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Dixon Lake, here we come!

This will be our 12th Annual Ice Fishing Trip to northern Minnesota. We are again headed for Dixon Lake Resort where we will be fishing Big Winnie. We have been treated so good there, we just have to keep going back. As it has been in previous years, there will be Prime Rib for dinner on Friday night and Saturday night will be the fish fry. Last year some of the guys had a little luck catching crappies n Dixon

Lake. As always we have been able to catch enough perch for our fish fry and still have enough for a few meals to take home. The cost for the two meals, lodging and fish houses is about \$110.00 This is for three nights. The trip is starting to fill up so you need to get a \$20.00 deposit to Mike Deinken to reserve your spot on this great trip.

A little bit of trivia for you: can

you guess who the two members who have made every ice fishing trip are? If you really want to know, come to the next meeting.

Meeting Changed

As is the case with every November meeting, it will be a week early to avoid Thanksgiving. So write it down, meeting is November 21st at 7:30 p.m.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Ice Fishing Contest February 9

On February 9th, 2003, we will host our 16th Annual Ice Fishing Contest on Clear Lake. We are starting to get organized as we have had two members step forward to take charge of prize coordination. They are Chuck Zangl and Dave Mecklenburg. Several members have already volunteered to help with prize solicitation but we can always use more. If anyone is interested they can contact Chuck or Dave. We have most of the big prizes lined up so

we should have tickets and posters by the next meeting.

Don't forget, our next meeting will be one week early due to Thanksgiving. The way it looks we should have a good contest. From everything we have been hearing, the fishing should be very good this winter on Clear Lake. Let's just hope we get some decent ice this winter. Don't forget, Dave and Chuck need people to help with prize collection.

River Clean Up

On October 19 the New Ulm Area Sport Fishermen along with the RRT's from 3M held our annual clean up along the river banks of the Minnesota River. What we saw was very encouraging. We found the least garbage ever. There were some very high traffic areas where we could not even fill one garbage bag. The only problem we found was people taking advantage of us by dumping tires right before and during the clean up. On the up side, we did get the City of New Ulm to dispose of the tires for us. We also need to thank Jerry and Chubby Carlson for making lunch for us and to 3M for the great gift packs everyone received.

Club Calendar

November 21st..... Meeting at Club House 7:30 p.m.
January 16-19..... Ice Fishing Trip at Dixon Lake
February 9th..... 16th Annual Ice Fishing Contest

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From the President . . .

Here we are breathing down on Winter already. I can't wait 'til we have some ice for our houses and we can start to go out fishing. The houses have been cleaned and given a little TLC by several members. As we all remember we were as busy fishing houses out of the lake last year as if we were fishing at all. Consequently the houses kinda smelled, were quite messy and a little beat up. Our thanks go out to the crew, who did all the work on the houses, for their help. Our new generator was a sweet addition to the day also.

If you have not reserved your place for the Ice Fishing trip, you had better do so quickly. We are filling up fast. All you need to do is get your \$20 deposit to Mike Deinken and you are in. The perch population is up on Winnie and the big pike on Dixon are a year older. It should prove to be quite an outing as always. The bar is awful high, but let's see what we can do to pass the time.

Chuck Zangl and Dave Mecklenburg have stepped up to act as coordinators for our prize collection team. We sincerely thank them. Please help them by volunteering some of your time to help collect the prizes. But before you do so make sure you notify them of what your intentions are if you have them. Then, they will be able to assist you in identifying where others have been and are going to be.

I will be looking forward to see what the new elected officials will be doing about natural resource management and all of our projected shortfalls and potential cuts that have been promised. It appears that more and more will be expected from the private sector to supplement projects and even critical day to day operations.

The yearly membership drive is heating up. Don't forget to bring a prospective member and receive a free refreshment of your choice for doing so. Several new members have joined in the recent months, so let's keep the momentum up. Our new faces will energize all of us into more things for area angling and water resources.

In closing, a big yippee! THE BEES ARE GONE. See ya' at the next meeting.

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What's Up With That?

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## Club House News

Not a lot happening at the club grounds lately. The driveway is holding up fine. We did have a refrigerator conk out on us, but we managed to find a used one to replace it. On the positive side, something we have been waiting for a couple of years has finally happened. THE BEES ARE GONE! No more getting stung mowing lawn, no more yellow crap all over everything. We will again be able to make full use of the grounds.

HALLELUJAH!!!

With winter coming on it is time to start thinking about ice fishing. The two houses at Clear Lake have been cleaned and repaired. They are stocked with firewood and ready to go. The other two houses will be cleaned before we move them to the lakes. Any member is free to use any of the fish houses. They all take the same key which is available from Mike Deinken. As always, we ask you to keep the houses clean and take your garbage home with you.

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