



SMSC Members Only Fishing Resource: "GroupMe" Free App & Website

SMSC members now have a fun and handy new tool to help make SML striper fishing even more enjoyable! It's a free app from Microsoft called GroupMe. <https://groupme.com/en-US/> The mobile app & website enable members to share real-time fishing info with each other while on the lake via either iPhone or Android phone.

In addition to the app itself, a website (<https://web.groupme.com/signin>) also provides access via your desktop or laptop when at home. This new resource will be available exclusively only to SMSC members, not the general public. SMSC members must opt in to use the app or website.

Members who wish to try the new resource can opt in just by sending an email to the club's address, smc@smithmountainstriperclub.com with the subject, "GroupMe"

After receiving an opt-in request, SMSC's GroupMe administrator (Jon A) will add the email address to the SMSC Members Only private group. That will trigger a welcome email to be sent to the SMSC member's email address from GroupMe. The welcome email will contain a link to download the app. Each member can then select the proper version for their mobile phone (iPhone or Android).

The SMSC Members Only private group is a special privilege only available to SMSC members who meet and follow these criteria:

1. Participation
Members are encouraged to both make and read posts while on the lake fishing. Share info and insights with your fellow SMSC members!
2. Eligibility
SMSC Members must be paid up and in good standing on annual membership fee. SML Striper Guides also may opt-in to use the app.
3. Posting Rules
 - A. SMSC Members must NOT post comments, locations, descriptions, photos or ANY info about SML Striper Guides. These men and women fish for a living. As

stewards of the lake, they deserve the respect and support of every SMSC member. Any posts about a guide's fishing activities will result in that person's immediate removal from the SMSC Members Only group.

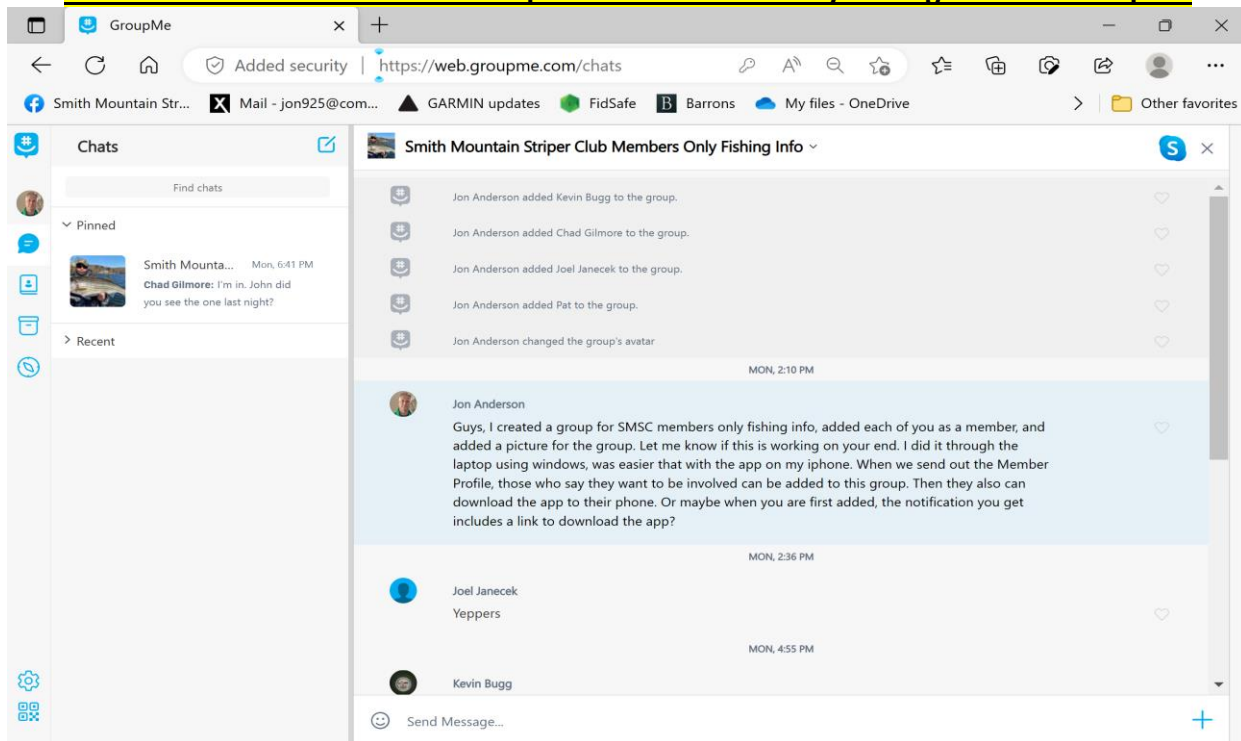
B. Any persons who copy/paste, forward, or otherwise transfer info from the SMSC Member Only chat to another public online forum (eg, websites, Facebook groups, email or phone lists, etc.) will be removed from the group. This content is by us, for us. Thank you for understanding and following these simple rules.

So send your opt-in email, and have some fun helping us test and find tune this new resource for SMSC members!

