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The Tightline

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Fish with a GLSF Buddy

Have you ever wanted to learn from the charter captains? Want to meet some of your fellow members on the water? This year, we have started a new initiative to hook you up with a charter captain and some of your fellow members. This is open to all active GLSF members. You can reserve a spot for just yourself, or bring a child! You will pay for your seat(s) on a charter and the cost is \$125.00 per spot.

Dates available:

- Tuesday May 28th, 6:00 AM
- Tuesday June 4th, 5:00 AM
- Wednesday June 26th, 5:00 AM
- Saturday August 10th, 5:00 AM



You will be fishing with one of the following (a special thanks to them for being our guinea pig):

- Blue Max Charters (<https://bluemaxcharters.com/>)
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- Manhardt Charters (<https://www.manhardtcharters.com/>)
- Take 'Em Charters (<https://www.facebook.com/TakeEmFishingCharters/>)

To reserve your spot, visit:

<https://forms.office.com/r/MM9hJVV7Rp>

All Meetings are the second Tuesday of the Month.

New Berlin Ale House

16000 W. Cleveland Ave,
New Berlin

Membership Meeting

Next Event: Tuesday,

May 14th with

**Taylor Patterson from
the National Weather
Service, WFO Milwaukee/
Sullivan Office.**

**All followed by one of
Dave Bowe's raffles!**

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Upcoming Meetings

May 14th 🌸

September 10th 🌻

October 8th 🍁

November 12th 🦃

December 10th 🎄



Mark Your Calendar! Saturday, August 3, 2024 Pro Division & Amateur Division

Request for Sponsorship

We rely on donations to make our tournament a success. All support levels are welcome and appreciated, with various benefits offered based on your contribution.

Please note that all donations are tax-deductible, and an invoice will be provided. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this opportunity further, please contact Brian Haydin at 414-704-0755 or brian@glsfclub.com. We deeply appreciate your support and look forward to collaborating to make this event a success!



GLSF — MILWAUKEE

Notes from your President



Brian Haydin

**Get your sunblock ready,
Great Lakes Fishermen!**

It's been quite a start to the fishing season! I've talked with a lot of anglers the last few weeks and the brown fishing has been fantastic this spring. And now that the coho have started moving in, things are only going to get better! Don't forget to register your fish for the ongoing fishing contest! Visit our website (<https://www.glsfclub.com>) for rules.

If the ongoing fishing contest isn't enough, plan on our monthly Fish-ins! Beer and soda will be provided by the club and we have worked out a partnership with longtime member and former board member Susie Que Oleniczak and her food truck B N Ques (<https://www.bnques.com/>) for 8.00 per person.

- May 25th
- June 22nd
- July 27th (South Shore Park)
- August 24th

Our stocking program this year was outstanding, thanks to the volunteers. It was a little disappointing that we weren't able to keep the chinook for the full three weeks, but we had nearly 2 weeks of acclimation. The nets were a great investment, as this year we were able to stock both browns and chinooks. Hoping next year (or even this fall) we will have more opportunities.

I am so excited to announce a new "GLSF Fishing with Friends" program that we are experimenting with this year. If you have ever wanted to fish with one of the charter captains, but didn't want to shell out the full fare, this is for you. 4 of our charter captains have blocked dates and the GLSF will set you up.

Finally, Brew City registration is open! We are back at McKinley this year and looking to be bigger and bolder than ever. For more information about the tournament, please visit the tournament page at <https://www.glsfclub.com/brew-city-tournament/>

Now get out there and catch some fish!

Happy Trolling,

Brian Haydin
President, Great Lakes Sport Fishermen



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The WCC annual Convention was held May 9th and 10th. Look for an update in the July Brew City Tightline! They will start at 6:00pm and end by 9pm. The locations are being finalized as this will be an in-person event in all 72 Wisconsin Counties. Citizen Resolutions are only being accepted on-line, and the input period ended on Monday, February 26th. All Resolutions will be read at the Spring Hearing Meetings. Paper ballots will be available for voting in-person. NO resolutions will be accepted at the April 8th meetings. There will be an on-line voting period for the Resolutions from noon on April 10th until noon on April 13th.

This is YOUR chance to speak up and have your voice heard. It is important that everyone get out on that Monday to hear the Resolutions, and then vote on the options the like. Your votes count!

At each County meeting there will be 2 Delegates elected by the people present. There are some great people with expiring terms like MarySusan Diedrich and Jeff Hintz in Waukesha County and Brian Haydin and Jerome Donohoe in Milwaukee County.

How many members are aware that there is a Youth component to the Wisconsin Conservation Congress called the Youth Conservation Congress? Their Charter is the same as the WCC and their members are mentored by members of the WCC. To learn more, click the link below and read their newsletter. You might be amazed!

https://widnr.widen.net/s/zq2mhlwc2f/2024_april_newsletter



Caleb, YCC delegate from St. Croix County speared a 26" northern on Pelican Lake, Minnesota.

