

MARCH 2023



Dear COMI 41 Members,

Spring is hopefully coming fast! I know there have been fish being caught recently. One thing I wanted to bring an awareness to was educating anglers around muskie fishing.

Recently, there were some posts on Facebook with a person that was keeping muskies out of CJ and it appeared he may have been keeping more than the allowed amount. There were several comments, some of which would consider bashing, and some that were constructive.

We all know how much our clubs and DNR does for our stocking program and it is frustrating to see things like this, but we need to be good stewards about our fishery. Any time that we can educate around the importance of catch and release, proper tools, proper releases etc. this would be a positive reflection on our club and other clubs. We all want our fisheries to thrive and continue to improve.

March is a busy month. We have our lure auction at PJ's on March 14th at 7pm. The ODNR Conservation Day is March 18th at Alum Creek. Thanks to Kyle Chapman for organizing this. It should be a great event. Finally, March 25th is our annual awards banquet at PJ's at 7pm. This is a time to reflect on last year's successes and look ahead for this year.

Elmer will be doing his spring presentation at the April meeting.

My show season finished up this past weekend at the Muskie Max show. I wanted to specifically thank Ch 41 for the support you have given me over the years. I truly appreciate it!

Thanks,
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Greetings Muskie Inc. club officers-

This letter is to make you aware of a new application within the Muskie Angler Log. For some time, Muskies Inc. clubs have expressed interest in sharing catch data reported in the Muskies Inc. Lunge Log with Ohio's Muskie Angler Log. Clubs recognize that some of their members choose to report their catches only in the Lunge Log and capturing this data in the Muskie Angler Log would be beneficial.

We are excited to announce that there now exists a method for sharing Ohio Muskie catch data reported in the Lunge Log with the Muskie Angler Log - it is called the [Lunge Log Data Sharing Program](#). The program was developed in collaboration with leaders from Muskies Inc. and is designed to integrate **angler approved** Lunge Log catch data with the Muskie Angler Log. We ask that you please share this information with your membership.

How it works

The process is really quite easy. An angler who wishes to share his/her catch information reported in the Lunge Log simply needs to create a profile in the Muskie Angler Log and indicate within that profile their willingness to share their Lunge Log data. This is done within the club affiliation section of the Muskie Angler Log by:

- 1) Entering Yes for "Are you a member of a Muskies, Inc. club";
- 2) Providing a MI club member ID (this will be used by MI to identify an angler's catches); and
- 3) Select the "Share Lunge Log Catches" box.

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That's it. By following these steps, an angler gives Muskies Inc. permission to provide catch data to the Muskie Angler Log. Catch data shared will include dates, locations, lengths of fish caught, and whether fish were harvested or released.

Catch data from the Lunge Log will be collected and imported into the Muskie Angler Log annually.

Note: we request that anglers who share their Lunge Log catch data **DO NOT** report the same catches in the Muskie Angler Log, as this will create duplicate catch reports. The Lunge Log Data Sharing Program is **ONLY** for those anglers who do not report catches in the Muskie Angler Log.

Thank you for your time and support. Feel free to contact us with any questions.

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The Braggin' Board

Fisherman Spotlight

The Fisherman Spotlight is an opportunity to highlight great catches and members of the club. The Spotlight does not necessarily go to the biggest fish caught each month.



Pictured here is our Chapter Treasurer, Bill Kulju. Bill's been an active member in the club for a while now, and if you've been in the club for a couple years, you certainly know Bill. Aside from being an officer and a muskie fisherman, Bill was recently honored by Westerville South High School for his contributions as an educator and athletic trainer. [Here's a link to his story and the commemoration.](#)

Bill's also an expert in hydration and has a great lesson in proper hydration levels during hotter days on the water, maybe he can give the club a seminar in the near future... Congrats Bill, our club is lucky to have you!

Official 2022 Lunkers of the Month

Members Largest by Month in 2022

#	Month	Name	Length	Date Caught	Lake - City, State
1	January	Cliff Honeycutt	45.00"	01/31/2022	Melton Hill Lake - Anderson, TN
2	February	Cliff Honeycutt	45.50"	02/21/2022	Melton Hill Lake - Anderson, TN
3	March	Cliff Honeycutt	44.00"	03/22/2022	Alum Creek Res - Delaware, OH
4	April	Justin Knecht	45.50"	04/28/2022	Alum Creek Res - Franklin, OH
5	May	Bill Kulju	47.00"	05/23/2022	Alum Creek Res - Delaware, OH
6	June	Clint Olson	50.50"	06/25/2022	Lake St. Clair - Ontario, ON
7	July	Michael Ruffing	49.50"	07/31/2022	Lake St. Clair - Ontario, ON
8	August	Mark Pauling	50.00"	08/24/2022	Lake St. Clair - Ontario, ON
9	September	Robert Cox	50.50"	09/06/2022	Lake St. Clair - Ontario, ON
10	October	Marc Grattan	50.00"	10/30/2022	Lake St. Clair - Ontario, ON
11	November	George Weber	49.50"	11/05/2022	Detroit River - Ontario, ON
12	December	Justin Knecht	49.75"	12/11/2022	Clear Fork Reservoir - Richland, OH



