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BEMIDJI/CASS LAKE CHAPTER OF MUSKIES INC.

# CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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## YOUR CHAPTER!!!

Annual elections were held at the January 5<sup>th</sup> business meeting.

President – Rory Potter  
Vice President – Kevin Cochran  
Secretary – Brent Rud  
Treasurer – Judy Potter

## BSU Scholarship

We received a nice thank you letter from BSU for the scholarship that we provide. Last year's recipient was Jessica Schultz.

## Help Us Save Money

We spend a lot of money on mailing newsletters that we could put to good use elsewhere if you would allow us to email you the newsletter. Please email me at [brerud@gmail.com](mailto:brerud@gmail.com) to give me your email address.

## Members Only Deal

\$90 Tackle Industry Rods for any member of our chapter who is interested. Contact Kevin Cochran at [kevin\\_cochran@hotmail.com](mailto:kevin_cochran@hotmail.com) to order.

**Chapter clothing coming soon!!!!**

## Spearing Ban Removal

On January 7, 2011 Senator Carlson, Minnesota District 04 elect, made it public that he is in the process of authoring a bill that will lift the spearing ban on Cass Lake. This ban has been in place for 24 year and has protected the big pike and muskies of Cass Lake since its introduction. It is our job to voice our concerns on this matter and tell him that the ban should stay in place. The DNR is against the ban being lifted and we need to make sure that the removal does not happen. This bill passed the Senate and the House but the entire Fish and Game Bill of 2010 was vetoed by the Governor. Tell your local friends, family members and other anglers about this and its importance. Please contact our elected Senator and voice your concerns.

Senator John Carlson contact information:

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**See you at the meeting!**



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# Chapter Schedule

## **January 19 – Speaker, Chip Leer - 7:00 at Cattails**

Chip Leer will be talking about ice fishing. Chip is a long time guide and fishing promoter. Fishing the Wild Side is one of Chip's latest ventures. Come and check out what Chip has to teach us about ice fishing.

## **February 3 - business meeting, 6:45, Gander Mtn**

### **16 – Speaker, Dan Craven - 7:00 at Cattails**

Leech Lake area guide Dan Craven will be here to discuss all things musky. Dan has been a frequent writer in In-Fisherman Magazine.

## **March 3 - business meeting, 6:45, Gander Mtn.**

### **16 – Speaker, MN DNR - 7:00 at Cattails**

DNR night! Gary Barnard and Jerry Younk will be here to discuss Bemidji area muskies, the new Cass Lake study, and anything else related to muskies that we want to discuss.

## **April 7 - business meeting, 6:45, Gander Mtn.**

### **8,9,10 – Minnesota Musky Expo**

### **30 – Lure Auction/Awards - 7:00 at Cattails**

2010 awards will be presented this night as well as our annual lure auction. Everyone brings a lure or many to donate for the auction. All proceeds stay with the chapter. This is one of our biggest fundraisers so please come and have fun while supporting our chapter.

## **May 5- business meeting, 6:45, Gander Mtn.**

### **18 – Speaker - 7:00 at Cattails**

Kevin Cochran has agreed to talk about early season tactics. With just over 2 weeks until opener, this should be a very timely and informative presentation.

## **June 18 – Annual Bemidji-Cass Lake Chapter Tourney**

This is the other major fundraiser for our chapter and the first chapter outing of the year. Please come out and support the chapter and have some fun at the same time.