Cody, YCC delegate from Washburn County caught this walleye and entered it in the YCC virtual contest.



CALENDAR CORNER

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Membership Meetings are normally held at the **New Berlin Ale House** – And Open to the Public
16000 W. Cleveland Avenue,
New Berlin at 7pm

May 2024

14- GLSF Board Meeting – 5:30pm
New Berlin Ale House,
GLSF Membership Meeting – 7pm,
New Berlin Ale House,
Program: Taylor Patterson from the
National Weather Service,
WFO Milwaukee/Sullivan Office
25 - Fish-In, Start Time 5 am

June 2024

9- Kid's Fishing Clinic, Daniel Boone
Conservation League from 9 am to 2 pm
22- Fish-In, Start Time 4 am

July 2024

27- Fish-In, Start Time 4 am
* South Shore Park
(Subject to change)

August 2024

3- GLSF Brew City,
Pro & Amateur Division
24- Fish-In, Start Time 5 am
(Subject to change)

September 2024

14- GLSF Board Meeting – 5:30pm
New Berlin Ale House,
GLSF Membership Meeting – 7pm,
New Berlin Ale House, Program: TBD

GLSF Spring 2024 Net Pens



Affordable On-Water Powerboat Training Courses Now Offered in Milwaukee & Lake Geneva, Wisconsin; South Haven, Michigan

MILWAUKEE, April 8, 2024 – If you have always wanted to see what boating is like, or you're a boat operator with a desire to grow your powerboat-handling skills or give yourself a boost of confidence behind the helm, now is your chance. On-water training provider Boat Safe Great Lakes, Carefree Boat Club, Gull Lake Marine, and the nonprofit BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water have teamed up to offer a series of [at-the-helm boating courses](#) in Milwaukee and Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and South Haven, Michigan.

The three-hour on-water courses are affordably priced at \$199 and held aboard 21- to 26-foot single engine powerboats under the watchful eye of a U.S. Coast Guard-licensed instructor. Class size is limited to a maximum of four students per vessel, ensuring everyone gets sufficient time at the helm. Courses follow a National Safe Boating Council modular curriculum and are held Mondays through Thursdays.

Courses follow a sequential learning process that allows you to take the one you need, such as Introduction to Powerboating for beginners, or build upon your skills by continuing with Precision Docking & Boat Handling, Open-Water Boat Handling or Advanced Maneuvers.

The minimum age to participate is 16 years old, and there is a two-person minimum per boat for the classes to take place. Sign up at BoatUS.org/On-Water



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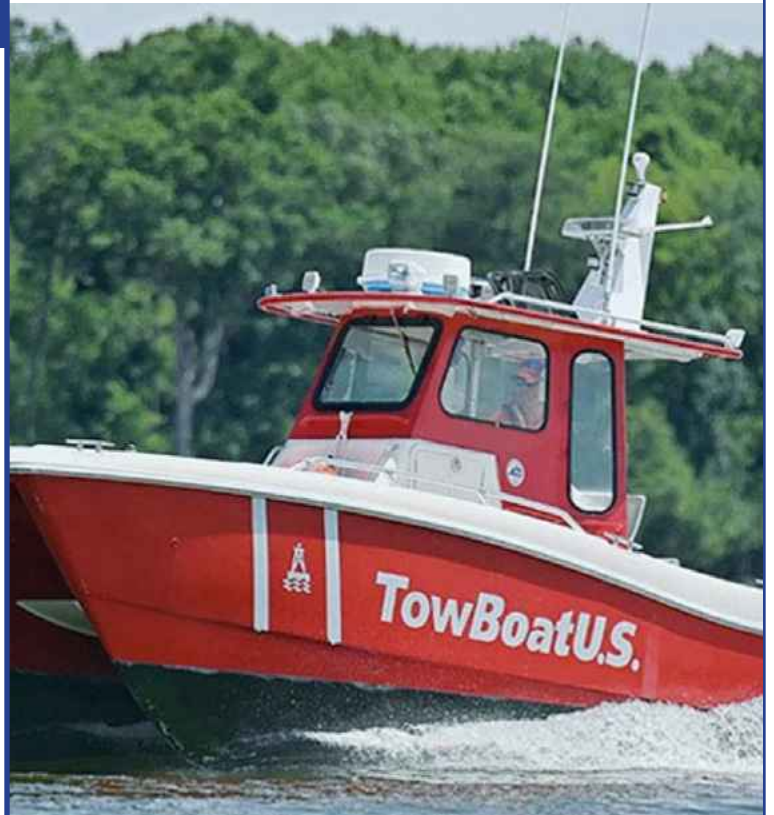
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Visit [BoatUS.com/Membership](#) to learn about all benefits and services offered to BoatU.S. Members.

