

# DECEMBER 2023



Dear COMI Members,

The fishing season is winding down. Please be safe if you are still fishing. A special thanks to Jack Manley for giving his cold water survival presentation at our November meeting. Speaking of our November meeting, we held our annual election of officers. It was status quo with the exception of a couple of changes.

1. Kyle Chapman will be our Youth Event Coordinator
2. Greg Them - Minnow Fund Coordinator
3. We have an open position for the Program Director role. This will be addressed over the next few months.

Also at our November meeting, we went over the results from the Tournament Survey results. We had almost 50 people respond which was a pretty good number. Thanks to everyone that provided their feedback. With that said, the group approved the Chapter 41 tournament dates / locations for 2024. They are as follows:

1. Russ Dodridge Memorial - Alum Creek, May 18th and 19th
2. John Fisher Memorial - Clearfork Reservoir, June 8th and 9th
3. Elmer Heyob Memorial - CJ Brown Reservoir, October 5th

Other notable observations from the results

1. One day vs two day tournaments were pretty close
2. Majority favored plaques over prizes for tournaments
3. Why do people fish tournaments? Comradery was the highest
3. Biggest factor if you fish a tournament? Distance

Our annual Christmas Party will be on December 12th at 6pm at Yogi's Bar and Grill on Hard Road. It's the same place we had it last year. We will be doing a gift exchange, so bring a muskie related item if you would like to participate.

Yogi's Bar and Grill  
3880 Hard Rd, Dublin, OH 43016

Our Banquet will be on March 9th, 2024 at the same location as last year's banquet. More news to come on this.

Chapter 41 will be participating in a Muskie Summit that is going to be hosted by the ODNR on the Friday morning of the Ohio Musky Show. It's going to be a small focus group with 2-3 members of each chapter/club in Ohio along with the DNR representatives. They will be talking about the challenges they face with the rising cost of minnows etc. We will give a report at our February meeting as to what the outcome (if any) of the meeting.

I hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and New Year.

Please be safe and we will see everyone soon.

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.

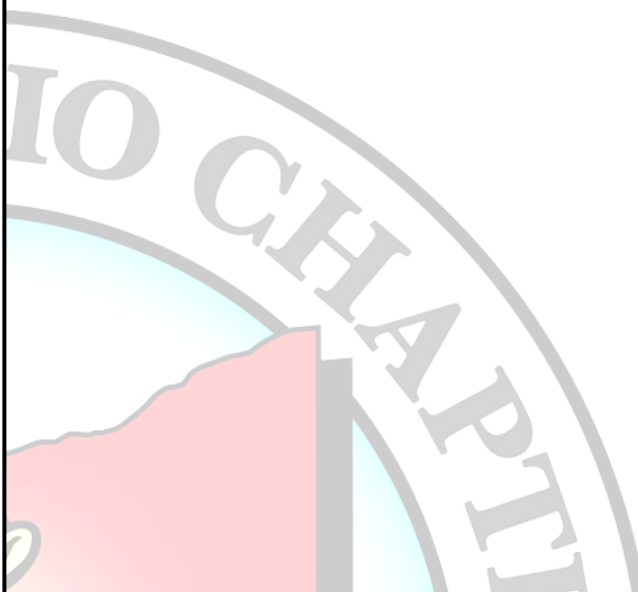
We are excited to announce that there now exists a method for sharing Ohio Muskie catch data reported in the Lunge Log with the Muskie Angler Log – it is called the [Lunge Log Data Sharing Program](#). The program was developed in collaboration with leaders from Muskies Inc. and is designed to integrate **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 member Nate Tilford with a 3-footer out of Alum right before Thanksgiving. Nate helped put Alum in the Top 10 for muskies caught this year (although it sounds like Caesars Creek would like a word). Nice work Nate, you were rewarded for hitting the water in November!



