



Southwest Michigan Steelheaders

A Chapter of the Michigan Steelhead & Salmon Fishermen's Association

St. Joseph, Michigan



October 2008

Letter from the President,

As I travel down country roads I already see trees turning fall colors, almost in front of my eyes! As I cross the Paw Paw River, I see Anglers fishing for Coho, Kings and Walleye on the banks. It's a sign...FALL IS HERE!

Just a few reminders of fast approaching events...

The Winter Challenge Tournament is on December 6th. Entry form enclosed in this newsletter.

The 2008 Christmas Party is on December 12, 2008. Information and entry form enclosed in this newsletter. This is an event you don't want to miss! We will be collecting non-perishable canned goods again this year for the needy. As in past years, Theresa will be decorating the Christmas Tree with canned and boxed goods collected. Remember, if you wish to make donations of cash, Theresa will gladly accept the donation prior to the Christmas party to help purchase the necessary items to build the foundation of the Christmas Tree (your name will be added to the drawing for donating). We encourage everyone to participate as much as possible. Look further into this newsletter for information regarding last years Christmas party and information regarding the food drive for the needy!

This month's guest speaker is Don Alhany. Don will tell us what lies on the bottom of Lake Michigan. How to find it and where to look. This will be an interesting presentation.

Have a great month! See everyone at the membership meeting on October 9th.

Charlie Broadhust

Monthly Membership Meeting

Thursday October 9, 2008

VFW Club Post #1137 * 2616 E. Napier * Benton Harbor
Social Hour begins at 6:00 PM * Meeting begins at 7:00 PM

Guest Speaker

Don Alhany

WHAT LIES BENEATH

Don will have information to share regarding what lies on the bottom of Lake Michigan. Don will share locations, photos and possibly more! What does lie in the bottom of Lake Michigan? Join us and find out!

2008 Big Fish Contest

Who to beat by November 30th

Charter Division

KING SALMON

Bil Doak
Four Seasons
20 lb. 8 oz.

STEELHEAD

Jerry Link
Originator
13 lb. 8 oz. 06/23/2008

LAKE TROUT

RoseBud (Chris Rose)
Sharkster Charters
21 lb. 8 oz. 08/14/2008

COHO SALMON

Jim Conder
Big Bird Charters
6 lb. 11 oz. 08/15/2008

BROWN TROUT

RoseBud (Chris Rose)
Sharkster Charters
15 lb. 14 oz. 08/06/
2008

ATLANTIC SALMON

No Record

PERCH

No Report

WALLEYE

No Record

Non-Charter Division

KING SALMON

Rick Stobbelaar
Trophy
17 lb. 8 oz. 07/04/2008

STEELHEAD

Chris Hold
15 lb. 5 oz. 07/04/2008

LAKE TROUT

Bryan Ammeson
24 lb. 7 oz. 5/15/8

COHO SALMON

Rick Stobbelaar
Trophy
7 lb. 7 oz.

BROWN TROUT

Dennis Neidlinger
Pro King
17 lb. 14 oz. 07/15/
2008

ATLANTIC SALMON

No Record

PERCH

Adam Riccioni
1 lb. 15 oz.

WALLEYE

Amy Lausman
Coho's Aim Again
10 lb. 8 oz. 05/26/2008

Kids Division

KING SALMON

Andrew Young
Aboard Trivia
14 lb. 9 oz.

STEELHEAD

No Report

LAKE TROUT

No Record

COHO SALMON

Alec Douville
Aboard Brandon Marie
6 lb. 4 oz. 07/06/2008

BROWN TROUT

No Record

ATLANTIC SALMON

No Record

PERCH

No Record

WALLEYE

No Record



Big Fish Contest Rules

1. Contestants must be a member of S.W. Michigan Steelheaders or their immediate family.
2. If a Steelheader catches a fish aboard another Steelheaders boat, it will be recorded with their name "Aboard" the Steelheaders boat the fish was caught on.
3. Eligible species: Steelhead, Coho Salmon, King Salmon, Atlantic Salmon, Brown Trout, Lake Trout, Walleye, and Perch.
4. Fish must be caught out of the Port of St. Joseph, Michigan (Boat or Pier), or in the St. Joseph River.
5. Contestant dues must be current prior to entering contest.
6. Fish must be weighed on a certified scale and entry form must be signed by witness at weigh in location.
7. Fish caught by A Licensed Charter Captain must be entered in the Charter Division regardless of boat he or she was aboard.
8. Children of Active Steelheaders, 16 years of age and under, may enter their fish in the Kids Division. Charter Division and Non-Charter Division does not apply to children.
9. Contest ends November 30th at midnight. Awards will be honored at the Annual Christmas Party. Kids Division will be honored at the January Membership Meeting. (The S.W. Steelheaders Winter Challenge results will be included in the yearly contest regardless of the date the tournament is held.)
10. All entries will be verified by Big Fish Chairperson.

