

THUNDER BAY WALLEYE CLUB NEWSLETTER

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If you are a serious hunter, it's easy to forget that we have some great fall fishing too. Word is that the perch bite is starting to take off on Hubbard and Grand Lakes. Of course the Walleye fishing will get better and better as fall progresses until you either can't take the cold, or the ice keeps you off the lake. For many of us though, October and November are the time to take to the woods. No matter if you're that die hard fisherman, or like me, you are out trying to fill your freezer with backstraps, get out and enjoy the crisp fall weather before winter takes hold!

NO MEETING or NEWSLETTER IN NOVEMBER

Tournament News

Erich Carlson is the 2012 Angler Of The Year

While Erich did not fish all of the club tournaments and various people were #1 through out the tournaments this year, Erich managed to edge out Don Harrison, Jim Watts and Mark Byce on the last tournament of the year.

Hubbard Lake Results from September 9th, 2012

The last tournament of the 2012 season was held on Hubbard Lake on September 9th and once again, the bite was on. Hubbard always seems to be consistent. It seems for the last several years though, that it has been getting increasingly difficult to consistently catch fish over 19 to 20 inches and that trend continued during this event. Many of the boats were able to manage their five fish, but it was those 20 plus inch fish that were the magic ticket. The team of Don Harrison, Al Douglas, and Greg Trelfa spent the majority of the day on the south end of the lake working 40 to 50 feet of water with spinners and went through a bunch of fish, but it was a move late in the day that helped them hit pay dirt. They had gone through tons of fish in the 17 inch range when they decided to move North and fish deep off the break of Churchill Point. In the last hour of the day, the trio caught their three biggest fish, including a dandy 23 plus incher that went 3.95 lbs sealing the deal with a weight of 13.23 lbs and a well- deserved first place. Erich Carlson, Wayne VanDyke, and Shawn Ballor grabbed the second place check with an 11.15 lb five fish

bag. They spent most of the day pulling spinners in 40-50 feet of water north of Hardwood Point, going through over 20 fish. The dynamic U.P. duo of Andrei Sawruk and Jeff Barr anchored third place with a five fish weight that was good for 9.68 lbs. They started north of Doctors Pt. where they had caught some fish pre-fishing, but things were slow. They went looking, but unable to find greener pastures, they returned to their spot north of Doctors and went through 15 or so fish, almost all after 1:00 p.m. Congratulations to all you guys, nice work!

Long Lake Update

Mike McGirr contacted Mark Hall County Commissioner who is the head of the Parks Commission said the money has been approved for the entire launch including docks to be replaced possibly this fall, no later than next spring.

Perch fishing has its good days as well as its so so days but the last two weeks have been good for perch and a walleye or two. Reports of a 18" and a 19" walleye on a perch rig as well as some slab perch at times.

Hubbard Lake Update

The early evening bite has been very good in shallow water all over the lake with limits in a two hour time frame, say 7p – 9p, pulling body baits.

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.

LEST PLAN TO DO THE 2013 CLUB TOURNAMENTS AT OUR DECEMBER MEETING.

As I said in the previous newsletter Denny Burns will no longer be the club rep for the Brown Trout or do the TBWC fishing tournament tracking.

It's time for new blood to step into the TBWC functions. This will be effective starting February 2013. One or more members can team up. I will be available to help in the transition to keep these things moving as smooth as possible. There will be list of tasks for each position at the December meeting and in future newsletters.

I will continue to do the membership list, financials and be involved with the newsletter and other stuff for the TBWC.

Looking for upgrades, or repairs? 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, 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 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 (I've been officially Romeo'd) know the events you are involved with by calling 595-3295 or 464-5623 or email me at walleynesnyper@hotmail.com We'd like to promote our member's activities and accomplishments -****

NEXT MEETING: ***October 10th***

ACC Besser Tech Center (New 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)

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AGENDA:

**Past Tournaments
Banquet
Brown Trout rep
Club Tournaments**

GOOD LUCK DEER HUNTING THIS SEASON, BE SAFE.