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Membership and 2024 Membership Dues

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DUES FOR ALL
MEMBERS AND
THEIR IMMEDIATE
FAMILY MEMBERS!
EFFECTIVE
12-12-2023**



**We are always
looking for Sponsorships
to help cover
events and clinics.**

As of this newsletter, We currently have 107 regular and 40 senior members.

At the December Board Meeting, the Board voted to reduce our annual dues to \$20 for all memberships. There is no practical way to update our website, so it continues to send our reminders at your original price. I found a way to offer a discount down to \$20 if I see your renewal notice, so you can renew at the \$20 price, starting in January 2024. If you renew at your original price, I will contact you and offer a partial refund, or to extend your membership appropriately. If you have questions, send me an E Mail at bob@glssfclub.com, or call me on my cell phone – 414-217-9752. You, the membership of this organization, are the life and blood that keep it alive. Please renew when notified. All new membership starting in December, are priced at \$20 per year, and that is the amount charged on-line for new members.

To renew, use the form on the back of the Tightline and send in, or hand in your check or cash at our meetings, pay with a credit card at our meetings, or renew on-line by logging in with your personal login and select the membership option.

If you joined or renewed in October 2023, you will not see your reminders until September 2024. There are a few known bugs in our membership program which we hope will be resolved soon. There have been some inconsistencies with our membership module on our website, so if you believe our data is incorrect, contact me, I can give you your exact expiration date. I do keep a manual spreadsheet to track all memberships.

Why a GLSF Membership!

- 1. Supporting the sport fishery in Lake Michigan** and looking out for sport fishermen. The club works with the DNR on the fish stocking program, works with Milwaukee County Parks such as providing updates to the fish cleaning station and is very active in the advocacy arena as well.
- 2. For the community**, we facilitate many fishing clinics throughout the year, mostly geared towards kids, but also for adults.
- 3. Annually, we have a FREE fishing clinic** with recognized experts in the field, such as Keating and Woda. This free clinic is for members and anyone who has donated to the club in the last year.
- 4. An opportunity to meet and network with other fishermen in the area**, this is a great place to talk about what's working and what isn't. Learn from others who want to pass on their knowledge.
- 5. Annual fishing contest** running from spring through the fall, with an opportunity to win \$\$\$!
- 6. Monthly fishing events and our fish-ins**, with prizes awarded for the top captains and free food!
- 7. Monthly newsletter** to keep you informed on the latest news impacting us as fishermen.
- 8. Monthly meetings** to learn from experts, whether that is the DNR, Weather Service, or from expert fishermen to improve your skills and techniques.



April 13 Fishing Clinic, Greenfield Park

We had 125 participants. Once again, we ran out of food and almost everything else. Watch for the 2025 scheduled date to be announced soon! ***Thank you to all the Volunteers!***



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NATURAL RESOURCES

Tackling The Tackle Box Essentials

Andi Sedlacek, Publications Supervisor in the DNR's Office of Communications.

The fishing's always good in Wisconsin.

Before you pick a spot and head out, equip your tackle box so you're ready with the right bobbers, bait and more. We've got your guide right here.

THE TACKLE BOX

Your tackle box doesn't need to be fancy — a small plastic box with a few compartments to keep your hooks, lures and other items organized is just what you need, especially if you're new to fishing.

As your love for fishing grows, your tackle box likely will grow, too! You can find modular boxes that allow you to change the size and shape of the compartments. Or try a tackle box backpack to make your trek to the water easier.

MUST-HAVES IN THE BOX

Baits and lures: Use these to attract the fish.

Bobbers or floaters: Keep your line easy to see.

Sinkers: Hold your bait underwater at the proper depth.

Snap swivels: Make it easy to change lures and prevent your line from tangling.

Extra hooks: There are all kinds and sizes of hooks for catching various types of fish.

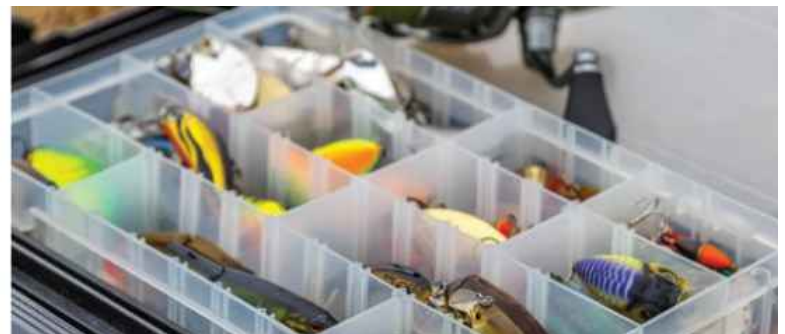
Extra fishing line: In case your line breaks.

Pocket knife: To cut the line after attaching a hook, swivel or lure.

Needle nose pliers: These help to remove the hook from a fish's mouth.

