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Special points of interest:

- Harbor ice is out and fish are in, get the boat in the water!
- 2nd Annual KSFCA Fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, April 25th from 6:00pm –10:00pm at Coins Sportsbar on 52nd Street, in Kenosha
- Jacks’ Fly Tying Class will be practicing fly casting, on the front lawn of the Moose, the first couple of Tuesday evenings in April
- If you know a business owner or individual that may be interested in becoming a supporting member of the KSFCA please contact Jon FioRito at 262-220-4606 for additional information and details.

Two Guest Speakers to be at KSFCA Meeting on April 6th

“The Economic Value of Lake Michigan Sport Fishing” will be the first topic presented by Dr. Jane Harrison. Dr. Harrison is an environmental social scientist with the University of Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute. Wisconsin Sea Grant uses research, outreach, and education to promote the stewardship and sustainable use of our Great Lakes resources. Jane provides expertise in environmental economics and sociology. Her work focuses on the economic impacts of beach closures, the economic value of habitat restoration and toxic sediment remediation, and costal hazard preparation and response.

Dan Makutz, is the owner of “Sooperfly Trolling Tackle LLC. Dan will be talking about his business, as well. At the present time you may view his slide show at, sooperflytackle@hotmail.com. This album has 40 photos and will be available on OneDrive until 5/28/2015.

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Preping the Rearing Pond, Feb 14th & 15th

(Related Story on Page 6, By: Mark Hasenberg)



NOTICE: Rod Assemblers Needed, towards the end of April (For Kids Fish-N-Fun)...



Photos by: Dick Kessler

“Jacks’ Fly Tying Corner”

Article by: Jack Springer

For twenty-three consecutive weeks, starting on Oct. 21st, fly tying classes were being held in the Moose basement on Tuesday nights. How did it go? Our number of attendees was at a all-time high, with numbers varying from twelve to eighteen, depending on the weather and snow. We acquired sixteen new tiers from teenagers to middle age to older people, which reflects that any age can participate and learn fly tying. The most important attribute is a strong desire to try and learn. Each fly the instructors chose for each week was different in materials, tied with new techniques and thread management skills. The idea is to cross-reference skills from week-to-week and start to build skill and confidence in the newer tyers. And also to make each week fun and interesting for everyone. The instructors tried to keep it light, offer encouragement and proper guidance at the right time. The instructors were Kip Maske, Scott Kessler, and Jack Springer. We saw the newer tyers improve in all ways and success was had by all present.

We should have a good carry-over of tyers in the fall startup time and into the next year, for the interest is there. We also recruited seven new fly tyers for KSFCA membership.

The fly tying instructors would also like to thank the Moose Club for the great location and the Kenosha Sportfishing and Conservation Association for their continued sponsorship of fly tying. Any comments or questions, call Jack Springer @ 262-694-9462.



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Nice Brown Trout caught by Jon FioRito, KSFCA President

Pics of 2014 Awards Banquet held on Feb. 28th. MC'd and Story by Lynn Davis continues on page 4, of this issue.



Fishing Report

Courtesy of: Lake Michigan Angler

Warm weather has deteriorated the ice on the Fox Chain and surrounding waters but not enough to open water fish just yet. The channels should open up soon for some pan fishing. Shore fishermen at Waukegan Harbor are catching brown trout and on K.O. Wobblers and Lil' Cleos.



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The 2014 KSFCA Fishing Contest Awards were presented at the Feb. 28th KSFCA Banquet held at the Boat House Pub. Many members along with their spouses were in attendance. A great meal, and company for a great event. Awards were presented to Steve Reuter for Master Angler, Biggest Coho, Biggest Brown, Biggest King and Golden Crapper.

The Harry Rasch Award was given to Mike Smith for the largest Sportfish caught Memorial Day weekend.

The Kim Caves award for Largest Rainbow went to Dave Slayton.

Monetary awards totaling more than \$500 was given to those that had placed in the top three largest fish for the year in a category.

A committee chairman for 2015 Contests is still needed. Consider becoming more active in this fun group.

