

Covering the  
Towns of  
Boulder Junction  
Lac du Flambeau  
Manitowish Waters  
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Presque Isle  
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## FISHING SEASON IS ALMOST HERE!

Now it is a reality. I hope that you liked what you saw in the Premier Issue of the Junction Newsletter. I have had this newsletter rolling around in the inner sanctum of my brain for a long time. With the push of friends and nagging of family members, I finally decided it had to be. I must dive in and get both feet wet. "Swallow it or spit it out". "You can't plow a field by turning it over in your mind". I hope that we can bring you a quality newsletter which shall be unique with coverage of our immediate area and ad-free. Your subscriptions shall keep this newsletter moving.

It must be spring - overhead V's of honkers are winging northward, the ice in the lakes is gone - The Chippewa have begun their spring spearing and fyke netting and once again, the deluge of negative information is all over the news media—Spearing quotas, reduced bag limits, cries of racism-etc! I would just like to say, the Northwoods is alive and well. The majority of the people (Indians and non-Indians) have always lived and worked together-always have and always will. It is unfortunate that the extremists on both ends of the issue get all the publicity.

Spring should be the most exciting time of year for the fisherman. Getting ready for another great year on the water, after winter is finally over. Hopefully, the Junction Newsletter will get everyone excited for the right reasons. So, Let's Go Fishing and have a good season!

Bob

## SEASON OPENER MIDNITE MAY 4, 1991

### THE KEY TO SPRING FISHING!

The season opener will find most anglers fishing spawning areas or nearby for walleye. What happens if they aren't there? You'll probably join the 90% of anglers who return home skunked for the opener.

The key to spring fishing is to consider what's going on under the water and have a plan before you start. Not a specific plan, but a versatile one. You have to keep in mind the concepts of cool water, post spawn, dispersing, slowly moving away from, not very aggressive, etc.. You may be on plan J or K before you find fish.

All walleyes aren't on, or lingering, by spawning grounds—many will have moved out. Set up a plan and spend about 20 - 30 minutes with each or until you find some active fish.

For example:

- Plan A - Shallow rocky spawning areas.
- Plan B - Deep water adjacent to spawn areas.
- Plan C - Stumps or old weeds.
- Plan D - Shallow rock and sand bars.
- Plan E - Cribs, etc.

As the month continues, you must continue to change your plans, as the water warms, new weed growth develops and walleye become more aggressive.

You too can join the 10% group or maybe it'll be the 20% group who consistently catch fish.

Good luck and key into some great fishing!

## CONTROVERSIAL MUSKY SIZE LIMITS

The DNR proposal of 41 lakes in Vilas County, to have a minimum 40-inch minimum size limit on musky, resulted in one of the largest turn-outs of sportsmen in recent years, at the annual DNR Fish and Wildlife Rules Hearing held April 22nd in Sayner.

After 30+ minutes of sometimes heated discussion on musky size limits, it was overwhelmingly voted down by a vote of 149 to 8.

Recommendations to reduce the bag limit to 0 for largemouth and smallmouth bass in the northern zone from the first Saturday in May until the Saturday nearest to June 20th was favored 159 to 2.

Reducing the statewide aggregate bag limit for panfish from the present 50 to 25 was also favored 130 to 9.

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## Crappie Tournament Update

The ZEBCO/US Crappie Tournament set to begin May 11, should be a fun-filled event for fishermen this spring!

"Big Crappie Day" will kick off the tournament, May 11. This is a 1-day event. The \$25.00 entry fee for the tournament also includes the fee for the remaining 45 day tournament. Fee for the 45-day tournament is \$6.00.

The weigh-in station for the 1-day event will be:

**Twelve Pines Resort**  
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Any Lake in Vilas County is open for the one-day tournament.

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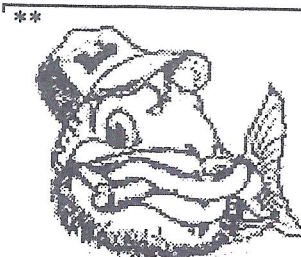
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**MAY FISHING**



## PRESQUE ISLE - WINCHESTER AREA

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Anglers lucky enough to spend some time on the water in the Winchester-Presque Isle area this spring will find a virtual "smorgasbord of fishing delights".