Measuring tape: You can be sure you're within the length limits for any fish you'd like to keep and check if you've caught a new personal best.

First aid kit: Have bandages and antibiotic ointment on hand, just in case.



LEARN MORE

You don't need to go far from home for a great fishing spot with plenty of options to shore fish around the state. Learn more about fishing in Wisconsin, such as license information, how to get started, season dates, where to fish and even how you can do it for free. Scan the QR code or check dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing.

FOR YOU

Fishing rod: For kids, choose a children's rod and reel combination. For adults, a spinning rod and reel is a good choice.

Fishing license: Anglers ages 16 and up need a fishing license in Wisconsin.

Fishing regulations: Know the rules for the waterbody where you're fishing.

Sunscreen: Guard your skin from the sun, including rays reflected off the water.

Sunglasses: Protect your eyes.

Snacks: Don't forget to pack your "snack box" — you'd hate to cut a trip short because of an empty stomach. Favorite fishing snacks include jerky, nuts, pretzels and dried fruit. And don't forget the water!

Great Lakes Basin Report

WIS publishes new fishing regulations for the 2024 – 2025 season

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin DNR announced that the 2024 – 2025 [Guide To Wisconsin's Fishing Regulations](#) is now available online. These regulations, which include changes to walleye/sauger bag limits on inland waters and new registration rules for small tournaments, went into effect on April 1, 2024.

Now is the perfect time for anglers to review the season dates, any special regulations and the daily bag and size limits for their favorite fishing spots around the state. All license requirements apply.

All residents and non-residents over 16 must have a 2024 – 2025 [general fishing license](#) to fish in Wisconsin. Annual resident licenses cost \$20 each, or purchase a spousal license for \$31 so you and your spouse can fish together. All fishing licenses and stamps can be purchased online via [Go Wild](#), at a registered [sales location](#) or at [DNR Service Centers](#).

You can find these general fishing regulations as well as the

[trout fishing regulations](#) online and at [locations where licenses are sold](#).

What's New In 2024 – 2025?

Several [new regulations and changes to bag limits](#) have been implemented this year. These changes include:

- A new [small tournament registration requirement](#).
- Statewide daily bag limit of three walleye/sauger per day on all inland waters.
- Walleye bag limits for the Great Lakes (including Green Bay) and Wisconsin-Iowa, Wisconsin-Minnesota and Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters will remain unchanged, as will limits on any water with a bag limit currently lower than three.
- A person may harvest walleye from two different lakes or rivers with a three-fish daily bag limit as long as they don't exceed the five-fish total daily bag limit.

A daily bag limit of 10 panfish in Lake Mendota in Dane County.

- Changing the musky minimum length limit to 50 inches on the Wisconsin River from the Lake DuBay Dam upstream to the first dam in Merrill.
- Creating an [urban fishing pond](#) in the Village of Suamico in Brown County.

New bag and length limits have also been enacted for specific waterbodies in Brown, Chippewa, Dane, Dunn, Eau Claire, Iowa, Iron, Lincoln, Manitowoc, Marathon, Marquette, Oconto, Pierce, Polk, Portage, Price, Rusk, Sauk, Sawyer, St. Croix, Taylor, Vilas, Walworth, Waukesha and Waushara counties. Anglers can find a full list of the 2024 – 2025 fishing regulation changes on the [DNR's fishing regulations webpage](#). ✧

Heads Up – Bender Park Dredging Planned for July

Below is the best-case-scenario schedule (currently in the process of issuing a notice to proceed to our consultant). More firm timelines will be clear once we have a 60% design set and as we move along with the permitting agencies. As that happens the project team will update the project page.

i.	3/15/24	Proposals Due
ii.	3/23/24	Consultant Selected
iii.	4/1/24	Notice to Proceed Issued
iv.	5/12/24	Permits Submitted
v.	5/1/24	60% Design Plans
vi.	5/13/24	90% Plans
vii.	6/20/24	Final Deliverable Dates
viii.	7/1/24	Anticipated Construction Start
ix.	8/1/24	Anticipated Construction Completion

Multiple design firms have expressed that the Army Corps has been taking 4 to 5 months to approve of permitting on similar projects. If the permitting agencies are able to approve of project in a timely manner, the hope is for construction to be completed over 30 days and completed before the end of summer. ***The launch will be closed while construction is active.***



May Trivia – Answers on page 14 (No Peeking!)

1. What's the term for a young fish before reaching adulthood?
2. Which fish migrates from freshwater to the ocean and back to breed?
3. What's the largest species of tuna and prized for sport fishing?
4. How do fish change color for camouflage?
5. Which zodiac sign is associated with fish?
6. What is the common name for the fish species *Lepomis macrochirus*?
7. Which fish is capable of regenerating lost body parts?
8. How many types of tuna species are there?

