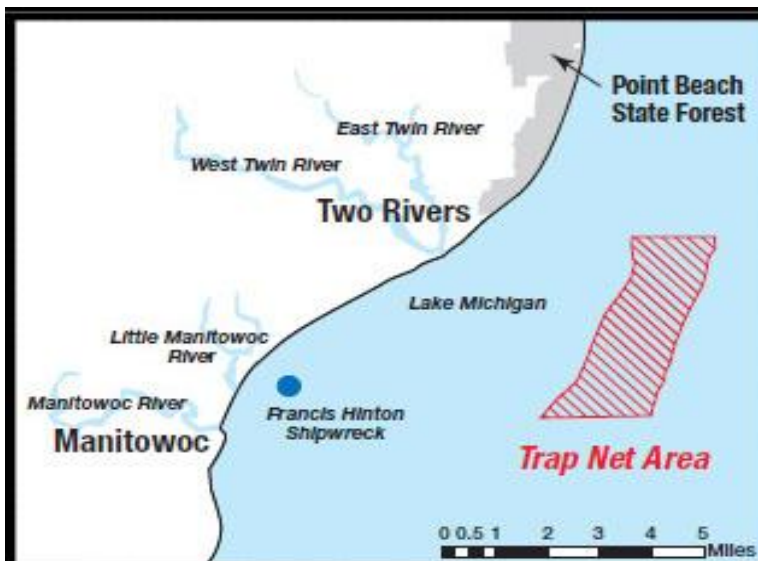


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2012 Club Events & Area Tournaments

- January 1 to December 31 Sheboygan's Big Fish Contest
- April 1 to October 31 SAGLSF Club Fishing Contest
- April 14-15 Michigan Stinger Brown Trout
- May 15 Ride a Charter Boat Day sponsored by the SAGLSF
- May 26 Anglers Avenue Kids Tournament
- June 2-3 Wisconsin Free Fishing Weekend, no license required
- June 9-10 Sheboygan Salmon Cup Fishing Tournament
- June 19 SAGLSF Club Membership Meeting
- June 23 SAGLSF Junior Coho Derby
- July 6 Couples Tournament
- July 6-8 Miesfelds Super Salmon Weekend
- July 14 Pink-in-the-Drink All-Women Tournament
- July 18 Women's Powder Puff Fishing Derby
- July 22 SAGLSF Sheboygan/Ozaukee Club Fishing Contest
- August 11-12 Riverfront Coho Derby
- September 8-9 King of Kings Tournament
- October 16 SAGLSF Club Membership Meeting
- November 20 SAGLSF Club Membership Meeting
- December 18 SAGLSF Club Membership Meeting



The Two Rivers/Manitowoc trap net area is bounded on the north by 44° 8' 55" latitude and on the south by 44° 5' 33".



The Sheboygan trap net area is bounded on the north by 43° 40' 50" latitude and on the south by 43° 34' 39".

Visit our club web site for the most current Sheboygan trap net locations at www.sheboyganfishingclub.com

Club Events Featured on Charter Cable TV

Our clubs events and activities have been featured on the Charter Cable TV show "Legislative Update" hosted by Jim Baumgart. The show is broadcast on Charter Cable channels 95 & 990. The show was recorded on 4/23/12 with VP Jim Schlegel and will be aired at various times throughout the summer. The show is also available for viewing any time on Charter Cable video on demand or at the City of Sheboygan Community programming internet site at www.wscssheboygan.com then programming, then video on demand.

2012 Super Raffle Fundraiser - Grand Prize Ontario Fishing Trip

Great news regarding this years raffle. Instead of the usual fishing charter grand prize we will have a Grand Prize of a 7 Night Fishing Trip for Two at the Wildewood Adventure Resort on Lake Savant, Ontario! This has a value of \$2,318. A big thank you goes out to Wildewood Adventure Resort owner Matt & Kim Neufeld for making this Grand Prize available. Our clubs raffle is always a major fundraiser for our club and this will only make it better. We will still have many of the great prizes as in the past. Drawing will be again held at our annual swap meet in March of 2013. We will have tickets soon, so please help us out with the sales. Tickets are \$1 each, or 6 for \$5.

