

# Tight Lines Newsletter

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## Presidents Note:

2020 was a crazy year for fishing. Some of us practiced social distancing and got out on the water. Others were smart and stayed at home. I am hoping for a much better 2021 and looking forward to getting back to in person meetings.

Due to COVID-19 we went to online ZOOM meetings which have been successful. We are averaging 32 members per meeting. We would like to get that number up to 50 so encourage other members to join.

The board has discussed returning to Poplar Creek for our meetings and we are thinking that April may be the soonest we can return.

As we continue to keep the club active, we have put together a super line up of speakers and

outings for 2021. Looking at the outings list you will see we anticipate an action packed season. You can view the list on our members only section of the web site.

There's been a lot of changes to the club the last few years. Things like moving to a new location, becoming a Non for Profit Organization, dealing with COVID and

moving to online ZOOM meetings to allow us to keep meeting.

This newsletter is another change and we hope you enjoy the new format. If you would like to contribute to the newsletter give Bob Diebold or myself a call.

Bert Saxon  
President  
Arlington Anglers



## Key Dates

### Club Meetings

**Feb. 16th**

**March 16th**

**Shelbyville Trip**

**April 29 – May 2**

## This Month's Speaker – William Schultz

You will not want to miss this month's speaker, William Schultz. Bill is a guide and expert on Smallmouth Bass fishing out of Door County Wisconsin. Bill is going to do a seminar on

Smallmouth Bass fishing in Door County. His specialty is finesse techniques like NED rigging, drop shot and hair jigging for Smallmouth.

You will be able to apply everything you learn to your local lakes so come prepared to take away some new techniques for your 2021 season.

Check out Bill's bio on the next page.

# Arlington Anglers Fishing Club



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***Tuesday, February 16, 2021***

**Bill Schultz**

## **The Ned Rig & Other Smallie Baits**

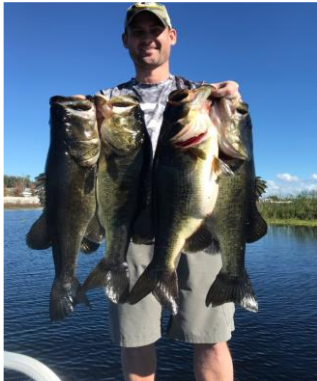


Bill Schultz is a renowned speaker, writer and contributor to several outdoors magazines and websites. He runs the Smallie Night Out annual seminar and is a Pro Staff member of St. Croix Rods, Mercury Marine, Yar-Craft, Jackson Kayaks, Kalin's, Keitech, and others. Since catching his first smallmouth bass in 1994 he has caught and released over 24,150 from the big waters of Green Bay and rivers throughout Wisconsin. Sharing his knowledge and successful patterns has become a passion. Bill will take us through a comprehensive look at the popular Ned Rig which he's used to catch the majority of his last 5000 bass since 2016. He will also touch on a few other top smallmouth baits.

**Club Meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month Jan.- Nov.**

**Virtual presentation via Zoom. See your email or newsletter for access code**

**Club Members and invited guests  
6:30 PM Start**



*“Congrats to Brian O’Conner on an 8 lbs. Largemouth Bass.”*



20 Inch Walleye

## Big fish of the month award

Our big fish of the month award goes to Brian O’Connor who caught an 8 lbs. Large Mouth Bass in Orlando Florida on Lake Toho. Brian caught this monster and many others 7 lbs, 6 lbs. and 4 5 lbs. bass on large golden shiner minnows under a float.

Congrats to Brian on the fish of a lifetime!



## Big Fish Contest

2021 has started off with a bang for the Arlington Anglers Big Fish Contest. Multiple big fish have already hit the leader board.

It’s going to be a good year of fishing so get your entries in.

This year we are trying to give more members a chance to win a \$25 Cabela’s / Bass Pro gift card. We have changed

the rules so that an individual member can only win one Big Fish Category a year. That will eliminate members walking away with 3 or 4 gift cards at the end of the contest and give more members a chance to win.

Get your entries in and make sure to check out the leader board monthly.

Entry forms and the leader board can be found on our

website under the members only section.

Entries and pictures can be sent to James Allen, our Big Fish Commissioner.

## Kid fish of the month award

Charlie O’Conner wins the kid fish of the month with this 20 inch Walleye on Petite Lake. Charlie and his dad Brian went ice fishing with T-Bone guide service and Charlie caught his first Walleye. They also caught several nice pan fish along with a nice catfish.



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### Bob's Fishing Report

Nights and most days are cold allowing that water to freeze!

WISCONSIN: Free fishing weekend is Sat and Sun, Jan. 16-17

CHAIN O'LAKES: Check for safe ice but channels are very good for blue gills and crappie;

LAKEFRONT: A unique mix of fish—trout, whitefish, perch, bluegill, sunfish, lake trout—are being caught, sporadically, up and down the lakefront, when

weather and water conditions allow. Perch really good around the Calumet system and some north harbors.