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Club Ongoing Fishing Contest Rules – 2024

- All fish entered must have been caught in Lake Michigan or its connecting waters and must be registered by the angler who caught the fish. Species, weight and date caught must be verified by a witness and weighed on an official, state certified scale. While at the scale, the registrant will fill out and the witness will sign the Club's official entry form. The original copy will be deposited in the writing desk by the scale at the McKinley Marina Cleaning Station, and the carbonless copy will be kept by the member. Please keep this copy as it is your proof of catch. Altered forms will not be accepted. Fish entered in sanctioned contests (see #10) will be allowed when the member furnishes a copy of the entry form. This form must be signed by the official weighing the fish. **It is the member's responsibility to get his or her copy to the GLSF contest chairperson or have it placed in the collection box at McKinley Marina within 48 hours of making the catch.** All final decisions are subject to approval by the Board of Directors.
- Prior to the opening of the Cleaning station at McKinley Marina, the "Official Weigh-In Station, you will need to use the Temporary Rules published in the box! After the Cleaning station opens, all fish will be weighed on the certified scale at the McKinley Marina Cleaning Station and all forms must be turned in within 48 hours if catching the fish.
- If a fish is being weighed at a sanctioned contest according to rule #10, the weigh-in form and contest verification must be turned in within 48 hours of the catch. For simplification, fish registered at a GLSF Fish In can be registered in the Ongoing Contest by filling out the additional Ongoing Form available at the Fish In weigh-in table, at the time of the weigh-in.
- Awards will be given according to weight. In the event of a tie, the award will be given to the entrant with the earliest registration date.
- The contest will officially run from April 1st through October 31.
- Minimum Size limits for Individual Prizes and Fisherman of the Year

Species	Adult	Junior
Chinook Salmon	19 pounds	12 pounds
Coho Salmon	7 pounds	5 pounds
Brown Trout	6 pounds	3 pounds
Lake Trout	10 pounds	5 pounds
Rainbow Trout	8 pounds	5 pounds

April 1, 2024 – Temporary Instructions!

Ongoing Fishing Contest! Due to the reconstruction of the McKinley Fish Cleaning Station, please follow these TEMPORARY instructions. Weigh the fish you want to enter on a digital scale that you must provide. With the scale weight showing, take a picture of the scale and the fish. Text that picture, along with your name and address, phone, date and time caught, fish weight, species, and category of entry, adult, kid or Captain's Catch to Jay Mathwick at 1-414-702-5078! Questions can be referred to Jay. We hope to be back to "normal" sometime around July, when the Marina renovations are completed!

- Awards will be given to the first, second, and third place for the adult and junior divisions. The junior division is for member's minor children, not grand-children, 17 years of age and younger. Persons 18 years and older must compete in the adult division. **No one will be eligible for more than one award in each category.** Awards will consist of money for Adults and trophies for Juniors.
- The "Fisherperson of the Year" award of \$50 will be given to the person who registers the highest combined weight of the five-different species and minimum weights above, of salmon and trout. These fish can be accumulated throughout the course of the contest, for a single person, regardless of where they were caught.
- The "Grand Slam" award of \$50 will be given to the fisherperson who registers the heaviest weight of all five species that are caught and registered all on a single fishing trip and registered at the same time. There is no minimum weight requirement for this category.
- The "Captain's Catch Award" of \$50 Dollars will be given to the captain who registers the highest total using the heaviest of each of the five species, registered as Captain's Catch.
 - One captain per boat will be allowed to register. The person who will register as the -Captain" should be determined at the beginning of the contest and remain so for the entire season.
 - To register for this award, place the name of the person who caught the fish on the "witness to catch" line and indicate in the proper box.
 - This registration does not prevent a member from using their personal catch for their own personal awards. A separate registration form should be used for this.
 - Charter Captains while fishing with charters are ineligible for this award.
- Although the prize is money for the Big Fish of the Month Category, Parents can ask for an alternative prize if they are concerned with scholarship eligibility!
- An Adult monthly award will be given for the "Fish of the Month." The Award of will be given for the largest of the species registered during the month assigned.

Fish of the Month Species	April: Brown Trout	June: Coho	August: Lake Trout	October: Chinook
	May: Brown Trout	July: Rainbow Trout	September: Chinook	

- Sanctioned contests are tournaments held by other clubs or organizations and are open to the general public and take place on Lake Michigan and its connecting waters.
- A fish will be considered a "Club Record Fish" if it exceeds the weight of the existing fish and was officially registered in the 'Club Fishing contest under all contest rules. The fish must have been weighed at an official weigh-in station or at a sanctioned contest, and a complete registration form, along with good picture of the fish in the hands of the fisherperson is provided to the contest chairman for publication in the 'Tightline.' All final decisions are subject to approval by the Board of Directors..