New Club Members This Month

The following is a list of new club members that were just voted in at our April meeting: Eric & Diane Trempe, Thomas Salmon, Randy Marco, Joe & Laura Michlite, Andrew Pertek, David Bayer. Welcome aboard, pass the word, volunteer, join our Great Lakes club today!

Fishing Items For Sale

The following are for sale: lots of fishing baits, nets, ship to shore power cords, fishing rods & reels, compass, flare kits, 8 hp Mercury outboard motor, Riviera downriggers, many other items. Call Jennifer Peschke at 920-452-9660. Due to the passing of Lyle Peschke.

Club Donates \$1500 to Kettle Moraine Fish Hatchery

Last year our club donated \$1500 for a custom made device that oxygenates the water. This new device was just put in operation during the end of the season and was put to the test. Hatchery supervisor Andy Hron attended our April meeting with an update. He explained this new device allows him to raise more fish in the holding tanks which in turn can produce more rainbow trout for our fishery. After testing the unit and proving it's success, he would like to purchase another unit for this year. He is asking if our club would donate another \$1500 this year for an additional unit. We decided to take this under consideration and make a decision at our June meeting.

Junior Coho Derby Date Set for June 23, 2012. Sign up Now

Now is the time to sign up for this years Junior Coho Derby sponsored by the Wharf. This is a super event to give kids ages 7 to 15 exposure to our Lake Michigan salmon fishing. This event is designed as a learning experience to get kids involved in setting lines and rigging techniques for trolling on Lake Michigan. A maximum of 2 lines per child is allowed and 6 lines per boat. Event starts at 6:00 am and boats must be back at the dock at 12:30 pm. Lunch is provided to all participants of the derby and provided courtesy of Miesfelds Meat Market. Our club also voted at our April meeting to contribute a cash donation of \$1000 for awards and prizes for the kids. All individuals are encouraged to contribute to this event. The Wharf is offering that anyone that contributes \$100 to the derby will receive a discount of 20% off "Jeff's Tackle" and 10% off all in store products. If you own a boat and would like to volunteer your time to take a few kids out fishing we strongly encourage you to contact the Wharf as soon as possible at 920-458-4406. The more boats the more fun for kids.



Big Fish Board Results - 2011

The following is a list of the largest documented fish caught out of the port of Sheboygan last season. 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 in February. 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	31.85 lbs	41"	9/21/11	Theo Hocevar	Shore
Coho Salmon	15.09 lbs	na	9/22/11	Jim McCauley	Tonka Toy
Rainbow Trout	16.81 lbs	na	7/15/11	Ian Schiebie	JustinNighBoat
Lake Trout	27.50 lbs	na	5/24/11	Ray Capehlo	Piss on Money
Brown Trout	18.94 lbs	na	8/23/11	Bryce Holz	Sea Dog



Club Fishing Contest Results - 2011

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 last 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 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

D. Madson	28.02 lbs
J. Kvalheim	25.90 lbs
T. Stapleman	25.00 lbs

Adults' Coho Salmon

T. Stapleman	12.27 lbs
J. Gruber Sr	11.36 lbs
J. Genson	11.10 lbs

Adults' Rainbow Trout

J. Vertacic	15.04 lbs
M. Brown	14.90 lbs
J. Hildebrand	14.59 lbs

Adults' Lake Trout

J. Schaefer	13.62 lbs
J. Hildebrand	11.72 lbs
J. Hildebrand	11.13 lbs

Adults' Brown Trout

D. Madison	9.90 lbs
D. Groh	8.15 lbs
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Juniors' Chinook Salmon

H. Potter	21.83 lbs
H. Potter	15.85 lbs
T. Potter	14.36 lbs

Juniors' Coho Salmon

D. Kummerow	10.57 lbs
X Krueger	9.87 lbs
M. Buth	9.70 lbs

Juniors' Rainbow Trout

X Krueger	13.30 lbs
X Krueger	11.31 lbs
J. Buth	10.83 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
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