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MOST SUCCESSFUL CONTEST OF ALL

Fishing Contest Update

Looking back now, postponing the contest was probably the best thing we could have done. We did get a little snow the morning of the contest, which made it a little less slippery. When we got to the lake that morning there were only

six houses on the ice. By noon there must have been 150, and more than twice that many people.

The fish cooperated also. There were about 60 fish registered. This was the best attended contest we have had in recent years. It was

also our most successful contest of all.

We were also very impressed with the number of members on hand to help that day. It is not possible to name everyone, so I'll just say **thanks to all**.

The Luck O' The Norwegian

A half moon is becoming visible in the early evening sky and a light fog is just beginning to lift off the warm water of the Minnesota River.

Ole, Wenkie, and Nelie are anchored very close to the NUSAF club house enjoying the blues and a nip of Dr. McGillicuddy. Fishing is slow and a suggestion is made by DW to move to a better location. They all begin to reel in when Ole

believes he's become snagged, he quickly realizes it might not be a snag at all!

Ole masterfull plays with his potential catch, allowing it line, and tantalizing pulling the bait back to entice a strike. After what

seemed like ten minutes he pulls back on his rod and it bend to the point of breaking.

When the massive catfish is finely netted its apparent to them all, or at least two, it wasn't masterful, but just damn luck. Some

stupid cat happened to be swimming by just as Ole pulled back on his line and he hooked it by the skinny skin skin of its whisker.



NUSAF Web site: newulmsportfish.org --- check it out!

Club Calendar

March 26th.....	River Banquet - Turner Hall at 4:30 p.m.
March 31st.....	Meeting 7:30 p.m. at the Club House
April 14th.....	Social Night - Club House at 6:00 p.m.
April 28th.....	Meeting 7:30 p.m. at the Club House



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From the President. . .

I encourage all of you to attend this year's Minnesota River Banquet. As fishermen you will be treated to a presentation from Chris Domeier (former New Ulmite) who is with DNR Fisheries out of Ortonville. Recently that DNR office took over responsibilities for the management of the Upper Minnesota River from the Spicer office. Both Chris and Norm Haukus are teaming up to make the river a real focus of their efforts in fish management. It has long been the belief of many that the entire river system benefits from the reproduction capabilities in the Upper Minnesota River and that it has a profound affect on our fishing here in New Ulm. Having said that, I think you will like what you will hear and it will be a good opportunity to show support for this new more aggressive approach to fish management, habitat improvement, and access creation. It is also a great opportunity to meet with people from all over the watershed who just plain get it when it comes to water quality and our surface waters. You can call me for reservations at 507 359 2346 and leave a message for how many and under whose names to put it. The meal is always great and the doors open for social hr. at 4:30 P.M. to give us all time to mix, meet and greet.

That kind of segways into a topic that I plan on bringing to the next meeting. You all remember the tree planting project and floodplain reclamation project on the Cottonwood River by the highway 15 south bridge. Well I think it's time to open up that area and welcome those who want to recreate (responsibly) there. I am proposing that we develop a series of accesses on the cottonwood river that involves development of primitive camping and a fishing site at each. The costs would be minimal and it would mostly involve a little sweat equity. Be prepared to discuss it at our next meeting. We also have a host of other items of importance. NUASF along with CCMR, DU, and IWLA will be taking a bus to rally for Ducks, Wetlands and Clean Water at the capitol on Saturday April 2nd. We need to get sign ups and see if any of you would be able to volunteer to help in some way. 5,000 to 10,000 people are expected to participate and we need you. To find out more go to wetlandsrally.org on the web. We also will be having our Community Clean Up for water quality pick up/clean up day on April 9th and we also need to strategize with the RRAT's and other 3M volunteers on that. We all also have all the usual on-going business as well. So bring a friend and introduce them to our great organization.

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Membership Drive 2005

This year's drive has gotten off to somewhat of a slow start. Last year was our best year ever for bringing in new members. We brought forty-seven new members to the club in 2004. Maybe the added incentive of winning a new fish house is what made the difference. Well, we have been talking about it, and there is a good chance that we will do it again this year. To sign up a new member all you need to do is get their name and address and \$20.00 and turn it in to Mike Deinken or bring them to the next meeting. Let's try to make this year better than last.

Summer Fundraiser

We have been given the opportunity to earn some cash for the club this summer. River Ridge Gun Club will be hosting the State Sporting Clays Championship this coming August. They have asked us to supply all or some of the refs and score keepers for this event. They will also provide training for anyone who would participate. We will be talking more about this at the next meeting. If you think you might be interested, be sure to attend.

E-mail Newsletter

We are still trying to get members to sign up and receive their newsletter by e-mail. This would save the club on the cost of producing and mailing the newsletter. You will also receive your newsletter more than a week earlier. If you would like to receive your newsletter by e-mail, fill out this form and return to Mike Deinken.

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