Club Points and Chapter Fish List

2022 Club Points

Members	Cons Day Alum Creek	Jon Fisher Memorial Tournament Salt Fork	Russ Dodridge Memorial Alum Creek	Summer Night Bite Alum Creek	Youth Event Park of Roses	Fall Season Kick Off CJ Brown	Fall Shoot Out Caesars Creek	Point Total
George Weber	0	0	0	0	0	59	5	64
Mike McDonald	0	0	0	0	0	58.5	5	63.5
Bill Lambert	0	0	22.5	5	0	5	22	54.5
Shane Holcomb	0	29.5	5	0	0	19	0	53.5
Dave Flockerzie	0	5	32	5	5	5	0	52
Ed Psumy	5	0	13.5	16	5	5	0	44.5
Bob Smart	0	5	14.5	5	0	14	5	43.5
Bob Parnisari	0	21.5	0	0	0	15.5	5	42
Turk Michel	5	5	10	5	5	5	5	40
Elmer Heyob	5	0	12.5	5	5	12	0	39.5
Bill Kulju	5	14.5	15	0	0	5	0	39.5
Fred Lane	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	35
Tom Smith	0	15.5	5	0	0	11.5	0	32
George Smart	0	5	5	5	5	5	5	30
Bob Sisson	5	5	5	0	5	0	5	25
Jack Worline	0	20	0	5	0	0	0	25
Dan Collins	0	0	14	5	5	0	0	24
Cliff Honeycutt	0	12	0	5	0	0	0	17
Jon Emery	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	17
Chris Laux	0	10.5	0	0	0	5	0	15.5
Jim Barton	0	15.5	0	0	0	0	0	15.5
Greg Them	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	15
Eric Morris	0	5	0	0	0	5	5	15
Nick Fraver	0	5	0	0	0	5	5	15
Thurman Adair	0	5	0	0	5	0	5	15
Doug Dible	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	10
JoAnn Dible	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	10
Cam Theron	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	10
Patrick Colopy	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	10
Chuck Wilbert	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	5
Joe Desrochers	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	5
Mark Pauling	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	5
Ted Coble	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	5
Tom Rankin	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	5
Ashley Ruffing	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	5
Chris Gombola	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Darrel Brown	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	5
Howard Moshier	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Joe Bertke	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Kathleen Michael	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
Kinley Flockerzie	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	5
Kyle Chapman	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Martin Hoover	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	5
Mike Bartolotta	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Patrick Frase	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5

2023 Fish List

Member Name	Division	Muskies Caught	Total Points
George Weber	Mens Masters	19	253
Cliff Honeycutt	Mens Masters	5	57
Justin Knecht	Mens Division	3	22
James Grattan	Mens Masters	1	17
Marc Grattan	Mens Masters	1	12
Bob Parnisari	Mens Division	1	12
Elmer W Heyob Jr	Mens Masters	1	11
Michael McDonald	Mens Division	5	64
John Combs	Mens Division	2	20
Christopher Laux	Mens Division	2	19
Ralph Angstmann	Mens Division	1	8
Nick Fraver	Mens Division	1	5



Central Ohio Chapter #41 Muskies Inc. 2023 Event Schedule (12/18/22)



Events in
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in the MI Calendar.

Jan 10th 7p 2023 Kick Off Meeting @ PJ's (***ODNR U/D***) ***Lucky 7 Lures tbd***

Jan 27th – 29th Ohio Muskie Show – Makoy Center, Hilliard OH

Feb 14th 7p ***Meeting*** @ PJ's (***Hooks, Lines, Leaders***) ***Lucky 7 Lures tbd***

Feb 10th – 12th Columbus Fishing Expo @ Ohio State Fairgrounds

Mar 14th 7p ***Meeting*** 7p @ PJ's (***LURE AUCTION***) ***Lucky 7 Lures tbd***

Mar 18th ***ODNR Conservation Day*** @ Alum Creek

Mar 25th 7p 2021 Awards Banquet @ PJ's

April 11th 7p ***Meeting*** @ PJ's (***Spring Casting, fig 8s***) ***Lucky 7 Lures tbd***

April 29th - 30th John Fisher Memorial @ Salt Fork

Ohio AG Update Due

May 9th 7p ***Meeting*** @ PJ's (***Trollin, Down Rigggin, & Planar Boardin***) ***Lucky 7 Lures tbd***

May 6th-7th MI Region 3 Chapter Challenge @ Raystown Lake, PA

Jun 3rd - 4th Ohio Chapter Challenge @ Salt Fork

Jun 13th 6p ***Meeting*** @ Alum Creek, New Galena Ramps Shelter house (***Dodridge preview***) ***Lucky 7 Lures tbd***

Jun 17th -18th Russ Dodridge Memorial @ Alum Creek

Jun 23rd Fri 6p-Midnight - Nite Bite Club Outing @ Alum Creek

July 11th 6p ***Meeting*** @ Alum Creek, New Galena Ramps (Shelter house) ***Lucky 7 Lures tbd***

Boat Service Day, Rod & Reel Repairs

July 13th Youth Event @ Whetstone Park of Roses Pond

Aug 8th 7p ***Meeting*** @ PJ's – Plan CJB Kickoff ***MFS Bucktails & Spinners***

Aug 12th ***ODNR Conservation Day*** @ Alum Creek

Sep 9th-10th Fall Season Kickoff @ CJ Brown

SAM Update Due

Sept 12th *7p ***Meeting*** @ PJ's – Plan Joint Tourn & Fall Shootout ***Lucky 7 Lures tbd***

Sept 23rd-24th MI Chapters 19 & 41 Joint Tournament @ West Branch

Oct 7th – 8th Fall Shootout @ Caesars Creek

Oct 31st Deadline to submit 2023 Chapter Events to MI for the 2024 calendar.

Oct 10th 7p ***Meeting*** @ PJ's - Establish 2022 event schedule. ***Lucky 7 Lures tbd***

Nov 14th 7p ***Meeting*** @ PJ's – Annual Chapter Officer Elections. ***Lucky 7 Lures tbd***

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Dec 12th 7p @ PJ's – Annual Christmas Party!

