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A Nest of Hooks

Last month, the Minnesota River Film Documentary, "River Revival," was shown on KARE 11. Here is a list of questions for you to ponder while watching that bobber or baiting that hook, while fishing a river, stream, or lake, with a group on a launch or alone in a canoe, kayak, or rowboat. The list was provided by John Hickman, producer of the film documentary, to help spur discussion on how we can continue the momentum to improve water quality in the Minnesota River Basin. (Thanks also to Scott Sparlin, Scott Kudelka, Jack Lauer, Tony Miller, and the Kagle Club, for sponsoring the viewing party the evening the program was aired.)

"River Revival" tells the story of the Minnesota River Basin from its geological origins to the present day. Through the seasons and throughout the basin, the documentary examines the river's many pollution problems and highlights the efforts of people from all walks of life—academics, farmers, natural resource professionals, anglers, homeowners, students, paddlers, politicians, and citizen-activists—to restore the

river and its tributaries.

Please consider:

*What do you think is the most significant challenge facing the Minnesota River?

*What organizations in our area—non-profit, academic institutions, government agencies—are working to clean up the river, and how can citizens get involved in these organizations?

*What specifically can we, as individuals and in our social and professional roles, do to help overcome the challenges facing the river?

*How can we as individuals contribute to improving water quality in our own backyards, neighborhoods, watershed, county, or state?

*How do we reach out to our government leaders on local, state, and national levels to make sure they understand the importance of protecting and restoring our natural resources?

*How do we involve our youth in this important effort to make sure the work continues in the future?

For more information:

Minnesota River Basin Data Center Website, www.mrbdc.wrc.mnsu.edu.

Here you'll find "a clearinghouse of information related to research, public lands and restoration efforts in the Minnesota River Basin. The site is rich in social media features, and allows users to both view and contribute information in several formats. The centerpiece of the site is an interactive map that enables users to access and share information about public lands and restoration activities throughout the basin."

Working Together for a Clean Minnesota River, www.mnriver.org.

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Club Calendar

Thursday, July 28th General Meeting at the Clubhouse, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 17th 15th Annual Free Youth Fishing Contest,
Riverside Park, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Entry is free for kids up to 18.
(Rain-out date, Thursday, August 18th.) "Get Hooked on Fishing"



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From the President

By Jason Kuester

NOTE: The kids fishing contest date has been changed because of high water at Rversie Park. Mark your calendars for August 17th. This 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 organise what needs to be done on the day of the event. This will help everyone plan.

Summer is screaming by, take time to enjoy it! Something as simple as fishing with family and friends can build a lifetime of great memories. If you would like to use a club boat, they are located by Ron L shed behind New Ulm Glass. Your club keys will unlock the locks. If you have any questions give me a call at 507-381-2041.

Summer is here and what a great time to bring 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!

CRANK BAIT

Please contact your representatives, especially those recently elected, whose hidden agendas aim to undermine the democratic and progressive programs and initiatives of the last thirty-five years, and tell them to stop attacking and eroding all that is good and necessary to protect our environment, public lands, and entitlements, now and for future generations, from the grubby hands and greedy designs of private enterprise, in this—knock on driftwood—still-great state.

—Editor



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MEETING NOTES from June 30th

*Members present: 40+

*Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports were read and approved unanimously.

*Membership update: 199 with 37 due; one member with 4 new members, two with three new members.

*Area Lakes and Rivers Report: Great fishing in South Dakota; river fishing has been great near and around inlets; crappies and sunfish at Clear Lake; Shallow Pond—Jumbo Perch and Slab Crappies (that's fish-talk) and this is a fish-tale, wagging: Dave Mecklenburg is reported by Dave Mecklenburg to have caught a well-over 10# Dogfish, which if ever verified (Dave released the fish from the pound), could well be a state, if not world, record—something to dream about as the dog days of summer set in.

*Clubhouse and Grounds Update: Clubhouse was cleaned up on July 14th social night; Dave Wenk will talk to Jerry Nilsen about protocol for tree trimming and cutting; clubhouse AC needs maintenance/service; there is a mowing signup sheet at the desk.

*Thanks to Elmer Epke for the porkchop feed. Donations go to the club.

*Ice Castle Raffle Report: Tickets are available for the 7' x 14' ice house; we must keep track of all the tickets, sold or not; all tickets must be accounted for—unsold tickets must be returned or purchased by the member; see Ken S., Jason K., or Ross N. for tickets to sell; 850 tickets will be sold at \$20 each; Castle is valued at \$9,000 and four more cash prizes will be awarded in the raffle, at \$1000, \$500, \$250, \$100; an official NUASF jacket will be awarded to the member who sells the most raffle tickets.

*15th Annual NUASF Youth Fishing Contest update: Contest has been rescheduled for Wednesday, August 17th; Mark D. got some price quotes for advertising signage; discussion of moving the contest to an August date permanently because of probability of perennial high water at Riverside; cleanup at the park along the river and vicinity, brush trimming, etc.—signup sheet at July meeting; MinnAqua will be at contest again this year.

*Food for next meeting—Pot Luck.

*Other New Business: Orv Rannow—DNR is looking for donations for the materials they will be providing for kids to make bird houses at Farm Fest. A donation will be made from the club.

*Dave M. shared an idea about a Kwik Trip promotion and fundraiser. An organization purchases a gift card at 10% of face value and can keep any profit. Unsure how long offer will last and Dave will gather more information.

*Lost Dog raffle tickets available from Orv R.

*Lake Diefenbaker fishing trip problems: Scheduling conflicts and other problems with some of the crew have left Elmer Epke as the only traveling angler signed up. Please see Jerry Carlson. Cost is around \$600. Elmer is driving.

*Tony Miller has some extra business concerns, is having trouble collecting for the newsletter ads, requests help from other members; Tony is working on a letter to the editor and asked about the wording of NUASF mission statement, for clarification.

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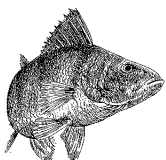
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