



# Missouri Muskies Newsletter

## Pomme de Terre Chapter of Muskies Inc.

### Donner's Discourse



By George Donner, President

Nothing of note happened in February, but the good news is that we got some fishing coming up in March. March 22<sup>nd</sup> is the first club outing and it is the Annual Border War Challenge against the Shawnee Muskie Hunters Chapter of Muskies Inc. This year the challenge is at Lake Kincaid, their home lake. Right now we have 5 teams of two registered, I would like to have at least 5 more teams to participate. It's embarrassing that we have not won the bragging rights for several years, this is a great time and the Shawnee club does a

great job of hosting this event. Lake Kincaid is a great fishery and it is not unusual to catch multiple 45 inch plus fish in a day. Club headquarters are at The Americas Best Value Inn in Murphysboro Illinois. Their website is [www.americasbestvalueinn.com/bestv.cfm?idp=1027](http://www.americasbestvalueinn.com/bestv.cfm?idp=1027) to make reservations. **Let me know if you are planning to attend. Please register with the Shawnee club by March 14<sup>th</sup>.**

Earle sent out the registration information January 30 via e-mail. (registration attached in case you missed it) This year the Shawnee chapter is hosting a social get together on Friday @6PM evening followed by Saturday's fishing and dinner. There is a Pomme Club "Strategic Planning Session" Friday night March 21<sup>st</sup> following the social gathering back at the Americas Best Value Inn in Murphysboro. Those of us that have fished Kincaid before will give advice to those that have not fished Lake Kincaid yet.

April 12<sup>th</sup> is the next club outing after the Border Wars Challenge. Right now the plan is a day of fishing followed by a meeting. If anyone has an idea as to what we could do to spice things up, call me at 816 678 1623 or email me at [george@missourimuskie.org](mailto:george@missourimuskie.org).



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Lost Valley Hatchery received the aviary netting we purchased for them. Randy's letter of appreciation follows.

*George,*

*I wanted to let you know that we just received the shipment of the two rolls of bird netting your chapter purchased to help Lost Valley Hatchery keep the musky ponds covered and protected from bird depredation.*

*Once again, thank you for the donation of the nets to cover the musky ponds at Lost Valley Fish Hatchery - Missouri Department of Conservation. The donation so generously given will be used to further enhance the fish resources of the state.*

*We are truly gratified when citizens of the state support our programs in this very personal way, and we sincerely appreciate it.*

*Thank you,*

*Randy Terrell  
Hatchery Manager  
Lost Valley Hatchery  
28232 Hatchery Ave.  
Warsaw, Mo. 65355  
(660)-438-4465  
Fax (660)-438-1256*



### **Lake Shelbyville Fishing Report, 2014**

From the Illinois Department of Natural Resources

Musky- Poor-Fair ...despite recent increases in the number of muskie stocked, there has been little improvement in this fishery....

Although angler catch rates for muskies have improved below the spillway, catch rates on the lake were poor in 2012 and 2013 for both individual and tournament anglers. There was a report of a 50" muskie caught below the spillway in December, 2013. Fishing prospects for muskie in 2014 are expected to remain poor to fair for the number of fish available and size structure on the lake, but still good for size and number below the spillway.

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### Fall Tournament Special Raffle

## 1 Week Stay on Lake of the Woods



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**RAFFLE TICKETS**

**1 TICKET \$5**

OR

**5 TICKETS \$20**

**Need Not Be Present to Win**

Drawing Held October 4th 2014 @  
Pomme De Terre Chapter of Muskies Inc. Fall  
Tournament Banquet  
Stay Must be Used By December 31st 2015



All Proceeds Utilized to Purchase ADA Compliant Picnic Tables @ Kids Fishing Lake Shelter at Bush Conservation Area St Louis Mo.

and

Purchase Every Netting to Increase Yield of Stocking Size Muskies



**Contact George Donner 816 678 1623 or Wayne Humphrey 314 440 2173 for Tickets**



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### **8th Annual Border War Chapter Challenge: March 22nd, 2014**

### **Shawnee Muskie Hunters vs. Pomme De Terre Chapters of Muskie's Inc.**

Come join us for the 8th annual Border Wars Chapter Challenge between the Shawnee Muskie Hunters and the Pomme De Terre Chapters of Muskie Inc. on beautiful Lake Kinkaid Illinois. Participants are asked to register by 14 Mar 2012 to provide a head count for the awards dinner planning. For questions, contact Jerry Ford, [fordjk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fordjk@sbcglobal.net), (618) 628-4205) or Jim Beaty, [jbeaty@certapro.com](mailto:jbeaty@certapro.com), (618) 971-7806.

#### **Event Schedule:**

**21 March, 2014:**

- 6PM, Friday evening, meet at the Bunkhouse for a social get-together, dinner, tournament orientation and late registration. Dinner paid for by donations.

- Address: 316 Fairview Ln, Ava IL

- See attached for directions

**22 March, 2014:**

- 5AM – 6AM: Breakfast is available at several local Murphysboro restaurants to include Cindy B's, Annie Mae's, McDonalds and Hardees (See attached map).

- Tournament hours are from 7AM to 4 PM. Meet at the Paul Ice boat ramp for orientation, tournament packages and late registration at 6:30.

