

Thunder Bay Walleye Club Newsletter

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

Things are starting to happen. Tourneys on Hubbard Lake in January and February, Reel Fun Ice Fishing tourney in February, and the schedule for the TBWC tourneys are set.

The club Awards Banquet for February 17th has been move to March 17th due to some conflicts with other events.

At this meeting we will be raffling a nice cutting board and 8" bowl hand crafted by Jerry Nowicki out of hard maple. Also we will draw for last years fish cleaners for the Friendship room. A lot of fish were cleaned last year and helped to feed those in need.

REEL FUN ICE FISHING TOURNAMENT SATURDAY FEBRUARY 24TH 2018

**SPECIAL NOTE FOR FRIDAY February 23rd
DRILLING REEL FUN HOLES.**

Start time is 10:00am

The first 10 people to call Jim Leeseberg for Friday drilling with an auger will receive a hole ticket for Saturday February 24th and a TBWC membership.

The first 10 hole driller helpers to call Jim Leeseberg will receive a TBWC membership.

CONTACT JIM LEESEBERG 989 657 1393 if you will help with this project.

SIGN IN WITH JIM LEESEBERG ON SIGHT TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE YOUR NAMES.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A CLUB MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE.

This is set for Saturday the last weekend in February.

TBWC raffle prizes this year are:

1 st	Vexilar FL-12 Ice Ducer	\$449.00
2 nd	Eskimo 10" Auger Model Z51	\$370.00
3 rd	Vexilar Fish Scout Color Underwater Camera	\$309.00
4 th	Frabill Bunker 250 2 Person Ice Shanty	\$300.00
5 th	Vexilar handheld Sonar	\$149.00
6 th	Jet Sled XL with Hitch	\$130.00

Raffle license for this raffle and the 50/50 has been received from the State of Michigan Gaming Division.

Raffle tickets **are** printed and available for this meeting. We need your help in selling these to make this as much of a success for the club as possible.

It is short notice this year but if you plan to fish or attend you can give your ticket sales to Denny Burns Saturday at the tent.

If not planning to fish or attend we can make arrangements with Denny prior to Saturday.

The club has 2 hole tickets and 2 Festivus tickets for Reel Fun and will be raffled off at the February TBWC meeting.

Brown Trout Update

Entry fee for the Walleye Extravaganza for 2018 was discussed and there was a consensus \$200.00 would be appropriate. According to Peggy the \$200.00 as of this writing will be the entry fee.

There is still no decision on having the Super and walleye tournaments on separate days. Entrants would have to make a decision on which tournament they would fish in if they are combined there by reducing the number of entries of each.

Brown Trout has committed to run the Walleye Extravaganza for 2018 being a two day tournament on the last weekend of the BT Festival.

To this date no dollars for the guaranteed \$5,000 first place payout have been secured. We have agreed to work on having a guarantee of \$5,000 for first place and Romeo and Peggy are currently working to secure those dollars. If you know of a business or individual that would like to help anchor this tourney, please contact Romeo right away at 989 657-3841, 989-358-5310 or bourdager@alpenaschools.com.

Brown Trout wants to get the advertisement out soon so that anglers from out of town can plan their tourney weekends. It will not conflict with any MWT tournaments in that they replaced Alpena with Port Austin but will run that tourney on July 14th and 15th. By Romeo. 989 657-3841, 989-358-5310.

2018
THUNDER BAY WALLEYE CLUB
&
SIDE DOOR BAIT & TACKLE
ARE SPONSORING
WALLEYE & PERCH FISHING TOURNAMENT
HUBBARD LAKE
JANUARY 27TH 2018
DARK TO DARK

172 contestants spent a great day weather wise along with good ice on Hubbard looking for the largest walleye and perch they could pull thru the ice. This has to be the best ever on Hubbard for many years during the winter. Both took home \$860 and they are Todd Wortley with a 22" Walleye and Bruce Shaffer with a 15" Perch.

"Shivering" on Thunder Bay

By Erich Carlson

Below are the air dates for the Next Bite show we shot on Thunder Bay. It will air before the next meeting.