The contest chairperson is Jay Mathwick, 4455 S 117 St, Greenfield, WI, 53228, H-(414) 328-0855, C-(414)702-5078, jmathwick@wi.rr.com

NOTE: Sections 7,8, and 9 are UNDER REVIEW. Your Thoughts would be appreciated on the last statement for each section.

2024 Fish-In Rules

There are always some members who are unaware of our Summer Fish-in rules and dates. I would like the opportunity to explain our rules for the fish-ins and set forth some additional information for our members new or old. As you review the rules below please keep in mind this is a fun competition for friends and family time. During the summer as a club we do have tournaments, and this is not a fishing tournament. The Fish-ins were created to be fun for all ages from young children, teenagers, good friends, and family members.

The rules are as follows:

1. Wisconsin Lake Michigan DNR fishing rules apply.
2. A maximum of nine rods and lines cannot be exceeded regardless of people fishing.
3. Each boat is allowed to keep up to their legal limit. Fish can be released but must be let go immediately after the fish is landed.
4. You may start fishing at 5:00am for the first and last dates and 4:00am for the middle to dates.
5. Fishing must stop at 11:30am for all dates. You need to be at the weigh-in by 12:00pm located at The Sailing Center. (Keep in mind when traveling to The Sailing Center, that they, and Milwaukee Parks, have other activities that will be going on during the Season which might cause you a delay).
6. You can only weigh in up to 10 fish (ONLY 4 Lake Trout can be weighed in). Weigh-in is based on weight only and is accumulative throughout the four events. During the weigh-in the captain or crewmate must specify fish species to the chairperson conducting the weight verification.
7. The best three out of four Fish-In results are counted for each boat and the low score is thrown out. For the year end banquet awards the top ten captains will be awarded a prize for the final score of the fish-ins. These will be determined similar to the Southwest Series challenge. Below is an example:
 - The captain with the largest weight will receive a point value as follows per fish-in:
1st place = 100 points 2nd place = 99 points 3rd place = 98 points
For each fish-in each captain has an opportunity to earn points just by weighing in.
 - If there is too be a tie breaker in point the system, the one with the larger weight of three fish-ins would break the tie breaker.
8. In case of lightning, or Small Craft Advisories being posted, the Fish In will be cancelled using the website, Facebook and usually a phone call to everyone registered to fish. Cancelled Fish Ins are not rescheduled. In case of a cancelled Fish In, all of the completed Fish Ins are used for scoring, instead of the best 3 out of 4 as listed in Rule #7 above.
9. At the Banquet there will be prizes awarded to the captains for the top ten boats. Trophies for youth (under 16) catch for first through third place will be awarded
10. All boats must launch out of the Milwaukee harbor (McKinley, South Shore, the River Launch or Bender Park).

Kayak Specific Rules

1. A kayak team shall consist of up to 3 persons and 3 kayaks
2. All persons from a kayak fishing team shall launch from the same port but are not required to start at the same time.
3. Teams should be established prior to the start of fishing time. Substitutions may be made in the event of a no show. This should be done as soon as possible and no later than one hour after start time. (This will be done on the honor system). Persons on a kayak fishing team once launched are NOT required to fish in the same location.
4. Kayak fishing teams shall also follow standard GLSF-Milwaukee Fish-in Rules.

The results of each Fish-ins will be posted in the Tightline, the Club's Website, and on Facebook. Please call or text **Brian Haydin at 414-704-0755** with any question or send an E Mail to brian@glsfclub.com. **Members are required to preregister by the Friday, 8 pm, before the Fish-in to let us know if you will be participating and how many will be attending. All Fish In lunches will have the option of Susie Que Oleniczak and her food truck B N Ques (<https://www.bnques.com/>) for 8.00 per person!** This information is so we have enough food for the cookout. The Fish-ins are one of the best ways to make you and your crew more productive on the lake and catching more fish, which is always more fun. Come join this growing event.

2024 Dates: May 25th – 5am (Saturday), June 22nd – 4am (Saturday), July 27th – 4am (Saturday) – South Shore Park, and August 24th – 5am (Saturday)

A Reminder from our Great Lake Fisheries Manager of Southern Lake Michigan – Cheryl Masterson

For all the conscientious Fishermen wanting to help science in a big way for tracking our Lake Michigan Fish, the DNR in conjunction with Sea Grant has deployed an App Called the Great Lakes Angler Diary. The details on the Great Lakes Angler Diary and registration info can be found here –

<https://www.michiganseagrant.org/topics/fisheries-and-aquaculture/angler-citizen-science/great-lakes-angler-diary/>