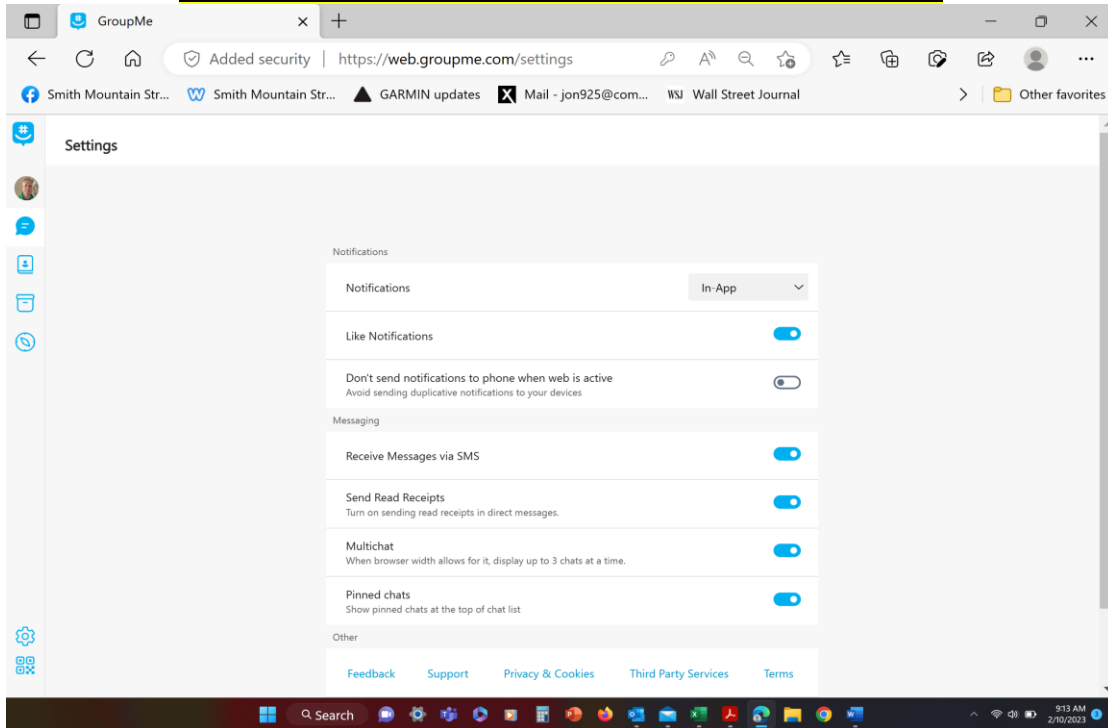
After you have received the welcome email from GroupMe, you can download the app and log in. The group pic for "Smith Mountain Striper Club Members Only Fishing Info" is Chad with a striper. After you 'pin' the group to make it a favorite, you can read prior posts, ask questions and share tips, fish finder photos/screenshot or other info with SMSC members. Use either the app or the website, depending on your location (lake or home) and preference.

The screenshots below show suggested Settings for GroupMe. These can also be adjusted via the GroupMe website (recommended), or the GroupMe app. *In addition to configuring your Settings, please upload a pic using 'avatar' to personalize the app with your image!*

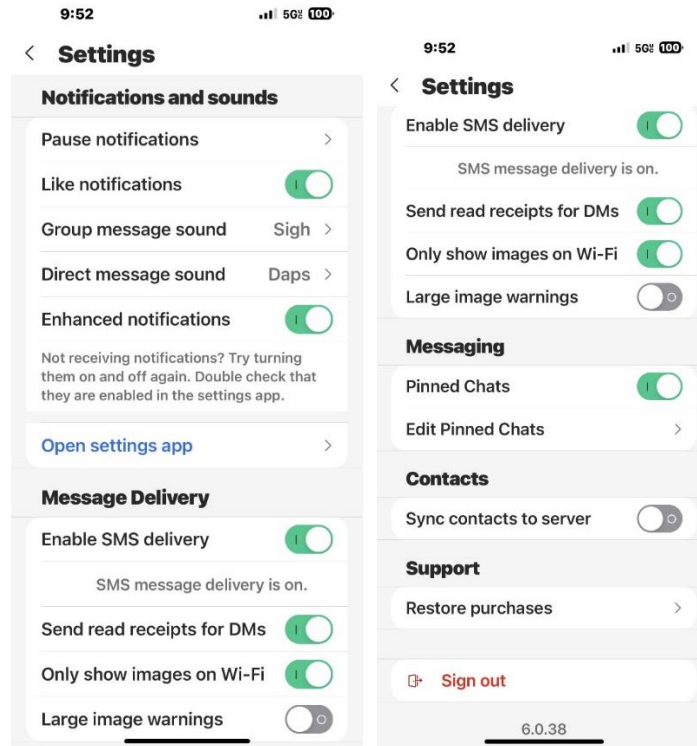
Screenshot1: "Smith Mountain Striper Club Members Only Fishing Info" on GroupMe



Screenshot2: Manage GroupMe Settings via web browser



Screenshot3 & 4: Manage GroupMe Settings via app



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