

Thunder Bay Walleye Club Newsletter

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MEETING LOCATION CHANGE THIS MONTH ONLY ROOM 112 SAME BUILDING

MICHIGAN BROWN TROUT

Thanks to all members who scheduled time for the club BT scheduled slots.

Members who worked more than 5 hours will have their memberships updated.

Almost all of the raffle tickets were sold. A few mailed tickets were not returned to the TBWC club.

TBWC memberships updated for those who meet the 5 hr. requirement are: Roger Barc, Dave Birmingham, Denny Burns, Bill Boucher, Marty Cirulis, Clyde DeRosia, Chuck Horel, Pam Hubert, Carl Kelly, Glen Klimczak, Mike McGirr, Bill O'Neil, Ewald Sommerfeild and Wayne VanDyke.

MWT tournament had 78 boats entered with a number of TBWC members and former members fishing. A full review will be at our September meeting. 21 the 78 teams were current or past TBWC members. Will have more details at this meeting.

CLUB TOURNAMENTS

MEPPS BAIT

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 so if you use them let them know.

Rockport

Weather was suppose to be nice and for the most part the day was. However the wind was quite brisk all night out of the north and gradually went down somewhat which left the lake still rough, big rollers and not good for travel. 27 contestants went out and only 15 weighed fish.

1st is Jon Kruttlin and Brian LaPine weighed 5 fish for 26.25 lbs. and their largest was 5.80 lbs.

2nd is Joe Krzyzaniak and Joe Kubiak bringing to the scale 5 fish 25.68 lbs. and the largest of the tourney at 7.28 lbs.

3rd is Matt Franklin and Dan and Gary VanMassenhove with 5 fish 22.05 lbs. and their largest was 4.66 lbs.

ROCPORT CONTINUED

4TH goes to Scott Gagnon and Bryan Kozlowski weighing 5 fish for 20.09 lbs. and their largest was 5.91 lbs. for the Mepps Walleye Kit. Quality fish were there if you found them and put down the presentation that prompted them to bite.

Grand Lake

What a day weather wise. I know you are tired of hearing about the crappy weather for our tournaments but this day took the cake.

IT did stop raining for the launch but was imminently started to get windy, really windy out of the west, so much wind there were 3 footers at the dock. A couple of boats returned to the dock due to motor trouble and needed assistance getting their boat on the trailer.

Jackie and I didn't even launch. We went back to Alpena for breakfast and ran into a TBWC member who lives on Grand Lake and said the heck with it. 6 boats only ended up going out and 4 weighed fish.

1st was Carl Hatala and Brian Penn weighing 5 fish for 9.67 lbs. the largest of the day at 3.10 lbs.

2nd was Drew Orłowski, Dan and Gary VanMassenhove with 5 fish for 7.62 lbs.

3rd was Jon Kruttlin and Adam Birk with 2 fish at 2.59 lbs

4th goes to Mark Byce and Jim Watts with 1 fish at 2.39 lbs. good enough for the Mepps Walleye Kit.

LAST CLUB TOURNAMENT

Hubbard Lake Launch East DNR Sun September 11th 7AM - 3PM

This should be a good fish for the last tourney for the year with winds at 5 - 10 out of the west. Hubbard had a good bite going but no info recently. Remember it still is summer.

TBWC kids fishing Paxton Quarry Saturday August 13th 9am - 3pm

Another lousy weather day which did improve as the day went on. It did have effect the turnout but not the bite.

Bass were the dominate fish netted and the largest was 18-3/4 inches.

A 9-3/4 inch blue gill was noted and some large perch. Leftover food was donated to the Salvation Army. What a great fishery in that quarry. Thank you Lafarge, Bucks Bait, TBWC, Alpena Long Beards and the Alpena Sportsmens Club for giving these kids a chance to go fishing and catch something.

July meeting notes,

No notes, No meeting in August

SERVICES

<p>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</p>

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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.

NEXT MEETING

MEETING ROOM 112

ACC Besser Tech Center (Room -112). 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 MWT/Besser tournament

Brown Trout update by Glen

Club tournaments

Open discussion on any topic