

Next Meeting
August 14, 2014, 7:00 P.M.
Elk Grove Library, 1001 Wellington Ave.

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Illinois Spoonplugger

August 2014

July Club Meeting

Attendees - Four attended: Craig, Rick Matus, Phil returned, and Jim Taylor. Welcome back Phil. Thank you Jim Taylor reported the July meeting details!



CRAIG lived up to his promise to fish this year and went fishing with Phil! **TWICE!!!!!!!**

Discussions

Member news –

Craig will get in touch with Joe Zaremba about signing us up with the library for next year.

Fishing Reports - Contact the member for details or come to the meeting.

Phil – See last month's article about reservoir

Rick – Reported was how he approaches fishing on the lakes where trolling is not permitted in Vilas and Onieda Counties. Rick hopes to put together an article for the newsletter.

Upcoming Meeting

We could have a small turnout due to another conflict with National Spoonplugger "Buck Sez" outing on August 13-16, so Jim Duplex and I are moving ahead with planning the Illinois Spoonpluggers September Outing for Lake Wisconsin, Friday through Sunday, September 12-14th. We plan to meet for Dinner or lunch at "Fitz's On the Lake" on Saturday the 13th. If we have dinner, we will need head count for reservations.

Jim Duplex found a few places to stay. If these places are booked, Jim recommends getting something in Madison about 25 miles from the lake.

Bridge Motel
W11585 Hwy V
Lodi, WI 53555
(608) 592-5599

Quality Inn & Suites
W9250 Prospect Drive, Lodi,
WI, US, 53555
Phone: (608) 592-1450 Fax:
(608) 592-1449

Lodi Valley Suites
N 1440 Highway 113, Lodi, WI
53555
(608) 592-7331

Lake Wisconsin

The lake has a long spoonplugging history. As an example see the YouTube video of Buck talking about fishing Lake Wisconsin where Terry is dipping lures into gasoline to dispel the myth about the importance of hand washing before handling your bait. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oAoW3G4DnoU> Also it is the lake Terry O'Malley gave lessons when Bill Binkleman was promoting spoonplugging and selling Lowrance depth finders.

One of our first members and first truly accomplished spoonplugger was Rich Wehrman gave spoonplugging lessons fish guaranteed on Lake Wisconsin. Wayne Dylow was one of his customers. Rich told members stories of catching consecutive 10 lb. plus walleyes on the cast with a spoonplug on Lake Wisconsin. Rich gave us the confidence to follow the book, not limit spoonplugging to the summer months, and cast. Rich offered these tips on casting plugs so the plug did not foul, bury in the muck, or the plug does not reach where you wanted.

I have attached the spoonplugging maps at the end of the newsletter and the old survey map Dennis Hurley posted on Spoonplug.net. As far as trees, they are much less numerous than past outings over twenty years ago, and the boat lanes are well marked. As far as fish white bass, sauger, and walleye should all be available. Musky, pike, and smallmouth are also possible as well as fall crappie.

Videos from Jim Duplex (Muskegon Outing)

Jim has outdone himself with a series of fishing videos where he and John Bales fished together at the Muskegon outing. This is a must see video and focuses on summer bass fishing in the weeds. John explains how he checks the weeds for "BASS" and the tools to fish the weeds.

Part I: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eCZE5jnuIVe>

Part II: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u1LoekM22mg>



What I (Bob) Learned From Night Fishing Weeds with Brett! (If you need

to understand why bass maybe in the weeds see last month's "Buck Sez".) Brett gave me some lessons for fishing in and next to the weeds. For tools we used a casting or spinning rod with enough beef to get bass out of weeds, a weedless jig (see video) or a texas rigged beaver tail plastic John Bales and Brett like because they hook fish well, move through weeds easily, and produces correct speed to make fish strike. 3/16 – 1/4 ounce was the norm for fishing 6 -18 feet that night. John shared much of this at the Winter Seminar.

Again just like real estate it is about location. The fish were on structure in or very close to weeds. That night the bass were close to the contact points Brett knew and a few up on the structure. Weeds were sparse so long casts were "OK". If the weeds are thick pitching (short casts with a soft drop) to openings would be in order. This is a tool to use when you need to get your lure to the bass because they are not coming to your lure above or next to the weeds. Brett & John - thanks for sharing! (images follow)



Rich Wehrman casting tips.

