

Thunder Bay Walleye Club Newsletter

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CLUB TOURNAMENT RESULTS

#5 Thunder Bay - Launch Alpena Boat Harbor Sun July 8th 7AM – 3PM

This tournament is the precursor to the Brown Trout Festival to give is some idea on where the walleye are and try to find where the big eye are hanging out.

While 11 boats with 27 contestants hit the water with great anticipation only about half weighed fish with only 3 bringing 5 to the scale. Not a good showing for July. It's thought maybe they are late getting up to our area because of the cool spring with water temperatures low for this time of year. However the top 2 teams were very close on weights with just .04 lbs. difference both bringing in very nice weights. Jackie Oliver and Denny Burns tried the shivering method in front of Thunder Bay Island and netted a nice 6.30 # fish and finished with 3 more trolling hard body baits around the island area.

1st place goes to Matt Franklin fishing with Dan and Gary VanMassenhove weighing 28.32 lbs. and their largest 8.77 lbs.

2nd is Kevin Graham, Adam Peterson and Chris Wade weighing 28.28 lbs., .04 lbs. less than first and their largest 7.28 lbs.

3rd is Steve LaPlaut and Tom Sharp weighing 5 fish for 15.34 lbs.

2018 Thunder Bay Walleye Club		
Top 17 By Rank of 83 Entrants Thru Tourney #5		
Best 5 of 8 Tournaments		
Name	Points	Rank
	Best 5 of 9	
Franklin, Matt	417.01	1
VanMassenhove, Dan	417.01	1
VanMassenhove, Gary	417.01	1
Bourdage, Romeo	395.78	2
Wade, Chris	363.19	3
Haugerud, Seth	304.11	4
Graham, Kevin	296.88	5
Peterson, Adam	296.88	5
Haugerud, Mark	280.84	6
Tucholski, Jeff	264.64	7
Kruczynski, Eric	224.69	8
Kruttlin, Jon	220.35	9
Gauthier, Scott	189.22	10
Hume, Adam	188.22	11
MacKenzie, Eric	174.98	12
Gabara, Nick	160.29	13
Karner, Mike	157.68	14
2013,14,15,16 Angler of the year		
Eric Kruczynski		
2017 Anglers of the Year		
Gary and Dan VanMassenhove		

CLUB TOURNAMENTS CONTINUED
Next up for the club tourneys is;

#6 Rockport - Launch Rockport, Alternate Grand Lake Sat Aug 4th 5PM - 1AM
 #7 ~~DeTour - Launch DeTour DNR Boat Launch~~ Sun Aug 19th 7AM - 3PM

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Only 3 tournaments left to determine the 2018 angler of the year.

BROWN TROUT

This year appears to be another year in a row of success for BT. Attendance for the big and small tent were nearly a sellout for all days and the new kids programs we attended well.

Bad luck for the Super Tournament and the Walleye Tournament had to be cancelled for weather conditions Friday and Saturday which affected boat entries. Both were held Sunday along with the Bass Tourney. Weigh-in was hectic at times with rain showers and 3 tourneys on the same day.

BT WALLEYE TOURNEY RESULTS

As you can see the report is rather tattered, got wet from the rain Sunday

Boat #	Place	Team Name	Big Fish Weight	Sunday # of fish	Total Weight	BIG FISH POT
1	1	ERIC KAPCZYNSKI	7.25	5	28	X
2	2	ROMEO BOURDAGE	7.90	5	26	X
13	3	RAY SHANKEL	6.6	5	25.65	X
25	4	JIM LEESBURG	5.8	5	24.75	X
7	5	CHRIS WADE	5.7	5	24.35	X
8	6	CAMERON LACKIE	6	5	23.9	X
19	7	BEN WALSH	5.25	5	22	X
14	8	JASON MARASKINE	5.2	5	21.8	X
21	9	TRENT BRUSKI	5.55	5	21.7	X
24	10	SCOTT GAUTHIER	4.8	5	21.25	X
3	11	DAN VANMASSENHOVE	6.35	5	21.15	X
16	12	CRAIG GUSHOW	7.05	5	21	X
27	13	ERIC MACKENZIE	5.05	5	20.1	X
15	14	BRETT GILBERTSON	0	5	20.1	X
28	15	DAVID BIRMINGHAM	5.95	5	19.45	X
5	16	ADAM HUME	5	5	19.35	X
20	17	DEAN MILLER	5.1	5	19.3	X
30	18	ADAM BIRK	5.45	5	19.25	X
6	19	BOB LESLIE	5.85	5	18.6	X
17	20	WAYNE WINTER	5.15	5	17.5	X
4	21	RYAN SAGADY	0	5	17.3	X
18	22	JASON KANSZEWSKI	0	5	15.55	X
26	23	ERIC KAPCZYNSKI	0	3	14.05	X
20	24	RICH CARLSON	4.45	5	10.35	X
12	25	ANDREW HAYES	0	2	5.95	X
22	26	MIKE WAGNER	5.35	1	5.35	X
29	27	JUSTIN PRENA	3.85	1	3.85	X
11	28	ROBERT HEMMINGER				X
9	29	SPENCER WIEDBRAUK				X
10	30					

