



THE SMALLMOUTH HORIZON

Helping to Protect and Preserve Quality Smallmouth Bass Fishing

December 2013

Holiday banquet will be Tuesday, December 17th

It will be an evening of holiday fun and fellowship at the Mapletree Restaurant in McFarland. Bring your spouse or a friend too.

Arrive by 6:00 p.m. for cocktails, dinner will be served at 6:30. Cost is \$17 per person, includes chicken, fish, Swiss steak, dessert, coffee and tip.

Please bring cash (exact amount is appreciated) or a check to the **Badger Fly Fishers**, so that we can make a single payment to the Mapletree. Tip is included. Please RSVP by **December 13th** to [Jerry Pasdo](#) if you plan to attend.

Kent was the recipient of *Fly Rod & Reel's* Traver Award for distinguished fiction in 2010. He is an avid outdoorsman and widely traveled writer whose stories have appeared in such publications as *Gray's Sporting Journal*, *Field & Stream*, *The High Plains Literary Review*, *Trout*, and *The Atlantic Salmon Journal*. He has authored three other books, including *Back in Time: Echoes of a Vanished America in the Heart of France*. He lives beside a stream with a healthy population of native brook trout, in the bluff country along the Upper Mississippi River in southeastern Minnesota.

Ranging from the riotously comic to the nostalgic, edgy, and suspenseful, these sixteen stories offer richly developed and engaging portraits of characters across the spectrum of life, all absorbed by the thrill of fly fishing.

"These stories are sometimes quiet, sometimes raucous, and sometimes quirky, but they all look at fishing and fishermen with the kind of sidelong glance you might not expect."

—John Gierach, editor at large of *Fly Rod & Reel Magazine*



Kent Cowgill

Come fishing with us next summer

The club's officers are already tossing around ideas for club trips for next season. Some of the places being considered are the tributaries of the lower Wolf River, the Wisconsin River in Central Wisconsin, and Rivers in the Upper Peninsula

If you have any additional ideas, let us know. And plan to join us. After all, did you really get out this year as much as you would have liked? Joining one of our trips makes it easy!

It's Time To Renew Your Membership!

Our membership year runs from January 1 through December 31. We rely on membership dues and our bucket raffles to fund our speakers and our newsletter. Now is the time to renew for the coming year! Please support the Smallmouth Alliance. You can renew at the next meeting, or use the form enclosed in this newsletter. Be sure to include your email address. Thank you for your continued support!

YES, I WANT TO RENEW MY MEMBERSHIP!

Individual \$20 Family \$25

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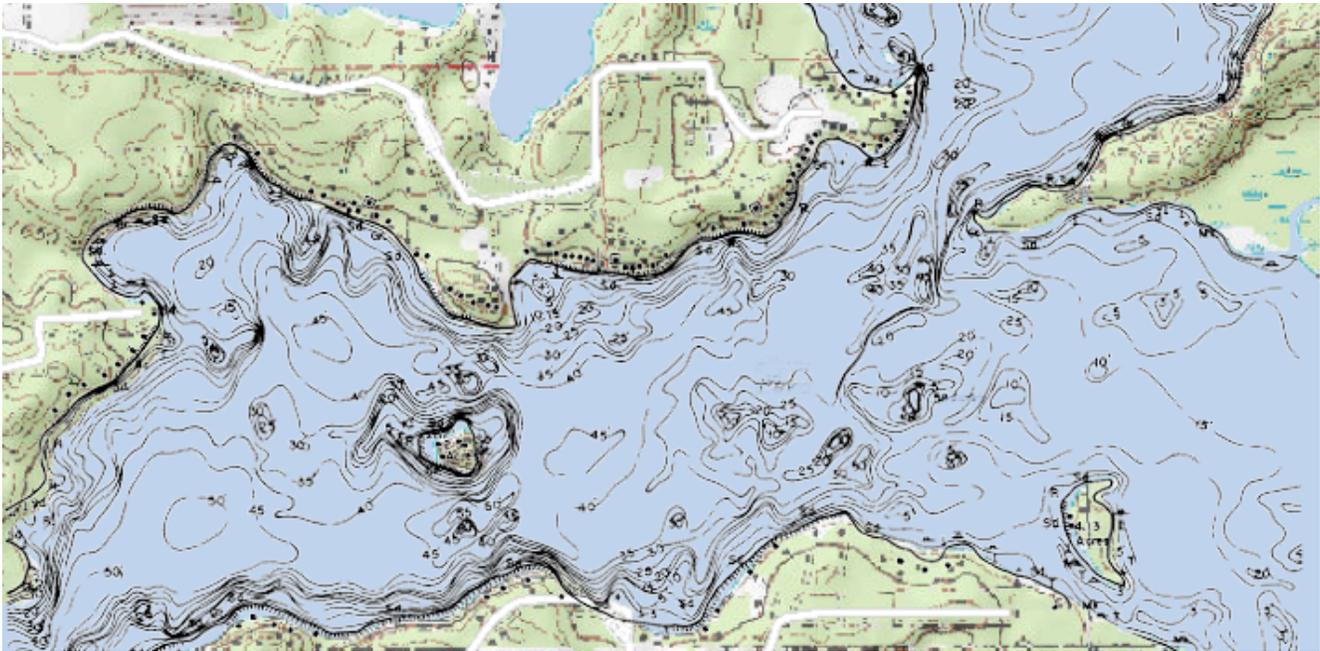
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Our Next Meeting:

**Tuesday
January 21st**

Lures and Locations Through the Season

Club members Andy Davidson, Rick Reece and Dan Johnson



Upcoming Meetings:

Dec 17th	WSA/BFF Holiday Party	Jan 27th	BFF - Troy Abplanalp – Fishing Alaska From a Bush Pilot's view
Jan 21st	WSA - Andy Davidson, Rick Reece, and Dan Johnson - Lures and locations through the season.	Feb 18th	WSA - Ron Barefield
		March 18th	WSA - Mike Jacobs
		April 15th	WSA Annual Fundraiser Auction

Wisconsin Smallmouth Alliance meetings are normally held on the third Tuesday of each month. The Badger Fly Fishers meet on the fourth Monday.

Both groups meet at the Mapletree Restaurant on Highway 51, in McFarland, Wisconsin. Programs begin at 7:00 p.m., dinner at 6:00 p.m. **Visitors and guests are always welcome!**