**Official 2022 Lunkers of the Month**  
Members Largest by Month in 2022

Name	Length	Date Caught	Lake - City, State
Cliff Honeycutt	45.00"	01/31/2022	Melton Hill Lake - Anderson, TN
Cliff Honeycutt	45.50"	02/21/2022	Melton Hill Lake - Anderson, TN
Cliff Honeycutt	44.00"	03/22/2022	Alum Creek Res - Delaware, OH
Justin Knecht	45.50"	04/28/2022	Alum Creek Res - Franklin, OH
Bill Kulju	47.00"	05/23/2022	Alum Creek Res - Delaware, OH
Clint Olson	50.50"	06/25/2022	Lake St. Clair - Ontario, ON
Michael Ruffing	49.50"	07/31/2022	Lake St. Clair - Ontario, ON
Mark Pauling	50.00"	08/24/2022	Lake St. Clair - Ontario, ON
Robert Cox	50.50"	09/06/2022	Lake St. Clair - Ontario, ON
Marc Grattan	50.00"	10/30/2022	Lake St. Clair - Ontario, ON
George Weber	49.50"	11/05/2022	Detroit River - Ontario, ON
Justin Knecht	49.75"	12/11/2022	Clear Fork Reservoir - Richland, OH

## 2024 CanAm Information



- July 13-14<sup>th</sup> 2024
- Open to all
- CanAm cup will be awarded for the longest muskie caught and released by a Muskies Inc or Muskies Canada member in good standing
- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophies and prizes for the Open portion of the tournament
- A flyer with details from the Belle River chapter of Muskies Canada will be put out this this spring

*See you there!*





# Chapter Fish List



**My Chapter MOFC as of: 12/06/2023 for Chapter 41**  
Muskies, Inc.

#	Member No	Name	Division	Caught	Points	Avg Length	Max Length
1	8373	Maurice J Potvin	Mens Masters	154	1,556	36.06"	42.00"
2	47582	Steve Ault	Mens Masters	118	1,373	37.57"	46.60"
3	31096	Cliff Honeycutt	Mens Masters	121	1,270	36.46"	47.00"
4	46555	George Weber	Mens Masters	63	851	39.31"	47.50"
5	35038	William Lambert	Mens Masters	60	617	36.14"	42.00"
6	25609	Marc Grattan	Mens Masters	39	536	39.62"	50.00"
7	39289	Tony Crisp	Mens Masters	44	515	37.56"	44.50"
8	25398	James Grattan	Mens Masters	41	488	37.78"	50.00"
9	7905	Mark Pauling	Mens Masters	23	262	37.28"	47.00"
10	45838	Shawn Arndt	Mens Masters	12	217	43.90"	51.00"
11	14617	Ron L Fisher	Mens Masters	16	177	36.94"	46.50"
12	36681	Charles Wilbert	Mens Masters	4	49	38.13"	39.50"
13	37534	Gary Solomon	Mens Masters	4	38	35.38"	36.50"
14	29272	Steve Russell	Mens Masters	2	37	44.50"	48.00"
15	39472	Jack Worline	Mens Masters	2	24	38.00"	41.00"
16	17811	Elmer W Heyob Jr	Mens Masters	2	18	35.00"	37.00"
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1	51924	Ivan Beachy	Mens Division	135	1,653	38.24"	49.00"
2	108099	Shane Holcomb	Mens Division	53	506	35.53"	46.75"
3	107175	Bob Parnisari	Mens Division	38	408	36.59"	49.25"
4	110009	Michael Mcdonald	Mens Division	27	350	38.79"	45.50"
5	44021	John Wagner	Mens Division	19	236	38.37"	47.00"
6	104666	Clint Olson	Mens Division	24	234	35.67"	50.25"
7	49285	Nick Fraver	Mens Division	20	226	37.13"	45.50"
8	108101	Jason Hutcheson	Mens Division	21	225	36.57"	41.00"
9	49962	Bob Sisson	Mens Division	20	196	35.75"	45.00"
10	40804	Greg Them	Mens Division	16	168	36.31"	41.00"
11	107552	Dave Flockerzie	Mens Division	14	157	37.14"	43.00"
12	107242	Edward Psumy	Mens Division	14	152	36.77"	44.00"
13	110140	Ryan Dieter	Mens Division	10	120	37.73"	41.00"
14	107306	Jacob Davis	Mens Division	11	115	36.41"	46.00"
15	50391	John Marks	Mens Division	10	114	37.38"	43.25"
16	51332	Fred Lane	Mens Division	9	99	36.97"	44.25"
17	108886	Ralph Angstmann	Mens Division	8	99	38.19"	42.00"
18	107615	Christopher Laux	Mens Division	8	89	36.97"	47.50"
19	104212	Justin Knecht	Mens Division	7	87	38.29"	46.50"
20	100199	Daniel Collins	Mens Division	6	73	37.83"	40.00"
21	49985	Nick Cox	Mens Division	4	71	43.75"	50.00"
22	104105	John L Michel	Mens Division	5	69	39.85"	45.00"
23	51702	Dan Brooks	Mens Division	6	64	36.67"	41.00"
24	51736	Bill Kulju	Mens Division	5	54	36.60"	39.00"
25	103992	Thomas Smith	Mens Division	5	52	36.20"	40.50"
26	50301	Patrick Frase	Mens Division	5	51	35.90"	37.50"
27	105318	Brandon Knecht	Mens Division	3	47	41.58"	51.25"
28	110038	Connor Scheumann	Mens Division	3	40	39.33"	43.00"
29	102512	Jon Emery	Mens Division	4	39	35.69"	40.50"
30	110363	Matt Seebach	Mens Division	3	39	38.67"	39.00"
31	42250	Douglas R Dible	Mens Division	4	38	35.50"	39.00"
32	110530	Mark Ropp	Mens Division	6	37	32.08"	39.50"
33	31817	Mike Stumph	Mens Division	3	32	36.67"	39.00"
34	102908	Aaron Schifer	Mens Division	2	31	41.50"	45.00"
35	48738	Ray McMaster	Mens Division	2	27	39.00"	41.50"
#	Member No	Name	Division	Caught	Points	Avg Length	Max Length
36	110085	John Combs	Mens Division	2	20	35.75"	36.00"
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2	10276	Margaret Pauling	Womens Masters	6	76	38.67"	44.00"
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1	110010	Luann Jones	Womens Division	11	139	38.41"	46.50"
2	102727	Ashley Ruffing	Womens Division	6	66	37.00"	42.00"
3	105600	Linda Hull	Womens Division	2	24	37.75"	42.00"
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1	106823	Gavin Cain	Juniors Fry	7	76	36.86"	43.00"
2	110497	Lanson Goodwin	Juniors Fry	2	24	37.75"	39.50"
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1	108792	Jackson Friend-hutcheson	Juniors Fry	3	32	36.67"	38.00"



