

Thunder Bay Walleye Club Newsletter

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IT'S A GO FOR THE JUNE MEETING

ERIC MACKENZIE AND DAN VANMASSENHOVE WILL BE AT THIS MEETING FOR A SEMINAR ON LAKE CURRENTS, WIND DIRECTION AND TEMPERATURES ALONG WITH OTHER TOPICS THAT MAY COME UP.

TBWC CLUB TOURNAMENTS

Hubbard Lake night fishing was much different than the last 2 years. Wind was very low along with temperatures. Most fishing had good success fishing shallow and some surprises in deeper water. One boat was over 40 feet of water while making a turn to go over a shallow area again and started to pick up walleye. Fished the deeper water and was very successful. Fish were boated using crawler harness, jigging and hard body baits. The fishing conditions and weather made for a more pleasant experience.

Result for Hubbard are;

1st place goes to Jeremy Phillips, Spencer Weidbrauk, and Zach Bisenz weighed 5 fish for 13.79 lbs. and their largest of 3.13 lbs.

2nd place is Rob Barbato and Ron Gerard managed weighing 5 fish for 12.73 lbs. and their largest of the tournament at **3.37** lbs.

3rd is Jim Leeseberg and Tom Badder with a total weigh of 5 fish at 10.12 lbs. Some boats reported of large fish being lost due to lack of netting ability etc. There were no other reports of other fish being caught or tagged fish.

20 out of 29 contestants weighed 5 fish while 2 weighed 2 and 7 chose not to weigh.

Hopefully the members fishing Hubbard will be at this meeting to share their experience.

TBWC CLUB TOURNAMENTS Cont.

Saginaw Bay AuGres Sun May 19th 7AM - 3PM was cancelled due to weather

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Conditions, T storms with some possibly being severe and 15 to 25 wind out of the east.

We will plan to select another date at this meeting.

Next up are Long Lake- Launch - Long Lake Park Sun June 9th 7AM - 3PM
 "Nite-Eyes"Launch Alpena Boat Harbor (**Public**) Fri&Sat June 14th&15th **6PM - 1AM**

2019 Thunder Bay Walleye Club		
Top 18 By Rank of 29 Entrants Thru Tourney #1		
Best 5 of 8 Tournaments		
Name	Points	Rank
	Best 5 of 9	
Bisanz, Zach	100.00	1
Phillips, Jeremy	100.00	1
Wiedbrauk, Spencer	100.00	1
Barbato, Rob	92.31	2
Gerard, Ron	92.31	2
Badder, Tom	73.39	3
Leeseberg, Jim	73.39	3
Gauthier, Nate	66.21	4
Kruczynski, Eric	66.21	4
Kruttlin, Jon	66.21	4
LaPlaunt, Steve	62.73	5
Senk, Landon	62.73	5
Sharp, Tom	62.73	5
Diez, Jack	61.78	6
Gauthier, Scott	61.78	6
Mead, Bret	61.78	6
Haugerud, Mark	56.71	7
Haugerud, Seth	56.71	7
2018 Anglers of the Year		
Romeo Bourdage		

THE FOLLOWING IS STARTING WITH THE LONG LAKE TOURNAMENT

Denny Burns and Jackie Oliver will no longer do the tournament sign-up or weigh-in. The club needs some people now.

Denny will continue to do the reconciliation of the tournaments and post the info on the TBWC web site. You will be responsible for the scale, weigh-in table as well as getting the entry monies and weigh-in results to Denny Burns in a timely manner.

We are looking for one or two or more people interested in *running* the club fishing tournaments for 2019 which would include but not limited to collecting entry fee money, possible membership fees, writing pay out checks, weigh-in etc.

After each tournament information and money will be given to Denny Burns for tournament reconciliation and results for posting on the web site.

The scale, table and other stuff needed to do a weigh in can be picked up at Denny Burns home prior to the tournament and returned after the tournament along with all other information. If you plan to do all the tournaments you could keep all the equipment and forms for weigh in. However you will still need to contact Denny Burns prior to each tournament to pick up the check book for payouts at each tournament.

This DNR info is as of June 6th.

Alpena: The water is still cold, but some areas were approaching the mid 50's. Lake trout and the occasional Atlantic salmon were caught in 40 to 80 feet between Thunder Bay Island and Rockport when trolling spoons and spin-glo's. Most of the lake trout were caught near the bottom while feeding on goby and smelt. Walleye were taken inside 20 feet when trolling body baits early or late. A couple nice pike were caught when casting crank baits.

