

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ October 14th ~ Chapter Mtg. - Adam Oberfoell
- ◆ October 24th ~ Fall CHALLENGE on the CHAIN Tourney
- ◆ November 11th ~ Chapter Mtg. - Pool Demo
- ◆ November 20-22 ~ FRV Last Fling Outing - N. Webster, IN
- ◆ December 9 ~ FRV Family Night - PCCC
- ◆ February 20 ~ FRV Fundraiser/Banquet

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OCTOBER 2009

From The Front Deck



Well it looks as though our fall 2009 musky season has finally arrived.....albeit slowly!!! As of this writing, the trees are just barely beginning to show their fall colors; much to the chagrin of folks who frown at the piles of leaves just waiting to be raked!! Musky fishing is picking up throughout the Midwest as water temps never really got "hot" this summer. Many of our local lakes are still seeing water temps in the high 60's to low 70 degree range! Bucktails and top water baits are still scoring some really nice muskies for many of our club members; as evidenced on the fall club trip to Grassy Narrows on LOTW. This year's fall trip was a huge success, with many of our club members scoring their personal bests on this trip. Congrats to all of you who participated!! As the days grow shorter, let that be a constant reminder to all of us that the clock is ticking on the balance of the 2009 musky fishing season! It won't be long before we wake up to "frost on the pumpkin"! That 1st good cold-snap is usually a signal for "ole mossback"

to get into the fall feeding mode! It won't be long before we can put those suckers to work, as you search for that BIG Fall fatty! Speaking of fall fatties, mark your calendar for our final "Fall Fling" on Webster Lake in Indiana which is scheduled for November 21st -23rd. Contact "Jimmy Z" our Outings Director for additional details or check FRV website for more info. Our 7th Annual Fall Challenge on the Chain is scheduled for Saturday October 24th on the Fox Chain of Lakes. We will be headquartered once again out of the Thirsty Turtle which is located on the south end of Channel Lake. Additional tournament info & your starting positions can be found on the FRV website at www.frvmuskie.com Currently, we have 40+ teams registered, so there is still time to sign up for this one-day event. Chauncey Niziol from ESPN Outdoors will once again be our M.C. Come on out and join us for a great day of "on the water" fun & camaraderie! Shifting gears, I'd like to extend my personal thanks to all the chapter 39 folks who helped participate in "Operation Welcome Home" on Saturday September 26th on the Fox Chain. FRV club members "guided" some of our military troops from the 333rd MP who had just returned from tours of duty in the Middle East. The Thirsty Turtle waived the launch fees for the guide boats and also picked up lunch fees for these troops following a half day of musky fishing on the Chain! John Deutinger presented the "welcome home" banner that was signed by FRV members to Lieutenant Dave from the 333rd who will proudly display this banner at the 333rd armory! We're glad to have them back safe & sound, welcome home guys! BTW, if you're planning on doing some fall fishing on the Madison Chain this season, then don't miss the upcoming October 14th club meeting! Adam Oberfoell, (Madison chain musky guide) will be our guest speaker! Adam will be talking about fishing the Madison Chain for big fall muskies. Don't miss this great meeting!! Finally, as we move closer to our year-end; once again we are looking for nominees to get on our 2010 FRV board of directors. If you are interested in being nominated for a position on the board, let me know and I will e-mail you an application. All approved nominees will be voted in during the December club meeting. This is your club and we ARE one of the best MI chapters in the country! Why? Because our club members make it that way!! We set the standard that everyone else strives to achieve. Our members really make the difference! Last but not least- it's not too early to be thinking about the upcoming FRV Fundraising Banquet which is scheduled for Saturday, February 20th 2010 at Poplar Creek Country Club. This event will run from 5:00 PM-11:00 PM. Stay tuned to the FRV website and newsletters for sign up forms and additional information. We will have a ton of great prizes to raffle & auction off, as well as an outstanding dinner menu!! Make plans now to bring your entire family, friends & neighbors to this 3rd Annual Fundraising Event!!

Until next month....toss a Suick & hook a Fatty!

Rick Gallagher



GENERAL MEETINGS

7:00 PM Poplar Creek Country Club, 1400 Poplar Creek Drive, Hoffman Estates... near Barrington & Higgins (847) 884-0219.

BOARD MEETINGS

7:00 PM. Cabelas, on Monday following the General meeting. All members are welcome to attend.

