

GPTSC

Fishing lines

October 2005



Kip Greig & Angie enjoy a brief moment with their catch, only until this trout wrestled through the hole in the net!! Meanwhile, Kevin Booth holds on tight to his 'catch of the day'. See article inside for more on the 'Kids Fishing Day'.



CLUB HAPPENINGS

December 6 **Pizza Party (details inside)**
January 23 **Annual Meeting—Early Bird Drawing**
Amvets - 6 p.m. (Social & Potluck)

MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ...

It's hard to believe, but another salmon season for the most part is over. There are still people catching fish from shore and also in the tailrace. My season has been over for a couple of weeks. I haven't been out to the lake since the "Take a Kids Fishing" event. This is the first time I attended the event and what a great event it was. Kevin and Brenda Seher hosted this event along with the National Fish Hatchery in Riverdale. There were a lot of kids who attended and a lot of fish were caught, in fact, each of the 29 kids who attended caught their limit. Everyone went home with fish and prizes. A special thanks to Jon and his crew at the fish hatchery and thanks to Kevin and Brenda and all volunteers that made it a successful event. The derby was another successful event this year. Blair Ihmels and his crew did a great job. Thank you to all of the volunteers and sponsors for all the wonderful prizes. The derby wouldn't have been possible without you people. The next event is the pizza party on December 6. Hope to see you all there. Have a great fall.

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SEPTEMBER OUTING ~Monte Babeck (Mighty Max)

We had a very good turnout at the last outing with about 75 people in attendance. Tasty dishes and treats were brought by numerous people. I can't begin to name everyone, but a big thank you goes out to all of you. Other than your Program Chair forgetting the potatoes, the boil went off without a hitch. You would not believe how hard it is to find 30 lbs. of potatoes in a pinch! Our hosts the Anderson's, Andersen's, and the Schick's really know to feed a hungry bunch of fishermen. Apparently there is a dress code when cooking a boil that I was not aware of. Nice flowers guys!! If you attended the boil, you know what I mean. Thank you guys and gals.

One last thing I would like to mention is—the E-board is trying to come up with ideas as far as new memberships and younger members. We need to continue this club for many years to come and need to find ways to attract younger members so they too can enjoy the great sport of salmon fishing. The club's future will depend on these younger members. If any members have any ideas or have names of people that might want to become a member, feel free to contact me.

Listed below is the complete listing of fish weighed in at the September outing:

1st	Lugene Gerber	6lb-3oz	26 ¾"
2 nd	Barb Fischer	5lb-12oz	25 ½"
3 rd	Jason Fischer	5lb-9oz	24"
4 th	Roger Schlinger	5lb-7oz	24"

Other fish weighed in—

Steve Feist	5lb-4oz	24"
	4lb-12oz	23 ½"
	3lb-9oz	21 ½"
	3lb-3oz	20"
Dan Morman	5lb	25"
	4lb-3oz	23 ¼"
Steve Bubach	5lb	25 ½"
	3lb 10oz	22 ¼"
Barb Fischer	4lb 15oz	24"
	4lb	22 ¾"
	3lb 4oz	20 ¾"
Roger Schlinger	4lb 14oz	23 ½"
Aaron Morman	4lb 13oz	24"
Mary Bauer	4lb 9oz	24 ½"
Doug Kitzen	4lb 8 oz	23 ¾"
	3lb 3 oz	20"
Jerry LaFave	4lb 3 oz	23 ¾"
	3lb 10 ½	21 ½"
Jason Fischer	3lb 11oz	21 ¼"
Al Nosbusch	3lb 11oz	23 ¼"

He Said, She Said Funnies -

He said - Shall we try swapping positions tonight?

She said - That's a good idea. You stand by the ironing board while I sit on the sofa and fart.

He said - What have you been doing with all the grocery money I gave you?

She said - Turn sideways and look in the mirror.

2005 KID'S FISHING DAY~Kevin & Brenda Seher (wefish)

Another successful annual Handicapped Kids Fishing Day was hosted by the Garrison Dam National Fish Hatchery on September 17th and the Great Planers were there to help. The Club provided financial assistance and food and human resources needed to make it happen. We had 21 volunteers and 29 anglers accompanied by 22 family members. It was an afternoon of never-ending smiles.