The variety of different types of lakes in this area gives the angler several choices as he tries to match the water temperature of a lake with the spring spawning run of the walleye. This year the early warm weather will, without a doubt, mean that the spawning runs will be in the later stages in most lakes. In the clear water lakes that probably means that the walleyes will have left the shallow gravel bottoms where they spawn and, during the day, will be in deeper water at the bottom of the drop-off edges. They will become more aggressive feeders at night and will be searching the shallow, gravel, shorelines for perch and minnows. Try to match your fishing time with the movement of the walleye and you'll be more successful.

This is the time for light lines (4 to 6# test), small jigs (1/16 oz.), and small minnows (2" fatheads or chubs). Work the bait slowly and be ready for the slightest tension! The difference between catching walleyes and not catching them is often simply knowing when you have a bite. If there is any doubt, play the pressure, every time, as if it is a fish.

Best lakes for walleyes this spring in the Winchester-Presque Isle area should be; **Presque Isle Lake, Harris Lake, and Annabelle** in late afternoon and at night. Fish **Presque Isle** deeper than you would normally fish any other clear lake during the day. Forty-five feet is not

beyond reason. **Big Horsehead** is the sleeper lake in the area. See Don Smith at the former Ruff's Resort for permission to launch your boat and get a good hydrographic map. Fish the rocky shorelines and you'll come home with some good stories.

As the month rolls on be prepared to start fishing "the wood". The walleyes will come into the shoreline drop-offs where the stumps and logs lie. Slip bobbers and "doodle socking" (using a long rod and dropping the bait straight down into holes in the timber) can produce some nice catches. **Presque Isle** and **Oxbow** are the major producers of "wood walleyes" in this area.

**Stateline Lake**, on the Wisconsin/Michigan border, produces a good numbers of 2-to-3 foot northern regularly. There is no public landing on the Stateline, but Presque Isle campground on the east side of the lake allows boat launching for a small fee. Best method for catching spring time northern is simple; a rainbow shiner hooked through the upper lip with a #4 long shank hook and suspended 3 to 5 feet below a medium size bobber.

Crappies are the most prolific breeders in the lakes at this time of year. Regular limits of these fish are more easily acquired than any of the others. Find the crappies on **Harris Lake** in the bullrushes, or in the brush on **Van Vliet**. Another good choice is **Rainbow**, but some maneuvering with a light boat is required. Fish with an ultra-light rod and 4# test line. Polarized glasses are recommended; sometimes you can see the fish in the shallow water. The tiny tube jigs tipped with a piece of redworm, or a clear bobber suspending a crappie minnow are good choices for bait. Remember, crappies have a "paper mouth". A strong hookset is not necessary, simply lift the rod when you have a hit.

The season opener for muskies is always a long awaited event. Lakes in the Winchester-Presque Isle area have consistently produced some of the larger fish over the years. The dark water lakes warm earlier than some others, thereby producing the first weeds of the year, and will provide some great early action. Musky tackle for late May should be relatively small. Small crankbaits and small bucktails on leaders combined with 12# test line on spinning outfits is a good way to start. Fish the shallow, current areas of channels and bays, and use a medium retrieve. Best early lakes in this area are **Van Vliet, Rainbow, Annabelle, Wildcat, and Little Horeshead**. All of these lakes are small enough to allow you to work them over in a few hours, so stay on the north side and set your drag correctly.

Remember, there is no substitute for "time on the water", but thinking about the fish you want to catch and then matching the water, habitat, equipment, and technique needed to catch that fish, will put you on the right track to success.



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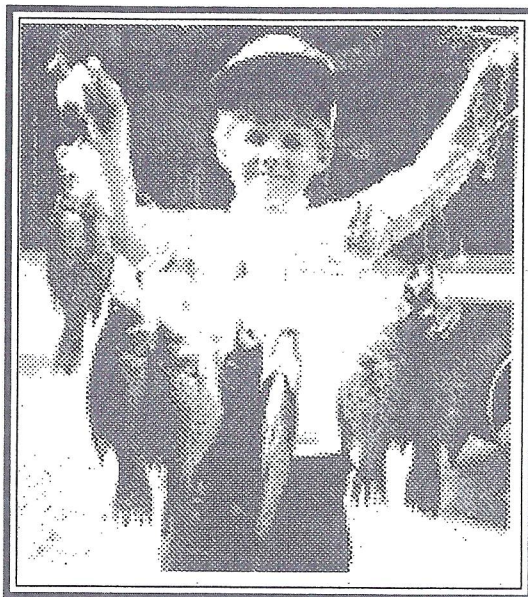
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### ~ ~ ~ BOULDER JUNCTION AREA ~ ~ ~

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May and walleyes mean good fishing. In early May, walleye are in a post-spawn stage. This means our fish are not in the weed beds, but are hanging around rock and gravel shore lines where the majority of the spawning has been done.

