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Why We Fish

According to information by the American Sportfishing Association, the "Future of Fishing" surveys conducted in 1980, 1995 and 1999 found that fishing for relaxation went from the number four reason to fish in 1980 to the number one reason in 1999, nearly a 20 percent increase. Fishing to be with family and friends saw a 14 percent

increase, making it the number two reason to fish among angling respondents in 1999. Fishing for food saw approximately a 23 percent drop from 1980 to 1999, and fishing for sport dropped 13 percent. In 1999, about 13 percent said they fish for closeness to nature, whereas only 3 percent said they fished for trophy fish.

Clear Lake Update

It has been a long, hard winter on Clear Lake. The snow came very early, along with cloudy ice and very little sunshine which has put a lot of stress on the lake. We also had a power outage and the aeration system was off line for several days. We will be very lucky if the fish make it through the winter. Once the ice goes off we have some work to do. The thin ice signs need to be picked up

as soon as possible to prevent them from being damaged. We also need to dismantle and salvage the old fishing pier. Plans are being considered for the construction of a new pier. Hopefully it can be built and installed by the time the lake opens for fishing on July 1st. When the ice does go, we will need to act fast. Expect to be called at the last minute.

Did you know?

According to data maintained by the Sport Fish and Wildlife Restoration Program:

- There are 16.8 million boats in use on America's waterways.
- The top ten boat-sale states are also the top 10 fishing states: California, Florida, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, North Carolina, Texas and Wisconsin.
- In 1998, 570,000 new boats of all types were bought and \$8.5 billion was spent nationally on new boats and motors.

Mike Deinken named winner of the Stoney Award

At the February meeting we awarded our eleventh Stoney Award. This is the only award our club bestowed on our members. It goes to the member, who throughout the past year has given the most of his time and energy for the good of the club and sport fishing. There were three nominees this year, and the vote was very close. After the votes were counted, we had our first two time Stoney winner. Congratulations Mike Deinken, and thanks for all your hard work.

Club Calendar

March 24th.....CCMR River Banquet at Turner • 4:30 p.m.

• Cost is \$10. Call Scott for reservations

March 29th.....Meeting at Evan Inn 7:30 p.m. Van leaves at 6:30 p.m.

April 26th.....Meeting to be announced

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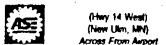
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From the President . . .

Don't forget the next meeting on Thursday the 29th is at the Evan Inn in Evan, Minnesota. We'll be taking a van and it will be first come, first serve. Some of you will have to drive. We have many important issues to discuss and plan action for. This issue will have the details of time and place for departure, etc.

For those of you that are river advocates and enthusiasts, the CCMR Minnesota River Banquet will be on Saturday, March 24th at Turner Hall in New Ulm. Doors open at 4:30 with a cash bar social hour and everyone is invited and welcome. The banquet is ten dollars per person for a great meal served buffet style, which includes all you care to eat fish and chicken with all the trimmings. The program will feature music intertwined with interesting speakers which include Senator Dennis Fredrickson among others. We will have the Bavarian Nailing Speil on hand with prizes from the August Schell Brewing Co. To reserve a spot call Scott Sparlin at 359-2346 or respond on the net at yasure@lycos.com. See you there.

Bag limits are a big point of discussion right now. There are a lot of differing view points when it comes to this. I would hope that we as an organization could come to agreement on a statement we could make collectively to the agency. We will discuss this at the next meeting. We will also discuss whether to engage in making a collective public statement.

Clear Lake is looking good and levels of O² are on the rise. I just talked to Heather Baird, DNR fisheries, Waterville, recently and she had been out testing for the agency and levels were in the 2 to 3 parts range near the top and bottom respectively. That means we are climbing and we should be looking good for this spring spawning season. Remember that the lake is closed for fishing until July 1st of this year. I also talked with Hugh Vallient about maintenance of the fish barrier because of the snow pack this year. He said he would talk to the land owner and see that it was in place to avoid invasion of certain adult species.

See you at the River banquet and at the next meeting.

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March meeting moves west

We had a fantastic turnout for our February meeting, which was also *Fish Dish Night*. The only problem was parking. The March meeting will be held at the Evan Inn in beautiful downtown Evan, MN. We have reserved a van and it will be leaving from the bus garage about 6:30 p.m. There will be some type of lunch available after the meeting. Hopefully the snow will be gone by the time the April meeting rolls around.

Buffalo Feed

Once again we were given the opportunity to sell ticket for the Legion Baseball Boosters. This has been an excellent fund raiser for us in the past, and this year was outstanding. It looks like we sold over 90 of the 100 tickets allotted us. We would like to thank all the guys who bought and sold tickets for us, and also thanks to the members who stayed after the Buffalo Feed and helped clean up.



Minnesota River Banquet 2001 It's our River

When: Saturday, March 24, 2001

Where: Turner Hall, 1st So. & State, New Ulm
(Next to the Brown County Courthouse)

Time: 4:30 p.m. Doors Open

5:00-6:00 p.m. Social Hour

6:15 p.m. Dinner

7:30 p.m. Program



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