



February 1st 2024 One Hundred and Nineteenth Edition

Hello!

I hope everyone is enjoying the very mild weather we've been having recently.

Our next meeting will be on February 13th at The Grand View Grill & Bar, Duluth, MN:

- Board Meeting – 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM (everyone is welcome).
- General Meeting – 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM (everyone is welcome), we are excited to have **Matt Monette** of Northland Muskie Adventure Guide Service as our guest speaker!

Other things coming up:

- The annual banquet is coming up on March 9th.
- Milwaukee Muskie Expo, February 16-18.
- Minnesota Muskie Expo, March 8-10.

Thank you,
Jim Carnes
President LSMI



Final standings 2023

Men's Master Division

Robert Busche 32 Fish 361 Points Avg. Length 37.11 Largest 50.00
Carl Peterson 26 Fish 253 Points Avg. Length 35.44 Largest 42.50
Robert Himango 2 Fish 17 Points Avg. Length 37.00 Largest 42.00

Men's Division

Cade Busche 17 Fish 174 Points Avg. Length 36.15 Largest 47.00
Jason Kahler 13 Fish 149 Points Avg. Length 42.17 Largest 47.50
Dan Maki 6 Fish 112 Points Avg. Length 44.69 Largest 51.00
Joey Johnson 6 Fish 117 Points Avg. Length 45.50 Largest 51.00
Joshua Monge 4 Fish 53 Points Avg. Length 39.00 Largest 50.25
Terry DeMenge 2 Fish 30 Points Avg. Length 40.75 Largest 42.00
Eric Maley 2 Fish 25 Points Avg. Length 38.38 Largest 44.25
Jim Nilsson 1 Fish 25 Points Avg. Length 50.00 Largest 50.00
Drake Peterson 1 Fish 24 Points Avg. Length 51.00 Largest 51.00
James M Zauhar 1 Fish 16 points Avg. Length 42.00 Largest 42.00
Peter Krause 1 Fish 9 Points Avg. Length 35.00 Largest 35.00

Women's Division

Karen Mctavish 17 Fish 300 Points Avg. Length 43.57 Largest. 53.75
Amanda Monge 10 Fish 115 Points Avg. Length 37.40 Largest. 45.00

Juniors Division

Tyler Peterson 1 Fish 20 Points Avg. Length 45.50 Largest 45.50
Gavin Krause 2 Fish 9 Points Avg. Length 30.00 Largest 30.50

Lunker of the Month

May Drake Peterson 50.00
June Karen Mctavish 49.00
July Joey Johnson 51.00
August Karen Mctavish 53.75
September Joey Johnson 47.00
October Joshua Monge 50.25
November Jim Nilsson 50.75

Here are the officers for 2023 of The Lake Superior Chapter of Muskies Inc.

President Jim Carnes



Vice President Terry DeMenge



Secretary Karen Mctavish



Treasurer Candie Ellestad



R.V.P. Drake Peterson



Membership Amanda Monge



Banquet Chairman Curt Ellestad



Fisheries Jason Kahler



Newsletter Keith O



Peter Krause at Large



Youth Director Robert Jenko



Robert Busche at Large



2024 Lake Superior Chapter Calendar of Events

Note: Change in meeting place starting in October 2023 Our general meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of the month October thru May at the Grand View Grill & Bar 2820 Midway Road Duluth, MN 55810. Board meetings are held at 6:00 pm, followed by the general meeting at 7:00 pm. As always, all board meetings and general meetings are open to the membership and the public. Any questions contact Jim at 715-553-2099 or Terry at 218-391-2699

February 13th Board meeting 6 pm general meeting 7 pm all board and general Meetings are open to the public. Guest speaker Matt Monette Northland Muskie Adventures Guide Service

February 15th -18th Duluth sports show at the Decc

March 9th 28th Annual Lake Superior Chapter Sportsman's Banquet Contact Curt at 218 -390-8888 or Jim 715-553-2099 **March 12th** Board meeting 6 pm general meeting 7 pm all board and general Meetings are open to the public. Guest speaker Dan Wilfond MDNR.

April 9th Board meeting 6 pm general meeting 7 pm all board and general Meetings are open to the public. Guest speaker Michael Hanson Namekagon Area Guide Service

May 14th Board meeting 6 pm general meeting 7 pm all board and general Meetings are open to the public. (Speaker TBA)

July 13th St Louis River Muskie Shootout 7am to 4 pm MANDATORY RULES MEETING 6:30 A.M @ RICES POINT LANDING. DULUTH, MN Contact Curt at 218-390-8888 or Dustin at 218-464-2379 or Jim 715-553-2099

Lake Superior Chapter of Muskies Inc.
Prize for largest Muskie of the year
“Replica Award” for 2024

The largest Muskie caught and released by any member will receive a free graphite Muskie mount from Lax Reproductions, courtesy of Lax Reproductions & Lake Superior Chapter Muskies Inc.

