

LUNKER HUNTER SPOONPLUGGERS MEETING DECEMBER 5, 2013

## “BLADEBAIT PROGRAM”



Jump lures, 2 bladebaits on bottom of picture, ½ and ¾ ounce

**Tom Moore** gave us a rundown on “**How to Use Bladebaits**”. He likes to use a **spinning rod** to get **greater distance** and cover more area. **Lift the rod up 2-3 feet** and let the **lure sink back on a tight line**. He prefers **yellow Hi-Vis Power Pro braided line** with a **fluorocarbon leader**, but if the weather is **below freezing**, use **monofilament** or fluorocarbon. There is a learning curve to using bladebaits, so if you are **not catching fish**, **modify what you are doing**. For color, he likes **silver plating** because it **reflects 90% of available light**, whereas **nickel only reflects 50%**. **Chartruse and glo colors** are also good. If a fish can't see it, he **won't strike** it! Blades can be very **effective on schooled fish** but **remove them quickly and get back down**. Many fish are **lost by applying too much pressure and pulling the hooks out**. Tom recommends testing your rod and reel drag with a weight scale so **no more than 2 pounds of pressure** can be put on a **fish**.