- Dinner and awards presentation will be at the Bunkhouse at 6PM

- See attached for directions to the Paul Ice boat ramp and the Bunkhouse

#### **Registration:**

- Entry fee is \$25.00 per person / \$50.00 for a 2-person team

- Non-fishing participants can join us at the Awards Dinner for \$10.00 per person

- Make checks payable to the SHAWNEE MUSKIE HUNTERS

- Send registration form and payment to:

Mr. Ken Ryder

3 E. Elm Street

Alton, IL 62002

#### **Accommodations:**

- Americas Best Value Inn

- 128 E. Walnut St.

- Murphysboro, IL 62966 - Phone: (618) 687-2244

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### Border Wars Registration Form

**Registration & Release of Liability Form (Please print and return with payment for all fees)**

**Entry fees: \$25.00 per person or \$50.00 for each 2-man team; \$10.00 for an additional dinner**

Total entry fees enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total extra dinner fees enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Team leader / contact person: **(Please Print)** \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Partner's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Release of liability** (Please read before signing.) In consideration of being permitted to participate among and on the boats under the auspices of Muskie's, Inc. and the Shawnee Muskie Hunters Chapter, I acknowledge, appreciate and agree that:

1. I am aware of the inherent risk associated with fishing and boating, including but not limited to the risks of collisions with other boats and stationary objects in and around the lake, including rocks, reefs or piers or other vehicles and trailers at landing areas. I am familiar with other risks up to and including death by drowning associated with rough water, changing weather patterns, heavy winds and lightning storms. I expressly assume all risks associated with this tournament and I hereby release Muskie's, Inc. and the Shawnee Muskie Hunters Chapter, the host sponsors, and tournament officials from all claims of negligence resulting from injury and/or property damages incurred in connection with the tournament; and
2. I knowingly and freely assume all such risks, both known and unknown even if arising from the negligence of those persons released from liability below, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and
3. I will comply with all rules and regulations including **wearing a life jacket while the big motor is running**. If I have any question, or observe any unusual or unnecessary hazard during my participation, I will immediately bring such to the attention of the nearest official; and
4. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless Muskie's, Inc. and the Shawnee Muskie Hunters Chapter, the owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the tournament, their officers, officials ("Releasees"), with respect to any and all injury, disability, death or loss of damage to person or property, whether caused by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Boater's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Partner's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (Under age 18 at time of registration)**

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian of the participant, do consent and agree to his/her indemnification, release and hold harmless as preceded above of all Releasees, and I, for myself and behalf of my heirs, assigns and next of kin, hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all claims incident to the child's involvement in these programs even if arising out of the negligence of the Releasees, to the fullest extent permitted by the law.

Parent/guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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### 2014 Pomme De Terre Chapter of Muskies Inc. Calendar of Club Events

		Location	Chairman	Contact No.
<b>March</b>				
1-2	St. Louis Sport Show Continued		Info Only	
22	Border War Tournament w/ Shawnee Muskie Hunters, Meeting Fr 3/21	Kincaid Lake	George Donner	816-678-1623
<b>April</b>				
12	Club Outing & Meeting	Pomme De Terre	George Donner	816-678-1623
<b>May</b>				
17	Musky Mahem & Club Meeting (Guided Fishing W New Members)	Pomme De Terre	George Donner	816-678-1623
	Fish 8 - 4 Dinner @ 5:30 Meeting to Follow			
<b>June</b>				
7-8	Northern Missouri Musky Trail Outing & Meeting - Henry Sever & Hazel Creek	TBD	Wayne Humphrey Tim Dunaway	314-440-2173 573-588-4082
21	Kids & Family Day @ Pittsburg State Park	Pomme De Terre	Dan Diemert Phil White	314-752-9971 816-518-8459
<b>July</b>				
26	Pomme De Tour - Pomme Arm - 4 People Minimum	The Harbor Marina @ 8 AM	Earle Hammond	816-225-3519
18-19	Lake St Clair Outing	TBD	Denis Ledgerwood	636-346-4288
<b>August</b>				
16	Pomme De Tour - Lindley Arm - 4 People Minimum	The Harbor Marina @ 8 AM	Earle Hammond	816-225-3519
20-22	Gil Hamm Chapter Challenge - Lake of the Woods	Red Wing Lodge	Fred Wehrli	785-584-6393
<b>September</b>				
20	Guide For A Day - Meeting - Meal	Pomme De Terre	Steve Worstell	816-520-2371
<b>October</b>				
3	Friday Fall Muskie Tournament - 40th Anniversary	Pomme De Terre	George Donner	816-678-1623
4-5	Saturday/Sunday Fall Muskie Tournament - 40th Anniversary	Pomme De Terre	George Donner	816-678-1623
18	CPR Mail-in Tournament	MO Lakes & Kincaid	Wayne Humphrey	314-440-2173

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<b>November</b>				
1	Pick 3 Outing - Dinner & Nominations Meeting Follow	Pomme De Terre	George Donner	816-678-1623
<b>December</b>				
6	Annual & Planning Meeting - Starts at 10 AM - Lunch Served	Pomme De Terre	George Donner	816-678-1623





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Steve Worstell is the newsletter editor for 2014. If you have any questions or comments, please let him know – [sworstel1@yahoo.com](mailto:sworstel1@yahoo.com) or 816-520-2371. If you have articles or want to participate in creating the newsletter – the more help, the lighter the load. Please check out our website at [MissouriMuskies.org](http://MissouriMuskies.org) for more information about our chapter and events.

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