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ICE FISHING February Contest

Planing for upcoming ice fishing contest in February is underway. Dave Mecklenburg and Chuck Zangl have already consented to be Prize Coordinators again this year. If you would like

to help with the prize collection again this year, please contact either one of them. Most of the major prizes are already in place and we hope to have tickets at the next meeting.

Club Fishing Contest recap

Our annual Club Fishing Contest was held this past September 12th. We were again guests of Dick Petermann at his getaway on the Minnesota River. Although the river was higher than it has ever been for our contest, we did manage to catch some fish. Enough Sheephead were caught so that Dave could put on a fish fry that evening. Congratulations to Ken Sutherland on catching the biggest fish and being awarded the

traveling trophy for a year. We are all curious to see what sort of addition he will make next year. Again, thanks to Dick and Cathy for allowing us to enjoy their wonderful spot on the river.



Internet photo

Ice fishing trip to Waubay

At the October meeting we will be talking about going back to Waubay for our annual ice fishing trip. I know that we had a good time Last year and did catch some nice fish. Maybe this year we will get better weather. There will be more information at the next meeting.

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

C l u b C a l e n d a r

October 27th.....Meeting at the Club House - 7:30 p.m.

November 10th.....Social Night at the Club House - 6:00 p.m.

November meeting to be announced



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From the President. . .

This next meeting will feature our largest election of officers for 3 year terms. Keep in mind you must be in attendance to vote. We are still looking for one potential officer for the position of treasurer. The treasurer is also our membership coordinator. If you have the skills and are interested please come forward to be nominated. Nominations will be accepted up to the time of the election.

This next meeting will also contain a discussion about a proposed coal fired electric generation facility here in New Ulm. Plants such as these have a profound affect on aquatic life. Of course this is something we should be concerned with and we should weigh in on as an organization with part of its mission that contains "the improvement of fish habitat".

The membership drive is in full swing and we are approaching our goal of 200 members for 2005. Let's keep it rolling. I know I say this all the time, but we are only as strong as our diversity in membership. We have so many talented people in this organization who are willing to pitch in for various things. We need to insure that it continues down that road, by signing on those people who you may not think of as avid anglers. We all have our organizational rolls to fill and the person whom you may think of as an unlikely candidate may be just that person this organization will desperately need at some point. So, sign 'em up and don't forget when you bring that guest you get a free beverage of your choice and so does your invite.

I got a letter encouraging us to solidify a club historian. Well I'm happy to say we have some that have stepped forward to get started. That's great, but they are all helpers at this point. What we need is someone to coordinate the whole endeavor. Once it is captured it will be easy to maintain. The work at hand is the compilation of all the past 20 years and then boiling it down into high points. I think when it is complete it will be a great tool for membership and for explaining to anyone what we have been and are about.

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Club Elections

At this month's meeting we will be holding elections of club officers. Positions up for re-election are: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and one Board of Directors spot. We have nominations for all offices except Treasurer. Someone needs to step forward and toss their hat into the ring. The club needs you. You won't be going into this position blind as you will receive help from the outgoing Treasurer until you are comfortable with the duties required of you. If anyone is interested or has any questions about the Treasurer's job, please give Mike Deinken a call.

Membership Drive '05

This year's membership drive is slowly coming to an end. You still have until the December meeting and don't forget, the person who signs the most new members will receive a new Frabil Fish House. If you have a friend, neighbor or relative who might have an interest in the future of fishing, bring them to a meeting and let them see what our club is all about. You and your guest will also receive a free beverage that evening.

Riverblast Wrap

Just a few lines to let you know how Riverblast turned out. It just keeps getting better as is the entertainment. Along with these things our food stand has also been doing better each year. This year was by far the best yet. Special thanks go out to Jerry Carlson for coordinating the food stand and also to Mike and Rocky for all the hours they spent at the grills. Also Congratulations to Scott on making Riverblast better each year.

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