Due to spawning and cold lake temperatures, spring walleye are not very aggressive and our presentation must be very slow. My suggestion is to use 1/32 oz or 1/16 oz jigs, baited with a minnow. There are many types of jigs used by fishermen, but for cold-water fishing none can beat the "Slow Poke" jig. This jig does not fall as fast as the ball jig and tends to swim out and down, giving a sluggish fish plenty of time to inhale the bait.

Slip-bobber fishing is another strategy for successful spring walleye fishing. Adjust the bobber stop, keeping the bait 6" to 1' off the bottom. This allows the minnow to be suspended, in front of the walleye, for a longer period of time.

In dark water lakes, such as **Boulder, Big and Wildcat**, spring walleye can be found in 3 to 8 feet of water. Clear-water lakes such as **White Sand, Big Trout and Muskellunge**, fishing is best in 8 to 12 feet of water. Always remember, gravel bottoms are the key to successful walleye fishing in early May.

Mid to late May, the weed beds will start to develop new growth. For weed walleyes, I suggest the same weight jigs, as used for early May fishing, baited with a minnow or a minnow suspended with a slip bobber.

Weeds don't grow at the same rate or even at the same time, so it is vital to look for fresh, green vegetation. Fresh vegetation offers the most cover, has more oxygen and contains large concentrations of bait fish. These areas will also hold the most walleye. Once the weed beds have fresh vegetation, walleye will remain here for several months.

When it comes to May fishing, musky follow similar patterns to the walleye. Even though the musky season opens later in May, most musky will be in a post-spawning stage and will remain in their spawning areas for 2 to 3 weeks after the spawn is completed.

Going after spring musky can produce some of the finest fishing of the year. Musky will concentrate in 3 to 8 feet of water where the lake bottom is mud or weed flats. For best results, I suggest fishing the smaller, shallower lakes like Wildcat, Upper Gresham, Little John and Fishtrap. These lakes will warm faster and the musky will be more aggressive.

The lures I prefer, for the best action with May musky, are the small spinner baits like the Rizzo Wiz and Mepps #4 and #5. Minnow replica lures, under 7" in length, are also very productive. Remember to keep your retrieve slow and go with a small musky bait. The bigger baits and fast retrieves will come later, when the water is warmer.

For quality fishing, whatever the season, practice catch and release year 'round. Good fishing will be guaranteed.

### ~ ~ ~ MANITOWISH WATERS AREA ~ ~ ~

#### Bob McClellan-Guide- Newsletter Publisher

With the opening of the game fish season just a few days away, most fishermen are gearing up for walleye season, myself included.

Male walleyes were arriving at spawning areas on Alder Lake on April 12th, with the ice only about 1/2 gone. It's always exciting to visit the rocky shores of area lakes at night, this time of year, with a high-powered light and observe the elusive walleyes as they come in to spawn.

The spawning will be done by opening day and normally the majority of walleyes caught will be 1-to-2 pound males, lingering near spawning areas. The larger female walleyes will be deeper, usually just out from spawning areas—but remember—all lakes aren't the same and all fish aren't in one spot, or type of location. Don't be afraid to try plan B, C, or D.



On the Manitowish Chain, I would recommend **Clear Lake, Island Lake, Rest Lake, or Alder Lake** for early spring walleyes. Use a 1/16 oz. jig and minnow combination, and a 4-to-6 pound test line. Move your bait slowly as walleyes are not aggressive, due to cooler water temperatures.

**Dead Pike** and **Little Trout** are also good choices off the chain.

By mid-May, or when the cotton is on the water, the walleyes will be in the weeds, and the best fishing begins!

Slip bobbers or 1/16 oz. fluorescent jigs tipped with small minnows or leeches are dynamite.