NBC Sports Chicago 2/6/18 1PM

World Fishing Network 2/6/18 6PM, 2/7/18 12AM, 2/7/18 12PM, 2/10/18 9:30AM,
Destination America 2/10/18 8AM and CBS Sports 2/10/18 7:30AM.

I realize these dates are past for the regular mail members but the email members will have current info. "Shivering" is a very fun casting technique that can be deadly on summer Walleyes. Last month, I had the cool opportunity to film a Next Bite show on Thunder Bay with hall of fame angler, Keith Kavajecz. Keith happened to be in Michigan filming a show on Saginaw Bay with Bruce and Nick DeShano from Off Shore Tackle Company and had indicated that he really wanted to do a show that featured casting "Shiver Minnows" on Northern Lake Huron. To my surprise, I received a phone call asking if I still had a casting bite going, and if so, would I be interested in filming a "Next Bite" **Shivering** show. I spent the few days prior to their arrival scoping out the bite with Adam Peterson, and was able to pin down a very good "Shivering" bite. Keith, Jake Romanack and (Cameraman) Jake Flaa came up and spent a couple days at my place and we were able to put together a great show. We were able to capture nine nice Walleyes on film casting Moonshine Shiver Minnows. This "Next Bite" episode will be aired sometime this coming January and February and will feature the technique of "Shivering" we'll explain the importance of cadence, boat positioning, and what to look for as far as locating fish. I will let everyone know the air dates when I find out. Very cool experience!

Michigan Out of Doors Episode

By Erich Carlson

Has not been scheduled yet.

Eric will be at our March meeting to make a presentation on "Shivering" On The Bay.

CLUB MEMBERSHIPS CAN BE PAID NOW

Single person membership is \$15.00 per year. Family membership is \$25.00 includes all persons living in your household.

If you don't know if your memberships are due contact Denny Burns at 989 354 2419, email me or see me at a meeting.

Email members have the membership year after their last name on emails sent by Denny Burns.

Regular mailed member's membership year is on the envelope.

Make checks out to Thunder Bay Walleye Club or (TBWC).

Renewals at TBWC meetings or mail to TBWC PO Box 812, Alpena MI 49707

2018
TBWC Club Fishing Tournaments
Revised 1/17/18 #7&8

<u>Location:</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 Hubbard Lake – Launch DNR East Bay	Sat May 5 th	5PM – 1AM
2 Saginaw Bay Augres - Launch Augres	Sun May 20 th	7AM – 3PM
3 Grand Lake- Launch – South DNR	Sun June 10 th	7AM – 3PM
*4 “Nite – Eyes” – Launch Alpena Boat Harbor (Public)	Fri & Sat June 15 th & 16 th	6PM – 1AM
5 Thunder Bay - Launch Alpena Boat Harbor	Sun July 8 th	7AM – 3PM
MI. Brown Trout/MWT Walleye Tourney – Launch Alp. Boat Harbor	Sat & Sun July 21 st & 22 nd	7AM – 3PM
6 Rockport - Launch Rockport, Alternate Grand Lake	Sat Aug 4 th	5PM – 1AM
7 DeTour – Launch DeTour DNR Boat Launch	Sun Aug 19 th	7AM – 3PM
8 Hubbard Lake – Launch DNR East Bay	Sun Sept 9 th	7AM – 3PM
9 NONE		
10 NONE		



Bird House Building

-February 24, 2018

-Time: 1-4 pm

- @ Alpena Sportsmen’s Club

Hosted by:

Alpena Longbeards, Thunder Bay Walleye
 Club, Alpena Sportsmen’s Club.

Snacks and Drinks will be provided

Contact Tim or Edith by February 21, 2018

Tim Haske: 989-464-2199 Edith Utecht: 989-354-4964

Darwin Grabow: 989-255-7167

The Fletcher Library has magazines and DVD's on how when and where walleye fishing.

Take advantage of these, they may give you some ideas on how to improve your fishing attack instead of doing the same thing day after day.

These were purchased by the club for all to use.

Club Clothing and Other Stuff

We have restocked our T Shirts, Hats, Decals and Sweatshirts etc. Contact Richard Hubert for more info 989-379-4614 or see him at our club meetings. This all high quality stuff.

