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President's Message

Greetings of the season to all,

As an active year concludes, I'd like to thank you for the opportunity to serve the Chapter as its president.

It's been busy but rewarding, and I hope that history will reflect upon it kindly. I am grateful for the efforts of our membership, and I believe our incoming "Prime Minister" will find her job a pleasure for the group

of people active in the society. Even some little things- like our program for the January 2006 Chapter meeting being filled by mid-November (!) - are positive signs that we are a functional group, alive and well!

Justine and I will be harassing you in the course of the upcoming year- looking for new ideas, following through on old ones, getting new faces into the mix and trying to keep the "old hands" inspired.

In that regard, I hope to see a large percentage of you in Dubuque; at these functions, the more the merrier, and the more energy the event generates for the upcoming year. Having the opportunity to mingle with our Iowa cohorts is additional incentive for all to attend. The exchange of ideas and potential for insight grows as we hear information from more varied voices.

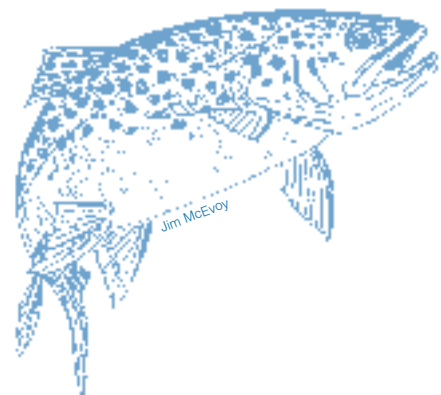
Please take the time to read the biographies of our excellent candidates for the office of president-elect, and once again review the proposed changes to our bylaws.

Enjoy the holidays, and if you have an eggnog inspired idea of what WIAFS could be doing to further fisheries management in our State and region, jot it down! I look forward to seeing you next month.

Joe

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Editor's Note

*Greetings all,
As we near the end of another exciting and fun-filled year, this year's final newsletter awaits. I want to thank all members who took the time out of their busy schedules to contribute articles and information for the three issues of the *Teleogram* published during this transitional year. It is you who have made this newsletter exciting, and allowing it to be nominated for "Best Newsletter" for the North Central Division of AFS. The vision I have for the *Teleogram* can only work with information and stories contributed by members. I look forward to putting out a newsletter next spring jam-packed with member stories, findings, and adventures that took place during the winter. Have a great Holiday and New Year spending time with family and friends!*

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Announcements

Meet Your Office of President-elect Candidates!

Brain Sloss

I am currently the Assistant Unit Leader of the Wisconsin Cooperative Fisheries Research Unit at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. My responsibilities include training and education of future fisheries professionals and conducting research in support of state, regional, and national fisheries agencies. My area of specialty is the use of molecular genetic information to assist conservation and resource management objectives.

I was born and raised in west-central Illinois approximately 20 miles from the Mississippi River. Early in life, I developed an interest and affection for aquatic resources and animals. I received my B.S. from the University of Illinois in 1991, my M.S. from Western Illinois University in 1996, and my Ph.D. from Southern Illinois University in 2001. Following a 2-year postdoc for the Oak Ridge Institute of Science and Education at the Molecular Ecology Research Branch of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Cincinnati, OH, my wife Johanna and I moved to Stevens Point. We recently had our first child, Jonah, and enjoy the joys and challenges of parenthood.

I have been a member of the American Fisheries Society (AFS) since 1996 and served at the student, state, and national levels. I am currently the Genetics and Biodiversity Technical Committee chair for the North Central Division (NCD) and the NCD representative to the Education Section. I believe a strong and independent AFS is integral in providing strong fisheries and aquatic stewardship. I believe the place of AFS should be independent of political and social philosophies and focus on the long-term viability and sustainable use of aquatic resources. These principles and guidelines do not change with changing political winds and should be recognized as consistent objectives when measuring successful aquatic resource management.

Throughout my career, I have been impressed with the ability of the state AFS chapters to combine many interests into cohesive goals and objectives for fisheries resources. I believe a successful state chapter must incorporate all the interests and expertise housed within the state's boundaries; from the state government experts, federal government experts, to the academic experts. I also strongly believe in the knowledge and savvy of private citizens who have a passion for fish and aquatic resources as a whole. I see this citizen component as underrepresented in chapter activities. I think AFS state chapters have a responsibility to educate the public and private organizations and individuals equally to facilitate ecologically sound management of the resources within our borders. I would welcome the opportunity to serve as Wisconsin Chapter President and would strive to represent the views and opinions of the chapter in an attempt to continue the growth we have experienced over the past few presidential terms.



