

It's Time Too Get Fired Up For Fall Muskies!

Well, the days are definitely getting shorter, but don't let that get you down, this time of year means only one thing to a muskie fisherman...Primetime Fall Fatties. That's right pretty soon the muskies will be putting on the chow bag, and those Summer SlimeTime Skinnies, are destined to be Fall GirthDaddy Fatties. It also means an end to the Outings on the Chain, with the last one for the year on September 12, 2007. So let's see where we stand for the Fox Chain Traveling Trophy.

If I had to pick a theme for our Outings, I think it would be Bad Weather, which seems to have started a little tradition for us SOB's the last couple of years. And of course if May's Outing was anything, it was traditional. With bad weather fronts moving in & out all day, May's Outing was not for those who prefer to stay dry. Jefferson Batt and Kathy Cammarata were two SOB's who definitely weren't dry or dry of ideas. They were the only two to produce fish. Jefferson caught a 37.5" and Kathy caught 34".

We should have known something was in the air for the June Outing. For one thing it was a beautiful day, with no rain in site. For another Rob Frechette was the only SOB to catch not fish but three. Rob caught a 37 1/4" and a pair of 36". If that wasn't enough the two 36's were the same fish, it had a tag, eating about ten minutes apart, talk about a hungry fish.

July's Outing was again traditional. With winds, driving rain and intermittent lightening, it was not for the weak of heart. But for those that braved the weather, as one SOB boat did with no rain gear on board, there were muskies to be had for the SOB's. Jim Stella caught a 39 1/4" just before the rain started, Bob Matusek caught two 33", but only one of them was caught during the Outing hours, that will come back to haunt him and Bill Kilimnik caught a 33".

We finally caught a break with the August Outing. It rained before and after, but not during. Bob Matusek took home the honors with a 35" and SOB John Splitt caught 30". So far we've had multiple muskies caught at every Outing this season and the contest for the Traveling Trophy is still up for grabs with 7 SOB's

September's Outing was another beautiful one, kind of messing up my theme now, but I don't mind. It was also a nail biter, with Bob Matusek making a last ditch effort to take home the Traveling Trophy honors for 2007, but coming up 3/4 of point short. Bob was the only SOB to catch a fish with a nice 40 1/2, but it wasn't enough to put him over the top. So the 2007 Traveling Trophy honors go to Rob Frechette with 31.25, Bob Matusek finished 2nd with 30.5, followed by Jim Stella with 13.25 points, then Jefferson Batt with 11.5 points, Kathy Cammarata with 8 points, Bill Kilimnik with 7 points and John Splitt with 4 points.

Well it's back inside for the October Meeting, we will be holding it a week later, for a good reason, a bunch of SOB's will be fishing in the PMTT Championship in Kentucky during our normal week, so we will hold our Meeting on 10/24/07 with Steve Worrall from MuskieFIRST as our guest speaker. So be sure to show up and show your support to the SOB's.

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NEWSLETTER

Fall 2007

Upcoming Club Outings/Meetings

October Meeting 10/24/07: Speaker: **Steve Worrall** – WI Muskie Guide & Owner of MuskieFIRST.com

November Meeting 11/21/07: Speaker: **Ty Sennett (Tentatively)** – Chippewa Flowage Guide

December Meeting 12/19/07: Annual Christmas Party – Please bring a new wrapped lure for grab bag

January Meeting 1/16/08: Speaker: **Tony Grant** – Kentucky, Wisconsin & Minnesota Guide

February Meeting 2/20/08: Speaker: **Gregg Thomas** – Kentucky & Minnesota Guide

March Meeting 3/19/08: Speaker: **Tom Dietz** – Gander Mountain Pro Staff & Ohio Guide

April Meeting 4/16/08: Annual Awards Presentation – Speaker: **TBA**

2007 Release Information

The SOB Release Chairman is Jim Stella; you can register your fish on-line on the new Muskie Inc website www.muskiesinc.org or mail your release to Jim at 607 E. Hackberry Dr., Arlington Heights, IL 60004. Please turn in all release forms within 30 days of your catch. Also send your fish photos to Jim, especially Lunker of the Month fish. He will post them on our website and some may be used for the newsletter. **You can submit fish to the Lunge log anytime, but to qualify for SOB release points and Lunker of the Month, fish must be submitted within 30 days of catch, unless arrangements have been made ahead of time for those who will be away for more than 30 days.**

SOB Web Site

Don't forget to check out the SOB web site at www.muskiessob.com, you can see the current Release Standings and Lunker of the Month on the Release Standings Page, see photos of members fish and find out what's going on with the club. We decided to restrict access to specific fish catches & stats info to SOB members only. To access those pages the username and password is provided below. You can email the webmaster at info@www.muskiessob.com if you have any questions or comments on the web site. Remember this is your club, so if there is something you would like to see changed or if you have any comments please fill out the Feedback form on the Home Page to let the Board Members know what you think.

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Username: 14sob

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Merchandise

Our new Merchandise Director is Tom Geryol. SOB merchandise can be purchased at any of our regular meeting or by contacting Tom at 847-244-4448.

Membership

Our Membership Director is Jeff Fernhout if you have any questions or have a friend you would like to sign up or would like more information please contact Jeff at 847-731-2889.

SOB 2007 Release Standings

As of 9/13/07

<u>JUNIORS</u>		<u>FISH</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
<u>WOMENS</u>		<u>FISH</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
1	Linda Rice	15	267
2	Kathy Cammarata	4	55
3	Diana Nuyttens	3	52
4	Louise Mitten	2	29
5	Jessica Shopiro	1	9
<u>MENS</u>		<u>FISH</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
1	Robert Taylor	34	366.25
2	Greg Marino	19	346
3	Robert Frechette	9	88.25
4	Bob Matusek	10	80
5	John Arrigoni	7	78
6	William R Nuyttens	4	76
7	Tim Wallies	8	65
8	Jeff Fernhout	5	61
9	Mark Kisselburg	3	52
10	John Splitt	4	45
11	Scott Bjornson	3	42
12	Ryan Stochl	3	32.5
13	Tom S Geryol	1	23
14	Richard Shopiro	2	21
15	Ed Piotrowski	2	15
16	David Lirgameris	2	14
17	Jefferson Batt	1	11.5
18	Bill Kilimmik	1	10
<u>MASTERS</u>		<u>FISH</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
1	Nick Cammarata	35	351.25
2	Ben Modica	32	302.75
3	James R Stella	6	78.25
4	Scott Jenkins	5	76
5	John W Risius Jr	4	34.25
6	Lonnie Eslinger	2	28
7	William Pilarski	1	8

Total Muskies Caught 228

Last Year 376

SOB Lunker of the Month

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Final (X)</u>	<u>Lake</u>	<u>State</u>
Jan-07	Nick Cammarata	49.5	X	Crystal Lake	IL
Feb-07			X		
Mar-07	Robert Frechette	43.5	X	Kinkaid	IL
Apr-07	Ben Modica	48.5	X	Fox Chain	IL
May-07	Kathy Cammarata	47	X	Green Bay	WI
Jun-07	Linda Rice	55.25	X	Lac Seul	ON
Jul-07	Greg Marino	54	X	Lac Seul	ON
Aug-07	Linda Rice	56		Lac Seul	ON
Sep-07	John Splitt	48.75		Fox Chain	IL

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