# Club Points

	Spring Conservation Day	Jon Fisher Memorial	Russ Dodridge Memorial	Summer Night Bite	Youth Event	Fall Conservation Day	Elmer Heyob Memorial	Fall Shoot Out	Point
Members	Alum Creel	Salt For	Alum Creel	Alum Creel	Park of Ro	Alum Creel	CJ Brow	Caesars Creek	Total
Dave Flockenzie	5	28.5	17	47	5	0	5	5	112.5
Bill Lambert	0	16	5	5	0	0	50	5	81
Fred Lane	5	15	23.25	5	5	0	5	5	63.25
George Smart	0	0	27.5	22.25	0	0	5	5	59.75
Steve Ault	0	0	0	0	0	0	59.5	0	59.5
Bob Parnisari	0	25	0	0	0	0	26.5	0	51.5
Bob Smart	0	0	24.25	16	0	0	5	5	50.25
Jon Emery	0	5	21	5	5	0	5	0	41
Nick Fraver	0	0	0	0	0	0	38.75	0	38.75
Ed Psumy	0	0	20.75	5	0	5	5	0	35.75
Turk Michel	5	5	5	5	5	0	5	5	35
Eric Morris	0	0	5	5	0	0	16.5	5	31.5
Mike McDonald	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	23	28
Cliff Honeycutt	0	0	5	5	0	0	17	0	27
Dan Brooks	0	0	17	0	0	0	5	0	22
Rob Fraver	0	0	0	0	0	0	16.75	5	21.75
George Weber	0	0	0	0	0	0	16.5	5	21.5
Bill Kulju	5	5	0	0	0	5	5	0	20
Dan Collins	0	0	5	5	5	0	5	0	20
Martin Hoover	5	0	5	5	5	0	0	0	20
Ryan Dieter	0	0	0	5	5	5	5	0	20
Lulu McDonald								17.25	17.25
Cam Thraen	5	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	15
Jack Worline	0	0	5	5	0	0	5	0	15
Tom Smith	0	5	0	0	0	5	5	0	15
Bob Sisson	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	15
Kyle Chapman	5	0	0	0	0	0	9.5	0	14.5
James Grattan	0	0	11.5	0	0	0	0	0	11.5
Chris Laux	0	10.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.5
Patrick Colopy	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Shane Holcomb	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	0	10
Thurman Adair	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	0	10
Doug Dible	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
Greg Them	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	5
Jack Hutcheson	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
Jacob Davis	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Jason Hutcheson	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
Jim Barton	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
JoAnn Dible	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
Laundon Daugstrap	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Marc Grattan	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
Max Machuta	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	5
Shawn Heaton	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
Tom Rankin	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	5
Tony Crisp	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Patrick Frase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5