Thank you,
Brian Sloss

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Tom Slawski

I am honored to be nominated for President of the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Fisheries Society (AFS). AFS has been instrumental in my scientific development as a graduate student and postdoctoral researcher, providing the opportunity to exchange ideas and interact with fisheries professionals. AFS continues to be vital to my professional career by keeping me up to date on fisheries related issues in the state of Wisconsin.

I have been an active member since 1992, and during this time I have served as chair of the Awards Committee of the Wisconsin Chapter for 4 years and chair of the Continuing Education for 3 years. As chair of Continuing Education I have helped to develop and offer a range of workshops to our chapter members that include non-game fisheries identification, aquatic plant identification, and biostatistics for fisheries management. I use these workshops to offer high quality education opportunities for our members and broaden our Chapter's exposure to the non-member participants, including Wisconsin Sea Grant, Minnesota Sea Grant, the Great Lakes Environmental Center-Traverse City, the Wisconsin Lakes Partnership, US Fish and Wildlife Service, municipalities, and various consultants. For example, working with the Wisconsin Lakes Partnership—comprised of the Wisconsin Association of Lakes, Wisconsin DNR, and UW-Extension—I was able to develop a fisheries related session for the Southeastern Wisconsin Lakes Workshop and the statewide Wisconsin Lakes Convention in 2004, both of which were great successes, and enhanced the stature of the AFS in the field of lake management.

I must admit that a principal environmental planner is not a typical fisheries-type of position. My role is to assist governmental agencies, communities, and citizens in environmental protection of land and water resources through environmental education and watershed based management. In other words, I develop comprehensive management plans for water quality, flood mitigation, bluff stability, and hazard mitigation, as well as, single purpose lake and stream protection plans and aquatic plant management plans, among others. In my unique position at the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission I am able to go into the field to complete assessments for fisheries, habitat, bank stability, and culvert and bridge crossings, etc. One of the elements that I am most proud of is that I have had the

- opportunity to assess, design, and restore/rehabilitate
- more than 5 miles of stream channel and adjacent
- riparian wetland habitat in nearly a dozen cold and
- warm water systems in partnership with the Wisconsin
- DOT and Wisconsin DNR.

- As an environmental planner, I have learned that it is
- important and necessary to partner with other organiza-
- tions with similar vested interests in protecting and pre-
- serving the natural resources in the State of Wisconsin.
- To this end I have worked together with various univer-
- sity faculty, staff from the Army Corps of Engineers,
- Wisconsin DNR, UW-Extension, Wisconsin Associa-
- tion of Lakes, River Alliance, Lake Districts and Lake
- Associations, and private citizens on water related issues
- and outreach workshops. Most recently, it was my great
- pleasure to Co-Chair the Host Committee for the North
- American Lakes Management Society conference held
- recently in Madison, WI. The conference was a great
- success and highlighted the various integrated fisheries
- management measures/techniques (e.g., GIS) to help
- predict fish kills and other disturbances in lakes and
- reservoirs.

- My vision for the Wisconsin Chapter AFS stems from
- the belief that it is essential for us to continue to be a
- leaders in providing understanding and education in
- fisheries-related issues, promotion of research, sound
- policy, and scientifically based management practices.
- We need to continue to cultivate existing relationships
- and to seek out new partnerships and promote AFS
- with allied organizations at the state level, such as, the
- Wisconsin Association of Lakes and Wisconsin Rivers
- Alliance. We should continue to offer affordable and
- high quality educational workshops for our members
- and, like our national Chapter, we too need to continue
- to offer increased participation opportunities through
- reduced dues, scholarships, and awards. It is time that
- we recognize that student AFS members are the
- “lifeblood and lifeline” of the future of our organization.

- I come to AFS with this vision, supported by theoretical
- and applied fisheries management
- experience, believing that my
- background uniquely qualifies me
- to serve the breadth of experience
- and expertise that is the Wiscon-
- sin Chapter of the AFS.