FOR SALE ITEMS

IF YOU WANT AN ITEM IN THE FOLLOWING NEWSLETTERS CONTACT
DENNY BURNS 989 354 2419
OR EMAIL INFO TO JACKIEODENNYB@FRONTIER.COM

THE PLAN IS TO LIMIT FOR SALE ITEMS TO 90 DAYS UNLESS ITEMS ARE SOLD EARLIER. IF ITEMS ARE SOLD OR YOU WANT TO CONTINUE THE ADD CONTACT DENNY BURNS AT THE ABOVE EMAIL or phone # 989 354 2419.

NEW 7/4/17

Lund Pro-V 2075 IFS

Black 2009 Lund Pro-v IFS, 250 Mercury Verado (369 hours), 9.9 Mercury 4-stroke kicker, 101 lb. 36v MinnKota Terrova with I pilot, Lowrance HDS-12 Gen1 with cisco mount at counsel, 3 new DEKA AGM Group 31 batteries in the bow with Cabelas 3 bank 20 amp charger, 2 Exide XRF-31D ROADFORCE AGM-200 for the main motor with Cabelas 2 bank 20 amp charger, 5ft Traxstech rail with 6 rodholders, snap-in carpet, walk thru windshield, Trollmaster, Bimini top. Shorlandr trailer, tires are 2 years old. Boat is well maintained. Asking \$39,500 OBO, will provide extra pics upon request.
Price: 39,500 Contact Jesse Spicer 989 464 8249 Email jessspicer@hotmail.com

WavePro Air Suspension Pedestals

I have recently installed the WavePro Air Suspension Pedestals to my boat. I gave them a real test on my NWT trip to Lake Erie. I have to say they were GREAT! Nicest ride I have ever had on big, bad water. No launching or bouncing. No "bottoming-out" or back jarring. I highly recommend the WavePro Air Pedestals for anyone looking for an easier ride on rough water. The air spring chamber allows for 0-200 psi of air spring preload to accommodate a wide range of weights. The WavePro Pedestals can be purchased through John Unkovich (989-727-2797) at Viking Marine on Hubbard Lake. If you have any questions about the WavePro Air Suspension Pedestals, give me a call. (989-255-8442). Wayne VanDyke

SERVICES

Boat & RV Fiberglass repair-- Mid Michigan Fiberglass Inc. Owner Steve Schnettler, 1809 27th St. Bay City Michigan 989-895-7000
www.midmichiganfiberglass.com Factory Authorized. Highly recommended by Romeo 989-358-5310

Electric Motor, Canvas, and Downrigger Repair

If you are in need of work on your Minnkota, need canvas work, or your Cannon Downriggers Serviced get ahold of Brad Valley @ Valley's Canvas Services and Repairs all Minnkota products including Cannon Downriggers. 989-464-1191.

Looking for upgrades, repairs, and now **Fall/Winter Layups.**

Call the Boat Keeper!

Most of you already know that TBWC member Greg Trelfa is a great mechanic. Why order from the big stores when Greg now has access to a full line of marine parts and accessories for all the major brands like Johnson, Evenrude, Mercury, Yamaha and more. He can also supply you with the latest in electronics from Lowrance and Hummingbird, and does professional high end installations as well. His kind of personal service and expertise is hard to come by, so if you are looking to upgrade some electronics or need some repairs or maintenance done and want it done right at very competitive prices, give Greg a call @ 595-3149.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday FEB 14TH 2018 at 7pm

MEETING LOCATION IS IN ROOM 126
Besser Tech Center

ACC Besser Tech Center (Room -126) it's the large room to the *right* as you go in the front entrance in the BTC on the north side of Johnson St.

Meetings are the second Wednesday of every month unless otherwise noted in the newsletter.

(Please note: If the college is closed due to weather conditions the meeting will be rescheduled or cancelled)

Agenda: Club Tournaments for 2018,
Brown Trout Walleye entry fee, payout??
Banquet to a different date?
Reel Fun Ice Fishing Tourney
Open discussion on any topic.

DAVE BIRMINGHAM IS TRYING TO GET DNR DAVE FEILDER LAKE HURON FISHERIES MAIN MAN FOR A MEETING WITH US FOR A PRESENTATION ON RESEARCH THIS PAST SUMMER. KEEP YA POSTED.