

What are Gable's Other Interests?

By Randy Jorgensen

Editors Note: Randy Jorgensen is a longtime wrestling coach in Imlay City, Michigan. He is in the newspaper and monthly magazine business. Following is an interview with Dan Gable and his interests outside of wrestling. The interview took place in north central Michigan, in a deer hunting camp. Jorgensen is publisher of Michigan's popular hunting publication, Woods-N-Water News.

After a brief introduction, Dan Gable turned to me and said, "Do you jig for the big walleyes here in Michigan?"

"Yeah, sometimes," I replied. "But my favorite is to light-line for them."

"And you're an outdoor publisher and writer, huh?" he asked, his features still strong and powerful, square jaw, cauliflower ears, scars from battle over his brow. "The outdoors is important, it's very important."

"Yep..." I said, admittedly nervous and at the same time excited to meet a living legend face to face. A man who is the most famous of all wrestlers. In his world, the world of amateur wrestling, he is bigger than Jordan is to basketball, than Tiger is to golf and Gretzky is to hockey.

As a wrestler Gable won three NCAA national titles, registering an unbelievable 118-1 record. His only defeat came in the NCAA finals his senior year. He won an Olympic gold medal in