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Fishing Expo, 2010

The Fishing expo was a huge success! Thanks to our volunteers we were able to sign up 19 new members and raised \$1075 in our kids fishing day raffle. We also had the good fortune of having Dave Genz (Speaker on ice fishing at the Expo) in our booth taking auto-graphs and answering questions both days, which was a big draw. His association with Clam (manufacturer of blue ice fishing shack) and also Jim Kusuda's presence were the major reasons Clam donated 12 top of the line ice spinning rod/reel combos to our



Dave Genz and Jim Kusuda



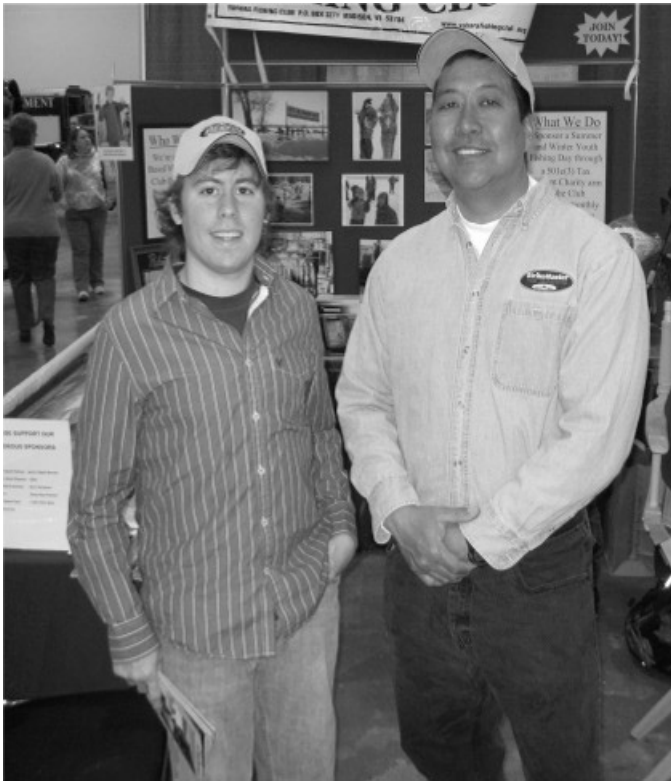
Jim Pankratz and son

raffle. Another hit was our fishing club video that Duffy made which stopped a lot of people to check us out a little closer. In total we had 34 prizes this year in our raffle with many club members being winners. If you want to fish for walleyes on Lake Erie talk to Jeff Western, the lucky winner of Captain Hook's Charters and see if he'll take you along! A big thank you to all who helped at the expo in any way. It was a huge success again and it only happened because of dedicated hard working people in our club who make us all proud to say that we are members of the Yahara Fishing Club!

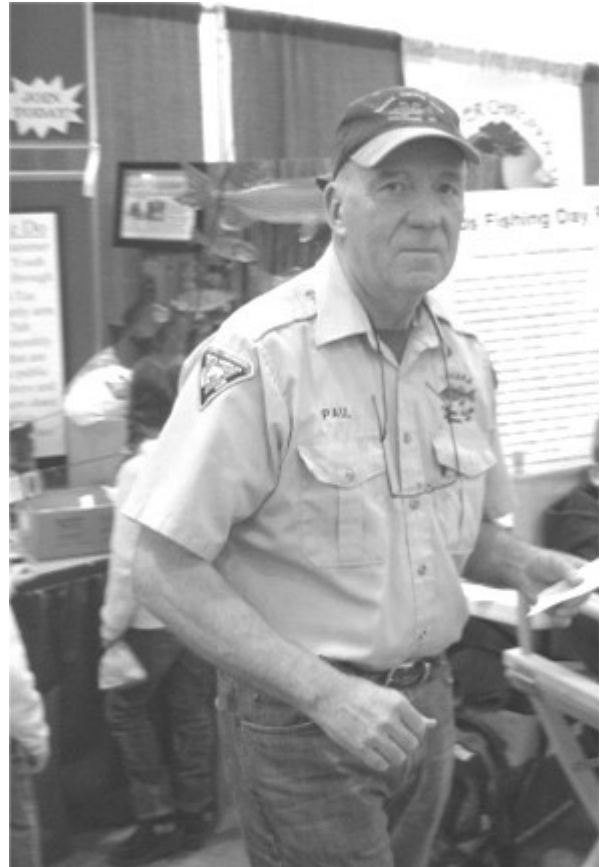
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Club Secretary Paul Nichols and Jim Kusuda



Vice President Paul Marunich in motion.

