



June 2005

# **CLUB HAPPENINGS**

**JULY 9-10 MONTHLY OUTING** 

**AUGUST 6-7** MONTHLY OUTING

DERBY **AUGUST 27** 

**MONTHLY OUTING SEPT 3-4** 

KIDS FISHING DAY TBA

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### MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ ...

Where has the summer gone with it being mid June. Our family has been out fishing on the river. We have been catching all kinds of different species of fish. The kids have been having a great time!

The last E-board meeting was June 7th. We reviewed some business and upcoming events. We are still looking for hosts and volunteers for each event for the salmon boils. We can always use help at the scale weighing salmon or with the cooking. Contact any board member. Our 1st outing of the season is July 9-10. There will be a weigh in on Saturday (9th) between 6-7 p.m. After the weigh in on Saturday, Blair Ihmels will be hosting a brat feed at 7 p.m. On Sunday (10th), the weigh in will be between 1-2 p.m. and we'll be looking for the largest salmon caught that weekend. The 1st place winner will receive a \$40.00 gift certificate, the 2nd place a \$30.00 gift certificate and the 3rd place a \$20.00 gift certificate. It's like a tournament with no entry fee. All you need to do is be a member and fish!

Patience and safety is the key to have a successful day on the water, with the low water levels, little islands are hiding underneath the surface and the points are sticking out a long way, so keep a close eye on your electronics. With the extended ramps, the walk to your vehicle is a long walk, make sure you park without blocking another boater in. We have to be thankful the water is on the rise. The low water lake levels are threatening the cold water habitat that is important for salmon and smelt. The U.S. Army Corp of Engineers is trying to save the cold water habitat by draining the water from the top of the intake structure instead of the bottom by using plywood. They will be using 70 sheets of 3/4 in. marine grade plywood to block the traps. Hopefully this project will be successful in saving the cold water habitat.

Have a safe time on the water!



Happy 4th Great Planers!



Shut Up & Fish Dale Twardoski

#### TIDBITS

(During the course of the year, various GPTSC members will be telephoned and interviewed at which time that info will appear in the 'Tidbits' article. Don't be surprised if you get called when you least expect it!! Here's some tidbits on this months angler)....

Jack & Frances Wilhelm are long time members of our club, practically since its origination in 1985. This was way back in the Bernie Skibicki days. Bernie showed Jack how to salmon fish or did Jack show Bernie?? Anyway, the two of them fished tournaments together at that time. When not fishing in tournaments, you would find Jack and his wife, Frances, fishing together. They spent many hours on the water and came home with many limits those first few years with salmon averaging 10-12 pounds. Jack's largest salmon ever caught was 14 pounds. Jack & Frances prefer to eat fresh salmon at the clubs monthly outings, but they also enjoy doing this meal at their home. During the last few years, Jack usually has been fishing with Gus Wolbaum of McKenzie.

In earlier years, Jack & Frances had a habit of getting up with the birds, fishing until about 11 a.m. and sometimes did go back on the water in the early evening. Jack's favorite set up was and still is usually hot spot flashers and matching colored full bodied squids. During the later part of each season, Jacks salmon trick was using a #9 wrap back behind the ball about 10 feet and he usually always had good luck with this. He's donated a lot of lead in the lake over the years, ten and eight pounds weights, that is. Seems the trees got in his way.

Jack recalls one day in 1987 when he and Frances were fishing along the bluffs. At this time, he had a 28 foot Suntracker pontoon. They were watching all the excitement in the boat next to them, when an angler in the next boat had a salmon on his line and was trying to net his fish running from the front to the back of his boat. After much commotion that angler finally did net a feisty 3 lb salmon. After chuckling about that catch, they turn around only to see two of their rods going and the fun begins in their boat. They manage to get in one 10 lb. salmon, but the other broke their line and got away with some tackle, including a flasher. Shortly thereafter, they saw a salmon swimming on top of the water with a flasher still attached. Be darn if it wasn't their fish with their flasher still attached! So the chase was on, and after maneuvering and running back and forth, Jack & Frances managed to net both the salmon and the flasher he thought was a goner, and that salmon too was about 10 lbs. That's what you call a good catch.