Volunteer Opportunities

The KSFCA NEEDS YOU, to volunteer for the club fundraisers & functions- Assisting with upcoming events

- Benefit/Fundraiser April 25th @ Coins Sports Bar
- Kids Fish-N-Fun May 9th @ Anderson Pond

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KSFCA Rearing Pond.....a brief history & changes to be made in 2015

Article by: Mark Hasenberg

Built in 1973, at that time the club (KSFCA) consisted of some 250 members. Over the years the Kenosha Rearing Pond was the most effective in the state on the shore of Lake Michigan.

The least amount of fingerlings received from the state was 30,000 and the most was 200,000. Browns were brought in the winter, Cohos in the spring and early summer and Chins in the late summer and fall.

In recent years the number of fish raised in the pond has declined due to the fact that the state has additional hatcheries so the stocking quota has been reduced.

In the later years, 1980 thru the present time (the last was 2013) there were approximately 45,000 Chins released in the Pike River every year.

The fingerlings are raised at a state hatchery, before being trucked to Kenosha. The KSFCA would receive the fingerlings and raise them for 5-6 weeks and then release them into the Pike River through a pipe from section 4 of the pond.

The pond is divided in 4 sections, the deepest is section #1, about 5 1/2 to 6 feet deep, section #3 is 4 1/2 feet deep, section #2 is 3 feet deep, and section #4 is 18 inches deep. Between each section there is a "gate" which regulates the depth. The fish are equally divided into sections 2, 3, and 4. Section 1 is reserved to filter the water. The fish are fed 2 times a day and the water temperature and dissolved oxygen are also checked and recorded at this time.

CHANGES TO BE MADE IN 2015

It is anticipated that the 2015 group of 25,000 fingerlings will be received sometime in April. To be ready for this a number of changes are being made to more adequately imprint the fish with Pike River water. Imprinting is the process of convincing the fish that this is their home stream to which they will return when they are mature adults. To accomplish the imprint a boom will be extended from the pond approximately 20 feet out over the Pike River. Suspended from the boom will be a 20 gpm pump which pumps water into the pond thru a hose. This Pike River water will mix with the 120 gpm water from the well. The DNR believes that this will successfully imprint the fish to return in 3-4 years to spawn and die. All of the salmon being stocked and released this year have a coded wire tag in their head which will identify them as 2015 Pike River fish. The DNR uses this information to track the stocking points of all Lake Michigan fish.

The deadline to have all these changes complete (weather permitting) is March 28, 2015.

THAT MEANS THE REARING POND HAS TO BE READY. With the help of all of our volunteers this should be successfully accomplished.

APRIL 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6 <small>KSFCA Club Meeting 7:00 pm</small>	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 <small>Wisconsin Conservation Congress 7:00 pm</small>	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 <small>KSFCA Board Meeting 7:00 pm</small>	21	22	23	24	25 <small>Annual KSFCA Fund- raiser</small>
26	27	28	29	30		

- ### Important dates this month
- 4-06-15 - KSFCA Club Meeting at the Moose @ 7:00 pm
 - 4-13-15 - Wisconsin Conservation Congress @ 7:00 pm
Bristol School Dist. #1, Gymnasium, 20121 83rd Street, Bristol, WI 53104
 - 4-20-15 - KSFCA Board Meeting @ 7:00 pm
 - 4-25-15 - Annual KSFCA Fund raiser @ Coins Sports bar

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<i>Guest Speakers</i>	<i>* Jon FioRito</i> <i>Jerry Vigansky</i>

- ### 2015 Schedule of Club Events
- 01/05/15 - Board Elections
 - 02/28/15 - Awards Banquet
 - 05/09/15 - Kids Fish-N-Fun
 - 05/17/15 - Monthly Tournament
 - 06/07/15 - Monthly Tournament
 - 08/09/15 - Monthly Tournament
 - 09/19/15 - Pike River Revival (to be confirmed)
 - 09/20/15 - Monthly Tournament
 - General Club meeting are held on the first Monday of each month at the Moose Lodge 7:00pm (no meeting in July)
 - Board meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at 7:00pm location T.B.D. (no meeting in June)

New Fish mapping tool available on line

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