Sincerely,
Tom Slawski

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Meeting Announcement & Paper Titles

Cradle to Creel: 35th Annual Meeting

Reminder! The annual meeting of AFS Wisconsin Chapter will be a joint meeting with the Iowa Chapter this year. It will be held January 17-19, 2006 (That's next month!) at Grand River Center in Dubuque, Iowa.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Grand Harbor Resort, 350 Bell Street, Dubuque, IA. **YOU MUST MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS**; advance reservations recommended. Call (866)-690-4000 or (563) 690-4000, and mention American Fisheries Society. Room rates are \$45/single \$55/double, but are subject to Iowa tax. **THIS RATE IS GUARANTEED THROUGH DECEMBER 17, 2005.**

Registration is \$70 for regular members: includes Chapter dues, Tuesday reception, Wednesday dinner, and Thursday lunch. Student costs are \$35, includes Tuesday reception, Wednesday Social, and Thursday lunch. An advance registration form is available on the Chapter website, and registration will also be conducted on-site.

To view tentative paper titles please visit
http://www.fisheries.org/wiafs/pdf/paper_titles.pdf

To view a list of abstracts please visit
<http://www.fisheries.org/wiafs/pdf/2006abstracts.pdf>

For the complete announcement and tentative schedule for the Wisconsin-Iowa chapters joint meeting, please visit
<http://www.fisheries.org/wiafs/pdf/2006MeetingAnnouncement.pdf>

Notes

Need to renew your membership? E-mail Tim Simonson at simont@dnr.state.wi.us or you can send in the renewal form located on the last page of this newsletter.

Great news for Student Members! Donna Parish, President, AFS Education Section, has recently announced that the leadership of the Education Section recently voted to provide free membership to all AFS student members for 2006. So, when you renew your society membership choose to join the section. They are providing this benefit to encourage more student input on the directions the section takes.

The North American Journal of Fisheries Management Volume 25 Issue 4 is now available at <http://afs.allenpress.com/perlserv/?request=get-toc&issn=15488675&volume=25&issue=4>

Mentors Sought!

- The Hutton Junior Fisheries Biology Program is a
- summer mentoring program for high school students
- sponsored by AFS. The principal goal of the Hutton
- Program is to stimulate interest in careers in fisheries
- science and management among groups underrepresented in the fisheries professions, including minorities and women. Application to the program is open
- to all sophomore, junior, and senior high school students regardless of race, creed, or gender. Because the
- principal goal of the program is to increase diversity
- within the fisheries professions, preference will be
- given to qualified women and minority applicants.
- Students selected for the program are matched with a
- professional mentor in their area for a summer long,
- hands-on experience in a marine or freshwater setting.
- A scholarship of \$3,000 is awarded to each student
- accepted into the program.
- AFS is always looking for enthusiastic and dedicated
- mentor applicants who are willing to introduce high
- school students to the dynamic world of fisheries science. Mentors are allowed and encouraged to co-
- mentor with other fisheries professionals in the same
- or another host organization, in order to give students
- a broad view of the many dimensions of fisheries science. Student and mentor applications for the 2006
- Hutton Program are now available. For more information, visit www.fisheries.org and click on 'Hutton
- Program' in the left sidebar and then choose the area
- you are interested in. For more information on the
- Hutton program please contact **Danielle Hawkins** at
- (301) 897-8616 ext. 213 or hutton@fisheries.org.

Upcoming Events

International Symposium on the Way!

The Southern Division AFS Reservoir Committee is pleased to announce the upcoming 4th International Reservoir Symposium on June 6-9, 2007 in Atlanta, Georgia. For more information please visit <http://www.fisheries.org/wiafs/pdf/SDannouncement.pdf>

2005 Midwest Fish & Wildlife Conference

December 10-14, 2005, Grand Rapids, Michigan. For more information visit <http://www.midwestfishandwildlife.com/>

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Proposed By-Law Amendments

As discussed at the January, 2005 meeting, Past-President Welke has taken the time to review, revise, and update our Chapter by-laws. He has worked closely with AFS Constitutional Consultants Dirk Miller and Gwen White throughout this process to ensure that the proposed revisions are consistent with the AFS Constitution and that our by-laws update themselves with changes to the AFS Constitution.

The current by-laws may be found on the "About WIAFS" page on the website found at <http://www.fisheries.org/wiafs/chapter.html>

The proposed by-laws do not represent significant departures from our current operation, but are much more explicit in their content. There are many structural changes (e.g., changes in section numbering, etc.).

However, there are some critical content changes proposed:

1. The proposed by-laws include formal and full recognition of a Northland College Student subunit,

- including granting the president of that subunit a vote on the Chapter Executive Committee.
2. The proposed by-laws include a provision to allow electronic voting for the conduct of official Chapter business. It will enable the Chapter to conduct business at times other than the Annual Meeting without a physical gathering, in the event that becomes necessary.
3. The proposed by-laws explicitly state the Chapter's right to collect dues.