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OCTOBER MEETING

Adam Oberfoell talks Madison Chain muskies at our Wednesday, **October 14th** monthly FRV Chapter meeting at PCCC!

Adam is a guide on the Madison Chain as well as Lake Vermillion and Mill Lacs. Adam will be doing his presentation on the Madison Chain, from the opener to ice up, casting, trolling and live bait. Adam's seminar will be loaded with valuable information, a must see for anyone who fishes or wants to fish this great body of water!



Owner and operator of the *Get the Net, LLC Guide Service*, Adam is a licensed fishing guide, tournament angler, outdoor writer and public speaker.

PCCC MENU:***PIZZA... and more PIZZA. Need we say more?!***

For \$12.00 per adult, it's all you can eat pizza buffet which includes a soft drink. Children under 12 are \$6.00/each. If you plan on joining us for dinner, please RSVP on the September Meeting post on the website... or email Rich Gallagher at RG3232@aol.com by next Wednesday night before the meeting.

What's on tap for November?

Our annual Pool Demo! November 11th ~We'll be meeting at the Dundee Park District Pool (Corner of Rtes 25 and 68). We'll do the normal club business then we'll retire to the pool to watch both experts and vendors demo a ton of baits! A lot of these guys will be selling lures as well, so bring some extra cash along. Check our website in the next few weeks for a list of lures/companies that will be represented there.

"LAST FLING" FRV OUTING! November 20th - 22nd ~ N. Webster, Indiana. Great time to be on these waters! Local guide/expert Chae Dolson will do a mini-seminar on Friday at 8 p.m. at Ye Olde Pub. He also is offering deals for lodging. Call Chae at 260-385-0623 for information. If you're interested, please contact Jimmy Z as well! See the website forum titled "North Webster, IN *** Fall Special Deal on Lodging***" for details!

DECEMBER 9th is FRV FAMILY NIGHT!

Kevin Bushnick is putting together another unmatched multi-media, major picture and video presentation for our Club! He'll be featuring the music of Van Halen! All adults are \$5. Kids 16 and under are free.

3rd Annual FRV Fundraising Banquet ~February 20th, 2010 ~ PCCC

Save the date for this one. Runs from 5-11 p.m.. More details to come!

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24
7:00 AM TO 4:00 PM ~ AT *THE THIRSTY TURTLE* (ON CHANNEL LAKE)**

This is it! Part 2 of our FRV Tournament Series. This fall showdown will be held on the Fox Chain of Lakes... with the boats taking off from the Thirsty Turtle tournament headquarters at 7 a.m. sharp. Everyone fishing this is already getting anxious to do battle with some Fox Chain muskies ... especially with money and grand prizes on the line! All to be followed by cash prizes. Raffle prizes. Good food. Free beer. How could that be wrong?!

At the conclusion of the fishing portion of the tournament, the anglers will have the opportunity to enjoy a great buffet meal of chicken, Italian beef, potato chips, and potato salad all while washing it all down with free beer or a soft drink. Our MC will once again be Chauncey Niziol from ESPN Outdoors.

If you haven't already signed up, there's still time. If you're sitting on the fence about fishing a Club tournament, wait no longer. Ask anyone who has had an opportunity to fish our tournaments in the past and you'll realize what you've been missing. And after all, this is the only tournament sponsored by *your* local Muskies Inc. chapter. Why not come out and show your support? The tournament entry fee is \$200 per boat/team. So visit the website and download an entry form. If positions are available, walk-ons are also welcome on tournament day.

GOOD LUCK!

FRV CONTEST

There's still time to register your fish for the annual FRV Fishing Contest. There are multiple divisions for registering muskies including: Masters, Mens, Womens, Juniors, Illinois, and Lunker of the Month. Muskie catches are registered thru the MI Website and the results are submitted back to FRV.

Additionally, there are other categories/divisions dealing with multi-species catches.... Including: Open, Women's, Juniors, Best of Species, and Lunker of the Month. The multi-species contest is managed only by FRV and requires filling out and submitting a separate form which can be found on the FRV Website under the "2009 FRV Fishing Contests" forum. Check it out!

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Above - John Mihalec with a 46 1/2 inch fish caught over Labor Day weekend.

Coming Attractions...

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- ◆ Oct. 24 ~ Fall Challenge on the Chain
- ◆ Nov. 11 ~ Pool Demo - Dundee Park District
- ◆ Dec. 9th ~ FRV Family Night!



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