



PIKE LAKE SPORTSMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER APRIL 2026

Dedicated to working with the DNR to protect and enhance the water quality of Pike Lake and it's fishing inventory. The Club also encourages the promotion of all water sports and recreational activities.

MEETING: APRIL 6, 2026
PLACE: Down Slope Pub
Corner of HWY 167 & County Rd CC
START:5:30 Socialize – 6:00ish Meeting

President: John
Vice-Pres: Chris
Secretary: Jerry
Treasurer: Jason



The minutes of the Pike Lake Sportsman's Club Meeting held on Monday, March 2nd. The Meeting was held at the Hartford Town Hall. There were 8 members and three guests present.

TREASURER'S REPORT

CHECKING \$5,486.86

SAVINGS \$5,917.48

GUESTS

KEVIN

ISAAH
(Josh's son)

NEW MEMBER

JOSH

(Friends of Steven – Hope they enjoyed Steve's cooking!)

MEETING:

Steven reported on the "Friends" Candle Light Hike that was held on Saturday, Feb.14th. He said the turn out was estimated at around 2000 "hikers". The year before was about 1400 so it was a big increase. Steven said that he didn't get to go and set up a "dining area" as they had out of town company and they wanted to go to the Hartford "Ice Sculptures" that were held during the day. He said the "Friends" didn't do the soup but their usual hot cocoa and bottled water. (He didn't talk to anyone that mentioned that they missed the Booyah!)

ELECTIONS:

As reported in last the last couple Newsletters, we still have not held an election as was scheduled for the August meeting. (Maybe at a meeting soon?) The ballot is still the same.

President: -
Vice-Pres.: - Steven
Secretary: -
Treasurer: - Whitey
Sargent-at-Arms: – Marco
Board Members: Dan
Chris
John
Jim
Dan

Note: There are 4 Board Members up for election.

Hopefully, some Club member will step up and run for the open positions.

MEMBERS NEEDED:

We are in need of new members!!! If you know someone that likes fishing or hunting invite them to a meeting! According to surveys, the best way for Clubs or Organizations to grow is by "word of mouth!" (I know that is how I learned about the Club and 26 years later am still a member.)

ED:

Many of the members present talked about how Ed was a long time outstanding member of the Sportsman's Club. As I wrote in last month's Newsletter Ed had been the President for at least 2 terms and on the Board for many years. Ed was always ready to help out with the Club projects if he was able and really liked to help when we would take the kids fishing or during the "Discovery Days" to help the kids fish off of the fishing pier.

50/50 WINNER

MIKE [REDACTED]

\$23 FOR THE CLUB AND \$22 FOR MIKE!

(WHY TO GO MIKE!! IT'S BEEN AWHILE!)

If any Club Member wants to look up older Newsletters and other Club information you can find it at pikelakesportsmans.club.

I'm sure Ed is missed at the Lincoln grade school where he was a crossing guard for a number of years and more recently helped in the class room where he would sit and listen to the 1st and 2nd graders read their stories to him. He was known as "MR. ED!" Yes! Ed will be missed!

For those that may have missed it – Ed's obituary is posted on the Shimon Funeral Home's website. His funeral is on March 31st at 4:00 to 6:00 visitation and a service at 6:00.

CHEFS:

Steven served delicious corned beef and cabbage with rye bread on the side. Tom brought a cheese and sausage with crackers appetizer tray. Jerry brought a couple of Racine krinkles for desert.

Great job Steven! It was a special treat especially with St. Paddy's day coming up! (Didn't look like much was left so everyone must have enjoyed!)

UPCOMING CHEFS:

April – Catered by the Down Slope Pub. (We will be having pizza! It'll be important to know if you will be attending so we know how much to order!)

May – John?

June -

(We can use some volunteer chefs!)

PLEASE NOTE!!!!

Please let us know if you plan to attend!!! (Please respond by Saturday or before!!!!)

John– [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

Jerry – [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

DATES TO REMEMBER:

April 4 – Inland Trout season opens. (It runs until Oct.15th 2026) DNR hopes to increase harvest opportunities throughout the state's inland streams, springs and spring ponds. This is a month earlier than usual. The DNR says that the trout populations are strong across most Wis. Waters and will give anglers more fishing opportunities when other fishing seasons are closed. The DNR says that the bag limits and size lengths have changed on some waters where trout are abundant and the DNR wants to reduce populations. This does not apply to inland lakes and ponds where the fishing opens on May 2nd. (From local Newspaper!) Check the 2026-2027 Trout Fishing Regulations for specifics.

April 6 – Monthly Meeting at Down Slope Pub

May 4 – Monthly Meeting at ????