Big Fish may be weighed in at B.J. Sports, Broadlow's Fishin' Hole, Klose Marina and Tackle Haven. If you weighed in a Big Fish that does not appear in this issue of the newsletter, your official weigh-in form was not forwarded to the Big Fish Chairperson for recording in time to make the monthly deadline. Contact the weigh-in location to make sure the responsible party delivered the weigh-in form. If your form does not get delivered to the Big Fish Chairperson, it will not be recorded or taken into consideration for the Big Fish Contest!

**S.W. MICHIGAN STEELHEADERS "WINTER CHALLENGE"
RIVER TOURNAMENT**



DATE: December 6, 2008 (Saturday)

PLACE: St. Joseph River (RR Bridge in St. Joe to Berrien Springs Dam)

FEE: \$ 20.00 Per Person

START: 6:00 A.M. (Launch anytime but no fishing before 6:00 A.M.)

FINISH: 2:00 P.M. (Fish hooked after 2:00 P.M. cannot be counted)

WEIGH-IN: Weigh in at Vickie's Sandbar, 2701 Lakeshore Dr., St. Joseph, Mi.

Food provided. Beverage of choice may be purchased.

All entrants must be in the weigh in area by 3:00 P.M. Sharp !

RULES:

1. Open to general public.
2. All DNR rules apply.
3. River limits are from Railroad bridge in St. Joseph upstream to the Dam at Berrien Springs. You may fish from shore or boat but you must fish in the St. Joseph River.
4. Steelhead, Brown Trout, Lake Trout, and Walleye may be entered.
5. Individuals may enter up to (3) Steelhead
6. Individual prizes from prize table awarded to all qualifying Steelhead entries. Additional Steelhead awards for Michigan Steelheader members only (membership must be paid before entry deadline).
7. Big fish prizes for Brown Trout, Lake Trout, and Walleye.
8. A chapter traveling trophy will be awarded to the Michigan Steelheaders chapter that weighs in the (3) heaviest Steelhead.
9. Entry deadline is December 5, 2008 (see store closing times below)

For more information contact Joe Montella at (269) 983-6852

ENTRY FORM FOR 2008 S.W. MICHIGAN STEELHEADERS RIVER TOURNAMENT

Name: _____

Chapter: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Date: _____

Are you a Steelheader: Yes ___ No ___

If you are not a member of the Steelheaders would you like to join ? Yes ___ No ___

Return entry forms to BJ Sports (6 PM), Broadlow's Fishin' Hole (5:30 PM),

Tackle Haven (6:00 PM), or Mail to:

Joe Montella

2719 Willa Dr.

St, Joseph, MI 49085



Mailed entry forms must be received by December 5, 2008

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Big Fish Chairperson.....Theresa Broadhurst
 Christmas Party.....Charlie & Theresa Broadhurst
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 River Tournament.....Joe Montella
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Bob Schultz
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Membership Form

New Member Renewal Address Change

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____
 Street City State Zip

Boat Name: _____

Home Port: _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Dues: Regular \$35.00 Sr. (over 65) \$25.00 Jr. \$5.00

Make Checks Payable To: SW MI Steelheaders

Send payments to:
 S.W. MI Steelheaders
 P.O. Box 575 * St. Joseph, MI 49085

OR: Hand deliver your payment to any S.W. Michigan Steelhead Board Member or bring payment to the next Membership Meeting.

Congratulations Andrew Gillen

Andrew, age 9, took his 1st deer while hunting with this father, Joel Gillen and Grandfather, Jack Gillen.

Joel and Jack Gillen (father and son) are fellow Steelhead members from the Michigan City Area.

After spending the morning hunting, Andrew, Joel and Jack spent the afternoon processing the deer while Andrew told exactly how, when and where he took his shot!

**CONGRATULATIONS
ANDREW!!!!**



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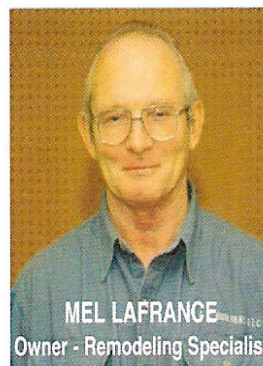
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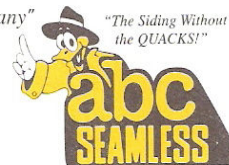
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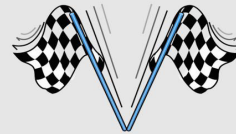
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May 2008

Christmas with The Southwest Michigan Steelheaders and The International Student Exchange.

The S.W. Michigan Steelheaders will be working with the International Student Exchange Program again this year in an effort to provide Christmas for those in need. With last years collection of non-perishable foods items, monetary donations and sales of candy bars to the general public, the S.W. Michigan Steelheaders and the International Student Exchange Program were able to provide food baskets for 13 families in need. They were also able to provide a Hot Christmas Dinner for approximately 40 homeless families AND MADE CHRISTMAS HAPPEN for approximately 76 children. Without everyone's participation, this would NOT have happen! Let's do it again this year...perhaps increase their numbers! Now is the time to watch for the sales on non-perishable canned goods, boxed potatoes, etc. Collect them early. A Christmas Tree will be constructed at the Christmas Party again this year. If you are unable to attend the Christmas Party on Friday, December 12th and want to make a monetary/food donation, you can drop your donations off at either Fishin' Hole location or call Theresa for a pickup 269-208-0404. If you are purchasing a large amount of one item, it would be appreciated if you could purchase them with the case box. It makes it easier to build the Christmas Tree!