## Muskies Inc #41 Central Ohio Chapter 2023 Event Schedule (4/3/23 Turk)



Jan 10<sup>th</sup> 7p 2023 Kick Off Meeting @ PJ's

Jan 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> Ohio Muskie Show – Makoy Center, Hilliard OH

Feb 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Columbus Fishing Expo @ Ohio State Fairgrounds

Feb 14<sup>th</sup> 7p Meeting @ PJ's (ODNR/Dow/Stocking Program UD)

Mar 14<sup>th</sup> 7p Meeting @ PJ's (LURE AUCTION)

Mar 18<sup>th</sup> 10a ODNR Conservation Day @ Alum Creek

Apr 1<sup>st</sup> MI Gil Hamm Foundation Grant application period opens, applications due by 7/31

April 12<sup>th</sup> 7p **Meeting- Smokehouse Brewery 1130 Dublin Rd 43215**

April 15<sup>th</sup> 5-9p Awards Banquet- Social Hall of Church of the Resurrection  
6300 East Dublin Granville Rd.

**April 29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> John Fisher Memorial @ Salt Fork**

Ohio AG Update Due

May 9<sup>th</sup> 7p **Meeting @ Smokehouse Brewery 1130 Dublin Rd 43215**

May 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> MI Region 3 Chapter Challenge @ Raystown Lake, PA

Jun 3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Ohio Chapter Challenge @ Salt Fork

Jun 13<sup>th</sup> 6p **Meeting @ Alum Creek, New Galena Ramps Shelter house (Dodridge preview)**

**Jun 17<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup> Russ Dodridge Memorial @ Alum Creek**

**Jun 23<sup>rd</sup> Fri 6p-Midnight - Nite Bite Club Outing @ Alum Creek**

July 8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> – MI Can/Am Challenge @ Lake St Clair

July 11<sup>th</sup> 6p **Meeting @ Alum Creek, New Galena Ramps (Shelter house)**

**July 13<sup>th</sup> Youth Event @ Whetstone Park of Roses Pond**

Aug 8<sup>th</sup> 7p **Meeting @ PJ's – Plan CJB Kickoff**

**Aug 12<sup>th</sup> ODNR Conservation Day @ Alum Creek**

**Sep 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Fall Season Kickoff @ CJ Brown**

SAM Update Due

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

**Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> MI Chapters 19 & 41 Joint Tournament @ West Branch**

**Oct 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Fall Shootout @ Caesars Creek**

Oct 31<sup>st</sup> Deadline to submit 2023 Chapter Events to MI for the 2024 calendar.

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

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

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Dec 12<sup>th</sup> 7p @ PJ's – Annual Christmas Party!

### **MI41COC Schedule Summary**

10 Meetings  
6 Tournaments held  
3 MI Challenge tournaments.  
2 Show booth weekends.  
2 Conservation Days.  
1 Youth Event.  
1 Lure Auction.  
1 Awards Banquet.  
1 Christmas Party.