A couple of Club members were interviewed and quoted in the Minot Daily News regarding the event. "...It's fun to be with the kids and they really get excited and I mean excited", said enthused Steve Hoetzer. Mike Anderson agreed, "I look forward to this every year. I think we get more excited about it sometimes than the kids do. The smiles on their faces are well worth the effort."

The weather was cool and breezy but no one noticed. The pond was stocked with lots of hungry trout, most weighing at least 2 lbs but there were many bigger ones. One lucky kid hooked a whopper, said to be at least 20 lbs. Even though he wasn't able to land it, everyone who saw it enjoyed the fish rush. Every angler caught their limit of very nice fish.

After fishing and picture taking, everyone had lunch with hot-dogs, chips, pop, cookies, and candy while the kids waited for their numbers to be called for the prize drawings. They got the chance to win some fishing related items such as tackle, tackle boxes, and there were also a few fishing poles. Every angler landed a door prize.

The kids went home with a full stomach, a bag full of cleaned fish, a prize, and lots of fishing goodies just for participating which included their own little tackle box, tackle, a participation plaque and many other miscellaneous things. They will also receive a picture with their fish to remember the day.

Thank you to everyone who made the day a success! Many thank yous to the volunteers; Mike and Diana Anderson, Monte Babeck, Keith Bonagofsky, Floyd and Barb Fischer, Terry & Esther Focke, Jay Gabel, Lugene Gerber, Tony Goetz, Kip Greig, Steve Hoetzer, Doug Kitzen, Gary Martin, Al Nosbusch, Tom Nosbusch, Marlin and Della Schick, Wayne Schmitz, Kevin & Brenda Seher, Dale Twardoski, and Dave Winbauer. Everybody jumped right in, saw what needed to be done and did registration, baiting hooks, casting, netting, cleaning fish, cooking or serving food.

More thank-yous to Dakota Tackle, Scott's Bait and Tackle, Elsie Clark, Capital Trophy, Dan's Super Market, Marv's Hardware, Lander's Interstate Conoco, Runway Express, Scheels, Wal-Mart, and State Game and Fish for your generosity and support that made the event even better. The contributions made it possible to send every kid home with a souvenir of some kind.

Last but definitely not least, thank you to the Garrison Dam National Fish Hatchery staff for being great hosts and giving us the opportunity to enjoy the day with the kids.

STEP UP, STEP IN ~ Tony Goetz (Mudshark)

The E-board met on Monday evening October 10 and there were a number of things discussed as the season is winding down. It's again hard to believe that the summer went by so quickly. How time flies when you're having fun.

Three years ago about this time of year, I was out doing some yard work when Bryce Anderson stopped by for a visit. I was a new member in the club at the time and hadn't known Bryce all that long when he asks that "would you like to volunteer" question. I, being a new member, had gained every bit of knowledge on salmon fishing from many of the club members. If it were not for the GPTSC, I would never have had the experience of pulling in a salmon from 90 feet down. That is an experience that you can't explain to anyone who has never had the pleasure. I'm sure you all know what I mean.

Now, I'm from the school that says you can't have it until you are willing to give it away and when Bryce asked me to run for the board, I think the first thing I did was chuckle and then my answer was, I guess its time to pay my dues. Time to pay back the club for all that fun I was having catching salmon, basically time to pass it on.

This is where I need to ask if you're ready to step up and give the club and its members a commitment of your time for a few years. There are a number of positions open on the board for this next year and we need your help.

First off, we are looking for a new Secretary / Treasurer. Barb Fisher has filled this position very well for many years. She was in this position when I first joined the club. I can't tell you how many years, but I can tell you she has done a very fine job.

Next our Newsletter Editor is also looking to resign her position. Della Schick has always done a fantastic job with the newsletter and we need to find someone to fill this position.

Monte Babeck, who has done a fine job this past year as our Program Chair, has agreed to run for the President Elect position. I think Monte will do a great job leading the club in the future. This will open the Program Chair position for the next year.

Last, but most definitely not least, we need another Co-Derby Chairperson. Blair says that this next year will be his last year. As you know Blair makes this job look easy and he is very well organized. This would be a great time for someone to step in and get one year to work with Blair before taking over.