Jack recalls another incident when he wanted to fish one of the salmon derby's, but he could not find anyone to go with him at that time, so as a last resort he asked Frances, but she refused to fish that tournament, as she was afraid of loosing fish while netting or anything else that could go wrong. Well, they didn't enter the tournament, but they went out salmon fishing anyway. What a day they had and things went so smoothly! Frances couldn't have been more proud after netting six good sized salmon before noon. Most likely they would have placed in that tournament, as they found out later that smaller fish were being brought in and the fish weight category was lower that year than most tournaments.

Jack also has had experience prefishing walleye tournaments with Shannon Kiel, the great PWT professional. In return Shannon Kiel has fished salmon with Jack; however, Mr. Kiel does not have the salmon 'touch' as Jack does.

(A big 'Thank You', goes out to Jack & Frances, for providing delicious corn during many of our monthly outings. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by the Great Planers Club members.)

### JULY OUTING

Saturday, July 9
Main Shelter ~ State Park
6-7 p.m. Weigh In
7 p.m. Brat Feed
Refreshments
Door Prizes



Sunday, July 10 Main Shelter ~ State Park 1-2 p.m. Weigh In

Hosted by Blair Ihmels (Tool Crib)

#### 2005 GREAT PLANERS DERBY

This year's club Derby will be held at Lake Sakakawea State Park at the main shelter on August 27, 2005. We will be using the main boat ramp at the park.

Jon Mitzel was elected chair person elect. If you have any suggestions for the *Derby or* better yet if you would like to help with this year's event please let the E-board know.

This year's low water will make the derby management more of a challenge but with the boat ramp extension and the help of John Tunge and the staff at the park we hope to make this years event enjoyable.

"Fish on Kid-Pass it On" was a new division two years ago for kids 12 years old and younger in memory of Gaylord Johnson with the help of his family and many memorials. Please help spread the word that we would like all the kids possible for this great event during the 2005 Derby.

A youth division will again be held for young adults ages 13-17 years old. As always the Club and Derby want to encourage every one to participate but if a youngster is interested please give them a chance.

Please keep talking to fellow club members and salmon fisher people who have not ever fished the Derby and let them know what it is about. With fear of losing our cold water habitat and our fishery, the reality is this great opportunity to help manage the resource and give you a chance as a salmon angler to win some great prizes.

As in past years we have great sponsors for this event and as we go out in to the community to ask for their kind donations for this years derby I hope that you would take the opportunity to thank them every chance that you can.

Blair Ihmels (Tool Crib) Derby Chairman

**Boat Safety and Visitor Appreciation Day (July 9)** 

Students are invited to participate in an information day of boat & water safety. Special programs for students include seminars on boat safety. Small boats furnished by the Corps of Engineers are used to teach the basics of boat operation safety. Call 487-3315 for details.

Regular daily vehicle entrance fee will be waived for park visitors on July 9 at Lake Sakakawea.

(The club is updating its 'handle' list. Many club members do not have 'handles' listed. If you wish to add your name & handle, make any changes to the list below, or have an address change, please inform any board member.)

Andersen, Bryce & Marie Anderson, Mike & Diana Ash. Duaine & Barb Bauer, Jerry & Mary Beastrom, Les Beastrom, Loren & Char Becher, Myron & Rose Becker, Gary & Judy Bergan, Allan & LaMae Blomquist, Bill & March Bracht, Gary Bubach, Steven & Karen Colis, Don & Vicki Dirk, Al & Cathy Dirk, Dwight & Rita Dollinger, Roger & Lenor Dollinger, Casey & Susan Eckroth, Pat & Lynne

Erhardt, Dennis & Veronica Boat Doctor Feist, Steve & Kim Feser, James & Michelle Mr Clean Fischer, Floyd & Barb Focke, Terry & Esther Freed, Larry & Bernita Froelich, Mark & Carol Gabel, Lyle & Debbie Gerber, Lugene Geiger, Arnie & Gloria Goetz, Anthony & Jane Grote Jr. Jim & Linda