Don't overlook the crappie fishing in **Clear, Stone, Fawn, or Wild Rice** on the chain, off the chain try **Dead Pike** or **Circle Lily**. Fish brush and logs and your brown and green cabbage in 3 to 10 feet of water. This is the most productive month for some nice catches of slab crappies. You can't beat their excellent taste.

Musky season opens Saturday, May 25 and if you're looking for some good spring musky action, I would recommend fishing 4 to 10 feet near shallow weed beds, and mud bottoms. **Clear, Wild Rice, Stone, Rest,** and the river inlet areas of **Rice Creek** and the **Manitowish River** on **Island Lake**, and the **Trout River** inlet area of **Alder** and **Manitowish Lake** are your best bet on the Chain. Small bucktails and small lures or even a jig and minnow combo will be your best producers.

### ~ ~ ~ Mercer Area ~ ~ ~

#### Phill Graser - Guide

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### AT LAST! IT'S MAY! LET'S GO FISHING!

Traditionally, opening weekend means "Walleye" in the Mercer area. It looks like it's going to be a normal opener with the majority of the fish being in the post spawn stage. This means a lot of 1 to 2 pound "hang-around" male walleye will be taken by the average fisherman. If you want that "wall-hanger" female, just look for those deeper holes closest to the spawning areas or the first drop-offs in the main lake, just off of the river inlets.

The number one body of water for opening week is the **Turtle-Flambeau Flowage**. Best areas would be the **Manitowish River** just south of the Murray's Landing Road and the river between **Boonies Mound** and **Horseshoe**. The only way to fish is a jig and minnow combination.

Around the 20th of the month start working any of the shallow water bays, not only with live bait, but also artificials. Mepps, Boonie Baits, and smaller size crank baits will produce exceptional catches of Northern, Smallmouth, Walleye and an occasional Musky. I'm

talking about water depths of 1 to 4 feet.

Best lakes to work in the area would be:

**Mercer Lake**-nice walleyes, good northern, and excellent large mouth bass;

**Fisher Lake**-walleye, crappies, good northern, and great largemouth bass and smallmouth bass.

**Grand Portage**-walleye, fair northern, good large mouth bass.

**Cedar Lake**-good northern, good largemouth bass and smallmouth bass, nice walleyes and good crappie action.

**Echo Lake**-good walleyes, excellent small mouth bass, fair northern and excellent crappies.

Next month we go full swing into "RUN AND GUN". I'll explain this method of fishing in full detail in the next issue of the Junction Newsletter.

Your friend in Fishin,

Phill

### ~ ~ ~ LAC DU FLAMBEAU AREA ~ ~ ~

#### John Boda-Guide

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The lakes to fish for walleye in the Lac du Flambeau area are **Pokegama, White Sand, Crawling Stone, Fence** and **Flambeau**. Fish these deeper, colder lakes off rocky and gravel shorelines, preferably on the north shore, as this water warms sooner. Use a 1/16 or 1/32 oz jig tipped with a minnow, preferably a fathead or redtail chub as this is the standard fare this time of year. Remember to jig slower in the colder water.

Some of the shallower, weedy-type lakes that fish well early in the season are the **Sugarbush Chain, Little Pine, Pike, Amik, Squaw, Buckskin** and the "fish factory" **Squirrel Lake**. Again use 1/16 or 1/32 oz jigs tipped with minnows. "Remember it's called a jig not a drag."

Crappie fishing is great in Lac du Flambeau in May. Fish the brush or cabbage weed in **Black, Moss, Gunlock, Squirrel** or **Buckskin Lakes**. Small crappie jigs or small minnows are the best in 3 to 6 feet of water.

If it's jumbo perch you like, try the weed edges in 8 to 10 feet of water in **White Sand, Fence** and **Flambeau Lakes**. Use walleye-size fatheads or small leeches. Nice perch 10-14".

Musky fishing is great the end of May in the shallow weedy lakes like the **Sugarbush Chain, Birch, Fat, Squaw, Squirrel** and also the north end of **Pokegama Lake**. Use small bucktails, jig and minnow, and small crank baits over the tops and edges of the new weed growth.



