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# Beder to speak at Annual Trapper's Convention

Nick Beder of Wisconsin will be presenting at the 59th Annual NTA Convention/Outdoor Expo. This event is expected to draw at least 6,000 people and will be held at the U.P. State Fairgrounds in Escanaba Michigan on July 26-28. Hours are 8 am - 6 pm EDT all days. Admission is \$10 per day or \$20 for a three-day pass. Youngsters under 12 are free.

Beder enjoys passing outdoor on his knowledge. He has taught trapper education, fur handling and trap place-ment/selection and setting in his home state. Starting trapping at age 9, Nick taught himself how to trap beaver under the ice.

Beder now enjoys an annual trapping trip to Mississippi where he traps December –March with his trapping partner (wife Christie) harvesting a variety of land and water furbearers.

"It's like Christmas morning each day, and each day is a new adventure" is his and Christie's daily mantra as they head

out to the line. In a recent 46-day trip to Mississippi, they harvested 121 beaver, 64 bobcats, 302 raccoon, 72 coyotes, 62 otter, 633 opossums, and 28 grey fox.

He also traps in Arkansas, Tennessee and Oklahoma. He uses all of his harvest, not only the fur, but other parts for food and lure making materials. In order to put up numbers like this, a trapper has to be paying attention to every little detail involved. Those details are what he will be shar-

ing at his demo at 10 a.m. on July 26. Beder will be joining 22 other trapping and outdoor experts who will be presenting at this event. For a complete listing of them along with the hundreds of vendors, food vendors, and tailgaters, vendors offering good deals on canoes, snowshoes, predator calling supplies, outdoor clothing, waders, etc., check out the link below.

Kid's games, a youth trap setting contest, along with a free fishing pond, will keep the youngsters entertained. Crafts, antiques, etc. will be availa

ble as well.
"This is going to be the biggest and best NTA Convention ever!" said Eugene Arduin, legendary local trapper and oldest member of U.P. Trappers Club. "The opportunity to learn from and meet famous outdoor sports experts from all over the U.S. and Canada is an outstanding one. Those along with all the good deals available from vendors, the great food, interesting tailgaters and events that go on for all ages make this a great event for any outdoor enthusiast and family," Arduin added.

For further information, contact Convention Coordinator Vickie Wright at 907-0977, (231)vwright@nationaltrappers.c om or Roy Dahlgren (906)-399-1960 visit or www.uptrappers.com where you can click on the photo and proceed to the newly updated, information-filled convention website.



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