Captain Carp Nightcrawler Cassie II Side Planner Beaner Johnny Appleseed Lab Man Sunsetter **Bad Boys** Lockjaw MT Kulr **Big Foot** Gypsy Rose Doc Dewey **Hair Doctor** Down Rigger Secret Squirrel Morraco Mole Critter Caller

Dakota Joe

Eliminator

Leadhead

Just Fun

Northlander

**Broken Arrow** 

Blue Dragon

Mud Shark

Goldrush

Grote III, Jim Goldade, Jim Greg, Kip & Luckie Haakenson, Greg and Lujean Thomas Hartl, Ron & Chuckie Hartmann, Paul Haskins, John & Phyllis Heavirland, Don & Cherie Heinert, Bud & Becky Knutson, Deanne and Jeff Helmer Ihmels, Blair & Pam Johnson, Chad Johnson, Deon & Donella Johnson, Joy Johnson, Tony Jurgens, Vern Kitzan, Doug Klapprodt, Lee & Adeline Klein Mark & Renea Klein, Les & Shar Kreidt, Garv & Judy Kubik, Roger & Karen LaFave, Jerry & Pinky Liebel, Tim & Pam Loeb, Don & Yvonne Long, Jack & Deb Mann, Derwin & Tammy Martin, Wes McCloskey, Roger & Bergetta McCollam, Wayne & Carol Michalenko, Jerry & Joan Miller, Robert & Joleen

Mitzel, Jon

Lil Minnow-Golddigger **Bishop** Gin Hawk

**Bay Heart** Sportsman Woodpecker Cher Ann Swift Current Loon Troller

Tool Crib Viking Voyager White Lightning Viking Voyager Viking Voyager Single Serving Sharpshooter Silver Strike Green Lizard **Nightshift** The Toy wwdotcomwalleye Captain Ahab Big Dog **Bubbles** Skip Jack **Varmit** Flagman **Toothpick** Wichita Lineman Cat Man & Half Pint Kenrick Pencil Pusher??

Modin, Randy & Kathy Mohler, Brian & Leann Monson, Dennis & JoAnn Myers, Al & Rhea Nerby, Gene & Mary Nosbusch, Al & Colleen Ohlhauser, Roger & Jeri Paczonski, John & Monica Ries, Randy & Laurie Rose, Louis & Wanda Rohlfs, Dennis & Joann Samuelson, Ed Schaible, Rick & Mary Schick, Marlin & Della Schlinger, Roger & Charlene Schlinger, David & Elaine Schmitz, Wayne Seher, Kevin & Brenda Shaffer, John & Mary Spravzoff, Ray & Lillian Stenseth, Dean & Char Sundberg, Steve & Carol Tietz, Norm & Nyla Van Dame, Duane & Lucille Veer, Dan & Janet Veer, Tom & Fern Vetter, Tony Walter, Don Volk, Willie & Arlene Werre, Walt & Mary White, Bill & Judy Wilkens, Kevin Will, Ken & Karen Wahl, Daryl & Corki Zogorski, John & Nancy

Lip Jerker Oil Baron Bike Shop Sport Fisher Whiskers **Bald Eagle** Hazelnut **Bwana** Full Effect Mudd Duck Jet Stream Blue Boy Raccoon Schick Razor Knuckle Buster 2 by 4 Beanman Megan Marie Concrete Man Cent. City Kingfish BJ's Barge **Bottom Bouncer** Cherokee **Bird Dog** Mixed Company Vise Grip Baron E T Bone Bubba & Peachy The Fox Bee Jay **Festous** Karen May Family Man JohnZ

