

# The Muskellunge Club of Wisconsin

## 2001 Annual Report



### Released Division Club Champion



Musky fisherman, it has been said, are hopeless romantics. Not so. They're romantics all right, but they're also full of hope and anticipation of the satisfaction that only a musky can provide.

Organized in 1953 – our 48th year. Only fish caught in Wisconsin are eligible for club records. Muskies caught motor trolling are not recognized for club records. A tradition of sportsmanship continues . . . . .

## Our 48<sup>th</sup> Year 2001 Fishing Results

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Listed below is the complete Honor Roll of the 2001 fishing season. The information and statistics are based on affidavits submitted by our club members.

2001 CLUB CHAMPION: Released Division	<b>John Dettloff - 48.5"</b> <b>Chippewa Flowage</b>
2001 CLUB CHAMPION: Kept Division	NONE
2001 MEN'S CHAMPION: Released Division	<b>John Dettloff - 48.5"</b> <b>Chippewa Flowage</b>
2001 MEN'S CHAMPION: Kept Division	None
2001 WOMEN'S CHAMPION: Released Division	<b>Brenda Niermann - 47.5"</b> <b>Lac Vieux Desert</b>
2001 WOMEN'S CHAMPION: Kept Division	None
2001 JUNIOR CHAMPION: Released Division	<b>Nathan Fons - 38"</b> <b>North Twin</b>
2001 JUNIOR CHAMPION: Kept Division	None
2001 HYBRID CHAMPION: Released Division	<b>Tom Brent - 43"</b> <b>Chippewa Flowage</b>
2001 HYBRID CHAMPION: Kept Division	None

### **THE TOP ROD AWARD WINNERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

MONTH	NAME	WEIGHT	LENGTH	WATER	BAIT
May	Richard Wanasek		41"	Namakagon	
June	Dave Sino		44.5"	Lake of the Falls	Hog Wobbler
July	None				
August	Brenda Niermann		47.5"	Lac Vieux Desert	Top Raider
September	John Dettloff		48.5	Chippewa Flowage	LeLure Globe
October	Craig Niermann		44.5"	Little Star	Slammer
November	Phile Grubisic		43"	Pelican	Sucker

ALL TOP ROD FISH WERE RELEASED.

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To qualify for the above Top Rod Awards, our members must file their affidavit by the tenth of the month following the date of the catch. This requirement is a **MUST** as a potential winner could lose out because of failure to file by the required date.

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# 2001 HONOR ROLL

## May

Name	Length	Date	Time	Water	Bait
Richard Wanaesk	41"	5/26	2:00 PM	Namakagon	
Don Druckrey	36"	5/26	12:00 PM	Nokomis	Mepps
Nathan Fons	38"	5/31	3:00 PM	North Twin	Black Lizard

## June

Nathan Fons	38"	6/01	12:30 PM	North Twin	Lizard
Brian Fons	37"	6/01	4:00 PM	Big Sand	Mepps
Brian Fons	37"	6/02	4:00 PM	Big Sand	Mepps
Brian Fons	34.5"	6/24	2:00 PM	North Twin	Mepps
Brian Fons	41"	6/25	6:30 PM	North Twin	Mepps
Brian Fons	36"	6/26	6:30 AM	North Twin	Mepps
Brian Fons	38"	6/27	7:00 AM	North Twin	Mepps
Brian Fons	34"	6/28	4:00 PM	North Twin	Mepps
Brian Fons	38"	6/28	10:00 PM	North Twin	Jackpot
Brian Fons	37"	6/29	8:30 PM	North Twin	Jackpot
Dave Sino	44.5"	6/30	6:01 PM	Lake of the Falls	Hog Wobbler
Brian Fons	42"	6/30	6:15 PM	North Twin	Mepps

## August

John Dettloff	45.5"	8/16	8:25 PM	Chippewa Flowage	LeLure Globe
Brenda Niermann	47.5"	8/25	7:15 AM	Lac Vieux Desert	Topraider
John Dettloff	44.5"	8/29	8:40 PM	Chippewa Flowage	Globe

## September

John Dettloff	48.5"	9/11	9:00 PM	Chippewa Flowage	LeLure Globe
Russ Ruland	38"	9/24	7:15 AM	Thompson	Bucktail

## October

Brian Fons	43"	10/06	2:00 PM	Big Sand	
Tom Brent	39"	10/14	9:30 AM	Chippewa Flowage	Buctail
Tom Brent	43"	10/14	11:30 AM	Chippewa Flowage	Sucker
Russ Ruland	37"	10/17	4:00 PM	Chippewa Flowage	Sucker
Tom Brent	35"	10/18	4:00 PM	Chippewa Flowage	Sucker
Russ Ruland	42"	10/19	9:30 AM	Chippewa Flowage	Sucker
Craig Niermann	44.5"	10/27	4:50 PM	Little Star	Slammer

## November

Phil Grubisic	43"	11/03	9:00 AM	Pelcian	Sucker
Brian Fons	36"	11/10	10:30 AM	Pewaukee	

I like night fishing!!!!



