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FROM THE . . .

NUASF Dept. of Virtual & Actual Resources

"Knowledge is of two kinds. We know a subject ourselves, or we know where we can find information upon it."

—Dr. Johnson

The Star Tribune has a new website on everything outdoors. It is called Club Outdoors and focuses on fishing, hunting, conservation, and related topics, news, and issues. The site is available at startribune.com/cluboutdoors. Check it out for the latest melt-down on Pawlenty-of-Nothing's go-it-alone abuse of the public's trust, his petty pilferage of the people's money, and his obstructionist relationship with the legislative majority, especially in relation to the Legacy Amendment. But for those ambivalent about the politics of fish, there are expert fishing tips and advice for filling up your livewells. And there is a blog (bog?) on site, where some 30 fishing experts and enthusiasts share up-to-date fishing advice and reports. And for those of you who prefer newsprint, there's still the Sunday and Wednesday Outdoors section of the Strib. Check it out!

And for information about Minnesota's natural resources, services,

and programs, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Information Center is still a solid source. Visit the DNR site at dnr.state.mn.us. If you want to visit or write "actually," the office is at 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155-4040, Telephone: 1-888-646-6367.

Become a Minnesota Master Angler! The Master Angler Program is sponsored by the Minnesota Fishing Hall of Fame, G. Loomis, Inc., and the DNR. Applications and entry forms may be obtained from the Minnesota Fishing Hall of Fame, P.O. Box 790, Walker, MN 56484, 1-218-547-2000, or online at minnesotafishinghalloffame.com. Eligible species include Burbot (eelpout), of course, and such poetically-named fishes as Buffalo, Drum, Goldeye, Hogsucker, Mooneye, Pumpkinseed, Quillback,



Jason Kuester, NUASF, hands donated \$300.00 to Sarah Duda, Clean Water Partnerships Coordinator, for their kids fishing contest in Lake Crystal.

Redhorse, Splake, and Tullibee. "Tullibee are a great 'canary in the mineshaft' species," says DNR fisheries biologist Pete Jacobson. "If you have tullibee in a lake, you know things are pretty good. If they are declining, you know something is wrong." Be mindful out there, masters!

~ CRANK BAIT ~

Drink no longer water, but use a little wine for thy stomach's sake and thine often infirmities.

—Timothy 5:23

MEETING NOTES from May 28th

- *Members present: 35+
- *Readings of the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were accepted as read.
- *Old Business: Membership stands at 189

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Club Calendar

June 14th U.S. Flag Day
June 21st Father's Day
. Summer begins
June 25th MEETING at the Clubhouse, 7:00 p.m.
July 4th U.S. Independence Day
July 15th NUASF Youth Fishing Contest

"Get Hooked on Fishing"
Riverside Park, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.



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From the President

By Jason Kuester

Mark your calendar for **July 15th**. This will be the day for the **kids fishing contest at Riverside Park**. This event takes a lot of volunteers and we would appreciate as much help as possible. Most of the prizes for this event are picked up. I would like to thank all of our volunteers for their hard work putting this event together. Our main goal is to make this a fun event for the kids. At the next meeting, there will be a sign up sheet to help organize what needs to be done on the day of the event. This will help everyone plan for the event.

Watershed project at Minnecon Park update: I have completed the bid for this project. A grant will be filled out by Scott so we can apply for money from the state. An update will be available at the next meeting on this project.

Eric Olson would like everyone to know that there are still two spots open over the Fourth of July weekend. There is a group of guys going up from the club if you would like to hitch a ride with them. If you are interested please call Eric at 406-395-4515 and he can give you all of the details.

Pork chops will be available for your enjoyment at the next meeting. Please thank Elmer Epke for providing the pork chops and grilling them for us on his big grill. Elmer wants all of the donations from this meal to go to our club. Please bring a dish to pass.

It's definitely summer like weather again and that means the grounds at the club will need to be mowed and trimmed. We are going to have a sign up sheet for mowing, please help us by signing up.