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Fishing Expo, 2010, Continued



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There's never been any doubt about it. I'm as tough as a \$2 steak! I'm sure my wife would confirm that. But I'm writing this on Monday March 1 which means the 25th Madison Fishing Expo ended yesterday. Which also means my feet are sore today and I took two naps! Retirement has a lot to be said for it. It was a very successful expo once again. We were blessed with great weather which led to a great crowd. I only saw part of a few of the seminars but all comments I heard concerning the speakers and topics were very positive. I especially like seeing so many kids and families at the show.

Our club's booth was always busy. Thanks to the many members who gave their time and energy (and their sore feet) to help out there. Also, on behalf of the MFE board, a big thank you is due to the set-up gang on Friday and lots of other jobs all weekend. Several clubs and groups help with this but none do it better than the YFC. We had the usual small army there.....very early! The vendors and boat dealers really love it. I'm proud of that and you should be too!

Well, as I said, it's March. Maybe not the prettiest month of the year with all the grey snow.....but it's different. Things are changing. Things are melting. Still a few weeks of good ice fishing left but please use caution. Late ice can be unsafe. I store my patio furniture in my boat and now it's time to get that darn stuff out of there. Clean it up a bit and charge the batteries. Start thinking about doing a little fishing without drilling holes.

As the calendar pages flip over it makes me think of some things we've planned and the fun year that lies ahead. Our March meeting should be super with Dennis Radloff as our guest speaker. He is an expert on those big toothy fish in Green Bay and the Milwaukee area lakes. He spoke at the expo and if you missed him, here's your chance. Be sure to attend, pick up some new big fish tips, and meet some new friends. Lots of new members who joined last weekend should be there. Let's make them feel welcome.

Looking ahead a bit further, we have the Kid's Fishing Day in June and Fishing Has No Boundaries in July. Please be ready to sign up for these two very important club events. Kids and special needs folks rely on us and our response defines us as the great club that we are. We are also planning the usual on-the-water summer meetings. These have been lots of fun since we started them a few years ago.

I expect that all of this will literally fly by and before we know it, we'll be cooking beans on the Tenney breakwall again in November, doing some Christmas shopping, and getting ready for another Madison Fishing Expo. But between now and then, I plan to put the hurt on a few fish. Let's make this a fun year. Remember, our meetings are only once a month. Try to make them count. First, be sure to attend. Second, meet someone new. Perhaps arrange to fish with someone new. They may learn from you and you may learn from them. Most folks join our club to learn more about fishing. Wear a name tag at meetings, wear your club shirts and hats, check out a DVD or video, bring in a few magazines to trade, pass around some photos, and of course, we'll share our fishing reports.

It sounds like I'm getting a little pumped up for spring and the upcoming fishing season. That's because spring is about to spring and I'm in spring training!



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YFC 2010 Calendar

June - Kids fishing day. This coincides with the Wisconsin free fishing weekend.

July 10-11th - Fishing has no boundaries



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Saturday March 20, 2010

7:30 Doors open, Check-in, coffee & donuts

8:20 Welcome & Kick-off (Auditorium) - All Participants at the Auditorium

8:30 "Hot topics for Muskie Anglers" Panel (Worrall, Stewart) - Auditorium
9:00–10:25 [Block #1]:

9:00 A) Poolside Lure Demonstrations – Working Plastics, Jigs & Crank Bait: tips & techniques [Worrall/Hanson]

9:00 B) Boat & motor maintenance [Greg Fitch (invited(i))]

9:00 C) Sonar, Fish finders & Marine Electronics - Latest technology & Operation [Kevin Wegner(i)]

9:00 D) Spring Muskie Fishing Techniques: Getting ready for opener [Reinstra/Devos/Aldworth(i)]

9:00 E) Muskie Fishing on the WI River [Tauchen]

9:00 F) GPS systems – Class & field exercise [Scott Hogland]