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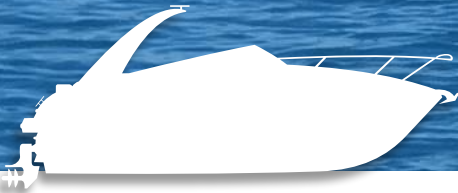
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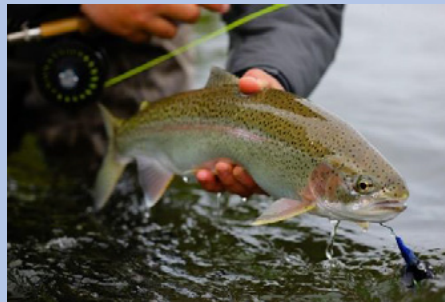
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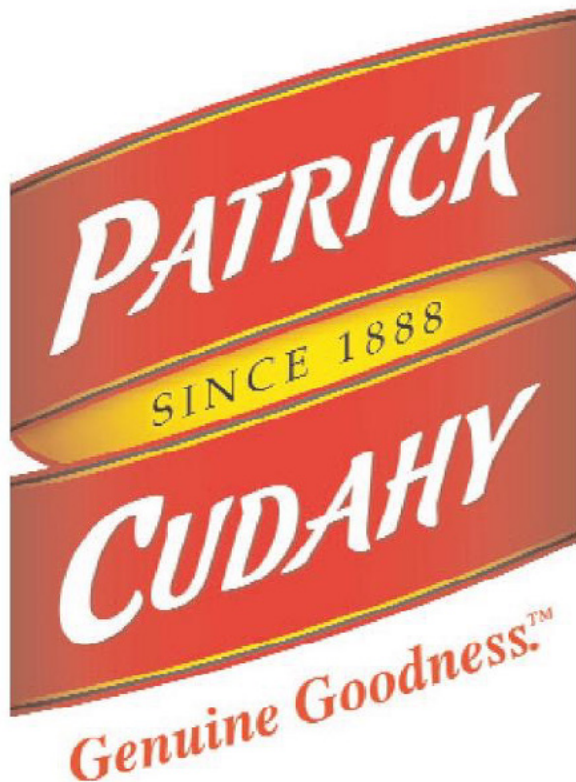
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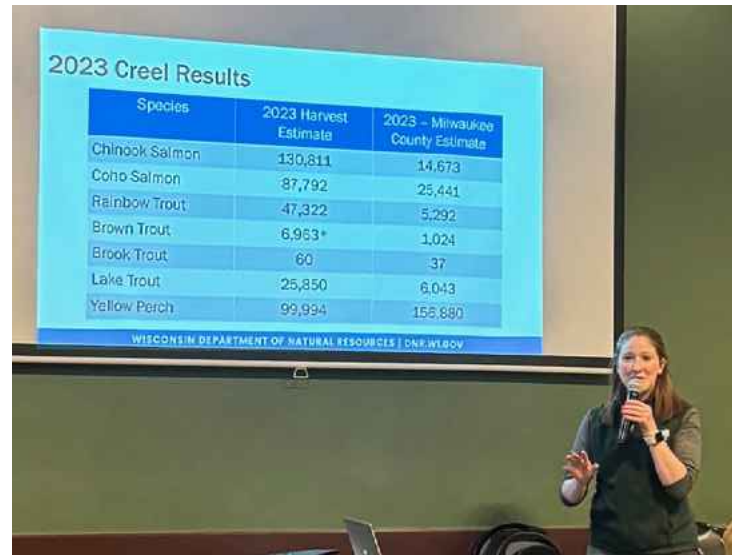
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Milwaukee Boat Launching Facilities Updates

Per McKinley Marina personnel, work is progressing on the reconstruction of the Fish Cleaning Station. Completion is still slated to be completed by the end of July. The ramps are open, and the docks are in. We are waiting for Milwaukee City to determine where and why a Grease Trap needs to be installed before work can resume!

All work is scheduled to be completed prior to our Brew City Tournament on August 3rd. More details will follow soon.



Laura Schmidt, from the WI DNR Fisheries Biologist, had some great updates on the Lake Michigan fisheries at our April Members Meeting.

Club Fish-Ins 2024

Do you like to fish?
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2024 Fish-Ins

5/25/2024 6/22/2024 7/27/2024 8/24/2024

All the winner awards for the top 10 boats for the fish-ins will be given out at the GLSF Awards Banquet on a date yet to be determined! I hope to see you all there for the award presentation. The Trophies are handed out at each Fish In for first, second and third place for the Junior Division, only!

If you plan on fishing and staying for lunch, please remember, YOU MUST call or Text Brian Haydin at 414-704-0755, before 8 pm on Thursday, for your food reservation! He needs to know your name, your boat's name and how many crew members you'll have, including listing those 12 years old or younger.





Mark Your Calendar!

