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## Illinois Spoonpluggers

September 14, 2006

*Richport YMCA: 7:30 PM*

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Our next meeting will be held at the Richport YMCA on *Thursday*, September 14, 2006 and we will begin at 7:30 PM.

The August meeting was attended by 10 Spoonpluggers and included 2 guests *Frank Yavarski* and *Dave Mucha*. Dave has decided to join us as a member and recently passed his Spoonplugger Test. Please add him to your club roster: *Dave Mucha, 12923 W. Beaver Lake Drive, Homer Glen, IL 60491 home: 708-301-9416, work/cell 773-858-4542 tmucham@peoplepc.com*. Welcome Dave, it's good to have you on board.

### BUSINESS

1. We are looking for a new south side meeting site. The YMCA will close within the next month or so and no longer be available. *Joe Renholds* has been searching out some sites in the vicinity and is trying to align them with our meeting dates. *Jerry Hein* is checking out prospects in the Aurora area and *Craig Hubbard* will see what's available in Schaumburg. If you have any suggestions or know of a site that's available, get in touch with *Jim Duplex*. We are looking for a facility for odd numbered months, *January, March, May, July, September, and November*.. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month.
2. Jim Duplex announced that he will no longer be writing the club newsletter as of January 2007. We are looking for someone to take over this job. Newsletter responsibilities include keeping tabs on club membership and notifying members of club meetings and activities. The monthly newsletter can be as simple or detailed as you'd like to make it. It can be printed and mailed or conveniently posted on the Internet. If you're interested in assuming this responsibility, please contact Jim.
3. *George Schauner* will soon be returning to Florida and he'll turn over the job of club treasurer to *Jim Taylor*. We need another member to help Jim with this job. The treasurer's duties are to collect dues and pay bills. In the past, a checking account has been opened in the club's name and we've had two members who can sign for and write checks. Give us a call if you can serve in this capacity.
4. Jerry, *Scott Duff* and Jim gave fishing reports that detailed recent trips to the Muskegon outing and Lake Barkley. Their presentations were highlighted by detailed structure maps that members discussed and analyzed. Check out the photos and maps below.

Here's what's been happening out on the water:

*Fishing reports: Gino Testone* has been up to Mille Lacs in Minnesota and the fishing has him really pumped. Check out his pictures and a structure map of the fishing situation. Jim made his fourth trip to Kentucky and while the results were limited, the time-on-the-water added to his knowledge of this great fishery. *Rick and Lisa Matus* put the hurtin' on some

bass on Lake Waubesa recently. Rick launched in the midst of a bass tournament and decided to hunker down on a familiar structure. His patience was rewarded with a double limit of bass, smallmouth up to 20" and largemouth, to the consternation of the participants. Great job, Rick! *Jim Shell* made a recent visit to Lake Pepin and found the fishing to be tough. He's looking forward to the fall season and hitting Lake Wisconsin for some big crappies.

*Topic of discussion:* The Indiana outing; Terry O'Malley's article on casting the jump lure in the July/August 2006 issue of the National Spoonplugger; Fall fishing and fishing reports.

### Dates for 2006 National Outings

*Buck Perry Memorial Outing, September 7-10, 2006; Illinois Spoonpluggers Winter Seminar, March 17, 2007. We will pass other dates along as they become available.*

