

Thunder Bay Walleye Club Newsletter

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**Summer is winding down, but it's been a good one!
It's still a great time of year, so get out and enjoy it!**

It's been a busy summer, but as many people are getting ready for the upcoming hunting seasons, there is still a bunch of fantastic fishing to be had. All the local inland lakes are fishing very well right now. The walleye bite that has been great most of the summer continues, and there should be a great perch bite right around the corner. It's a very busy time of year for a lot of folks, but if you can, try and make an effort to get out and enjoy some fishing between planting food plots, practicing with your bow, or hanging stands.

Kids Fishing Day

The kids fishing day at the Paxton quarry turned out to be a huge success a special thank you to all those involved, in particular Lafarge, The Alpena Sportsman's Club, and the Alpena Longbeards, and Darwin Grabow for being the TBWC point man. Thank you for all you efforts in organizing and rounding up volunteers. Events like this are made possible by the many caring and thoughtful people in our community. It is important that we promote the outdoor sports to our youth, and this event did just that. There were a record number of kids in attendance, and strong representation from our club. Many members brought their boats, and those kids who wanted to fish out of a boat were able to do so. The kids all had a great time! That's what it's all about.

TBWC TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The DeTour tournament was held Sunday August 18th

Weather was Blue Bird with light wind, clear skies and temps in the upper seventies and low eighties all week. New water was fished and areas of undersized fish were numerous not only in the DeTour area but also on the Soo waters. Finding legal eyes let alone larger fish was a chore. Wayne VanDyke, Erich Carlson, and Rich Carlson got on the winning pattern, and dialed it in to walk away from the rest of the field in this event. They weighed five dandy Walleyes that together, tipped the scale at over 32 pounds. The trio focused on structure areas north of Drummond Island pulling Bugsy Blades and crawlers. Bill O'Neill, Brett Anderson, and finished in second place with a nice 12 pound plus basket taken fishing spinners in the weeds in Raber Bay and third went to Mark Byce and Jim Watts.

Other Member News

Wayne Vandyke and Erich Carlson had the summer to remember winning the 2013 Michigan Walleye Tour State Championship in Alpena as well as the Cabela's Masters Walleye Circuit and Cabela's National Team Championship both held in Sault Ste. Marie. The TBWC club members worked their tails off pre-fishing; figuring out, dialing in, and fine tuning some very specific programs. They express their gratitude for all the support of the club and community members attending the weigh-in in Alpena and those who made the trip north to watch the day-three NTC weigh in at the Soo! They look forward to sharing some of the stories and experiences at future club meetings. Here are a few pics from the weigh in at the NTC.





Cabela's Top 25 All American Teams



The next challenge for Wayne and Erich is the MWC *World Walleye Championship* on Bays de Noc out of Escanaba Michigan October 17th, 18th, and 19th, could be decent weather or snowing and blowing. Good luck guys.

Please consider contributing to the Newsletter!

Please consider contributing to the newsletter! Do you have a fishing or hunting story that is worthy of sharing? Do you have any fantastic pictures to share? Do you have an awesome recipe that you are willing to share? It doesn't necessarily have to be about fish. It would certainly make the newsletter more interesting. If you have something you'd like to share please send it to Erich Carlson's e-mail: walleynyper@hotmail.com. I'll be sure it gets in! The author can remain anonymous if you so desire, just indicate your preference when submitting something to Erich Carlson.

Walleye Club jacket orders

If you are interested in getting a Walleye Club jacket, please give Steve Hubert a call @ 379-4614, so he can make it worthwhile to put orders together. It is really not a cost saver to order one jacket at a time. If you plan on getting one, call ahead, so he can plan for orders. Steve will have hats, t-shirts, TBWC decals etc. at the monthly meetings for you to purchase.

Here is a list of high quality hooded sweat shirts we have left.

Stone washed light blue, 1 M, 4 L, 4 XL, 1 XXL at \$30.00 ea.

Dark Grey, 4 L, 5 XL, 1 XXL, 3 XXXL at \$25.00 ea.

Light Grey, 1 M, 5 XL at \$25.00 ea.

Dark Blue, 4 XL at \$25.00 ea.

All have a small club logo on the left breast.

All items are at club cost.

Looking for upgrades, repairs, winter layup, shrink wrap? Call the Boatkeeper!

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, Evinrude, 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 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.

Search *tbwalleye.com* for the latest tournament results, newsletters, and blog. Todd has posted the up to date tournament results including weights, and points earned.

Please let Erich know the events you are involved with email me at walleynesnyper@hotmail.com we'd like to promote our member's activities and accomplishments.

NEXT MEETING

September 11th 2013

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)

AGENDA:

- **Brown Trout Involvement for TBWC**
- **Long Lake Improvement Association Walleye Plant**
- **Suggestions for the 2014 Club Tournament Schedule**
- **Winter Months speaker and fishing tips (what would like to see)**

- **Review past tournaments**

CHECK THIS OUT.

Cabela's National Walleye Tour MAY COME TO ALPENA IN 2014

Dave Birmingham will have some information on this.