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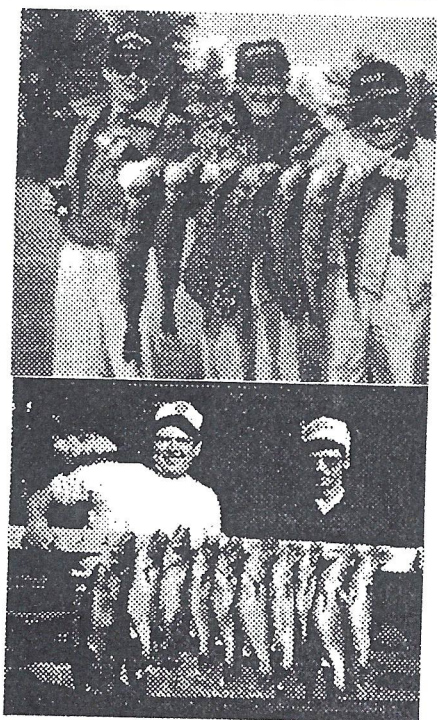
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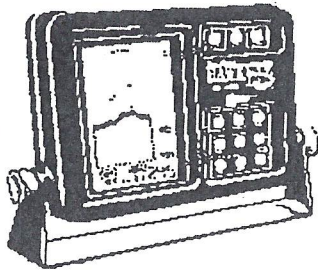
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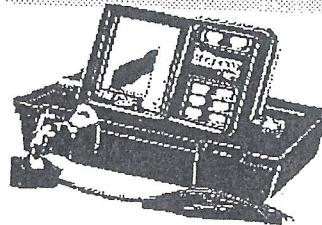
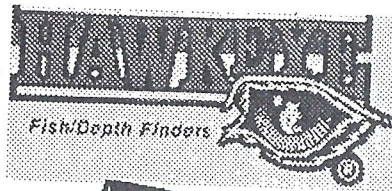
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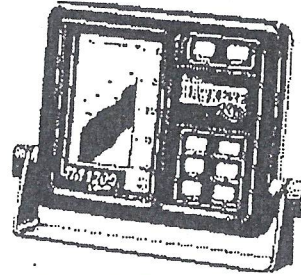


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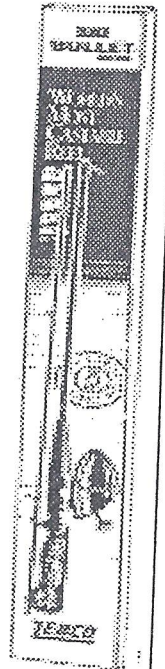


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TM1200 Classic  
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## FOR THE CRAPPIE FISHERMAN

NEW  
BULLET™ 3800  
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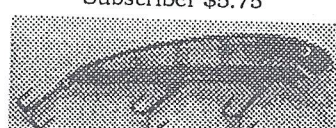
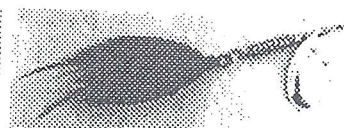
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Pkg of 10  
Regular \$1.35  
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Small  
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Regular \$7.95  
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## FOR THE WALLEYE FISHERMAN

LEAD HEAD JIGS  
(same as last month)  
Regular \$18.00  
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per HUNDRED

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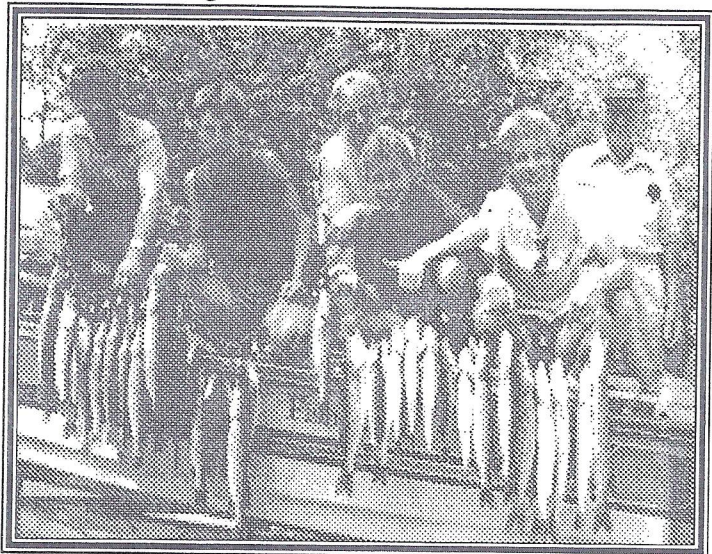
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Northerns are all over the Flambeau Chain - wherever you have weeds. Use a jig and minnow or small spinner bait. If you're looking for a trophy northern try **Fence Lake** with large chubs.