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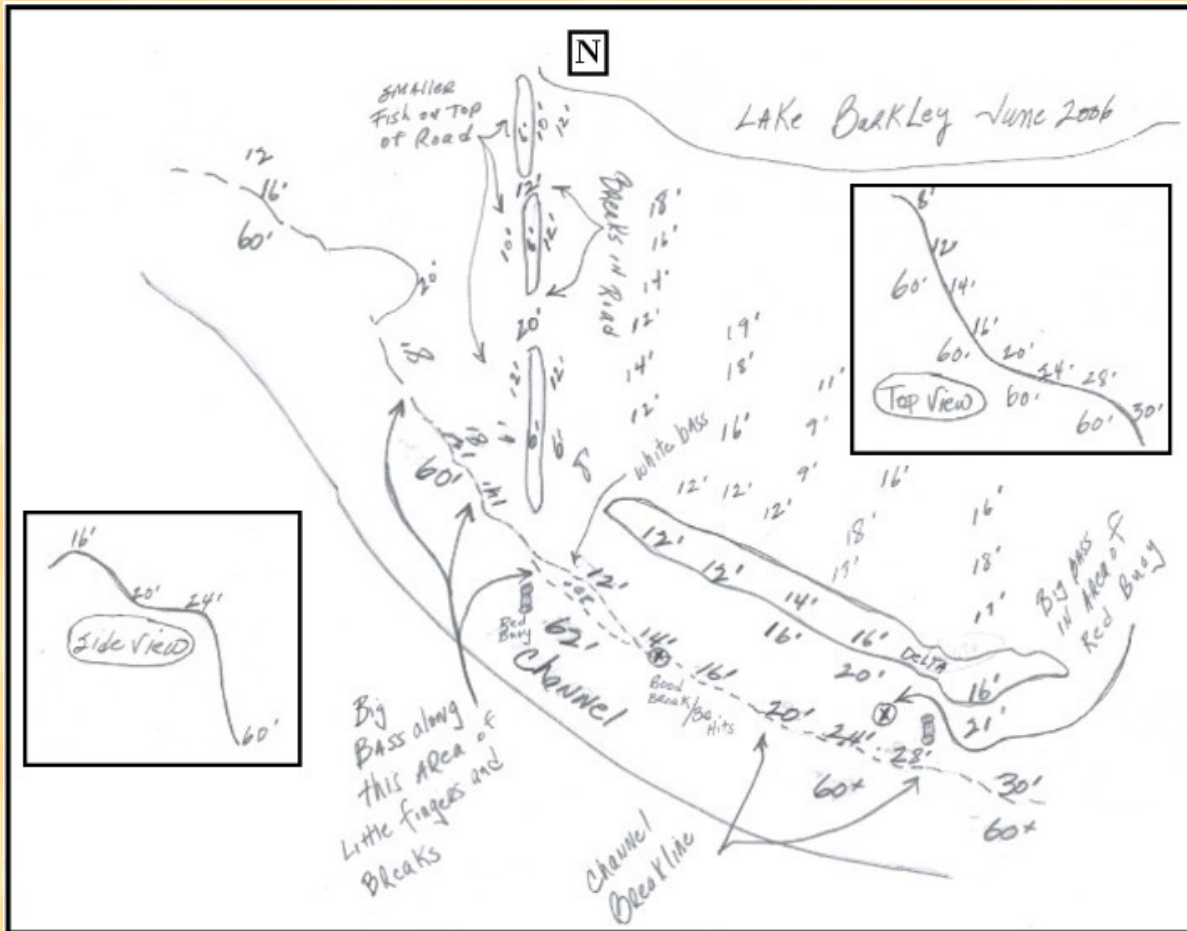
**KNOWLEDGE IS THE KEY TO FISHING SUCCESS!**