John Dettloff  
48.5" Released - Natural  
Club Champion  
Men's Champion  
September Top Rod



## CLUB STATISTICS

<b>Monthly % of total catch</b>	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	<b>2001</b>
May	3%	5%	12%	3%	15%	10%	0%	<b>10%</b>
June	32%	45%	51%	62%	15%	13%	21%	<b>42%</b>
July	16%	10%	18%	0%	10%	7%	36%	<b>0%</b>
August	16%	11%	12%	22%	30%	27%	4%	<b>10%</b>
September	13%	9%	0%	3%	20%	3%	7%	<b>7%</b>
October	11%	16%	7%	10%	10%	30%	11%	<b>24%</b>
November	8%	4%	0%	0%	0%	10%	21%	<b>7%</b>

### Average Length

May	35.13"	38.90"	39.64"	34.00"	37.8"	38.2	0"	<b>38.33"</b>
June	35.58"	36.84"	38.56"	36.85"	45.75"	40.4	37.8"	<b>38.08"</b>
July	40.65"	39.00"	38.05"	0"	35.5"	40.8	38.77"	<b>0"</b>
August	34.08"	37.67"	39.21"	42.16"	40.4"	39.3	42"	<b>45.83"</b>
September	39.21"	37.50"	0"	42.00"	40.0"	36.5	43"	<b>43.25"</b>
October	36.02"	36.90"	37.62"	40.81"	41.4"	38.5	41.16"	<b>40.5"</b>
November	36.73"	37.37"	0"	0"	0"	43.2	46.75"	<b>39.5"</b>

### Average Length by Lure

Jerk	39.50"	36.68"	0"	0"	0"	38.5"	43.85"	<b>42.84"</b>
Bucktail	36.93"	37.25"	37.36"	38.93"	39.25"	36.17"	39.45"	<b>37.46"</b>
Crankbait	35.64"	38.48"	36.67"	37.43"	45.20"	40.2"	41.5"	<b>44.5"</b>
Surface	39.11"	38.76"	40.33"	41.65"	41.39"	41.31"	39.63"	<b>43.33"</b>
Suckers	36.73"	35.80"	38.50"	39.50"	37.5"	40.17"	38"	<b>40"</b>

### % By Time of Day

Morning	34%	35%	43%	40.0%	34%	46.7%	39%	<b>38%</b>
Afternoon	33%	38%	57%	42.5%	18%	33.3%	43%	<b>41%</b>
Evening	33%	27%	0%	17.5%	38%	20.0%	18%	<b>21%</b>

### Average Size By Time of Day

Morning	36.86"	37.33"	37.11"	39.68"	44.8"	38.29"	39"	<b>40.5"</b>
Afternoon	37.26"	36.27"	40.31"	37.58"	34.2"	39.96"	43.54"	<b>37.91"</b>
Evening	38.11"	38.83"	38.90"	33.14"	44.8"	41.42"	39.05"	<b>43"</b>

In 2001, the largest muskie was 48.5" and the average length for all the muskies registered is 39". We have many activities this year and I hope to see many of you participating in the club. Together we can make this a great club that educates and provides a bond between all people who fish muskies.

Enjoy the 2002 fishing season and hope everyone can caught that muskie of a lifetime.

Greg Rubin  
President

## Club Photo Gallery



Nathan Fons – Junior Champion



Brenda Niermann – Women's  
Champion & August Top Rod



Richard Wanasek – May Top Rod



Dave Sino – June Top Rod





Phil Grubisic – November Top Rod



Craig Niermann – October Top Rod



43" 10/14/01

Tom Brent – Hybrid Champion



41" 6/25/01

Brian Fons



45.5" 8/16/01

John Dettloff



42" 6/30/01

Brian Fons



44.5" 8/29/01

John Dettloff



42" 10/19/01

Russ Ruland





38" 6/01/01  
Nathan Fons



Craig Engebretson



Don Druckrey



Tom Brent