Please read and review the following proposed changes. An electronic version of these proposed amendments can be found on the website at <http://www.fisheries.org/wiafs/pdf/WI%20Chapter%20Bylaw%20revisions%2011-17-05.pdf>. A vote will be called January 18, 2006 at the Chapter business meeting. Please send comments to [Joe Hennessy](mailto:Joe.Hennessy@dnr.state.wi.us) at joseph.hennessy@dnr.state.wi.us and [Kurt Welke](mailto:Kurt.Welke@dnr.state.wi.us) at kurt.welke@dnr.state.wi.us before the meeting.

By-Laws

Wisconsin Chapter of the American Fisheries Society

(Revised November 2005)

Section 1. Name and Objectives

- 1.1 The name of this organization shall be the **Wisconsin Chapter of the American Fisheries Society**, and hereinafter referred to as the Chapter.
- 1.2 The objectives of the Chapter shall be those of the American Fisheries Society (the Society) as set forth in the Constitution, and to encourage the exchange of information by members of the Chapter and Society residing in the Wisconsin area.

Section II. Membership

- 2.1 The membership of the Chapter shall be composed of those dues paying individuals or institutions interested in the Society and its objectives.
- 2.2 The Chapter recognizes the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point Student Sub-unit and Northland College Student Sub-unit of the Chapter, with membership consisting of members in good standing in the Chapter who are associated with the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point, and Northland College.

Section III. Meetings and Voting

- 3.1 The Chapter shall hold at least one meeting annually at a time and place designated by the Executive

Committee. The President with the approval of the Executive Committee may call special meetings.

- 3.2 Decisions at meetings of the Chapter shall be in accordance with the Constitution of the American Fisheries Society.
- 3.3 A quorum at any meeting for the transaction of official business shall be one third (1/3) of the Chapter membership, or 1/3 of members in good standing voting during a fifteen (15) day electronic voting period.
- 3.4 Decisions at meetings are by simple majority of Active Members voting, except 2/3 majorities are required in special cases such as amending By-laws and suspending a Rule.

Section IV. Officers

- 4.1 The officers of the Chapter shall consist of a President, President-elect, Past President, and a Secretary-Treasurer.
- 4.2 A nominating committee appointed by the President shall nominate officers. Officers shall be elected by a majority of ballots cast and the Executive Committee shall determine election methods.

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- 4.3 Officers shall be elected at the annual meeting. The Secretary-Treasurer may hold office for a two (2) year term, but the term of other officers shall be one (1) year. In case of a vacated position, the Executive Committee shall appoint a qualified replacement to fill the un-expired term.
- 4.4 In the event of a cancellation of an annual meeting the officers and the members of any committee shall continue to serve until the next scheduled annual meeting.

Section V. Duties of Officers

- 5.1 The President of the Chapter shall preside at all the meetings, shall serve as the Chairperson of the Executive Committee, shall represent the Chapter to the North Central Division and to the American Fisheries Society, and shall make appointments and perform duties and functions as are authorized by the Executive Committee and necessary.
- 5.2 The President-elect shall Chair the Program Committee and shall assume the duties of the President in the event the President is unable to serve.
- 5.3 The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep the official records of the Chapter, collect and be custodian of registration fees collected under Section (X) of these By-laws, and any funds which may allotted to the Chapter. The Secretary-Treasurer shall disburse funds as may be authorized and necessary, and shall submit a record of receipts and disbursements at the annual Chapter meeting. The Secretary-Treasurer shall perform such duties as may be requested by the Secretary-Treasurer of the American Fisheries Society and of the North Central Division.

Section VI. Executive Committee

- 6.1 The Executive Committee (Board) of the Chapter shall consist of the elected officers, the immediate past-president, the President of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point Student Sub-unit, and the President of the Northland College Student Sub-unit. The Board is authorized to act for the Chapter between meetings and to perform appropriate duties and functions.
- 6.2 A quorum is required for transaction of official business at a Executive Committee Meeting. A quorum consists of 4 of 6 Board members, of which one vote must be composed of a Student sub-unit or their appointed proxy.
- 6.3 Each member of the Executive Committee shall have one (1) vote on Executive Committee decisions. In event of a tie, the President's vote shall be the deciding vote.
- 6.4 Executive Committee meetings are called by the President and are typically held three (3) times per year.