Last but not least - when the cherry trees blossom - the bluegills are hot. Try **Black and Moss Lake** for some great gill fishing.



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## ARE YOU READY FOR THE SEASON?

It's time to pull the boat out of the garage or from underneath a cover in the back yard and work it over for the worse trip of the season, the first trip.

Marine motors are not made to lie idle for months on end. They are built to be run and when they're running lubrication is automatic in all but the most external parts of the engine. However, after a few months of hibernation under a tarp or in the garage, moisture builds up in and outside the motor as well as inside electrical connections. Some preventative maintenance after a long winter's rest can save you many headaches during the season.

First check your gas for water; if doubtful, filter the gas or dispose of it.

Drain and replace lower unit oil and replace the seals on both drain plugs. Make sure old seals are out before installing new.

Visually check all electrical connections and check for loose nuts and bolts; also, replace your spark plugs.

Clean battery posts and terminals and make sure they are tightened down well. Loose terminals are the number one

problem for a motor not starting.

Most importantly, **DON'T FIRE UP THE ENGINE OUT OF WATER!** The impeller on your water pump is di and you could ruin it very easily. When you actually fire up the motor for the first time, don't rev the guts out of it, as this first time cold start-up can be the cause of a great portion of all engine wear.

Grease and oil your trailer winch and the wheel bearings; check to see if any rust built up while lying idle. Make sure you check your electrical connections between trailer and towing vehicle and that brake lights and turn signals are working properly.

Last but not least, check to see if your safety gear is in top condition. Are there enough life jackets and cushions? Is the fire extinguisher fully charged and readily accessible? If your boat is 16' or longer - does your horn work?

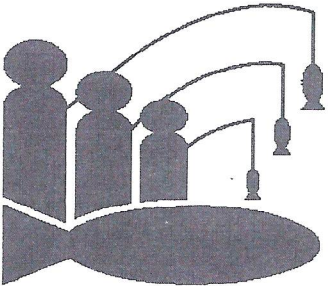
After you've sufficiently checked over everything and all is in order, why wait for your first fishing trip? Take your boat for a quick run around local waters and check it out properly. You'll feel much better on that first day out knowing that everything is in ship-shape condition.

If you are not sure of what to do, take your motor to an authorized dealer, like **Greer's Pier in Manitowish Waters**, and have your rig checked out properly. Normal cost is \$39.95 plus parts. This month only, show your subscription card at Greer's and the cost is only \$29.9 plus parts (For up to a 3-cylinder engine)!

Safe boating and have a great fishing season!

*Greer*

# TAKE A FRIEND FISHING



## NATIONAL FISHING WEEK

### JUNE 3-9, 1991



**Little Green Man**  
\$1000 Crappie  
presented by  
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## FREE FISHING DAY

Sunday June 2nd 1991

For one day only, you can wet a line and not pay one cent! You don't need a fishing license to fish in Wisconsin on June 2nd, but bag limits and all other regulations apply. Resident and non-residents can get out and enjoy the Wisconsin out-of-doors, and who knows, you may like it!



## FISHING REGULATION UPDATE FOR OUR AREA

### Season's Opening May 4th

#### WALLEYE - size limit 15"

**Except:** Big Crooked, Big Muskellunge, Birch, Boulder, Harris, Laura, Manitowish Chain (includes Alder, Clear, Fawn, Island, Little Star, Manitowish, Spider, Stone, Rest and Wild Rice Lakes and Rice Creek from Island to Highway K), Oxbow, Presque Isle Chain (includes Averill, Presque Isle and Van Vliet and the Flambeau Flowage, all of which have no minimum size.

#### WALLEYE - Daily bag is 5 fish

**Except** - The following lakes which will have a 3 bag limit.

#### VILAS COUNTY LAKES:

Alder, Anvil, Big, Big (two in the county), Big Muskellunge, Big Portage, Big Sand, Big St. Germain, Boulder, Catfish, Clear, Cranberry, Eagle, Fishtrap, Forest, High, Horsehead, Irving, Island, Kentuck, Laura, Lac Vieux Desert, Little Arbor Vitae, Little John, Little St. Germain, Little Star, Long, Lost, Lynx, Mamie, Manitowish, North Turtle, North Twin, Oxbow, Palmer, Papoose, Plum, Presque Isle, Rest, South Turtle, South Twin, Snipe, Sparkling, Spider, Squaw, Star, Tenderfoot, Big Trout, Upper Gresham, White Sand, Wild Rice, and Wolf, PLUS ALL LAKES ON THE Lac du Flambeau Indian Reservation and all borderline lakes.

