



FISHIN' TALES

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December Meeting /Party

When:

Tuesday, December 16, 2014 7:30pm

Where:

American Polish Cultural Center
NW corner, 15 Mile Rd. & Dequindre

Featured :

'Salmon Clause', 'Skipper of the Year', 'Big Fish', 'Director of the Year', 'Member of the Year' Award Presentations, Door Prizes, Fun!

Other Happenings:

River/Surf/Pier Tournament info., 50/50 raffle, Every member drawing

Up-To-Date Information on the DAS website at:

www.detroitsteelheaders.com

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Roger Hinchcliff will be our 1st guest speaker for 2015

Roger grew up fishing the banks of the Huron River in Ypsilanti, Michigan and has been doing so for over 36 years. He loves to chase steelhead all around the Great Lakes Region and likes to fish many different ways, Spin, Pin, Fly and Plugs. He enjoys fishing by any means necessary to catch these great sport fish.

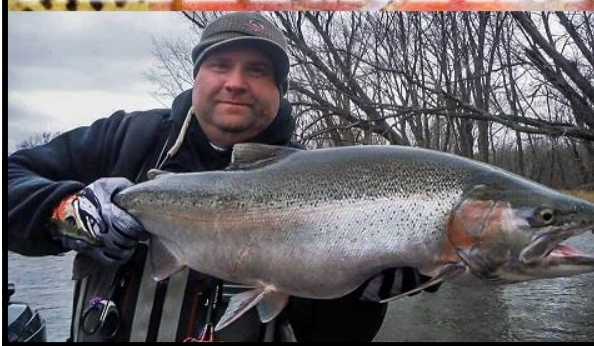
Roger is an active member of MetroWest Steelheaders and serves on the board of directors. In addition he is a member of Trout Unlimited, Michigan Fly Fishing Club, Huron River Fishing Association and the Steelhead Society of British Columbia. He likes to give back to the sport by being a Michigan Salmon ambassador and by volunteering on various river clean up and conservation projects.

Roger won Metro West's River Angler of the year in 2013 and took the clubs honor for the biggest steelhead caught in the big fish contest. In addition to being on many pro staffs, he is also a writer, blogger and has an online fishing forum with subscribers from all around the world. His Facebook page **Steelhead Manifesto** is now receiving over 200,000 visitors each month and has a very loyal following.

Join us January 27th, 2015 as Roger will be

discussing float and drift fishing techniques for steelhead. His presentation promises to provide some great information for all skill levels for everyone to enjoy.

STEELHEAD MANIFESTO



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CASEVILLE LAKE TROUT OUTING

December 13, 2014 7:30am till 12:30pm

According to coordinator Blaise Pewinski, this outing is still a go this coming Saturday, December 13 on the Caseville pier. Portions of the river at the pier have froze over, but there is yet open water. Most of that open water is at the area beyond where the river meets the lake, making the fishing catch-and-release as the Lake Huron season for taking lake trout is closed.

However, there are still opportunities to catch both steelhead and walleye. Blaise and Dan Chisholm researched this area last Friday and had a ball catching (and releasing) lots of spunky lake trout and saw some walleye being caught by others.

For those who do wish to try the end of the pier, you will be able to catch some dandy Walleye and Steelhead, just remember to release any lake

trout. Caseville trout are in the harbor feeding on small emerald shiners and alewife, so try to match the size lure to the bait size. I prefer the 2/5 oz. little Cleo or KO Wobbler in silver with blue or orange or glow green early in the morning. The Fire Tiger pattern has been doing very well lately. All you need to do is cast and vary your retrieve and depth until you start catching, some times they hold on bottom other times just under the surface.

Once fishing is over, the Caseville Resort and Marina is willing to allow us to use the club house for lunch and to warm up. Blaise and Dan will bring the food. Just give Blaise a call before Saturday, so he can get an idea of how much food and drinks they need

Call Blaise Pewinski @ 248-890-4517



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

New Memberships

None

Re-Newed Memberships

DAN WHITMILL	NANCY WOOD		
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Memberships Expired

2 mo. Ago Last Reminder:	JASON GILLIAM	CARL VENTIMIGLIA	
1 Mo. Ago First Reminder:	MIKE LEHTO		
This Month:	JIM FITCH	TED LEWICKI	GARY RUPRICH

Detroit Area Steelheaders Board of Directors Election December 16, 2014

DAS By-Laws require a Board of Directors Election at the Annual meeting. This year's Annual meeting will occur on Tuesday, December 16 at our normal meeting location (APCC)

Any dues paying member or officer can place a nomination. A nomination must be submitted at least 20 days (November 26) before the election. I should be in writing and signed. If you wish to become involved in the operation of the DAS you are welcome to run for election to the BOD. The Board meets 11 times each year at the same location as the membership meeting. Board meeting time is 7:00pm, date is two Tuesdays prior to the general membership meeting date. There is no August Board meeting each year.