Saturday, August 3rd, 2024

Pro Division & Amateur Division

Where—Milwaukee, Wisconsin's McKinley Marina

Entry Fee (per Boat)— Pro Division \$500, Amateur Division \$150



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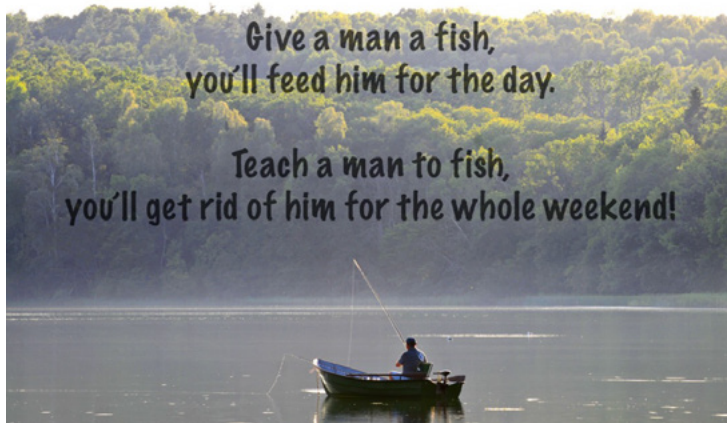
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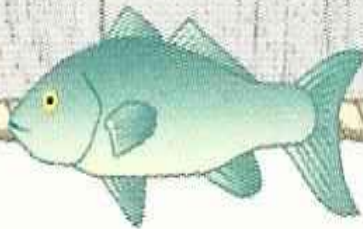
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Diverse Habitats Help Salmon Weather Unpredictable Climate Changes

Chinook in three creeks may be vulnerable alone, but resilient together.

Restored salmon habitat should resemble financial portfolios, offering fish diverse options for feeding and survival so that they can weather various conditions as the climate changes, a new study shows.

The researchers looked at threatened spring-run Chinook salmon in tributaries of the Sacramento River. They found that restored sites that produce lots of fish may be especially vulnerable to changes such as drought. Such sites should be coupled with other varying sites that support the salmon population in diverse ways.

“The fish need all the different opportunities,” said Flora Cordoleani, a NOAA Fisheries and University of California Santa Cruz researcher who led the research published this week in *Ecosphere*. “Fish with one life history that favors certain habitat are not going to save the population in the long term. We need diverse habitats to support diverse life histories that help provide resilience.”

Life history refers to salmon traits such as their juvenile migration timing, growth rates, and food preferences. For instance, some juvenile salmon migrate to the ocean in their first year, while others may spend the year growing in freshwater first. That timing may benefit them in some years, but leave them more vulnerable in others, such as during drought.

Spring Chinook salmon were once found across the state and formed the backbone of California’s commercial salmon fishery. They are now greatly diminished and survive in only a few key watersheds with worsening trends in numbers. State and federal biologists last fall collected a few remaining spring-run Chinook salmon to begin a captive broodstock that will safeguard the genetic heritage of the species.

Habitat Mix Benefits Fish

Fish benefit most when they have access to a mosaic of interconnecting habitat from streamside vegetation to open floodplains, the research found. Young salmon may grow rapidly when wet years inundate floodplains and produce plentiful food, “but that happens pretty rarely,” Cordoleani said. “The key is for the fish to have access to all those habitats, so if something happens to one of them, the fish don’t all disappear.”

The new research goes beyond earlier studies showing that later-migrating fish had better survival rates. It shows how that played out on the landscape of three creeks that feed the Sacramento River, one of the biggest salmon-producing rivers on the West Coast.

Cordoleani and her team examined Butte Creek, the focus of extensive restoration that produced a large increase in fish numbers that had access to the floodplain. They examined salmon otoliths – small ear bones – that record clues about each fish’s life history. They found few later-migrating fish, which made the fish there more vulnerable to sharp declines during drought years that may become more common with climate change.

Two other nearby streams, Mill and Deer Creek, offered different conditions and hosted more fish that migrated later as yearlings (juveniles overwintering in freshwater). While they did not see the big increases in fish abundance that Butte Creek did, their salmon better survived droughts. Combining the three sites that complement each other increases the resilience of the Central Valley spring run stock complex—the term for all the individual populations combined.

“The sum of the parts is much greater, because they are doing different things and supporting the fish in different ways,” said Rachel Johnson, the senior author of the research and scientist at NOAA Fisheries’ Southwest Fisheries Science Center. “Some of those qualities may turn out to be more or less important as the climate changes.”

But relying on these three creeks is not enough. “Spring-run Chinook are already playing the climate stock market with only a few stocks in their portfolio,” Johnson said. They were once found in every major watershed. She said a lesson of the research is that more habitat options help fish survive a volatile climate by providing more opportunities to survive and thrive.

Providing that array of options requires restoring diverse habitat areas that complement each other at the landscape scale and returning salmon to historical habitats that had long vanished. Cordoleani and her team hope that this research encourages restoration planners to implement projects that create a mosaic of different habitats across watersheds that support diverse fish survival strategies. These actions will also balance each other to help stabilize numbers in the long term. all over the country with teams who have been dedicated to building a sustainable lake trout fishery.

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