



## **This May 26th meeting is going to be FUN! Same place as always, Elks Club**

This meeting is offering an opportunity for our Chapter members to clean out that box of seldom used lures, or replaced tools and/or equipment.

Bring your items to this meeting and enjoy the camaraderie of 'selling the stuff!'.

Also there will be a DVD show titled "World's oldest Musky Movie"

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## **We did win the Quad County Challenge, REALLY!** By Darrel Mack

The stars twinkled while dropping the trailer onto the ball. I was looking at a bluebird day, but it didn't matter, it was the long awaited opener. Anticipation was priming the adrenaline pumps in hopes of connecting with a Goliath. The annual ritual against Quad County was about to start in three hours and robin egg skies were not going to dampen the spirits.

I arrived at Smokey's early to launch in order to get a parking space close to the "Q's". You see this yearly event ends on the first day with a "feast of the sausages" and they were neatly waiting to do their part in the back of my truck in the cooler. Other participants started to arrive with the same enthusiasm. The armada of boats found space along Smokey's piers. Members shared stories of "opener" pasts, sharpened secret baits, and poured another cup of coffee while waiting to shove off to their covert casting corners. I stayed back patiently waiting for my fishing partner to arrive. I began to get worried as the sun continued its upward path higher in the sky. Those that know me, know that I'm a cornucopia of high tek knowledge. So, I called 12:50 AM on the dial, text the police departments and twittered the detox hospitals close to Miller Park with no avail. Chewbacca was no where to be found. Then finally he arrived. He was whistling the tune the "fishing hole" and greeted us with a "morning lads", but he was good on his word, on time and we were off.

Water temperatures varied throughout the lake areas. In all, it averaged 52 degrees. Pre-spawn? Spawning? Nobody knew except the query. As the morning progressed the wind picked up and became a chore. The noon lunch break at the Waterfront revealed one legal fish caught, some undersized and numerous follows. The conclusion after one day. Two legals for us – zero for them.

Sunday morning was a repeat of Saturday's beautiful weather. The difference was a little warmer and a bit less breezy. Once again a lot of lookers and two more that were hungry were caught. At the end of it all we came out ahead after a two year dry hiatus. No matter what the outcome a fun time in the sun, good camaraderie, and a lot of laughing took the fore front before winning. I would like to thank John, Gordy, Rick and Ron at Smokey's for graciously letting us use his facility and all there help. Another big hand to Mr. Danko and Lynn Dembiec for their culinary cooking expertise on the "Q's" and the big sticks who brought the trophy back home where it belongs.

Lynn Dembiec 38 1/2"

Darrel Mack 36"

Bobby Petzke 35"

Rick Wyrwas 34"

**ILL. Boys = Zero**



## Chapter Outing Information

The list of dates and contacts is below. A couple of items to remember.

- 1 - Call and register. We need to know how much food to buy and prepare.
- 2 - Every time that you can make it, you will get a 'ticket' which will become a chance to win a prize at the end of the season.
- 3 - You gotta have a good time. Ask for the names of fellow members who are without a boat. Bring a guest.
- 4 - More detail on the web site. [www.milwaukeemuskieinc.com](http://www.milwaukeemuskieinc.com) especially contact number for those dates not run by Ron and Nancy!

### 2009 Milwaukee Chapter Outings

May 26th—General Meeting – Elks Club  
 May 28th—Chapter Outing—Dave Dawson  
 June 10th—Chapter Outing— Nancy or Roy Hinkforth  
 June 23rd—Chapter Outing—Pat Kilps  
 June 19 registration 20 & 21—Larry Kleeba Outing—Eagle River Chain—Bob Petzke  
 July 10th—Chapter Outing— Nancy or Roy Hinkforth  
 July 28th—Chapter Outing—Larry Price  
 August 10th—Chapter Outing—Nancy or Roy Hinkforth  
 August 22-29th—Gil Hamm—Leech Lake (see [www.muskiesinc.org](http://www.muskiesinc.org) calendar for more info)  
 August 26th—Chapter Outing —Ron Heidenreich  
 Sept 10th—Chapter Outing—Nancy or Roy Hinkforth  
 Sept 22—General Meeting  
 October 27th—General Meeting  
 November 17th—General Meeting

This is the last general meeting until September, but make sure to **join us** for the chapter outings. Great Fishing, good times, great food.

If you do not have a boat and would like to 'get out' contact Roy or Nancy at:  
[elroyh@multi-fab.com](mailto:elroyh@multi-fab.com) or [ancyhinkforth@northwesternmutual.com](mailto:ancyhinkforth@northwesternmutual.com)  
 Roy's Cell # 262-366-6842 Call a friend or neighbor and bring them along.

### **About the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Pewaukee Musky Classic**

Must have been the blessings of the 'Musky Gods'. Weather was overcast, raining, cloudy, windy, in all a great day to be on the water for the classic.

To top that off, there were even some fish caught this year. Even though the field was a little smaller then expected, the 35 boats did have a great day, and enjoyed getting out of the house and into the 'musky mode' for the second week end of the year. Of course there were quite a few stops on the way home for the Mothers Day cards, but that is the least that avid musky guys can do for that lady who makes it all possible.

#### **Fish where caught!**

1st place: Mike Koepp with 4@ 34-1/2", 33", 32" and 30-1/2".  
 2nd place: Haryy Hohltzer with 1@ 36-1/2".  
 3rd place: Roy Hinkforth with 1@ 36-1/2".  
 Honorable mention: Dave Hlavac with 1@ 31-1/2".

#### **Raffles had winners!**

Wayne Jelinski - Steve Miljat muskie print  
 Minnkota motor - Brandon Blanke  
 3 day accommodation at Cave Run Lake  
 Lodge in Kentucky - Brian Reid