



# Hook, Line, and Sinker

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## FISHING CONTEST UPDATE

# One of the best contests ever...

What a day we had! It wasn't 20° below zero, there was no blizzard and the ice didn't cave under us. And the people came. By our estimates there were over 300 people on the lake that day. And they came ready to have a good time. The guys in the food stand were scrambling all afternoon, trying to keep ahead of the crowd. Towards the end of the contest, most of the food and all of the buns were gone. This year's format worked out well, especially when it came to handing out over 300 prizes. The fish also cooperated, with just over fifty registered. Every species stocked in the lake was represented at the weigh-in. Scott Knisley won the



game fish category with a 1 lb. 8 oz. Large Mouth Bass. Paul Grussendorf won the panfish division with a 7 oz. Crappie. The only black cloud the whole day was when our generator would not

generate. Thanks to some quick action by a couple of members, we were back in business with only a short delay. Membership participation was on a level we had never seen before. We had so many guys, it was hard to keep them all busy.

## Look for NUASF on the Web

[newulmsportfish.org](http://newulmsportfish.org)

Visit us on the web and check us out. Mike Studtmann and Ken Klingler have done a great job building our web site..

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## Club Calendar

- February 26th.....Meeting at the Club House - 7:30 p.m.  
Fish Dish Night
- February 29th.....Permanent fish houses must be removed from lakes
- March 25th.....Meeting at the Club House - 7:30 p.m.

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## From the President . . .

Well the contest was a huge success. Many fish caught, the weather held out for us and a good time was had by all. Well, except the one guy who woke up on the wrong side of the bed. I know we had about 950 contestants in category one and 1400 in category 2. We also ran out of food which means the cookin' was good. As usual everyone played an intrical part to our success. Clayton Wiltscheck spent about 5 hrs. plowing on the lake on Saturday we owe him a big thank you. Also a big thank you goes out to Hoffman construction for the plow and pickup. Club volunteers were out in full force and they are too numerous to mention, just suffice it to say that our gratitude is great for those who helped from all aspects.

Our next meeting will be fish dish night and the awarding of "The Stoney". Make sure to bring a fish dish to pass and come out. We have several other upcoming things to talk about and you won't want to miss giving your input. Don't forget that this year for the membership drive Al Zwach has donated a new fishhouse. So the member who signs up the most new members will have quite a prize to look forward to. As always if you bring a new face to the meeting you will receive refreshment for both you and your guest.

See you at the next meeting.

## Fish Dish Night



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With all the help we had, it is not possible to thank every one who was there. Give yourselves a pat on the back; you made this one of the best contests ever. Thank you.

## Fish Dish Night

Is it February already? Then it must be Fish Dish Night. Are you ready to eat some fish? Come hungry 'cause you're going to eat fish like never before. There will be gumbo and chowder, sulz and pickled, there might even be some sunfish pie. Any member is invited to bring their favorite fish dish. Or if they would like, just bring

some fillets as we will have the deep fryers going. You can also bet there will be some onion rings coming out of those fryers also. Forget about supper, come hungry because you will be fed well. We should also be getting a report on fish populations of our area lakes. It should be a very interesting meeting.

## Stoney Award

It's that time of the year again. At the February meeting we will take any more nominations you may have and then we will vote to award the Stoney. This award goes annually to the member who gives the most of his time and effort to promote and improve

sport fishing in the New Ulm area. Looking back over the past year, I can think of many members who are deserving of this honor. The decision though is yours to make. Please come to this month's meeting and help us honor our MVP for this past year.

## Membership

Every December one of our guys receives a new club jacket for having signed up the most new members during the past year. This year is going to be a little different. Al Zwach has offered to donate a new portable

fish house to to this year's membership drive winner. Now is the time to start working to bring new members into the club. Next December it could be you who wins the fish house.

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