

A Compendium* of Muskie Angling History

Revised, Updated and Expanded 3rd Edition

Volumes I & II

(It took two volumes to get it all in!)

*A compendium gathers together and presents in a concise or outlined form all the essential facts and details of a subject.

Volume I: Muskellunge World Records; The History-The Truth-circa 1877-2006

Volume I is 645 pages and over 250 historic record muskellunge photographs and covers completely world record caliber muskies beginning in the 1800's. Also covered is the "record wars" of the last half-century, with complete details of the more recent record confusion, much never before made public. "Revisionist history" has been set-aside and historic records returned to their rightful place in history!

Volume II: The History The Rest of the Story-1774-2006

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"This revised, updated & expanded 3rd edition includes dozens of new citations, lots of updated information and many newly discovered photographs. Importantly, it sweeps away ‘selective revisionist history,’ and makes a case for the restoration of ‘true muskie history.’ My best work yet!” Larry Ramsell, Muskie Historian, Compendor, Internationally Known Muskie Author and Guide

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