# DID YOU KNOW.

- Boat ramp status for the entire Missouri River System is available throughout the summer at the ND Game & Fish website; another 60 new contour maps have been added on this website and now anglers who catch tagged fish are encouraged to send information online at this website: discovernd.com/gnf.
- One hour tours are given at the Garrison Dam, every Wednesday thru Saturday at 12 noon and 3 p.m. free of charge. Just 'buzz in' at the parking lot gate.
- The Outdoors-Woman Workshop deadline is August 1. If interested in bow hunting, big game, intro to rifles, fishing, fly fishing, canoeing, GPS adventure, handling and cooking game and more, call 328-6312. Workshop held August 19-21. Fee is \$120.
- The NDGFD received \$6.7 million in 2005 as its share of excise taxes paid by America's recreational shooters, hunters, anglers, and boaters. The funding is used to support conservation programs such as fish and wildlife monitoring, habitat improvement, acquisition of land for habitat conservation & species protection, research, education and other programs. The money helps pay for hunter safety, aquatic education, fish and wildlife-related recreation projects. Hunters & anglers may not realize the importance of excise taxes generated from sales of hunting & fishing equipment. Funding provided by those who hunt & fish protects our resources.

#### **BEE STING**

A young woman dressed in shorts had been taking golf lessons. She had just started playing her first round of golf when she suffered a bee sting. Her pain was so intense that she decided to return to the clubhouse for help and to complain. Her golf pro saw her come into the clubhouse and asked, "Why are you back in so early? What's wrong?'

- "I was stung by a bee!" she said.
- "Where?" he asked.
- "Between the first and second hole," she replied. He nodded knowingly and said, "Then your stance is too wide."



# **ORDERS FROM HEADQUARTERS!!**

Don't pull onto the ramp until your boat is ready to launch!

Pull into line and wait your turn!

If you see someone struggling with their boat, don't just stand there, HELP!!

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#### AREA HAPPENINGS'

- July 1 & 22~Karoche, Littles Bar & Grill, Pick City
  July 2~Chamber of Commerce Pitchfork Fondue, Garrison
- July 1-3~Centennial Celebration, Mercer (447-2674), parade tractor races, crafts, fireworks
- July 1-4~Centennial Celebration, Garrison; City Park BBQ, pet & doll parade, street dance, go carts, parade and free entertainment. Fireworks at Ft Stevenson State Park.
- July 4~Lions Club Demolition Derby, old rodeo grounds south of Beulah
- July 8~Fireworks Display, Hazen Golf Course (in conjunction with all school reunion)
- July 8-10~Bluegrass & Old Time Music Festival; workshops, kids activities & jam sessions, Cross Ranch State Park (16 mi SW of Hazen & 8 mi SE of Hensler) 794-3731
- July 9~Quilt Festival/Auction, Craft/Bake Sale, turkey roast, childrens games, kite flying, sailing, & more, Camp of the Cross, west of Garrison

- July 14-15~Crazy Days, Beulah (873-4585)
- July 15~Rocky Mountain Oyster Feed, Littles Bar & Grill
- July 15-16~Praise on the Prairie Concert featuring local musical groups sharing gospel and country music, River Bend Ranch NE of Hazen, 748-5710
- July 15-16-ND Governor's Cup Walleye Derby. 337-5576
- July 15-17~Turtle Lake Centennial, (turtlelakecentennial.com)
- July 16~Garrison Street Fair
- July 16~1st annual 'Rhubarb Festival', Washburn, 877-462-8535, Chuck Suchy performing
- July 17~ND Jr. Governor's Cup Fishing Derby, ages up to 17. Prizes awarded, only charge is park entrance
- July 22-23~Dakota Walleye Classic Fishing Tournament, Beulah Bay & Dakota Waters Resort (873-4585)
- July 28~Crazy Daze, food stands & family activities, Hazen July 30-31~Northern Plains Indian Culture Fest,
  Stanton, 745-3300

# 2005 LARGEST SALMON/TROUT CONTEST Open to GPTS Club Members Only Name



City/State/Zip	Phone

Weight: Lbs. \_\_\_\_ Oz. \_\_\_\_ Date Caught \_\_\_\_\_

Location Caught \_\_\_\_\_

Entrant Signature

Verified by (signature)