

# The Dogumentary

24th Year

The Waterdogs Fishing Club

October 2006

## October 2006 Meeting

The October meeting will take place at the usual spot, the Hopkins VFW on Shady Oak Road. Dinner is 6pm, with the meeting starting at 7. Fish-Something will be showing a slide show of a couple of trips he took a few years ago.

### Waterdogs Calendar

<b>Oct 5</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting</b>
<b>Oct 14</b>	<b>Smallmouth Tournament</b>
<b>Nov 2</b>	<b>2006 Banquet</b>
<b>Dec 7</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting</b>
<b>Jan 4</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting</b>
<b>Feb 1</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting</b>
<b>July 21-28 '07</b>	<b>LOTW Musky Tour</b>

## President's Corner – Steve Haagenson



Well, one tournament left and it's down to the wire for our tournament series winners. Although he had a strong start, Griz has left the door open for Janitor or Nasty to unseat his firstplace standing. Felix still has the chance to take 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>. Good luck, gentlemen.

Unfortunately, I am not able to make the year's final tournament as I will be out of town, but

those of you who will be there will have a ball. The Rum River is another one of those great fishing opportunities I have been introduced to because of being a Waterdog. It's not the same as fishing a lake or the big rivers like the Mississippi or the St. Croix. Being narrow with many more twists and turns will give everyone an opportunity to learn to read new waters.

It is great to see so many Dogs able to make it. In previous years, it has been alleged that some dogs that are out of the series running blow off the late season tournaments, but this year we are proving those critics wrong. Good luck to everyone. Have a blast.

On another competitive front, it seems that I, too, have left the door open for the fantasy league championship. Four "sportsmen of chance" still have the opportunity to take the fantasy league championship away from me. I am counting on the presidential mojo that produced last year's winner to carry me through to the end. Who will be my hero?

I hope you can all make the meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup>. I know last month we had some calendar failures and some guys just forgot the meeting. This month our own Phish Dique is going to share a travelogue of his adventures and we are going to vote on banquet awards including the ever important Waterdog of the Year. Be thinking about nominations for top captains and swabbies and prepare your stories to nominate Weenie of the Year.

See you at the meeting.

Pharm Buoy

The fresh spelling of the month goes to Phish Dique for providing this month's travelogue.

## **Wagner and Fish Dique Dredge Up Win at Lake Minnetonka**

Twenty-Five Waterdogs enjoyed a fine day on the water fishing for Northerns and Muskies on Lake Minnetonka, on Saturday, September 9. The weather was cool enough and threatening rain, so that the pleasure boaters stayed home, but the day was still good enough for some comfortable fishing. Dogs spread out over the lake, using a variety of methods to try and catch northerns and muskies. Although several muskies were seen, only one was caught, but that one was a 49-incher caught by Banana Boy. Not only was it a personal best, but it was also the largest fish caught in a club tournament event, outside of Lake of the Woods. Branden caught the fish down in Gideon Bay off Frog Island on a Fat Boy Lure. The fish had just been raised by another boat that was working just ahead of Branden and The Perp. The other boat was so thankful that Branden caught 'their' fish that they also came over to take pictures of it. The musky won the largest fish points, but it was not enough to win the tournament, as the boys had just one keeper northern to go with it, and placed third in the tournament.



**Banana Boy's Muskie Streak Continues**

Northerns were the dominant specie caught at the tournament, and the team of Rick Wagner and Bob Dickey trolled up the winning stringer of 6 fish, caught on musky spinnerbaits trolled close behind the boat in 6 feet of water. In all, they caught 12 keeper-sized pike up to the biggest of two 30-inchers, and one nice 17" largemouth as the only other specie caught by the team. The boys will explain their exclusive 'stupid-fishing' methods at the October meeting.



**One of Two 30" Northerns caught by Rick Wagner**

In second place was the team of Johnson and Miller with a 6-fish limit, and in 4<sup>th</sup> was the team of Blakely and Keller with 5 fish. In fifth place was the team of Hennessey and Yanta with 4 fish, and in sixth was Reigle/Haagenson/and Ferstenou with the third limit of 6-pike for the day, but all quite small.

## **Banquet Sign-Up Deadline Oct 15**

Get your Banquet Sign-Up Sheet and deposit to Kojak at the October meeting, or no later than October 15 in order to reserve our room and meals. This year's event is at Buca di Beppo in Eden Prairie on Thursday, November 2, and promises once again to be a fun time for all. Kojak will have additional sign-up sheets at the October meeting.

## Waterdogs 2006 Tournament Series

<b>Date</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Dogs in Charge</b>
✓ March 18	Trout	Whitewater River	Mueller - Johnson
✓ April 29	Crappie	Chisago Lakes area	Lantto
✓ June 3-4	Walleye	Gull Lake	Mueller – Johnson
✓ June 16-17	Bass	Carver County Lakes area	Blakely – Dupont
✓ Aug 19	Multi	Lake Wissota, WI	Ferstenou
✓ Sep 9	Muskie/Pike	Minnetonka	Blakely – Karsjens
Oct 14 (Sat)	Smallmouth	Rum River - Anoka	Karsjens - Dupont