Thunder Bay River: The walleye bite was decent with fish taken by those still-fishing, jigging, drifting crawlers and leeches or when trolling a harness. Smallmouth bass and pike were caught when casting jigs or crank baits. Rock bass, channel cats, bullhead and freshwater drum were hitting on crawlers.

Presque Isle: Those able to get out caught lake trout along with a couple Chinook or Atlantic salmon. The lake trout were suspended in 45 to 55 feet while the salmon were caught in the top 25 of waters up to 65 feet deep with spoons, body baits, attractors and spin-glo's.

Club members Denny Burns, Larry Bussey, Marty Cirulis, Richard and Steve Hubert, Jim LaFleur, Jerry Nowicki, Ken Utecht and Ken Whaoski cleaned DNR fish nettings this spring.

Received a note form the St. Bernard Friendship Room.

"A note of sincere thanks for your skills and experience in cleaning and delivering the assortment of Great Lakes fish to Saint Bernard Friendship room. On behalf of Stacie, the Board of Directors and myself, we are very grateful for your generosity and effort to fight hunger in our community."

It was also stated it is one of the favorite meals by those attending the facility.

If the club wouldn't do this the fish would be disposed of rather than going to feed those in need of a meal.

2019 TBWC Club Fishing Tournaments

	<u>Location:</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1	Hubbard Lake - Launch DNR East Bay	Sat May 11 th	5PM - 1AM
2	Saginaw Bay AuGres - Launch Augres	Sun May 19 th	7AM - 3PM
3	Long Lake- Launch - Long Lake Park	Sun June 9 th	7AM - 3PM
*4	"Nite-Eyes" Launch Alpena Boat Harbor (Public)	<i>Fri&Sat</i> June 14 th &15 th	6PM - 1AM
5	Thunder Bay-Launch Alpena Boat Harbor	Sun July 14 th	7AM - 3PM
MI.	Brown Trout/MWT Walleye Tourney-Launch Boat Harbor	<i>Sat&Sun</i> July 27 th &28 th	7AM - 3PM
6	Rockport - Launch Rockport, Alt. Grand Lake	Sat Aug 10 th	6PM - 1AM
7	Presque Isle Launch Presque Isle Harbor Alt. Grand Lake	Sun Aug 25 th	7AM - 3PM
8	Hubbard Lake - Launch DNR East Bay	Sun Sept 15 th	7AM - 3PM
9	NONE		
10	NONE		

NON NUMBERED TOURNAMENTS ARE NO TBWC POINT TOURNEYS.

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

**BT Raffle Tickets
OPTIONS ARE**

- 1 You can sell them to others for \$5.00 each or all 3 for \$10.00
- 2 You can purchase them yourself.
If tickets are purchased, return the small ticket stub, YOUR name and phone # on the stub along with the \$\$\$ in the envelope provided.
- 3 You can choose not to participate and return all intact tickets in the enclosed stamped envelope as soon as possible so we can try to sell to get the club investment back.
- 4 **THIS YEAR THE TICKET SELLER WILL RECEIVE \$100 FROM BT FOR SELLING THE WINNING TICKET SO PUT YOUR NAME AND PH # ON THE TICKET STUB.**

**CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO
"THUNDER BAY WALLEYE CLUB" ONLY**

**DO NOT RETURN TO ANYONE AT THE BROWN TROUT FESTIVAL EXCEPT DENNY
BURNS 989 354 2419 OR GLEN KLIMCZAK 989 464 4941**

DID YOU MAIL YOUR BT RAFFLE TICKETS BACK TO THE CLUB IN THE ENCLOSED/STAMPED ENVELOPE IF YOU RECEIVED TICKETS IN THE MAIL????

BT RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THIS MEETING.

SOLD TICKETS CAN BE RETURNED AT OUR JULY MEETING.

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

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. On line you can find a number of articles and demonstrations for success used by pros using various methods for different times of the year.

BROWN TROUT

Glen Klimczak will NOT have an update at this meeting. BT meeting has been moved to the same night as ours. Trying to get BT Festival finalized for next month.

FOR SALE ITEMS

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 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 spring tune ups or repair?
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 June 12th 2019 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 or other conditions the meeting will be rescheduled or cancelled)

Agenda:

PRESENTATION BY ERIC MACKENZIE AND DAN VANMASSENHOVE
FISHING HUBBARD AT NIGHT, LONG LAKE RESULTS
BROWN TROUT
WHATS ON YOUR MIND

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 Denny Burns 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