As you see the club needs your help and if you are interested in any position please contact any E-board member or myself.

PIZZA PARTY

Tuesday, December 6

A & B Pizza South (newly remodeled)
311 South 7th Street

6:00 Social - 6:30 Pizza

\$5. per person

RSVP by December 5 to:

Barb Fischer (255-0419)

or

ffischer@bis.midco.net

*There will be one grand prize drawing from the salmon coupons. Please mail or deliver your salmon coupons to Jack Long or any E-board **before** this drawing. One lucky angler will win an Eagle Claw salmon rod, including the reel.*

Welcome to our newest GPTSC members:

Bismarck -

Steve Rohrich

Brian Selzler

Virgil Vetter

Chris Hermann

Keith Bonagofsky

Dave Winbauer

Jim Small

Mandan -

Doug Vannurden

Lincoln -

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Modin

Baldwin -

Alan Little

Billings, MT -

Deb Johnston

Pick City -

Rick Drown

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Emil Berard

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Bob Witt

Date Spawned	Number of Eggs	Female (Good)	Female (Bad)	Female (Green)	Female (So)	Males	Total Fish
10/6	268,000	124	34	10	5	149	322
10/7	70,000	35	6	0	1	40	82
10/11	411,000	204	52	10	6	230	502
10/12	290,500	154	36	31	4	140	365
10/13	228,000	119	29	10	1	128	287
10/18	300,900	122	25	4	2	112	265
10/19	49,700	18	1	4	1	36	60
10/20	17,000	11	2	0	0	51	64
10/24	48,500	36	3	7	2	53	101
TOTALS	1,683,600	823	188	76	22	939	2,048

The table at the left shows the Lake Sakakawea Salmon Spawning for 2005. All electrofishing. Out of 2,048 fish, 823 eggs were collected from good females. Total eggs taken were 1,683,600, of which 350,600 went directly to a South Dakota hatchery and an estimated 1,333,000 eggs remain in the Garrison Dam National Fish Hatchery.

2005 DERBY ~ Blair Ihmels (Tool Crib)

This year's derby found the same amount of entrants as last year and very similar water levels and again our competitors did not lack in enthusiasm. Held on Lake Sakakawea August 27th we had 62 teams competing for trophies and cash. The winds were less than ideal, but all boats launched and fish were caught throughout the day. Plenty of sun and mild temps helped make the day a huge success and everyone looked forward to the final tally though none more than the winning team, as they found their 10 fish early and were first to weigh their fish.

The Youth Division had seven entrants and we awarded three placements in that division for kids 13 to 17 years of age.

We had 15 entrants in the Fish On Kid / Pass it On Division for kids 12 and under. This division is in its third year in memory of Gaylord Johnson and has been a great success. The Johnson family has provided medals for each entrant and the memorial fund provides a fishing rod and reel for them to enjoy fishing after our event.

There were 217 salmon caught with an average weight of 4.3 pounds. The largest salmon caught was 9 pounds. The fishery has survived another year of drought conditions but the size of our catch has definitely been reduced.

It was again a pleasure to run the derby and the success is all due to great members of our club and our generous sponsors. Please look over the results posted with this years winners and derby sponsors. Take time to acknowledge them as we go about our day-to-day life, as the success of this event is largely due to their acts of kindness.

Next year will mark our 20th derby. Thanks to our charter members and many hours of donated time and prizes, we have continued this successful event. As we step away from open water fishing, make your plans to attend next years derby as we hope to make it our best ever. As always the E-board needs your input and your time so give it some thought to help us out.

DERBY RESULTS ~ Barb Fischer (Dakota Joe)

Diehard Award

Dale & Anita, Ali, Megan & Clark Twardoski 2.8 lbs

Dead Center Award

Al, Chris and Brandon Dirk 4.8 lbs.

Largest Skipjack

Dale Haiar, Wes Martin, Jill Haiar 14 oz

Largest Youth Division

1st	Bailey Fode	7.2 lbs.
2nd	Kyle Little	5.0 lbs.
3rd	Dusty Bergard	5.0 lbs.