- Prevent plug from tangling on the cast - Thumb the reel as plug hits the water, so the plug is not tumbling at splashdown.
- Get the plug walking - After the plug has sank slowly reel the line until you feel the plug and sweep the rod to the side or a few quick turns of the reel.

- Walking through muck/weeds - Raise rod tip or use a smaller plug. When plug leaves the bottom, snap the rod to clear debris and let sink again.
- On sharp break lure seems to end up below the boat and length of walk is short - Let plug sink with reel in free spool under slight tension to prevent tumbling.

Politically Incorrect Joke of the month? – Wally Kulikowski

Got home real late last night after a full day of fishing and hanging out with the guys, my wife left me a message in the kitchen.



I think she wants me to eat more fruit, bless her heart!





Use map to find location of Terry Maps I, II, III, and IV

← TO

CAMP FERRY

WALLEYE
HERE - BRUSHY



TO
DAM

(PAMP
#1)

Road
Track

Stump w/ PINE NAILER

STEEP SHORE

Put up
Walleyes
HERE

HENRY BRUSH - RUN
LURES FREE JUST OFF
BOTTOM

Big Walleye /
HERE
Casting &
Trotting - Breaks
Right into RIVERS
CHANNEL



HIGHVIEW BRIDGE

(MOON VALLEY)

(LAKE
WISCONSIN)

MOON VALLEY

LAKE WISCONSIN

(SOUTH OF FERRY)

RAILROAD RAIDERS

CAR FERRY

BIG

WALLEYE ERELY JUN

DAM

(MAP # II)

MOST OF BAR CAN BE RUMPED NOT MUCH RUBB & WHITE RUBB

WALLEYES & RUN WITH COME UP - 200 + 100 !!

HARD

TREES

TREES

HARD BOTTOM

BIG WALLEYE ON SHORT RAP

ISLAND

WALLEYES AT TIMES



RAIL ROAD BRIDGE

BEST BREAKS

GOOD WAILEYE

OCCASIONAL

MUSKIE OR

NORTHERN

FLAT

25' 20' 18' 17' 17'

25' 20' 20' 18' 17' 17'

25' 20' 20' 18' 17' 17'

GOOD WAILEYE

Follow the side DEEP

POOR SLOT -

OR DEEP

CHANNEL

LARGE REE

LARGE

WISER

WATER RES.

APPROX.

12 TO 15 FT.

FLAT w/ SNAGS

EXPOSED TREES

RAIL ROAD TRACKS

MAP # IV

IV

2014 Club Calendar

August 13-16 - Northern Indiana Spoonpluggers "Buck Sez" Outing, Tippecanoe, Webster, Wawasee Lakes, Forest Ridge Campground (260-327-3551) Contacts: John Bales - johnspoon@embarqmail.com 260- 854-3921, or Ted Walter: ahbwalter@gmail.com 260-668-0216,

August 14 - Club meeting, Elk Grove Library

September 11 - Club meeting, Elk Grove Library October 9 - Club meeting, Elk Grove Library

September 12-14 - Illinois Spoonplugger Outing at Lake Wisconsin

October 11 - Buck Perry Memorial Outing, Taylorsville, NC, Contacts: Terry O'Malley 828-855-0746 and Jeri Perry 828-632-8058 buckperry90@gmail.com

November 13 - Club meeting, Elk Grove Library

December 11 - Christmas Party, Giordanos, Westchester

Spoonplugger Resources

Equipment/materials	Supplier	Contact
Quarterly newsletter, videos, spoonplugging guides	National Spoonpluggers of America	http://nsoa.info/
Book, home study guide, spoonplugs, No-bo line, and rod	Buck's Baits Inc, www.buckperry.com PO Box 66, Hickory, NC 28603	Scott Jenkins, 828-428-4650 scottjenkins@bellsouth.net
Blades, and JB's	Johnny B's, John Bales	http://johnnyb-lures.com/
Plug Knocker	Jerry Borst	jborst@joltmail.com
Custom Spoonplug rods	Mike Beck	Mwbeck54@gmail.com , 612-716-2265
Videos	Spoonplugger films	Stephen Gillian
	Structure Fishing	Jim Shell, http://structurefishing.com/ jshell@structurefishing.com

Spoonplugging Instructors

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Dennis Coulardot - coular@peoplepc.com

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