Section VII. Chapter Committees

- 7.1 Committees, and the Chairperson of Committees (except as listed in Section V of these By-laws), may be appointed by the President as may be necessary for the conduct of Chapter activities.

- 7.2 The terms of office for members of Chapter Committees shall end in accordance with guidelines as appears in the American Fisheries Society Rules and by-laws.
- 7.3 Standing Committees help the Executive Committee conduct Chapter affairs. Committee Chairs should report their committee's activities, findings, and recommendation at the annual Chapter meeting and interim meetings of the Executive Committee and submit a written report annually to the Secretary-Treasurer.
- 7.4 The Chapter has established the following Standing Committees:
- Newsletter and Communication
 - Membership
 - Awards
 - Continuing Education
 - Raffle and revenue
 - Resolutions
 - Scholarship Environmental Issues
 - Local Arrangements /Time & Place
 - Outreach
 - Website

Section VIII. Election of Members

- 8.1 Application for all classes of American Fisheries Society membership may be received by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Chapter and shall be forwarded to the Society.

Section IX. Dues and Fees

- 9.1 The Executive Committee shall establish annual dues subject to the approval of the members voting at the annual meeting.
- 9.2 The Chapter shall collect an annual due from members. The Executive Committee may assess a registrant attending annual meetings of the Chapter a registration fee. Collections shall be made by the Secretary-Treasurer.

Section X. Amendments, By-laws, Rules, and Procedures

- 10.1. The Bylaws are the defining document for the Chapter and take precedence over all other rules and procedures of the Chapter. The Bylaws cannot be suspended and cannot be changed without prior notice to members.
- A. The Bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 majority of Active Members choosing to vote, provided that the proposed amendment(s) are circulated in writing to the membership at least 30 days prior to voting.
- B. In accordance with the Society Constitution, an adopted amendment shall be reviewed by the Society's Constitutional Consultant for conformity with the Constitution, Rules and Procedures of the Society. The Constitutional Consultant presents the adopted amendment to the Society Governing Board for approval.

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- C. Amendments take effect when the Chapter receives written notice of their approval by the Governing Board from the Executive Director.
- 10.2. Rules are the next highest level of documentation of Chapter operations. They are generally established to facilitate the conduct of Chapter business, and to describe duties and responsibilities of officers and committees. They may be suspended or amended as follows.
- A. The Rules may be suspended during an Executive Committee meeting until the next annual or special Chapter meeting by a 2/3 majority of the Executive Committee.
- B. The Rules may be suspended for the duration of a meeting by a 2/3 majority of Active Members voting at an annual or special Chapter meeting.
- C. The Rules may be amended by a simple majority of Active Members voting at an annual or special Chapter meeting.
- 10.3. Procedures are the lowest level of documentation of Chapter operations. They are generally established to provide continuity in the conduct of Chapter business. The Procedures may be suspended or amended by a simple majority vote of the Executive Committee.

Training and Seminars

Using Acoustic Tags to Track Fish

Although HTI's January 19-20 short course Using Acoustic Tags to Track Fish (<http://www.htisonar.com/Training.htm>) has filled up, all is not lost! **We have tentatively added a second course on January 23-24.** The 2-day course addresses all aspects tracking fish movement with acoustic tags. Examples from past acoustic tag evaluations are used, and attendees have an opportunity to talk to the biologists and engineers who conduct tag studies. An instruction manual is provided, along with reports and papers from case studies. The course is conducted in Seattle, WA. If you're interested in registering, wish to see an outline, or just have questions about the course, contact me at cmmercado@htisonar.com. For more information HTI please visit <http://www.htisonar.com>



Tech and Science



A Fishy Resource

Ever wanted to know the identity of a strange fish you saw in your lake or caught on your line? The UW-Center for Limnology, Wisconsin DNR, and Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute have teamed up to offer the **Fish Identification Database**, a resource for researching fish of Wisconsin. The database contains a key that helps you to identify a fish, starting with simple features like tail shape or number of spines. Multiple pictures of each species and their distinguishing features assist in finding an identifying name for your fish. Please visit <http://www.wiscfish.org/fishid/> to begin using this easy and fun database.