The rules are as follows:

1. The Muskie must be a minimum of **52 inches** in length.
2. Fish must be measured on bump board and photograph with fish on bump board.
3. Photographed and the photo sent to the contest chairperson within **30 days** of the catch via mail or email. Photos will not be returned. Photos can be digital or via a smartphone. Please sent via email.
4. Muskie registrations without pictures will not be eligible for the award.
5. All entries must be recorded on a Muskie Inc. Fishing Contest Entry blank or entered online at www.muskiesinc.org. Entry blanks are found at the Muskies Inc. website or are available from your Fishing Contest chairperson.
6. Fishing Contest Entry blanks (paper or online) must be:
 - A. **FILLED OUT COMPLETELY** on the front page or online to be eligible for points or awards. This includes the name of the body of water and bait used. THIS REGULATION WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED TO COMPLY WITH THE PURPOSES OF MUSKIES, INC.
 - B. Witnessed by at least one person and must have the phone number and signature of that witness.
 - C. Entered online or received (via mail) by the Lake Superior Chapter Contest Chairperson within 30 days of the date of the catch.
7. You may only win this once in your lifetime.
8. If the winner turns down the replica prize, it will go to the next member with the largest fish. The original qualifier will be eligible again after 3 years.
9. You must be a member of the Lake Superior Chapter #33 in good standing for **45 days** prior before entering. If the membership is a renewal, it must be completed prior to the expiration date. If a transfer from another chapter, the **45-day** waiting period applies from the date of transfer.
10. The winner must attend at least **2 monthly meetings or 1 outing and 1 meeting all between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024**. The annual chapter banquet qualifies for **2 meetings**. If a junior member wins, a parent or guardian must attend the meetings as noted above.
11. In case of a tie, the winner will be decided by their 2nd largest fish of the year. In case of a 2nd tie, the winner will be decided by a coin flip.

Contest review committee will consist of at least 3 members which will include the following: Lake Superior Chapter Contest Chairperson and at least 2 other members (one of which will be a non-board member). The committee will be established to review all disputes or questions on entered Muskies. They will arbitrate any dispute and their decisions shall be accepted as final.

2024 Committee: Terry DeMenge (contents director), Bob Busche (board member), Ron Krause (non-board member)

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2024 Rules for the Lunker of the Month

Lunker of the Month Awards is for the largest released Muskie for each month. The angler releasing the largest Muskie in that month will receive a Lunker of the Month Award.

The rules are as follows:

1. The Muskie must be **40** inches or longer for adults and 30 inches for junior members. There will be one award overall per month (not a separate award for adults and juniors).
2. **Photographed and the photo sent to the contest chairperson within 30 days of the catch via mail or email. Photos will not be returned. Photos can be digital or via a smartphone, however, digital is preferred.**
3. **Muskie registrations without photos will not be eligible for lunker awards.**
4. All entries must be recorded on a Muskie Inc. Fishing Contest Entry blank or entered online at www.muskiesinc.org. Entry blanks are found at the Muskies Inc. website or are available from your Fishing Contest chairperson. Entry blanks may be copied for recording additional Muskies caught.
5. Fishing Contest Entry blanks (paper or online) must be:
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 2. Entered online or received (via mail) by the Lake Superior Chapter Contest Chairperson within 30 days of the date of the catch.
6. In case of a tie, the winner for the month will be decided by their next biggest fish caught during that month. In case of a 2nd tie, winner will be decided on a coin flip.
7. You must be a member of the Lake Superior Chapter #33 in good standing for 45 days prior before entering. If the membership is a renewal, it must be completed prior to the expiration date. If a transfer from another chapter, the 45-day waiting period applies from the date of transfer.

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2022 Committee:

Terry DeMenge (contest director)

Bob Busche (board member)

Ron Krause (non-board member)

28th Annual Lake Superior Chapter Sportsman's Banquet

Everyone is welcome.

