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# March 2009 Newsletter



## Presidents Message

Just when you think the winter weather is going to break, here comes another blast of north wind. It has been 120 days since I've been on the water now and it's not looking to promising anytime soon. But, there is some good news, Tony Crisp caught a 33"er at the Alum spillway on Feb 22, and I have heard that most of the thick ice is gone on area lakes. So, keep thinking Spring!!

The Ohio Muskie Show was a great time again. I was there on Friday and Saturday and both days there was a good crowd. We signed up a few new members, and assisted a few more with their renewals. M.I. International president Dan Narsette was at the Show on Saturday and Sunday and he spent some time around our booth. I think our club booth turned out really good this year, with the raffle table off to one side. That allowed more room to display our stuff and talk to the folks as they passed by. Good job and thanks to Rob, Brian and Max.

Next up is the annual Awards Banquet, Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. It's at Hoggy's BBQ again, same place as last year. We will be handing out the Plaques and certificates for the fish caught in 2008.

Then on Tuesday March 10<sup>th</sup> is the March meeting, we will have our annual Lure auction with Thurman Adair as the auctioneer again. I encourage everyone to donate a couple good baits or other items to this great fund raiser.

There isn't much of a fishing report yet. None of our members have been going south to fish. Chad Cain said at the Show that lake Kincaid in southern Illinois has been doing very well lately. One of these years I'm going to venture south in late winter and chase some of those southern Muskies. One interesting thing on the 2008 fish list, Ron Murdock reported the first and the last fish. I believe he has done that before too.

I would like to schedule an Outing to Salt fork lake on April 18-19, weather permitting. We can do 1 or 2 days. We have 2 meetings before then to come up with a plan.

Also put May 9-10 on your calendar for the Chapter Challenge, it's at Salt fork again and I plan on going. I know a few others are interested to. I will post some details on the message board.

Don't forget to register all your fish and fishing trips in the MAL. I know I didn't log all my fishless trips last year, but I'm going to try and log all my trips this year, fish or no fish. The data is more accurate when we include our no fish caught trips.

See you at the Banquet and meeting/Lure auction,

Mark

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## Club Banquet Report

The COMI annual banquet was held last weekend at Hoggy's Polaris. Fortunately, we did not have a blizzard this year. In fact it was so warm that many members made it out fishing during the day. Once again, the food and facilities were great. With his recent sweep of the awards, Christian might have to put an addition on to his trophy room. Everyone went home with a door prize and a good time was had by all. Thanks to Rob and Mark for organizing a great banquet.

## *Events for 2009*

OhioMuskieShow -2/27,2/28,&3/1

AnnualBanquet - 3/7

JohnFisherMemorialTournamentatClearFork-4/25,4/26

RussDodridgeMemorialTournamenttClearFork -5/30,5/31

RayDemersMemorialTournamentatStClair- 6/26,6/27,&6/28

NiteBiteOutingatAlumCreekReservoir - 7/10

AnnualYouthEvent - 7/16

Fall Shoot-Out at Alum Creek Reservoir - 10/10, 10/11

## Ohio Muskie Show Report

The 2009 Ohio Muskie Show was again a great success. Despite a struggling economy, the attendance was great. The seminar speakers did a great job this year and presented many new topics to keep muskie fishermen informed. Hopefully everyone in the club stopped by and picked up a few items whether they needed them or not. Dale McNair was there with a replica of his 57" fish. It was good to see someone traveling around the country bragging about a huge muskie and not a deer. He was a fun guy who is doing a lot to promote muskie fishing. Dan Narsete, president of MI, also came to the show to promote MI. Thanks to Rob VanGorder, Brian Vinson, and Max Machuta for organizing the club booth. It sounds like the club had a very successful show. Special thanks to Ross Wagner for his tireless efforts to promote this great show.



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