Intersex Fish Discovered off California



Scientists have discovered sexually altered fish off the Southern California coast, raising concerns that treated sewage discharged

into the ocean contains chemicals that can affect an animal's reproductive system. So-called intersex animals are not new, but most previous instances were in freshwater; this is among the first studies to document the effects in a marine environment. Last year, federal scientists reported finding egg-growing male fish in Maryland's Potomac River. They think the abnormality may be caused by pollutants from sewage plants, feedlots and factories. In the latest studies, presented by the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry in Baltimore, scientists caught 82 male English sole and hornyhead turbot off Los Angeles and Orange counties. Of those, 11 possessed ovary tissue in their testes, said Doris Vidal of the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project, who led one of the studies. For more information and the complete article please visit <http://sports.espn.go.com/espn/print?id=2226277&type=story>

Book Excerpt

Fresh Mongolian Prairie Dog Bait

When you travel 6,500 miles to catch a maniacal fish in an unforgiving land, you have to be ready to play dirty.

By Bill Heavey

I came to Mongolia to flyfish for taimen, the legendary salmonlike fish that lives in its big rivers. When flyfishing didn't work, I tried spinning with lures. When spinning with lures got no bites, I tried half a dead lenok (another kind of fish). When the lenok was a bust, I went to the can't-miss bait: a prairie dog. And now, in the last hours of the last day, the dead prairie dog at the end of my line was mocking me.

After five hours of continuous casts into the Delger River without so much as a nibble, the dog was both absurdly stiff and unbearably heavy, the twin effects of rigor mortis and being waterlogged. And even though it had been dead for almost 24 hours, it somehow stuck its stiff, black tongue out at me.

Sure, I'm dead, it seemed to say, but you are one sorry-ass fisherman. You couldn't catch a taimen if you were both in the same bathtub.

"Shut up," I replied. "I may catch one yet." I took another step downriver and cast once more into the water and started another retrieve. I was so far gone by this point that it didn't even strike me as strange that I was conversing with my bait. Because the dog had a point. I had traveled halfway around the world on the trip of a lifetime, fished my brains out for six days, and been skunked

Looking back, there were signs—like the name of the Mongolian town from which I embarked on a six-day hunt for big taimen: Moron. But I was too pumped to be suspicious. After reading about taimen for years, I was finally going after one of the least known gamefish on earth. And after 48 hours on airplanes, I had finally made it to Mongolia, one of the most isolated and unspoiled countries on the planet.

The fish that had prompted me to take leave of my senses is an evil-tempered, prehistoric critter that lives only in certain big, cold, fast rivers in Mongolia and Siberia, most of which flow into the Arctic Ocean. Hucho hucho taimen is a spotted fish that grows to great size (fish measuring more than 4 feet and 50 pounds are not uncommon).

Because taimen (pronounced TIE-men) live in such remote areas, they are little studied, and sport

fishing for them is a recent development. The current all-tackle record, a 92½-pounder caught in Siberia in 1993, is likely nowhere near the maximum size. There is, for instance, a report of a 231-pound commercially caught fish back in 1943. It is an ancient species, the ancestor of modern salmon and trout, equipped with an oversize mouth lined with rows of small, sharp teeth. And it is belligerence personified, cannibalizing its smaller brethren and happily murdering pike, salmon, grayling, small birds...and prairie dogs.

I'd read online that Mongolian nomads hook a dog, float it downstream on a shingle of wood, and then give the string a quick jerk. In a typical take, the taimen leaps clear of the water before attacking its prey, stuns it with a blow from its powerful tail, and then comes back around to finish the job.

The idea of catching a sociopathic aquatic vertebrate like that on a gentlemanly 9-weight fly rod appealed to me. It would be like putting on a top hat and tails and going 10 rounds with The Rock in a phone booth...



This article written by Bill Heavey first appeared in *Field & Stream*. The complete story and can be accessed at: <http://www.fieldandstream.com/fieldstream/fishing/flyfishing/article/0,13199,1010392,00.html>

For a printable version of the complete article please visit: <http://www.fieldandstream.com/fieldstream/print/article/0,18779,1010392-1,00.html>

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JOIN NOW!

Active membership in the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Fisheries Society will provide many opportunities to advance your growth as a fisheries professional and allow you a greater voice in shaping the future of Wisconsin fisheries. The quarterly newsletter and the ability to network with other fisheries and aquatic resource professionals from government, academia, fish culture and the private sector will keep you abreast of all the latest techniques and issues.

You do not have to join the parent society to be a Wisconsin Chapter member and the annual \$10.00 membership fee is an unbelievable bargain.



Please send complete form and a check for \$10.00 payable to AFS Wisconsin Chapter:

American Fisheries Society, Wisconsin Chapter

PO Box 908

Madison, WI 53701

Name: _____

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