Largest Junior Division

1st	Alyssa Kroshus	4.8 lbs.
2nd	Brian Loeb	4.6 lbs.
3rd	Eric Klein	4.4lbs.

Team Results

		# of fish	Weight
1	Jay Gabel, Rashel Gabel, Gary Martin	10	45.5
2	Roger Schlinger, Dave Schlinger, Steve Feist	9	44.5
3	Les Beastron, Deb Johnston	10	44.5
4	Derwin Mann, Jason Renner	10	42.5
5	Don Colis, Vicki Colis, Brian Mohler	10	38.5
6	David Fink, Cleo Fink, Jenna Grinsteiner	9	37.0
7	Jim Grote, Jim Grote	7	34.0
8	Brad Bosch, Gary Wetsch, Rick Anderson	7	33.0
9	John Baepple, Dennis Erhardt	7	32.5
10	Les Vietz, Steve Rohrich, Chris Hermann	7	31.0
11	Bob Gregoire, Virgil Vetter	7	29.0
12	Ron Hartl, Chuckie Hartl, Garrett Hartl	5	28.0
13	Willie Volk, Arlene Volk, Dwight Dirk	6	25.0
14	Floyd Fischer, Parker Fischer, Dave Winbauer	6	25.0
15	Terry Focke, Esther Focke	7	25.0
16	Brian Fink, Shannon Fink	5	21.0
17	John Zogorski, Nancy Zogorski	6	21.0
18	Brian Kroshus, Alyssa Kroshus	5	20.0
19	Wayne Schmitz, Dan Burgard, Dusty & BreAnn	4	18.5
20	Casey Dollinger, Pat Fridgen	4	17.5
21	Ken Kuylen, Chris Anderson, Andrew Anderson	4	17.5
22	Tom Veer, Fern Veer, Dale Veer & Joey	4	17.0
23	John Haskins, Jeff Schuchard	4	16.5
24	Mike Anderson, Scott Anderson, Bailey Fode	3	16.0
25	Dennis Dollinger, Doug Vannurden	4	14.5
26	Al Dirk, Chris Dirk, Brandon Dirk	3	14.0
27	Jason Fischer, Jody Fischer, Landon Fischer	3	14.0
28	Roger Dollinger, Kelly Dollinger	3	13.5
29	Randy Modin, Justin Modin, Jacob Modin	4	13.5
30	Dan Veer, Janet Veer	3	13.0
31	Mark Klein, Renea Klein, Eric Klein	3	12.6
32	John Shaffer, Roger Johnson	3	12.4
33	Donald Loeb, Brian Loeb	3	11.8
34	Randy Ries, Laurie Ries	2	11.0
35	Doug Kitzan, Eugene Gerber	3	11.0
36	Bryce Andersen, Jack Long	3	10.6
37	Sam Mohler, David Mohler, Brian Meinen	2	9.8
38	Kip Greig, Barry Borstad	2	8.8
39	Jerry LaFave, Dan Morman, Aaron Morman	2	8.4
40	Lee Little, Alan Little, Kyle Little	2	8.2
41	Keith Weller, Kathy Woodbury	2	7.8
42	Jeff Essler, Bob Witt	2	7.6
43	Dale Haiar, Wes Martin, Jill Haiar	2	7.2
44	Gene Nerby, Emil Berard	2	6.4
45	Tim Liebel, Ted Mees	1	5.6
46	Gary Bracht, Jon Long	1	4.6
47	Kevin Seher, Brenda Seher	1	4.6
48	Al Bergan, LaMae Bergan, Chuck McLean	1	4.6
49	Jerry Bauer, Mary Bauer	1	3.8
50	Nicholas Holzer, Martha Holzer, Dan Holzer	1	3.4
51	Steven Bubach, Karen Bubach	1	3.2
52	Dale, Anita, Ali, Megan & Clark Twardoski	1	2.8
53	Dennis Monson, JoAnn Monson	0	
54	Mike Ell, Jacob Ell	0	
55	Jon Mitzel, Seth Lothspeich, Mark Erickson	0	
56	Al Nosbusch, Tom Nosbusch, Vern Jurgens	0	
57	Monte Babeck, Mark Anderson, Hunter Babeck	0	
58	Dean Myers, Marvin Myers	0	
59	Kevin Thomas, Cody Thomas	0	
60	Rick Drown, Scott Borup, Tylor Borup	0	
61	Keith Bonagofsky, Brian Selzier	0	
62	Mark Holzer, Paul Hartman, Jeri Heiser	0	

Largest Fish

1st	Chuckie Hartl	9.0 lbs.
2nd	John Baepple	6.4 lbs.
3rd	Steve Feist	6.2 lbs.