#### IRON COUNTY LAKES:

Big Pine, Echo, Gile Flowage, Lake of the Falls, Long, Spider, and the Flambeau Flowage.

### The following lakes will have a 2 bag limit:

VILAS COUNTY: Birch, Crab and Harris.

IRON COUNTY: Pine and Trude.

### LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS

Minimum size 12" - Daily bag - 5

**Except:** NEBISH LAKE - Smallmouth bass open all year. No minimum size, but smallmouth from 9" to 12" may not be kept.

PALLET LAKE - Smallmouth bass season open all year. Daily bag 2, minimum size 16".

ONE MAN LAKE - Minimum size 18" and a 1 daily bag limit on largemouth bass and smallmouth bass.

WILSON LAKE - Largemouth bass from 12" to 16" may not be kept.

### MUSKY SEASON OPENS MAY 25TH NORTH OF HIGHWAY 10

Size limit - 32" - Bag limit - 1.

(Excluding WI/MI boundary waters, which opens May 4th and has a size limit of 30" and bag limit 1.

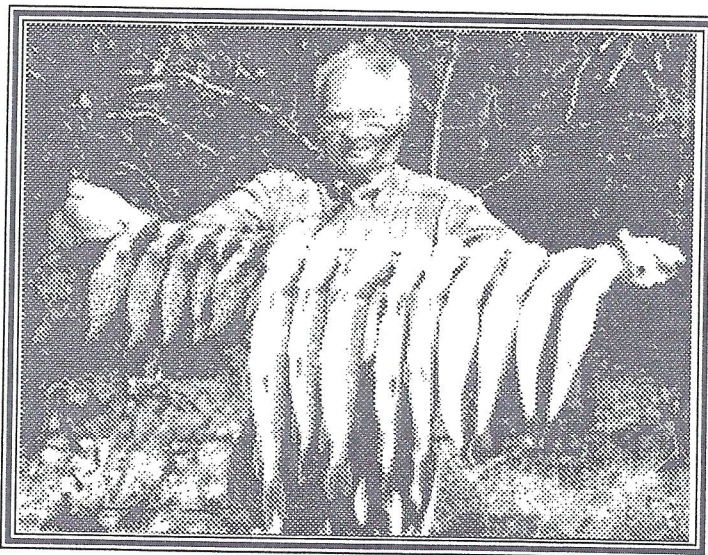
**Except:** Allequash and Big Lake in Boulder Junction - Size limit 40"

Moose Lake in Mercer - Size limit 40".

Long Lake in Mercer - Size limit - 34".

All lakes on the Lac du Flambeau Indian Reservation and border lakes have a 40" size limit.

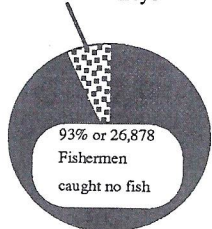
**NORTHERN** - Bag limit - 5 - Size limit - none.



### Bag Limit Reduction Regulation

It is very interesting to note that the bag limit reduction regulation is based on a 1980-87 study of nearly 29,000 anglers who were interviewed after fishing trips on ceded territory lakes (Staggs 1990). Most fishing trips (93%) or 26,878 anglers yielded no walleye. Only 7 % or 2023 fishermen ever caught a walleye.

7% or 2023 fishermen  
caught one  
or more Walleye



| Of those 7% | Fishermen | Caught | Total Fish |
|-------------|-----------|--------|------------|
| 9% or       | 182       | 5      | 910        |
| 5% or       | 101       | 4      | 404        |
| 12% or      | 243       | 3      | 729        |
| 22% or      | 445       | 2      | 990        |
| 51% or      | 1032      | 1      | 1032       |
| 99%         | 2003      |        | 4065       |

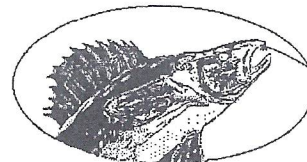
Out of 28,901 fishermen only 4065 walleye were caught over a period of 7 years.

