

Thunder Bay Walleye Club Newsletter

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AT THIS MEETING

JOHN GILLMAN

If you haven't seen him before, John Gillman is a great presenter. He will be talking about a variety of tactics, but would be willing to discuss any techniques you'd be interested in. As Denny said, he will also be bringing some "new to the Walleye scene" Denali rods for us to check out. Come on out and get fired up about some Walleye fishing! John can answer any question you may have on the MWT BT Walleye Tournament this July. As of a week ago there are 40 entries for the July Tournament.

GET YOUR OFF SHORE TROLLING BOARDS REPAIRED AT THIS MEETING

Erich Carlson will be bringing a repair kit to fix up any Off Shore planer boards that need a little work. This is compliments of Off Shore Tackle. He can take care of broken or bent flags, loose rivets, replace tow arms, eye screws, split rings, floats, and ballast weights. However, He will not be giving out releases or pads. We can take care of these after the meeting.

MEPPS BAITS

Mepps wants to get into the walleye bait business. Jim Leeseberg was contacted by Mepps rep and they shipped us enough walleye kits to give one away at the April and May meeting as well as each club tournament this summer. It was decided to award the kits as a 4th place finish on each club tournament. Mepps does want feedback on your fishing experience with their new baits.

MC SPORTS

Carl Hatala will be giving a fishing seminar at MC SPORTS Saturday April 30th from Noon till 3 PM. Mark Martin won't be there.

CLUB BANQUET

The TBWC Banquet is Saturday April 30th. A copy of the Game Sign-up sheet is attached as an attachment to the email members and enclosed with the regular mail members.

We need help with the operation of these games so please review if you will help us out by indicating the game, time slot and report your choice to Denny Burns via email or call 989 354 2419 for more info.

For the new membership, the Alpena Sportsmens Club is on M32 West of Alpena.

The Awards Banquet honors the club fishing contestants for their place finish on the best of 5 tournament points as well as their 1st thru 3rd finish in the individual tournaments. Money is held out of each tournament for raffle prizes for all tournament participants and fishing related prizes for them only are drawn. Contestants will have their name entered in the drawing equal to the number of tournaments fished. Must be present to win. If you need more info email Denny Burns jackieodennyb@frontier.com or call 989 354 2419.

Annual Thunder Bay Walleye Club

Awards Banquet

Saturday, April 30th, 2016

Alpena Sportsman's Club

Agenda

Doors open at 4:30

Setups will be provided

BYOB

Games/Appetizers 5:00 - 7:00

Dinner at 7:00

Awards to follow dinner

Door Prizes!

Games!

Raffles!

Women's Baskets!

Dinner

By

Sherrie O'Brien

Country Apple Catering is certified by the State of Michigan

Hors D'oeuvres (Veggie Tray with crab dip), Dinner, Baked Chicken, Homemade Swedish Meatballs, Kielbasa with Sauerkraut, Real Mashed Potatoes with Chicken Gravy, Buttered Corn, Glazed Carrots, Baked Beans, Hot Rolls, Salad, and Desserts.

Dinner is \$15.00 per person at the door. 12 and under are free.

***Please RSVP by Monday, April 25th, your name and how many adults, **12 and under** will attend to Dennis Burns at 989 354-2419 and leave a message or email to jackieodennyb@frontier.com. You do not have to be a member to participate. Please note that we will have to have an accurate # when you RSVP. We will not be able to accept ANY last minute attendees at the door for dinner. **From time to time there is a cancelation so if you forgot to RSVP by Monday March 16th contact Denny to see if we can accommodate you.**

2016 TBWC Club Fishing Tournaments

<u>Location:</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 Thunder Bay River/Lk Huron – Launch Alpena Boat Harbor	Sun May 1 st	7AM – 3PM
2 Hubbard Lake – Launch DNR East Bay	Sat May 7 th	6PM – 2AM
3 Saginaw Bay - Launch AuGres DNR	Sun May 22 nd	7AM – 3PM
4 Long Lake - Launch Long Lake Park	Sun June 5 th	7AM – 3PM
* 5 “Nite – Eyes” – Launch Alpena Boat Harbor (Public)	Fri & Sat June 10 th & 11 th	6PM – 1AM
6 Mullet Lake – Launch DNR North End	Sun June 26 th	7AM – 3PM
7 Thunder Bay – Launch Alpena Boat Harbor	Sun July 10 th	7AM – 3PM
MI. Brown Trout/MWT Walleye Tourney – Launch Alp. Boat Harbor	Sat & Sun July 16 th & 17 th	7AM – 3PM
8 Rockport –Launch Rockport, Alternate Grand Lake	Sun August 7 th	7AM – 3PM
9 Grand Lake - Launch South DNR	Sun August 21 st	7AM – 3PM
10 Hubbard Lake – Launch DNR East Bay	Sun Sept 11 th	7AM – 3PM

NON NUMBERED TOURNAMENTS ARE NO POINT TOURNEYS.

* NITE EYES ENTRY IS \$100.00 PER BOAT for both nights, **6** ROD LIMIT, NO LIMIT ON # OF CONTESTANTS ON THE BOAT

March meeting notes,

February financials were read

Carl Hatala says Warrior will do the same as last year BT walleye tourney.

Romeo says Besser and DPI for MWT/BT walleye tourney this July.

Discussion on BT fish tagging.

UP COMING EVENTS

Club awards banquet is set for the last Saturday in April.

Thunder Bay River/Lk Huron - Launch Alpena Boat Harbor	Sun May	1 st	7AM - 3PM
Hubbard Lake - Launch DNR East Bay	Sat May	7 th	6PM - 2AM

BROWN TROUT

The club now has BT raffle tickets will be available at this meeting. Glen will have a report on BT at this meeting.

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 spring tune up WORK?

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.

Wayne Van Dyke has a "Repair Kit" for all Off Shore Products. Anyone needing repair work, just contact me at wvandyke35@hotmail.com and I'll try to take care of it. No cost.

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 members membership year is on the envelope.

Make checks out to TBWC.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday April 13th 2016, 7pm

MEETING ROOM 126

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: Off Shore board repair John Gillman Brown Trout Raffle Tickets

Other Stuff

Vic Ross and Chuck Hoerl were part of the Reel Fun Ice Fishing hole driller team. Their memberships have been updated.