

OUTDOORSUPDATE

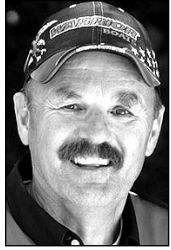
OF THE OUTDOORS:

ICAST 2010: What's New For Anglers

BY GARY HOWEY
Hartington, Neb.

Each year, there's a convention where manufacturers of fishing related products get together to display their latest and greatest products.

The 2010 International Convention of Allied Sportfishing Trades or ICAST as it's commonly known was held in Las Vegas recently, giving manufacturers the opportunity to introduce what's new for the angler.



Gary Howey

My daughter Cassie and I were on hand for this year's convention, spending three days working our way through isle after isle of new products.

This year, there were hundreds of new products with everything from fishing tackle to clothing and everything in between.

Here are a few of the items that caught our eye at this year's show.

Humminbird

Humminbird's 998c GPS Fishing System side imaging unit allows you to see everything that's below your boat and the water around it.

Its side imaging sonar uses a super thin beam, taking a sonar snapshot of the area not just below you, it can cover an area up to 240 feet to the left and right on either side of your boat, giving you an incredibly accurate picture of what's on the bottom and to either side of your boat.

Reading the screen is easy as the dark blue in the middle is what's directly below you and off to the left and right side are your side images.

The Humminbird 998c allows you to see trees, rock piles and any other object on the bottom just as if you were looking at a photograph as anything on the bottom or off to the side appear as they are.

When put together with the new LakeMaster chips, the Humminbird 998c will put you on the spot, helping to make locating structure and fish much quicker and easier.



This magnetic lure and tool holder keeps your crankbaits, jigs and pliers within easy reach. The heavy duty magnets allow you to quickly attach and remove any lure or tool, keeping them in place, no matter what Mother Nature throws at you.

For more information on this and other Humminbird products check out www.humminbird.com

The Gear Grabbar

How many times have you changed lures, only to have the one you replaced stuck in carpet of your boat or thrown on the dash only to have it fall off as your running from point A to point B or wasted time looking for your pliers to unhook a fish?

Well here's the answer to your prayers, Magnetic Marine Products Gear Grabbar is a new lure and tool holder that mounts in your boat allowing you to magnetically organize your lures and fishing tools.

It's an innovative product that holds your lures and pliers using powerful magnets that automatically grab onto your lure, allowing you change lures quickly, giving you more time for fishing and less time trying to locate a lure or your pliers. Simply place your lure or pliers nest to

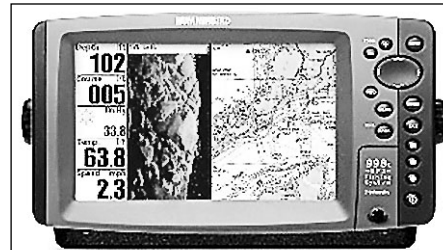
the Gear Grabbar where the powerful magnets will grab. When you're ready to use the lure or pliers, the Gear Grabbar allows you to safely remove the lure, as there's no need to touch the hook.

For more information on the Gear Grabbar go to www.geargrabbar.com

SpinTech Hooks

After years of extensive research and engineering, SpinTech introduced the world's first rotating treble hook at this year's ICAST show. SpinTech's treble hook greatly reduces the chances of losing fish that spit out the hook. When hooked, fish will fight aggressively, subjecting the lure and hook to a lot of stress.

Typical treble hooks attached to lures are fixed and will lock up in multiple positions and giving the fish extra leverage and torque, prying hooks out of fish's mouths. SpinTech's unique ability to rotate in either direction eliminates this problem completely.



The Humminbird 998c allows the angler to see exactly what's on the bottom as well as off to the side, showing trees and any other object lying on the bottom or off to the side just like you'd see it in a photograph.

The SpinTech rotating treble hook reposition itself spinning with the struggling fish, improving positive hook set while providing more control over the fish, no matter how hard they fight.

For more information on Spin Tech hooks check out www.basstarbaits.com.

Fishouflage Clothing

If you're looking for high quality, good-looking clothing that lets people know what your sport is, then check out Fishouflage Clothing.

Not your standard hunting camo, this is camo for the angler, not camo to hide you from the fish, just great underwater patterns including your favorite species of fish whether it is bass, walleye, crappie or muskie.

These great looking patterns are also available on tackle bags, rods, reels, boating accessories as well as boat and vehicle wraps.

For more information on Fishouflage check out www.fishouflage.com

These are just a few of the new products introduced at ICAST, in the following weeks, we'll look at some of the other products that will make your next trip more enjoyable

Gary Howey, Hartington, Neb., is a former hunting and fishing guide and tournament angler and the host of *Outdoorsmen Adventures TV* that can be seen on Fox affiliates and on-line at www.MOutdoorTV.com for more information on the outdoors go to www.outdoorsmenadventures.com.

OUTDOOR REPORT

Special Neb. Grouse Permits Available

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission says more than 250 special grouse permits remain for the upcoming season.

The permits are free. They're required for anyone who hunts grouse east of U.S. Highway 81.