.009732% or less than 1% of fishermen ever catch over 3 walleye.

.0062973% or just over 1/2 of 1% ever catch their limit.

On May 14th the DNR announced they want a three bag limit in ceded territory lakes within 2 years. For what?

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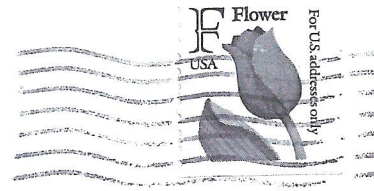






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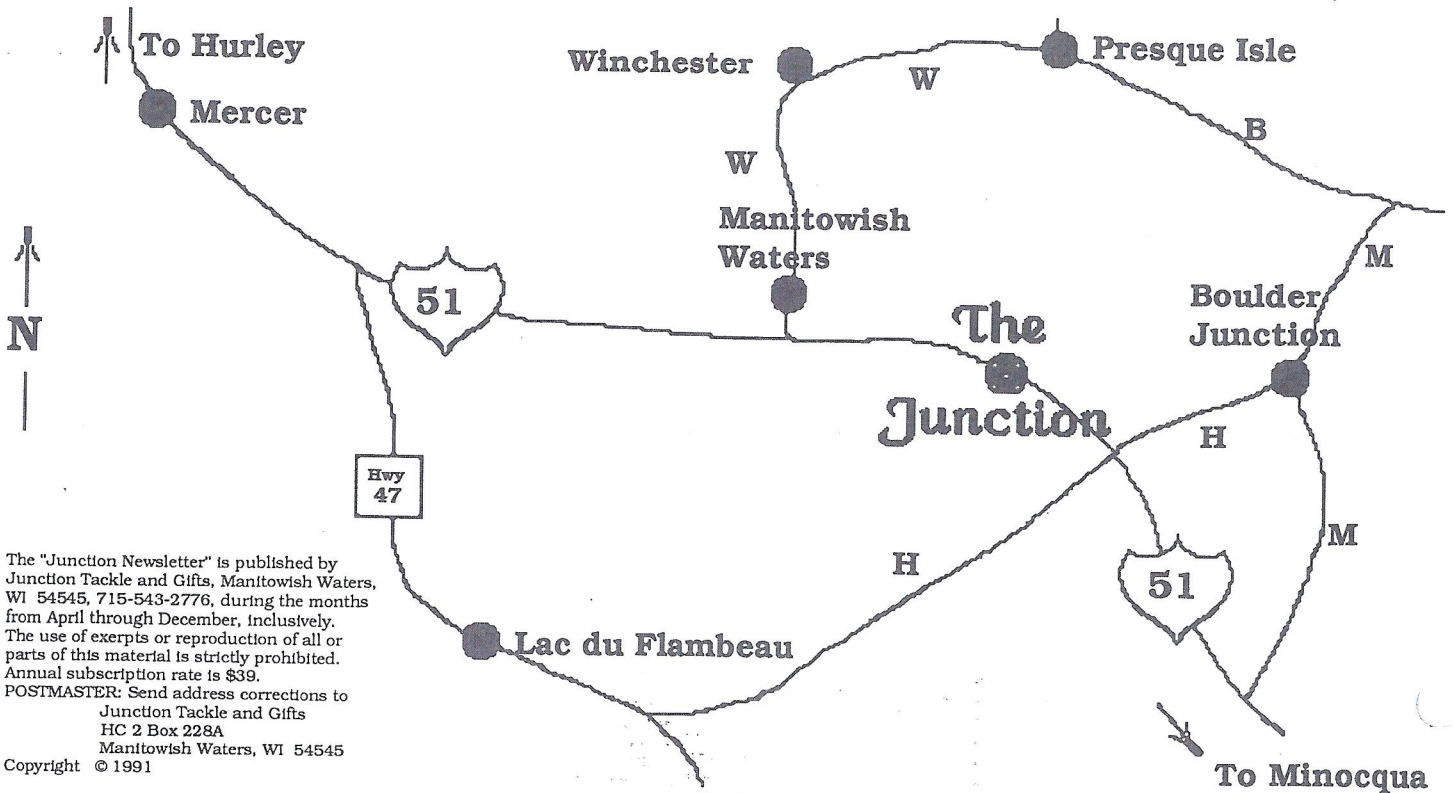


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