DOOR COUNTY: Ice still unsafe on the deeper whitefish areas. Pike and perch good thru the ice in the harbors.

NORTHPOINT / WAUKEGAN: Off-shore fishing weather permitting for lake trout and an occasion brown trout.

GENEVA: The lake remains 90% open and

fishermen continue to catch some big bass and walleyes. AREA PONDS: Most ponds safe for LM.

DUPAGE RIVER: Smallmouth active.

NORTHERN WISC: Safe 12" ice on lakes with some very good early ice fishing when weather fronts cooperate.

## Time to Renew Your Membership

Club dues for 2021 are currently being collected.

Your check can be made out to Arlington Anglers Fishing Club. The annual dues are \$40

The membership form can be found on our website under the tab called "Join Our Club" or you can use the form below.

You can submit your dues via mail to Mike Bierman our club treasurer.

Mike Bierman  
1210 Glen Ct.  
Carol Stream, IL. 60188

*"Gentle reminder to pay your dues. All dues go toward our speaker line up."*

Fill out completely and mail with your check.

Today's Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

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The Swap Shop is for members only. If you have something you would like to sell or are looking for a particular item, then contact our newsletter editor Bob Diebold at [r.diebold@comcast.net](mailto:r.diebold@comcast.net) for more details.

The Swap Shop will appear in our monthly newsletters. Each ad will be posted for 6 months and then deleted. You can repost by resubmitting. Please let us know as soon as your item has sold.

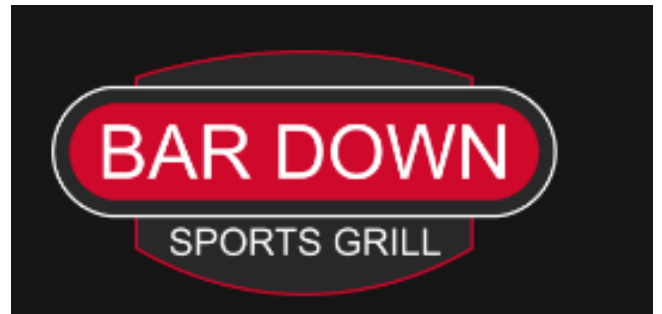


1. **Minn Kota Powerdrive trolling motor.** Bow mount, 12 volt, 55 lb., 54 inch, good condition, Asking \$200, contact Greg Michela 224-651-6125
2. **Shimano Curado DHSV, bait casting reel,** 7:0:1 Gear Ratio, Excellent Condition, \$200 new, Asking \$120, contact Bert Saxon 847 494-1339
3. **St. Croix Legend Extreme Spinning Rod LXS610MXF,** used 3 times, rod sock, \$400 new, Asking \$280, contact Bert Saxon 847-494-1339
4. **Eskimo Mako M43 gasoline powered ice auger,** 8" blade, used 6 times, Excellent Condition, \$400+ New, Asking \$275, cash only, contact Wayne Wagner 847 804-6464



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### GRANDT RODS

GRANDT INDUSTRIES INC., PO Box 772, Arlington Heights, IL. 60006

847-577-0848 Jim Grandt Website: [www.grandtrods.com](http://www.grandtrods.com)

Discount: 20% off internet rod prices, free hat (while in stock) free pickup in Arlington Heights. Also any Pflueger reel in stock can be purchased with a combo at \$15 discount off retail cost. (Must show membership card at pickup)

Standard shipping cost if you need to ship products



### LAKE COUNTY WATER SPORTS

530 S. Rand Rd. Wauconda IL. 60084 – 847-526-2211

Website: [Lakecountywatersports.com](http://Lakecountywatersports.com) – Mike Salisbury

Discount: 10% on parts up thru May (mention Bert Saxon)



### ANGLERS INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES

1272 E. Dundee Rd. Palatine IL 60074 – 847-991-3200

Website: [FishinGurus.com](http://FishinGurus.com)

Discount: 15% on tackle / 20% on bait



### LEE'S BAIT AND TACKLE

1010 East Higgins Rd, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007-847-593-6424

1400 W. Army Trail Rd., Carol Stream, IL. 60188 – 630-830-5337

Website: [Leesglobaltackle.com](http://Leesglobaltackle.com)

Discount: 10% min. on all tackle depending on manufacturer

### DAVE'S BAIT AND TACKLE

4419 IL. ROUTE 176, Crystal Lake IL. 60014 – 815-455-2040

Website: [Davesliveait.com](http://Davesliveait.com) – Dave Kranz

Discount: 10% on tackle (must present membership card before purchase)

**PLEASE SHOW YOUR 2021 MEMBERSHIP CARD AT THE STORE. BEAWARE SOME MANUFACTURERS DO NOT ALLOW DISCOUNTS BY THEIR DEALERS.**

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