Please take time to acknowledge our sponsors as we go about our day-to-day life. The success of this event is due largely to their generosity. Remember to support these businesses who support our club:

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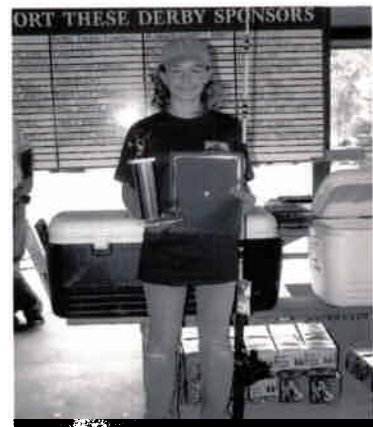
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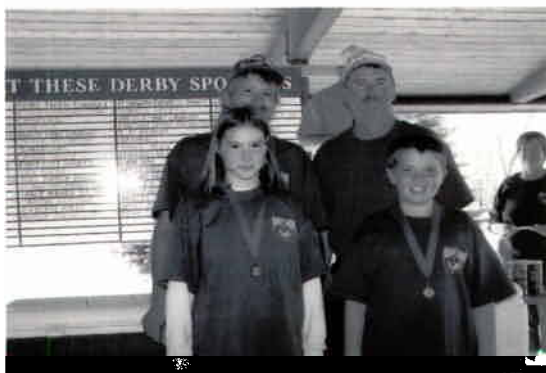
Bailey Fode - 1st in Youth Division



*Gary Martin, Rashel & Jay Gabel—1st Place
10 fish weighing in at 45.5 pounds*



Alyssa Kroshus-1st in Jr. Division



*BreAnn Schmitz & Dusty Burgard proudly wear their
'Take a Kid Fishing' metals. This team, including
fathers, Wayne & Dan, placed 19th.*



The 15 entrants in the Fish On Kid/Pass It On Division for kids 12 & under

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DID YOU KNOW two North Dakota wildlife groups are encouraging hunters to help local food pantries & soup kitchens by donating deer taken this fall.

Sportsmen Against Hunger is a charitable program in the Bismarck area that has arranged for deer to be processed and delivered at no cost to the hunter. Hunters are asked to call West Dakota Meats in Bismarck (221-9142), or Choice Cut Meats in Mandan (663-1888), before dropping off a deer in order to verify the SAH quota has not been filled. SAH is sponsored and paid for by the Northern Plains Chapter of Safari Club International.

Barnes County Wildlife Club, in the Valley City area, is arranging for the processing of 100 deer. The club is seeking hunters to sign up to donate one or more deer. For more information contact Perry Kapaun at 845-0564; or email pskapaun@ictc.com.

The North Dakota Game and Fish Department supports these programs and encourages hunters to participate.

FYI - If you've got a doe license but no place to hunt deer, some ND landowners may have opportunities available. The state G&F Dept. has been compiling a list of landowners who want to reduce the deer population in their areas, and have requested help in attracting hunters who have one or more doe licenses. The list includes landowners from 10 different hunting units. Landowners looking to host whitetail doe hunters are located in units 2C, 2G2, 2K2, 3A2, 3A3, 3B3 and 4A. Landowners looking to host mule deer doe hunters are located in units 3B1, 4D and 4E. Hunters with doe licenses for these units, who are interested in contacting landowners must call the G&F Department at 701-328-6300 for information.

Anglers-The largest salmon/trout contest continues through December. There's still time to land that big one! Use the form below.

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2003 LARGEST SALMON/TROUT CONTEST
Open to GPTS Club Members Only

Name _____

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City/State/Zip _____ Phone _____

Weight: Lbs. _____ Oz. _____ Date Caught _____

Location Caught _____

Entrant Signature _____

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