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Club Ice Fishing Trip

Our spot has been reserved. The dates are set, and the guys are lining up and ready to go. We are again going to Dixon Lake Resort and will be fishing the north shore of Winnie. The cabins have been reserved, but there are some changes this year. One of the trailers is being replaced by a new cabin which we have. This cabin will sleep between eight and ten. With the other trailers there is room for 28. There a possibility of

getting another cabin if we have more guys that would like to go. The catch is, we need to know by the end of this month. Also we have only reserved Lyle's two big fish houses, so we will need to bring enough portables. If you are interested in going on this trip be sure you are at the next meeting. To hold your spot we need a twenty dollar deposit. If for some reason you can't make the meeting you can reserve your place by calling Mike Deinken at 359-9650. If you have never been on this trip, you need to talk to someone who has. Once you have gone you won't want to miss it. January 15th - 17th!



Social Night ... Where were you?

Maybe you forgot. Maybe we should announce it at every meeting and put it in every newsletter. Social Night is still the second Thursday of the month. There is still a small group of diehards who make it every month; there should be more of you. Someone is always there by 5:30 or 6:00. We get the campfire going, start the grill and have a little or sometimes a lot of lunch. It is a time to unwind, relax and get to know each other a little better.

Mark it on your calendar, because it will not change. Do it for the whole year. Remember, the second Thursday of every

Annual Club Ice Fishing Contest to be planned at next meeting

It may seem a little early to be talking about the annual Club Ice Fishing Contest, but I assure you it is not. It takes a lot of planning and organizing to make an event of this size. At the October meeting we will start putting this coming year's contest together. We need your help. We need volunteers. This is the big event of the year for us.

Club Calendar

October 30th.....Meeting, 7:30 at the Club House
November 13th.....Social Night at the Club House
November Meeting.....To be announced
January 15-16-17.....Ice Fishing Trip, Dixon Lake Resort

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From the President . . .

It will be interesting to see how this upcoming winter plays out. If we continue to have a dry and warm affair or if we get normal precipitation will play a big role on fish populations. As low as the water is right now in the Minnesota River, I would not be surprised if we experience some fish kills. Our area lakes will also be in trouble if we don't get some fall rain and we have low water levels over the season. I guess we will have to see how it plays out. Nature has a way of evening out everything in the end.

I know it seems early to talk about ice fishing, but we are limited for the amount of people that can go on our yearly trip. If last year is an indication of interest and you are planning on going this year, it would be a good idea to get your \$20 non-refundable deposit in now. If you cannot attend this next meeting you can simply send it to Mike Deinken, our Secretary/Treasurer, at 1022 N. Spring St., New Ulm, MN 56073, and enclose a note that it is for the trip.

As was decided at our last meeting, we will be creating a first draft of a plan for what we would like to see happen at Riverside Park over the course of the next five years. This is not a big strategic planning session so don't let it scare you off. We will be taking about an hour to 45 minutes of meeting time to do this. When completed, I'll get it to the Park Director, Park Board, City Manager, Mayor, Council, and others for considerations. We will include potential sources and actions for implementation of our ideas. So bring your thinking caps and ideas along with an open mind.

See you at the next meeting.

Trailer for Sale

As you know by now, we are no longer able to use our trailer for food sales. We would like to sell this trailer as we have no use for it any more. We would probably take any reasonable offer. For more information or to see the trailer, contact Mike Deinken.

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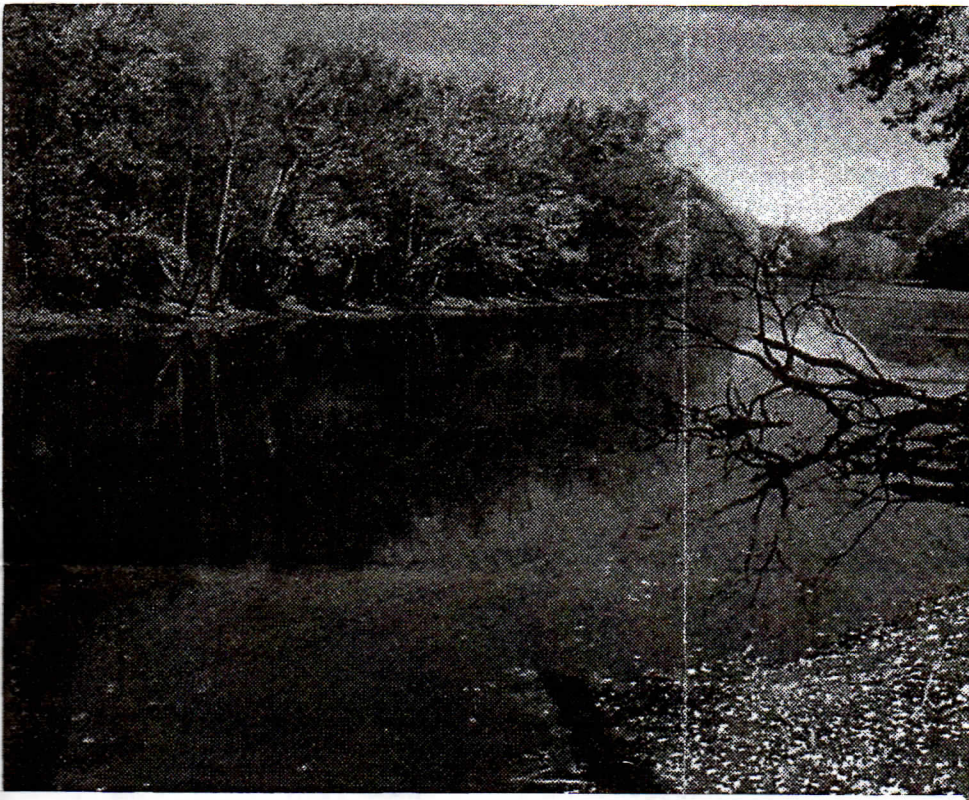
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Minnesota River Clean Up



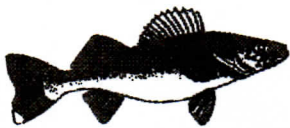
On October 11th we held our annual river clean up on the Minnesota River. Eight members showed up, on an overcast and later rainy day, at Riverside Park. The low water level and dry conditions made picking up what little trash there was a breeze. When we were finished the garbage we collected didn't even fill the back of one pickup truck. There were also about ten tires. The rain did wait until we were done, though we had hoped it would wait a little longer. We had hoped to get some painting done at the club grounds after we finished

the clean up. We all headed for the club grounds for some lunch, which also proved to be somewhat of a challenge as the rain made it a little tough when it came to lighting the grill. We did manage to get lunch made and then the rain stopped. We managed to get some dead trees along the driveway cut down, accomplishing one of the things on our list. The painting will have to wait.

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