

## Mark Bonokoski - November 28 2009

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Transcript:

Knowing when to take the old fishing boat out of the water for the winter is a crap shoot.

Damned if you do, damned when you don't.

Last year at this time, for example, there was already snow on the ground not far beyond the 905 — and certainly there was snow up in my neck of the woods a few clicks north of the Madoc-Dixon line.

This year, none. At least thus far.

Last weekend it was relatively warm for the last weekend in November. Around 10 degrees, a slight rain, and just enough wind to churn up a chop.

In other words, it was perfect walleye weather and, later on when the wind picked up a bit, it was even more perfect for chasing muskie.

But my boat was already put away.

I could have hauled it down to the lake, of course, but that would have meant having to winterize it all over again — fog the engine, change the oil in the lower unit just to make sure no water got into the mix.

Hey, the engine's a old 20 h.p. Johnson, and when you say Johnson and not Evinrude, then you know the engine is not exactly new.

And old means quirky. You can't take a chance that the lower unit did not take on some water .

If you do, you'll pay the price.

So, there was no fishin' last weekend — just a whole lot of bitchin'.

I rolled the dice, and I rolled it too early.

And it came up craps.

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