



May 1st 2025 One Hundred and Thirtieth Edition

Hello,

It's hard to believe it is May already which means another musky season is just around the corner! If you're like me, boat preparation will have to become a high priority very soon. We'll be doing our annual lure auction during the general meeting in May, proceeds will be used for our youth program, so if you have any lures (new or slightly used) that you would like to donate, please bring them. This is a good time to get great deals on lures!

As a reminder, our monthly meetings will halt after our May meeting and resume in October. We had a lot of great speakers during our general meetings this year, and if you know of anyone interested in being a speaker, please let Karen McTavish (karen@mctavishquilting.com) know.

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

- Board Meeting – 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM (all are welcome).
- General Meeting – 7:00 PM Lure auction.

2025 Meeting Schedule

13-May Lure auction

Preliminary 2025/26 meeting schedule:

2025/26 Meeting Schedule

14-Oct	11-Nov	9-Dec	13-Jan	10-Feb	10-Mar	14-Apr	12-May
Board Meeting	Board Meeting	Board Nominations / Elections	Board Meeting	Board Meeting	Board Meeting	Board Meeting	Board Meeting
General Meeting , speaker TBD	No General Meeting , MN hunting season	Christmas Party, no speaker	General Meeting , speaker TBD	General Meeting , speaker TBD	General Meeting , speaker TBD	General Meeting , speaker TBD	Lure auction , no speaker

Thank you,

Jim Carnes

President LSMI

Lake Superior Chapter of Muskies Inc.

2025 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:

1. 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.

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.

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.

2022 Committee:

Terry DeMenge (contest director)

Bob Busche (board member)

Ron Krause (non-board member)

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Prize for largest Muskie of the year

“Replica Award” for 2025

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.
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 - 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.

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2025 Lake Superior Chapter Calendar of Events

May 10, 2025 MN walleye opener

May 13, 2025 lure Auction and more

May 24, 2025 Muskie opener on the St. Louis River

June 7, 2025 Mn Muskie opener

September 20, 2025 St. Louis River Muskie shoot out

2025 Supporters of the Lake Superior Chapter of Muskies Inc.



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Here's are the officers for 2025 of The Lake Superior Chapter of Muskies Inc.

President Jim Carnes



V.P. Drake Ptereson



Secretary. & RVP Karen Mctavish



Treasurer Candie Ellestad



Contest Chairman Terry DeMenge



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



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:

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