This year we are losing some key people who have served the club well but are choosing to step down to committee positions or will leave the BOD entirely. It is imperative that new people step into these positions or it will be difficult to keep the club running smoothly. **YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU!** Please consider placing yourself in nomination for a club BOD position. Also be aware that wives of members are also members and eligible to serve on the Board. I think it would be a huge asset to the club if we had a larger female presence on the Board.

To submit a name for this year's ballot:

Mail it - email it - or write it up and give it to me at the November meeting. Include the person's name and contact information. Be sure the nominated person is willing to serve if elected.

Nomination to DAS Board of Directors --- December 16, 2014 Election (2015 DAS Board)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

BIO: _____

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Membership Application

New Member - \$35 Yearly Renewal - \$35 Yearly
 Senior (65 & over)- \$20 Yearly Address Change only Amt. Paid _____

NAME		DATE
ADDRESS		
CITY, STATE ZIP	HOME PHONE	CELL PHONE
BOAT NAME	E-MAIL ADDRESS	



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Lake Shore Motel Tournament

The Almost Paradise Pier Fishing Team competed in the Lake Shore Motel tournament at Manistee, on Saturday, November 9, 2014. The Detroit Area Steelheaders participating were Gaspare Aragona, Don Chisholm, Doug Karakas, Dave Roehr, Tom Thieda, Adam Plank and Bob Paradise. All 7 were entered in The Lake Shore Motel fishing tournament held from 6:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

The team from Detroit was late arriving at the pier at 1:30 AM but were surprisingly the only humans present. There was a gentle Southwest wind blowing and waves were observed breaking over the South pier. It began raining immediately and the wind moved around towards the West. The wind speed increased to about 20 mph by start of the tournament. The first fish was caught by Adam, a small King and that was followed by several Steelhead caught by Bob. Netting fish when the water surface was travelling 6 feet up and down proved to be a challenge. The Paradise Team had the entire pier to themselves again by about 11:00 AM because the wind had shifted more to the North. The wind speed was about 30 mph and caused 8 foot waves to break against the pier. When we approached our rods a refreshing wave would hit us in the face and go down the front of our jackets. Tom caught a Steelhead on Bob's pole just before the team moved to the South Pier. Tom claims that he called for Bob but no one heard him in the wind.

According to Paul, the owner of The Lake Shore Motel, the waves were hitting the South Pier and going up 14 feet into the air before raining down on the anglers. At times you couldn't see anyone farther out than 50 yards from shore. At 3:45 the team packed up their gear and headed to the weigh-in but not before Adam rounded out the fishing with 2 Steelhead taken in close to shore. The bite was pretty slow and spread evenly throughout the day with all fish taken on fresh King Spawn.

The weigh-in was at The Lake Shore Motel from 4:00 to 4:30. After the weigh-in, there was a Banquet sponsored by The Lake Shore Motel. The Paradise Team was joined there by D.A.S. members Doug Karakas and Dave Roehr, who fished the river. There was a lot of good food with a wide variety of tempting dishes. Plenty of "Fish Tales" and camaraderie was

enjoyed by all. Detroit Area Steelheaders were well represented with Bob (7th Place), Tom (11th Place) and Adam (16th Place) all getting prizes for their catches at the Tournament Banquet. In addition to prizes, there was a 50/50 drawing and many cash prizes awarded in a raffle that everyone is entered in automatically with the \$25 entry fee.



Upcoming 2014 -2015 DAS Key Dates

Sat., Dec.13, 2014 7:30am - 12:30pm	Pier & River Outing Caseville
Tue., Dec. 16, 2014 7:30pm	Annual Meeting / Christmas Party American Polish Cultural Center
Thu., Jan. 8, 2015 thru Sun., Jan 12, 2015	Ultimate Fishing Show Suburban Collection Showplace
Tues., Jan. 13, 2015 7:00pm	BOD Meeting American Polish Cultural Center
Tues., Jan. 27, 2015 7:30pm	Membership Meeting American Polish Cultural Center

2014 November Membership Meeting Facts

Attendance: 51

Featured Speakers: Mark Hoskins
Michigan Rescue Concepts

Tom Theida & Gaspare Aragona
Pier Fishing

50/50 Raffle Winner: \$105 Anthony Lewis

Every Member Drawing : Mike Rymars
Not Present

HELP WANTED FOR THE ULTIMATE SPORTFISHING SHOW

As you know, the DAS sets up a booth at the Ultimate Sport Fishing every year in an effort to let the fishing public know what we are about and it gives us a chance to sign up some new members. Well, it's that time of year and we need members to man the booth and talk about the DAS and Great Lakes fishing. The show runs from Thursday, Jan. 8, 2015 thru Sunday, Jan. 11, 2015. There are 3 to 4 hour shifts available each show day. You'll get a free pass for entry to the show, work your hours and can take it in the show afterwards. Call Blaise Pewinski @ 248-890-4517 to sign up and do your part to help promote the Detroit Area Steelheaders!

**BLAISE PEWINSKI
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