Summer is here and what a great time to bring our friends and family to the New Ulm Area Sport Fisherman Club. We are always looking for new members to join. If you know of someone bring them along and show them how much fun we have at our club. As always, bring a friend and each of you will receive a free refreshment of your choice!

Hope to see you at the next meeting!!

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with 32 due; Pat Roiger leads recruitment with 3 new members. Total of 12 new members.
*Area Lakes and Rivers Report: Sturgeon, Drum, Channel Cats, Carp, and more, are biting on the "Minnay Sotar." Clear Lake: Sunfish OK, Crappies small. Webster, SD: "3 guys, 3 days, 3 fish." (No further fish-tales available at this time.) Lake Sarah: 1 Bullhead. Lake Shetek: Contest with 50 boats on the lake and only 4 fish caught. Lake Koronis: Limits of Crappies and Sunnies.

*High Island Lake Project Report, from Scott Sparlin: Draw-down will continue through the summer to help improve water quality. Barley bales are being considered to help reduce algae growth and phosphorous levels. (Barley? Isn't that used in brewing beer, too?) If the use of the bales is shown to be effective, consideration will be given to using them at Clear Lake.

*Clubhouse & Grounds Update: Thanks to Don Borstad for mowing the grass, and to Jim Hulke for cutting up the downed-tree, and to Wes Ludewig for cleaning up the brush and branches in the back lot. The grounds look great!

*New Business: The new club boat is at Jim Hulke's, and the old boat is in the shed at club grounds. Club jackets are in; please pick up and pay for yours as soon as you can.

*Camp Courage outing is doubtful this year due to lack of funding. Ken S. and Jason K. will check with Park & Rec to see if the event can go on if we pay for it or find some other funding source. Kim O. will check with past coordinator Maria Schugel and Franz K. will approach MBW Co. about possible co-sponsorship.

*NUASF Kids Fishing Contest: Set for July 15th; rain-out (?) poster date is confusing. Jason K. will do the KNUJ ad. See Jim H. or Mark D. if you wish to make a monetary donation. Club may donate NUASF T-shirts, and Jason will check with DNR about helping with this cost.

*Catfish Release: Insurance would only cover for 1 week, and the DNR will no longer tag fish for such events because it opens up cans of worms, so to speak, all over the state.

*Presentation of a check to Sarah Duda of "Let's Take a Kid Fishing" at Lake Crystal. Caps and shirts were also promised for the event.

*Food for the next meeting will be prepared by Elmer Epke: Pork Chop Feed! Donations are encouraged and all proceeds will go to the club's general fund.

*Other New Business: Scholarships have been awarded to two students from Granite Falls, making a total distribution to date of \$8,500.00. Club will donate \$1,000.00 to the EE Mecklenburg Scholarship Fund and the Mecklenburgs will donate \$300.00. Congratulations to this year's recipients!

*The "ticket wagon" will be taken out to Orin S.'s for storage and Kim O. will seal-coat the roof of our trusty ol' trailer.

*Joyce Reese will be given a money-gift in honor of her good work on *Hook, Line, and Sinker* over the years. Thank you, Joyce!

*Jason K. will look into the efficacy and cost of the possibly of a nonprofit like NUASF joining the Chamber of Commerce.

*And our good friend and fellow-member Eric Olson has openings for trips on July 4th – 7th, and July 8th – 10th. Contact Mr. O (see his ad in this newsletter) or Jerry Carlson if you're interested in going.

Just a friendly reminder to enjoy our refreshment bar responsibly and to clean up after yourselves when using the clubhouse, grounds, equipment, or other NUASF facilities.

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, JUNE 25TH, 7:00 PM

Take care out there because *we* care about *you*! Thanks for all you do! Now, go fish!

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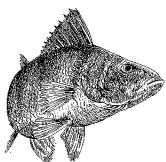
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