- **Where:** (Proctor Moose Lodge 1302), 415 3rd Ave Proctor, MN
- **When:** March 9th, 2024 (5 PM)
- **Time:** Social Hour 5 to 6:30
- **Meal:** 6:30 to 7:00
- **Awards & Drawings:** Start approx. 7:00
- **Meal:** Roast Beef, Ham, Au gratin Potatoes, Bun, Cole slaw and a Dessert. **(Subject to change)**
- **Adult Meal Tickets:** \$25.00 till March 1, 2024 - \$30.00 at the door
- **Junior members** (**12** and under) are free, 13 to 18 are \$12.50
- **Early Bird Packages** must be purchase before **March 1st**
- **Early Bird Packages** will be picked up at the door.
- **Gold Package** - \$100.00 (save \$50.00) includes 1 adult meal, 150 general raffle tickets.
- **Silver Package** - \$75.00 (save \$35.00) includes 1 adult meal, 100 general raffle tickets.
- **Bronze Package** - \$50.00 (save \$20.00) includes 1 adult meal, 50 general raffle tickets.
- **Early Bird Special** available only for Adults

Adults attending () Name _____ Early Bird Pkg. _____ Color _____

Name _____

Meal Only () Names _____

Names _____

12 and under () Names _____

Names _____

Ages 13 to 18 () Names _____

Names _____



**Make Checks payable to Lake Superior Chapter of Muskies Inc.
Mail to Curt Ellestad - 914 Bass Blvd, Proctor, MN 55810-2658**

28th Annual Lake Superior Chapter

33 Sportsman's Banquet



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March 9, 2024 (5 PM)

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Meal: 6:30 to 7:00

Awards & Drawings: Start approx. 7:00

Over \$5,000.00 in prizes

Here is just a small list:

Resort Stays, Gear, Quilt, Rod Packages, Muskies, Walleye, etc.

Proceeds go to:

FISHERIES - Muskies, Inc. works to conserve, protect and restore North America's Muskie Fisheries. Areas of concern include habitat preservation, water quality, water management policies, and the development/maintaining of self-sustaining fish populations.

RESEARCH - Muskies, Inc. continues to seek out Elevate and Fund Research for local projects and activities that involve improving Muskie fisheries.

YOUTH - Muskies, Inc. provides guidelines and suggestions for quality programs and activities to educate our young members and, where possible, youth in general to ensure the future of the fishery.

Register online at www.Lakesuperiormuskies.com

For more info contact Curt at 218-390-8888 or Terry at 218-391-2655

Lake Superior Muskies Inc

Announcing our February 13, 2024 speaker!

Board meeting 6:00 pm
General meeting 7:00 pm

Grandview Bar & Grill
2820 Midway Rd Duluth, MN 55810



Matt Monette-Northland Muskie
Adventure Guide Service

Lake Superior Muskies Inc

Announcing our March 12, 2024 speaker!

Board meeting 6:00 pm
General meeting 7:00 pm

Grandview Bar & Grill
2820 Midway Rd Duluth, MN 55810



Dan Wilfond

2024 Supporters of lakes Superior Chapter



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MUSKIES, Inc. Membership Application Form

Please print and fill-in the appropriate spaces; then mail with a check, money order, and CC #, payable to: "MUSKIES, INC." To-
Candy Ellestad, Treasurer, 914 Bass Blvd, Proctor MN. 55810-2658

OR: for online application with credit card go to: www.muskiesinc.org

click on Join Us, Chapter Affiliation Lake Superior Chapter # 33

Name _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

Address _____

City/State _____ zip code _____

Phone _____ Email Address _____

Chapter Affiliation: Lake Superior Chapter #33

My Membership # (if current/past member) _____

Expiration Date _____

Must check one: _____ New Member _____ Renewal _____ Address Change _____ Email change

Method of payment: _____ Cash _____ Check _____ Credit Card Type: **Visa & MasterCard** Credit Card #

_____ Exp. Date _____

Please choose membership type:

Check appropriate box(s)

_____ Regular Individual Member 1 yr. - \$45.00 _____ Two yr. - \$75.00 _____ Three yr. - \$105.00

_____ Family -1 magazine 1 yr. - \$57.50 _____ Two yr. - \$100.00 _____ Three yr. - \$142.50 Name of

Spouse _____ D.O.B. _____

Name of Child _____ D.O.B. _____

Name of Child _____ D.O.B. _____

_____ Regular 1yr Junior Member (under 18) - \$30.00 D.O.B. _____

_____ Regular one year active military membership (must use APO/Military Installation address) \$30.00 (U.S. Funds)

For Additional Information Contact:

Curt Ellestad Membership Director at 218-390-8888 or Terry DeMenge, Chapter President at 218-391-2699