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“Fishing One, Two, Three a Huge Success”

By Scott Sparlin

The New Ulm Area Sport Fishermen embarked on a new initiative this summer with the hopes of introducing the Minnesota tradition of angling to those who have had none, or very little exposure to it. The program was designed to target single parents and those adults who are engaged in mentoring young people whether they are related or not.

In partnership with the New Ulm Parks and Recreation Department, we laid out a set of three classes. Those classes were designed to take the 24 participants who signed up through a process of learning the very basics of angling. In the first session, such basic things as tying a hook, use and types of tackle and accessories, fishing regulations and safety precautions were all presented and demonstrated. Participants also were given hands on instruction of how to apply bait to their hook. Each participant was then engaged in the method of putting a night crawler and minnow on their hook without much assistance. This was an extremely delicate process for some of the younger participants and all 5 volunteers

displayed magnificent patience during that segment. This first class set the stage in detail for planning a successful and enjoyable fishing outing.

Class number two involved the demonstration of casting methods with different types of reels and situations. Safety was discussed at length regarding casting and avoiding other people nearby. The class with help from the volunteers then began the process of the honing of rod and reel skills. Casting targets were set up and all participants did a marvelous job and became quite skilled by the end of that process. A demonstration of methods of cleaning fish, along with cooking options was given at the end of session number two. There were several questions and answers about the process and all participants were quite interested in the cleaning process. How to transport fish was also discussed and demonstrated during the fish cleaning process.

Class number three involved putting all the skills the class had learned into practice at a planned

fishing outing and picnic at Studtmann’s Pond in Courtland. It was an extremely gratifying experience to witness the graduation of these people both adults and young people. Fishing was fantastic that day and everyone caught a lot of fish. The young people had taken to fishing like ducks to water. The casting skills and safety we had taught really paid off and the first-hand experience proved to be the icing on the cake. We have many pictures of kids and adults smiling and we will be developing a power point presentation to use for various club purposes. Every participant went home with a new rod and reel supplied by NUASF.

Thanks to all volunteers and partners, Mike Studtmann, Jon Hunstad, Scott Juni, Jim Liebl, Ken Sutherland, Ron Ludewig and Joey Schugel. A special thank you goes out to Jeff and Tami Studtmann for offering the use of their private home facilities and pond and to the great Creator of the natural resources we enjoy and which sustains life itself.

Club Calendar

August 31st NUASF Club Meeting
September 14th NUASF Social Night at Club House
September 16th Peterman’s Fishing Contest on the River

September 28th NUASF Club Meeting
October 12th..... NUASF Social Night at Club House
October 26 1st..... NUASF Club Meeting

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From the President.....

By Jason Kuester

First things first, I would like to thank all of the volunteers that helped with the Kids fishing contest. Everyone did a great job!!! We had a great turnout this year even after we postponed it for a day due to weather. It was a great day on the river for (200 Happy Kids)

Thanks Again!!

I would like to remind everyone about the **Peterman's Fall Fishing Contest. The date is Saturday September 16th, starts at noon and goes until the last man is standing.** It is on the Minnesota River off of the bottom road by Hwy 4 (watch for the signs). All proceeds go to the EE Mecklenburg Scholarship. **HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!!** (P.S. Bring a camper if you can, there is plenty of room!!!!)

Labor Day is just around the corner. Where did summer go? Please be safe while enjoying the holiday!!

Here are some important upcoming events for your calendars. The first event is the Peterman's Fall Club Fishing Contest September 16th. NUASF Ice Fishing Contest is on February 11th 2018. The winter club fishing trip to Dixon Lake is on February 15-18, 2018.

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!!



Picture above: Jerry, Jay, and Cully fishing with Eric Olson at Lake Diefenbaker



Picture to the right: Collin on Lake Siston

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NUASF Monthly Meeting June 29, 2017 Members Present: 35+

I. Secretary Report

A. Motion made by Scott Sparlin and seconded by Jim Liebl to except report as read. Passed unanimously.

II. Treasury Report

A. Balance \$ - Motion made by Scott Sparlin and seconded by Jim Liebl to except report as read. Passed unanimously. There may be a fine imposed because of late filing.

III. Old Business

A. Membership update

1. 159 Members w/ 18 Due
2. Motion made by Dave M. and seconded by Jim H. to give Barry Zimmerman a year membership for the work he does at the club house.

B. Area Lakes and Rivers Report.

1. Sleepy Eye – All small
2. Lake Deif – Jerry Carlson said caught many limits. Every aspect of the trip was great!
3. Secret Pond? – Fishing was great.
4. Missouri River – Very Good.
5. MN River – Up River was great.

C. Club House and Grounds Update.

1. Thanks to Keith Roloff for mowing the lawn. Battery for Snapper is bad. We'll wait to see where we stand with the new mower.
2. Drive way repair – Jason K. will get at it when they get a chance. Have been very busy.
3. Have not heard anything from the County about the water projects above the club house.
4. Thanks to Ron Ludewig for removing branches off the power lines coming into the grounds.
5. Jim Hulke will try and sell our mower when we replace it with a new one.

IV. Other Old Business

A. Winter access to clear lake. We have not had any progress. Jason K. will check with the Bergs.

V. New Business

A. Jason has a lead on a used mower from Snell Motors. Will know more in a week or so.

B. Still working with the State about the MN River access project.

C. Scott Sparlin – Reported on "Fishing 1, 2, 3" events held over the last month.

D. Ice Castle fish house Tickets are available.

E. Kids Fishing Contest Update –

1. Runnings will be donating the pop, Napa the bait, advertising will be coming out.
2. Clean up by the River needs to be done. Jim H. will contact Tom Schmitz to see if they can get "Sentence to Serve" to come down and clean up.
3. We're still looking for any donations.

VI. Other New Business

A. No one volunteered.

B. "Gemuetlichkeit in Goosetown" will be held Aug 13th, come down and enjoy. Possible bring Ice house and sell tickets.

C. Walt's Bait Shop will be helping us out greatly for this year's Ice Fishing Contest providing fishing rods and reels.

D. We should contact "Outdoor News" about putting a plug in for our Kids Fishing Contest.

E. Jason will take care of getting the dumpster out here.

F. Petermann Club Fishing Contest will be held Sept 16th

VII. Adjourn @ 8:30 PM

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