

About Coach Warye

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About Coach Warye

Russ Warye is the founder of Fishing the North Country Publications, a company dedicated to creating researched fishing books on where-to and how-to fish the lakes of Wisconsin, Michigan's Upper Peninsula, Minnesota and Ontario. Founded in 2003 with Ken Jackson (St. Germain, WI), seven books have been released on north-central Wisconsin. They are proud of their detailed research and presentation of latest fishing tactics on specific waters.

Boulder Junction Presque Isle & Winchester Region Mercer & Turtle/Flambeau Flowage St. Germain, Sayner, Star Lake Region Minocqua Region Cisco Chain, Land O'Lakes, Phelps, & Conover Region Eagle River & Three Lakes Chain Region

He is the former Senior Research Editor for Fishing Hot Spots, Inc. (FHS) Rhineland-er, WI and was responsible for the primary research for many maps as well as a traveling fishing program that taught on-the-water fishing to FHS clients from Kentucky and Laurel River lakes in Kentucky to a Little Bay de Noc in Michigan or Ontario's Lake of the Woods.

Additionally, when not fishing he is writing, and authored numerous FHS books as well as three major books of a destination series – Smallmouth – America's Top Bass Waters; Walleye – The Top Lakes and Rivers of North America; and Muskie – The Premier Waters of North America. All three books are in print and the Muskie book is already in a third printing. Warye also authored the first ever book on Michigan's famous bass fishing region, the Sylvania Tract in the Upper Peninsula. The book, Fish Sylvania, is in its third printing.

He is a licensed guide (including Coast Guard) concentrating on smallmouth bass and muskie. During the summer months he spends up to eight weeks teaching fishing at Witch Bay Camp, a famous fishing camp on Lake of the Woods, located south of Kenora, Ontario. When not writing in the winter he is on the sport show circuit, giving seminars on bass and muskie topics. Some of Russ' recent topics included:

Top Smallmouth Waters of the Midwest

Today's Wisconsin Muskie Fishing

Muskie Management for a New Millennium

Finesse Tactics for Bronzebacks

Canadian Tactics for Trophy Fish

Premier Smallmouth Lakes/Rivers of Wisconsin

His background includes college and high school teaching, newspaper editor, outdoor writer, radio host, public speaker on environmental/fishing issues, and tournament bass/muskie angler. Warye is proud to be known as an activist for clean water and fishing issues, including preserving the Clean Water Act and catch-and-release ethic. He has served on several Wisconsin DNR ad-hoc citizen committees.

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