REMEMBER, by making a donation your name goes into a drawing for a chance to win a nice gift as the Steelheaders way of saying Thank You for your donation and for helping the needy during the Holiday Season.

Non-Perishable Food Items Needed:

Canned Hams * Boxed Stuffing Mix * Green Beans

Cream of Mushroom Soup * Canned Onion Rings

Boxed Mashed Potatoes * Pork & Turkey Gravy * Canned Yams

Cranberry Sauce * Cake Mixes and Frosting * Mixed Canned

Vegetables * Canned Fruit * Pudding & Jell-O



Southwest Michigan Steelheaders

2008 Christmas Party

Friday: December 12, 2008

Social Hour 6:00 PM * Dinner Served at 7:00 PM



Lake Michigan Hills Banquet Hall

2520 Kerlikowske Road * Benton Harbor, MI

\$10.00 per adult (no children please)

RSVP by December 5, 2008 or late fee of \$15 per person applies.

The Christmas party is for Steelheader Members and one guest.

Desserts: We wish to bring back the tradition of asking the Lady Steelheaders to bring their favorite dessert to share!

Raffle Tickets: Will be sold for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. We would like to ask each couple to bring an unwrapped gift for the raffle table (\$10 value would be appreciated).

Food Donations: We will be collecting non-perishables food items for the needy again this year. Bring your non-perishables along with you to the Christmas party and your name will be placed in a special drawing to be given away at the Christmas Party. Cash donations will gladly be accepted to help purchase needed items to build the Christmas Tree and to help complete food baskets for the needy. (Contact Charlie 269-208-6777 or Theresa 269-208-0404 prior to the Christmas Party if possible).

Alcohol: Cash Bar ONLY * Please No Outside Beverages Allowed.

Music Entertainment: Bring your dancing shoes...Music Unlimited will be with us again this year!

Mail your payment (along with this bottom portion of this entry form) to:

S.W. Michigan Steelheaders * P.O. Box 575, St. Joseph, MI 49085

You may also Hand Deliver to the October or November Membership Meeting or drop your entry form and payment at either Fishin' Hole location.

Steelheaders Name: _____

Steelheaders Guest Name: _____

\$10.00 per adult - Amount enclosed \$ _____

Additional Guest attending: _____

Additional Guest attending: _____

\$25.00 per adult - Amount enclosed \$ _____

Southwest Michigan Steelheaders
Tackle Mania 2009

DATE IN JANUARY TO BE ANNOUNCED!!!!

If you have attended Tackle Mania in the past, you know this is an event you really don't want to miss! You can come as a vendor, or a consumer.

That choice is yours. If you wish to be a vendor, contact Charlie Broadhurst 269-208-6777 as soon as possible to get your name on the list. Booth space is limited for this event!

ESCAPE FROM CABIN FEVER in January!

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If you want to be a vendor...START NOW by cleaning out your closets, basements and boats! Get your items priced and ready for someone who can really use them.

SELL WHAT YOU HAVE IN JANUARY

BUY NEW IN THE SPRING!

A GREAT DEALS WILL BE WAITING FOR EVERYONE!

Booth space is limited for this event. If you are interested in a booth, contact Charlie Broadhurst at 269-208-6777. THIS EVENT IS A FUN EVENT! NO CONTRACT, NO RULES (within reason) and no set prices (unless MSRP prices apply to new items).

LETS MAKE SOME DEALS!!!

Purchases must be made with Cash or Check.
Credit cards will probably NOT be accepted in most cases.

Calendar of Events 2008

all events subject to change

October 2008 Calendar of Events

9th - S.W. Chapter Membership Meeting * 6:00 Social Hour 7:00 PM Meeting
VFW Club Post 1137 * 2616 E. Napier Avenue * Benton Harbor

29th - State Directors Meeting

November 2008 Calendar of Events

13th - S.W. Chapter Membership Meeting * 6:00 Social Hour 7:00 PM Meeting
VFW Club Post 1137 * 2616 E. Napier Avenue * Benton Harbor

December 2008 Calendar of Events

MEMBERSHIP MEETING FOR DECEMBER WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTY *
KIDS BIG FISH AWARDS WILL BE HONORED AT THE JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

3rd - State Directors Meeting

6th - Winter Challenge River Tournament - (entry form enclosed)

12th Steelheaders Christmas Party * Sign Up (entry form enclosed)

**TO ADD AN EVENT - CONTACT THERESA BROADHURST, NEWSLETTER EDITOR
269-208-0404 or e-mail Theresa: theresabroadhurst@gmail.com**



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