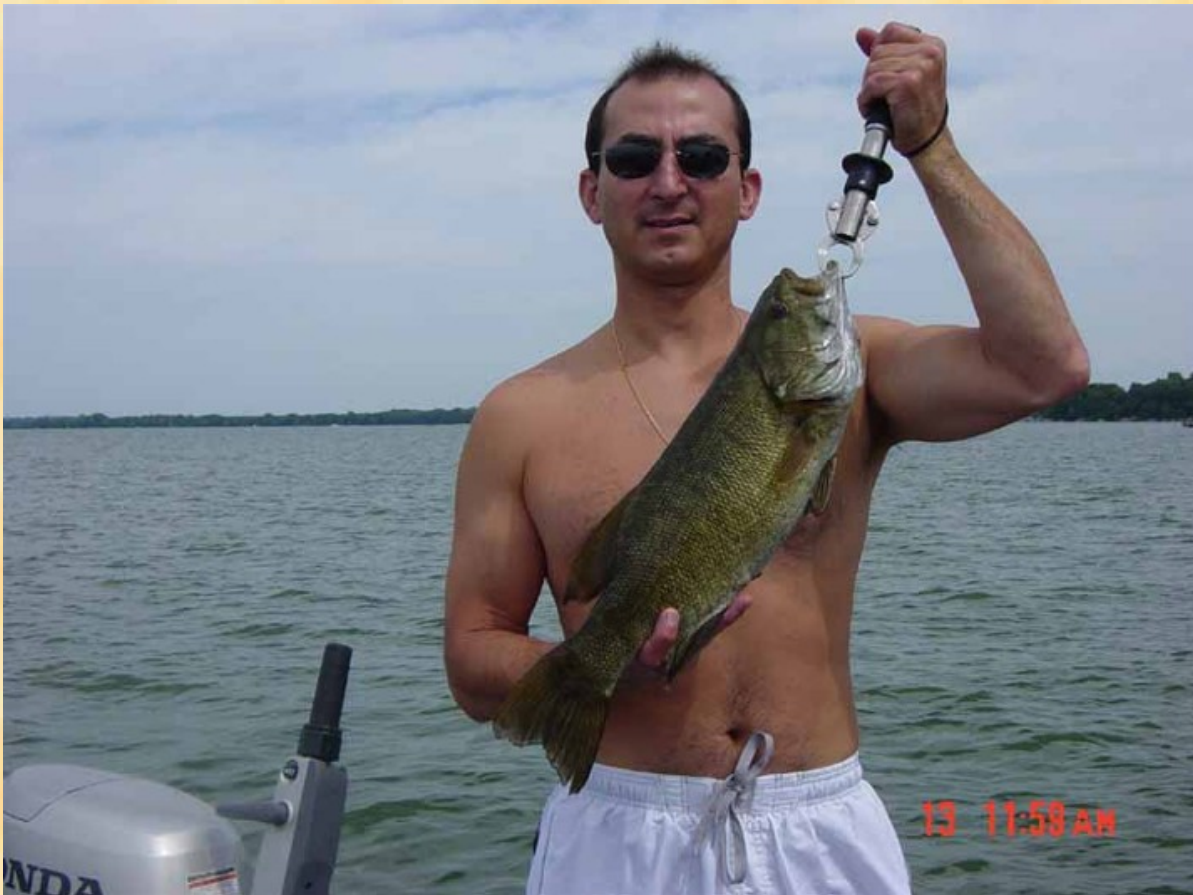
**Scott leads the discussion of the strucure situation he found while attending the Muskegon outing in July.**



**Jerry shows how the bass moved up from the deepest water in the area.**



Jim found this productive structure on Lake Barkley.



**Rick takes this beautiful smallie as the tournament boats slowly approach.**



**Rick takes this nice largemouth moments later as the bass boys approach.**



**Lisa Matus holds this nice largemouth; they're practically throwing their lures in her boat.**



**This last fish of the day shows a lake devoid of other anglers who have probably given up in disgust!**





**Rick holds a beautiful smallie taken on Delevan earlier this year.**







**Gino and Angelo Testone had a great week on Mille Lacs. Walleye up to 29" and jumbo perch by the hundreds!**









**Ted Walters leads the proceedings at the Indiana "Buck Sez" outing as Spoonpluggers gather to discuss the days fishing.**





**Old friend Dave Bishop gets into the bass on Old Hickory in Tennessee.**



**Jim holds a 41" northern taken on a recent trip to Mendota. Special thanks to George who netted the fish and took the picture.**



**This 20" smallmouth came on Jim's most recent trip to Kentucky.**



**This largemouth took a 200 SP in 12' of water under bluebird skies.**



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