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Fall fishing in northern Minnesota

by fishing guide Jason Boser

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Fall fishing on Northern Minnesota lakes; what a great time of the year to be out on the water. The colors of the leaves, the smell of fall in the air, and the fish are usually active this time of the year.

When I am fishing in the fall for walleye I usually look for big flats and bars that drop off into deep water. The structure needs to drop fast, not the usual slow sloping drops you would look for in the summer. I like both weeds and rock this time of the year. The weeds should be starting to die off and if you can find some that are still green they should hold fish. The lakes of Northern Minnesota have a bunch of structure like this and sometimes you have to cover a lot of ground to find some active fish.

The nice thing about fall fishing is that when you are targeting these areas for walleye you will also catch northern pike and perch. When you find a perch or two, stick to that area awhile, there will usually be more. The perch on some of these lakes are world class with lots of them coming in at 10-12 inches and some in the 13 inch range. The northern will be cruising the

flats looking for food and you will catch a few of these on every outing.

What to use for bait in the fall? I will always start with a jig and minnow. An 1/8 oz. Northland Gumball will be my first choice. I like the longer shank hook in the fall. If we have lots of wind or I am going real deep I will switch to a 1/4 oz. I will pick a color that has a little flash to it, my favorite being Glow/Blue. I will try and find a shiner but as we all know that can be difficult, so I would go to a rainbow, lite sucker or a chub.

Just remember in the fall the baitfish will be bigger so you want to use a bigger bait if at all possible. You can also use a crawler in the fall. Tie up a lindy rig with a crawler and sometimes the crawler is a deadly bait.

We now know where to catch walleye, perch and northern in the fall, lets talk

about one of my favorite fish to target in the fall: crappie. They are schooling up this time of year in the deep water, off humps and deep-water drops. You can cruise around on the edge of the deep-



water drops or humps and look for the schools of crappies on your depth finder. When you find them just throw out a marker and try and stay on them. Vertical jigging is the key here. Drop down a 1/32, 1/16, or even as heavy as a 1/8 oz. jig tipped with a crappie minnow and let the fun begin. In the fall these fish are active, if you get the bait to them they will bite. When you are jigging for those crappies you just never know what you will bring in, walleye, northern and even some rock bass will be schooled up in that deep water.

So there you have it: fall fishing in the Northland, the best there is.

Good luck
fishing!

Club Calendar

September 29th.....	NUASF Club Meting
October 1st	CCMR Pub Crawl
October 13th	NUASF Social Night at Club House
October 27th	NUASF Club Meeting
November 10th	NUASF Social Night at Club House
November 17th	NUASF Club Meeting (Note: Date Change)
December 15th	NUASF Social Night at Club House
December 22nd	NUASF Club Meeting (Note: Date Change)

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From the President

By Jason Kuester



First I would like to Thank everyone that showed up at Peterman's Fall Fishing Contest. It was on the Minnesota River just off of the bottom road by Hwy 4. Everyone had great time fishing and grilling down by the Minnesota River. All proceeds from the event go to the EE Mecklenburg Scholarship. Thanks for the good time Pete!!!

It is time to sell tickets... We need everyone to do their part and sell raffle tickets for the 2016 Ice Castle Ice House and the 2016 700 Yamaha 4-wheeler!!!

You can pick up your tickets the next meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting and would like some tickets, please contact Ross Nelson 507-766-0765 rnnuw@newulmtel.net or Ken Sutherland 507-276-1534 ken.sutherland@ci.new-ulm.mn.us or myself at 507-381-2041 jr@newulmtel.net

Note: If you take the tickets you will be responsible for selling them or turning them back in at or before the Ice Fishing Contest on February 12, 2017.

Todd and Karen from the Dixon Lake Resort are very excited to have our club back at their resort this year. They have also donated a four person fishing trip as one of our prizes for the fishing contest we will have in February. The date for the trip is February 16th. I need to have conformation and your \$50.00 down payment to them after the December's meeting. If you are interested in going along on this trip please contact me at 507-381-2041 or e-mail at jr@newulmtel.net. The total for the trip is \$130.00 per person for three nights, or \$185.00 per person food included. Todd and Karen also said there would be no charge for the angling and spearing houses this year. They have room for 24 people in their angling houses and about 25 spearing houses available. This is first come first serve, so if you need an ice house let me know. If you are unable to attend the meeting and need to pay your \$50.00 down payment send it to Jason Kuester 56554-446th Street New Ulm, Mn 56073.

Fall 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 and ideas. If you know someone that likes to fish or just wants to be a part of a great club, bring them along to a meeting. 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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NUASF Monthly Meeting, August 25, 2016 Members present: 40+

I. Secretary Report

A) Motion made by Dave Mecklenburg and seconded by Jim Liebl to except report as read. Passed unanimously.

II. Treasury Report

A) Balance - Motion made by Jim Liebl and seconded by Tom Simonson to except report as read. Passed unanimously

A) Membership update

1) 156 w/ 17 due

B) Area Lakes and Rivers Report.

1) MN River – Five Species were caught. Lots of carp in high water.

2) Devils Lake, ND - Fantastic

3) Mille Lac – Walleyes are there.

C) Club House and Grounds Update.

1) Thank you to Ron Ludewig for cutting the tree up that had fallen next to the club house.

IV) Other Old Business

A) Thank you was read from Twin Valley Council for the donation we gave the Boy Scouts.

B) We received an award from Outdoor News – “Outdoor Leaders Award” Had a great article in the newsletter and in the Journal.

V) New Business

A) Petermann Club Fishing Contest will be held Sept 17th – Starts at 12:00

B) Raffle Ticket Update -

1) To date we have sold some Fish House tickets and Four Wheeler. Could be doing better.

2) We need much more help selling tickets and hauling to events.

3) Car Night in New Ulm – Tom Simonson will handle along with Jim L.

4) We should also bring out to the Fly-In Breakfast.

C) Scott Sparlin CCMR Report – CCMR will be doing a “Pub Crawl” in place of RiverBlast. Event will be Oct 1st at 8 different bars in New Ulm. Will be awarding prizes thru out the event. Requesting a donation from the club.

D) Kid’s Fishing Contest Update – Will not be doing a contest because the river is to high, but will be handing out food and prize drawing tickets.

E) Club Key Chains are here- \$10/ea

VI) Other New Business

A – Food Next Meeting. Leftovers from Kid’s contest if any. Bring dish to pass.

B – Jim Hulke received a donation from the Retzliff estate of fishing equipment, lures etc.

Only stipulations is that money raised should go to the kids. Club members welcomed to purchase.

C – Tom S suggested we purchase a mosquito fogger. Jim H. said he has one will bring next meeting.

VII) Adjourn @ 8:20

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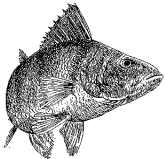
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