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR WALLEY ACTION DURING THE DAY, REPORTS OF GOOD CATCHES TRY THE BY THE BOUY LINE IN ABOUT 25 TO 30 FEET OF WATER. REPORT PULLING CRAWLER HARNESSSES FROM THE CEMENT PLANT TO GRASS ISLAND. 3 TO 4 LB. GOOD EATERS.

BT Raffle Ticket Drawing

Congratulations to our 2018 Raffle Winners!
Trip of a Lifetime Grand Prize Winner
June Kasubowski

2nd Place (\$500.00)
Heather Stutzman

\$100.00 Winners
Marcia Simmons
Jeremy Winterstein
John Knapp
Jason Kinney
Rocky Roland

NO MEETING IN AUGUST

2018

TBWC Club Fishing Tournaments

Revised 1/17/18 #7&8

Revised 8/1/18 #7

<u>Location:</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
**1 THUNDER BAY AND RIVER – 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 19th	7AM – 3PM
Presque Isle Launch Larks Harbor	Sen Aug 12 th	7AM – 3PM
8 Hubbard Lake – Launch DNR East Bay	Sun Sept 9 th	7AM – 3PM
9 NONE		
10 NONE		

NOTE ALL THE NIGHT TOURNAMENTS ARE NOW TO 1AM

NON NUMBERED TOURNAMENTS ARE NO POINT TOURNEYS.

**** Changed from Hubbard to river and bay due to ice on Hubbard.**

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

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.

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DNR IS LOOKING FOR HELP TRACKING

ATLANTIC SALMON CATCHES

**THIS IS A PRIMARY FACTOR ON WHERE AND HOW MANY FISH ATLANTICS ARE PLANTED IN OUR AREA
IF NO REPORTS MAYBE NO MORE PLANTS IN OUR AREA**

Bottom line is that all anglers should report their ATS catches to Tim Cwalinski, individually, via email or phone call. Having photos for verification helps. If their fish is observed by a creel clerk, than they can skip reporting to me, for I will get it from the creel analyst. --989-732-3541 -- cwalinskit@michigan.gov

Data TIM needs from them for each individual ATS is: Date caught: Length:
Location: (TBR, Thunder Bay, etc.)

Mode: Shore or boat Harvested or released: If harvested, and its adipose fin was clipped, did they cut the head off and drop the snout off with this information in a Ziploc and drop off at Alpena FRO?

All this volunteer information helps us fill in the gaps of the ATS program that we cannot get from the creel program, which has some inherent loop holes. Creel clerks are unable to be everywhere, and at all times.

Tim Cwalinski Senior Fisheries Biologist, MDNR -- 989-732-3541 --
cwalinskit@michigan.gov 1732 M32 West, Gaylord, MI 49735

Check out our unit website: http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-10364_52259_65083-__,00.html

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FISH CLEANING

A number of TBWC members cleaned the DNR fish sampling this spring and delivered over 250 lbs. of mostly lake trout fillets to the friendship room in Alpena.

FROM THE FRIENDSHOP ROOM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

"A note of sincere thanks for your donations to St. Bernard Friendship Room is always a bonus when we are able to serve local, fresh Great Lakes fish. On behalf of Stace, the Board of Directors and myself, we are grateful for your consistent support and effort to fight hunger in our community."

Also received a hand written note from the Hubbard Lake Sportsmen and Improvement Assoc. for our donation to this year's fish shelter program. Bill Haase and Les Miller.

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ALSO KIDS CLAY PIGEON SHOOT

Kids 17 and under accompanied by an adult

August 4th 10am until??

At Alpena Sportsmen's Club M 32 ON SPORTSMEN'S DRIVE

Hot Dogs, Chips and Soda provided free

Bring your trigger finger, appetite, lawn chair, your own shotgun (optional) and a parent or guardian so you can participate in the shooting

Target clay birds, shells and guns will be supplied for all shooters

BB gun shoot available for those 10 years and under

RSVP TO THE ABOVE BY JULY 31st

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.

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 PROBLEMS.

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

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