9:00 G) Muskie Fishing basics for Youth & Adults [Duffy Kopf]

9:00 H) Build your own custom muskie rod (Critchley & Brad Walker-Teal River Rods)

9:00 I) Long Legged & Stork Lake (Schell & Penniston)

9:00 J) All about making muskie lures A-Z (John Eversoll)

9:00 K) Muskie Reel Repair Overview [Chuck Brod & colleagues]

10:25 -10:35 Break

10:35 – Noon [Block #2]:

10:35 A) Poolside Lure Demonstrations– Plastics, Jigs, crankbaits: tips & techniques [Lee Tauchen/Keith Krinke]

10:35 B) Patterning Big Muskies "Sacrificing Quantity for Quality" [Adam Oberfoell]

10:35 C) Make Your Own Wooden Row Troller [Jim Olson]

10:35 D) Fishing Oneida and Vilas Counties [Worrall/Greg Matzke/Matt Raley(i)]

10:35 E) Sucker Fishing & Quickset Rigs [Jerry Georgeson]

10:35 F) Fishing Southeastern Wisconsin - Pewaukee/Okauchee [Mike Koepp]

10:35 G) Fishing Sawyer County & Northwest Wisconsin [Jim Stroede(i)]

10:35 H) Build your own custom muskie rod (Critchley & Brad Walker)

10:35 I) Make your own leaders Fluro & Steel (Reim & Hellenbrand)

10:35 J) Muskie Reel Repair tear down & hands on [Chuck Brod & colleagues]

Yahara Fishing Club

NOON—1:00 LUNCH & MINI-WORKSHOPS

- 1) Muskie fishing on Lake St Clair [Penniston & Reinstra]
- 2) Fly Fishing for Muskies (Greenup)
- 3) Reel/trolling motor repair [Brod]
- 4) Making Spinnerbaits/silicone skirts [Hollatz]
- 5) Muskie Lure Casting Accuracy Contest-outside (weather permitting) [Hempe]

1:00-2:30 [Block #3]

- 1:00 A) Trolling (Row & Motor) for Muskies with impressive results [Jim Olson/Steve Reinstra]
- 1:00 B) How to make Bucktails & Spinnerbaits [Scot Stewart]
- 1:00 C) How to make wooden muskie lures [Keith Krinke]
- 1:00 D) Electric trolling motors selection & maintenance [Chuck Brod & colleagues]
- 1:00 E) Madison Chain Muskies [Ron Schell/Don Hollatz/Craig Eversoll(i)/Jeff Hanson]
- 1:00 F) Canadian Muskie Fishing (Lake of the Woods, Eagle Lake) [Matt Devos & Steve Herbeck(i)]
- 1:00 G) Build your own custom muskie rod (Critchley & Brad Walker)
- 1:00 H) Muskie fishing on the Mighty Chippewa River (Drift boat, casting, fly fishing, sucker fishing) (T. Greenup)
- 1:00 I) All about Boat Control (Worrall)

2010 Fishing Seasons

- Early Inland Trout March 6 (5 a.m.) to April 25
- General Inland Trout May 1 (5 a.m.) to Sept. 30
- Large and Smallmouth Bass Northern Zone Catch and Release May 1 to June 18
- Large and Smallmouth Bass Northern Zone Harvest June 19 to March 6, 2011
- Large and Smallmouth Bass Southern Zone May 1 to March 6, 2011
- Musky - Northern Zone May 29 to Nov. 30
- Musky - Southern Zone May 1 to Dec. 31
- Northern Pike May 1 to March 6, 2011
- Walleye May 1 to March 6, 2011
- Lake Sturgeon Sept. 4 to Sept. 30 (hook-and-line)

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The Board Of Directors meet at 5:45 pm, The **General Membership meeting starts at 7:00 pm.**

Speaker: Dennis Radloff

Calendar of Upcoming Events

March Events

February 9th - YFC February Monthly Meeting at the VFW hall.
Speaker: Dennis Radloff. See article page 5.
February 26-28th - Madison Fishing Expo

April Events

April 9th - YFC December Monthly Meeting at the VFW hall.
Club discussion on opening day opportunities.

The Yahara Fishing Club's doors are open to **EVERYONE**, so invite a friend to the meeting!

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