The special permits are available on a first-come, first-served basis from the commission.

The grouse season runs Sept. 18 to Jan. 31, 2011.

Youth Fishing Day At Fort Niobrara NWR Planned For Sept. 11

LINCOLN, Neb. — Fort Niobrara National Wildlife Refuge will host a youth fishing day from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Sept. 11.

The event is open to children up to 15 years of age, although those younger than 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Equipment will be available for those who have none.

The refuge is 5 miles east of Valentine on Nebraska Highway 12 in Cherry County. Call the refuge at (402) 376-3789 or (402) 376-1889 for more information.

The Outdoor Campus Sponsors Wildlife Art Competition For Kids

SIOUX FALLS — The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks' Outdoor Campus in Sioux Falls is seeking original artwork by kindergarten through eighth-grade children, in spirit of the campus' first Kids Wildlife Art Competition.

The art contest encourages kids to express their appreciation for nature and animals through drawings or paintings. The winners will be featured in the 2011 South Dakota Conservation Digest, Kids Edition, which will be issued in January.

Entries for the competition must be on white 8 1/2 by 11-inch paper with the child's name, age, phone number, grade level, and school printed on the back. Submissions are due by mail or in person by Nov. 1, 2010, at The Outdoor Campus, 4500 S. Oxbow Ave., Sioux Falls, SD, 57106. Winners will be announced Nov. 15.

There is no entry fee for the Kids Wildlife Art Competition.

For more information, e-mail TOC@state.sd.us or visit www.outdoorcampus.org.

TROPHY SPOTLIGHT



PHOTO: CAPTAIN NORM'S
Cole Schieffer caught these 13-ounce bluegill on Aug. 15 by the marina.



PHOTO: CAPTAIN NORM'S
Nicole and Ashley Langdon, and Rylie Andrus (right), caught these 43 bluegill on Aug. 15 at Lake Henery.



PHOTO: CAPTAIN NORM'S
Brock and Lane Mauch caught these catfish on Lake Yankton earlier this summer.



PHOTO: CAPTAIN NORM'S
C.J. Lee caught this largemouth bass on Aug. 1 in Yankton.



PHOTO: CAPTAIN NORM'S
Ellie Snell caught this white bass on Aug. 3 at Lewis & Clark Lake.

Serving you in Cyberspace, too!
www.yankton.net



Holiday Card Contest
A Drawing Contest For Children 12 & Under

It's Simple!
Draw A Holiday Scene On 8.5"x11" White Paper and Submit It To The Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan

- Top drawings selected will be printed on Christmas cards. The cards will be sold with proceeds going to our Newspapers In Education Program
- The winners will be featured with their picture and first name in the Press & Dakotan and will receive a full package of the Christmas cards.
- Child's first name and age will be printed on the back of the Christmas Card.

Mail or bring to:
Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan
Holiday Card Contest
319 Walnut, Yankton, SD 57078
Any questions contact Noelle at 665-7811 ext. 112

Please write child's first name, age, phone number and school on back of drawing.

Entry deadline September 30, 2010.
Press & Dakotan staff will judge drawings.

YANKTON DAILY Press & Dakotan
319 Walnut, Yankton, SD • www.yankton.net
605-665-7811 • 1-800-743-2968

Riders Can Still Register For 13th Annual Mickelson Trail Trek

LEAD — Openings are still available for riders to take part in the 13th Annual Mickelson Trail Trek in the Black Hills of South Dakota. The deadline for early registration has passed, but don't let that stop you.

"There is still time to get in on this one-of-a-kind event," said Dana Garry, park manager of the George S. Mickelson Trail. "With the ride increasing in popularity every year, we set a limit of 600 riders so we have enough volunteers and accommodations to make the trek a wonderful experience. However, we still have space available, and we will continue to take registrations until Sept. 1, 2010, or until we reach 600 riders."

Registration can be completed online by visiting www.mickelsontrail.com and following the "Trail Trek" link. Registration is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Trek attracted 578 riders last year, including participants

from 23 states, Canada, Austria and Australia.

Riders on the Trail Trek will cover 109 miles of the trail over three days, from Friday, Sept. 17 through Sunday, Sept. 19.

The \$170 registration fee includes the trail pass, shuttle service, refreshments and some meals during each day's ride. Riders are responsible for accommodations and mechanical support. The ride is open to all bicyclists 14 years of age or older.

The Trail Trek highlights the George S. Mickelson Trail as it winds through the heart of the Black Hills from Edgemont to Lead/Deadwood. The annual ride began as a celebration of the completed rails-to-trails project.

For more information on the Mickelson Trail or the Trail Trek, visit www.mickelsontrail.com or contact the Black Hills Trails office at 605-584-3896.

Basement Walls Bowed? Foundation Settling? Wet Basement?

• Multiple Solutions & Financing Available • Free Estimates
800-392-3389
BLACKBURN BASEMENT SYSTEMS
www.blackburnbasementrepair.com

Dsst... Pass it on!

Best advertising deal in South Dakota.

Contact your local newspaper or South Dakota Newspaper Association for more details on the 2x2 Ad Network.
1-800-658-3697