



LAKE NORFORK STRIPER CLUB

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“MISTER STRIPER” STU TINNEY HIGHLIGHTS THE LNSC OCTOBER MEETING.

If you missed our October meeting, you missed a great session with Mr. Striper, Stu Tinney. Stu is a living legend of American sport fishing, Editor and Publisher of “Striper Magazine”, and was a driving force in developing inland striped bass fishing in this country.

Stu spoke about various techniques in catching big stripers in the winter months and at night. Stu emphasized that knowing how the stripers react in various conditions are a major key in being a successful striper fisherman.

Stu is very active in helping wounded warriors get out on the water and has given us the basic information on how the LNSC could participate in this most rewarding endeavor.

Stu had his book “Life’s no fun until you get your feet wet” for sale at the meeting. He autographed the books and then donated all the sale money to the club! Hat’s off to Stu Tinney!



UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- * November - No regular Meeting due to Thanksgiving***
- * December 8th - LNSC Christmas Dinner (same location, Turkey and Ham provided by the club. Members bring side dish and/or desserts).***

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Thanksgiving is almost here and my plan was, now that I'm done with hunting for the year, to go fishing. I know there are many hardy souls out there that will fish in any kind of weather. However, when I left Minnesota my thoughts were to never again to fish with ice crusted on my lines. As soon as this cold spell passes you can find me on the water.



This is one of my favorite times of the year to fish. Slowly moving over a school of stripers with live bait or sending a jig down and calling them to dinner. A cup of hot coffee and a friend to share the moments with is always good. Stu Tinney said stripers will come up to shallow water and saddles to feed at dark o'clock. I will be giving his method a good shot. If I can be half as successful as Stu, it will be a good night and a lot of good eating.

Speaking of good eating, let me know how you prepare your Stripers. I would like to share your recipes with other members. Especially with new members that have not had the opportunity to prepare a Striper meal.

See you on the water.
John Gerard

PLANNING AHEAD.....

The club needs your input on Tournaments, Events and Speakers. The Board of Directors would like to hear from you regarding your thoughts on these topics. Contact any director or email the message board master. Your input is important and will be of great help as we plan ahead for a great year in 2015. Fishing should continue to improve as we have a great crop of stripers from the last two stocking years growing fast as lake conditions have been very good this year. Let's make 2015 a fun and productive year for the Lake Norfolk Striper Club.

CAPTAIN RON'S FISHING REPORT

Between the cold and the wind, especially the wind, I haven't fished that much. But I have been out a few times and have had good luck in Missouri past marker 10 trolling Sexy Shad Skinny Dippers on a one ounce jig head way behind the boat in the morning. I did notice that the water temps up there have dropped a lot, was 48 up past Liner Creek but was 58 down by Marker 8. I don't think the water temps matter to the stripers this time of year but it may affect the bait. I have caught stripers in that same area in February. Speaking of bait, I will probably start fishing shiners soon in the middle part of the lake.



My article from last year's newsletter pretty much covers my winter tactics. Can be found on our web site <http://www.norforkstripers.org/uploads/2/4/2/9/24290551/nov13nwsltrpdf.pdf>

Unlike last year, striper fishing can be really good in the winter time, so I fish all winter but it is really important to dress for the weather. What may feel like enough clothing on shore rapidly becomes insufficient roaring down the lake and once you get really cold it is not enjoyable out there. And don't forget your life vest, hey, if nothing else it is an extra layer. Many of you don't brave the cold so now is the time to winterize your boat, especially if you leave it outdoors. Water in the water pump, or anywhere else, can freeze causing something to break. Water in the lower unit is not suppose to freeze because of the lower unit lubricant, but I change anyway. If you run ethanol you will need to add a fuel stabilizer. Actually if you run ethanol and don't go out too often, you should use a fuel stabilizer all of the time. Don't forget the trailer, now is a good time to do maintenance, grease wheel bearings and the tongue jack, air the tires and check lights and wiring. If you don't use your trailer much but plan on taking a longer trip with it, beware of old tires that look perfectly okay. If older than seven years, might consider replacing. A friend of my brother was headed down here to go fishing and blew both tires that looked good but were old.

Last, but not least, don't forget to take care of yourself. So many of us go to painstaking lengths keeping our boat and equipment it tip top shape but..... It is really hard this time of year with all of the get togethers and great food and so many excuses because we are just too busy. Won't have to worry about any of that if we don't take care of ourselves first. Many of us are older, some moderate weight training can do wonders for our flexibility and sore backs and good walks are good for just about everything. But check with your doctor first and don't over do it. Taking care of ourselves needs to become a new habit and will allow for so much more enjoyment in whatever we do.

Be safe this holiday season and see you on the water,

Ron

Many thanks to Ron for continually using the LNSC message board to update members on successes and conditions on the lake, as well as his techniques. Many new members have expressed their gratitude for the help Ron has provided them in becoming more successful in the "art" of Striper fishing.

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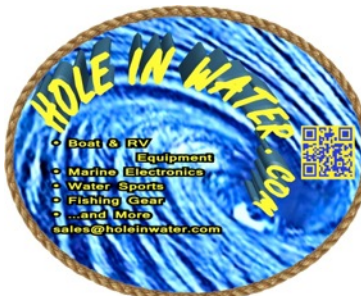
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