

Thunder Bay Walleye Club Newsletter

June 2017

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CLUB TOURNAMENTS

Club Tourney Results

Hubbard Lake May 6th 6p - 2a

31 hardy people fished with unkind conditions wind wise, 25 to 35 with gusts over 40 creating high seas of 3 to possibly 5 feet at the entire south end of the lake which of course is where walleye like it. All boats weighed 5 fish with 1 weighing 3 and 2 not coming to the scale.

1st place goes to Adam Peterson, Chris Wade and Eric Carlson bringing 5 fish to the scale for a total of 14.96 lbs. and the largest of the night at 3.79#.

2nd place is Eric and Gage Kruczynski with Jon Kruttlin weighing 12.88#.

3rd is Bryan Kozlowski, Dillon and Doc Schellie with a close 12.40# and their largest was 3.11#.

Most used cranks in shallow water.

Mark Byce fish by himself and weighed 5 fish 10.07#.

Houghton Lake Sun May 21st 7a - 3p

Jackie and I were at Houghton about noon on Friday to prefish. Day was partly cloudy but windy, 15 to 25 out of the ENE temps in the upper 60's.

Fished for about 3 hours and managed a couple of walleye but the majority of fish caught were pike, bass first with an occasional walleye.

Saturday was about the same weather with the same fishing result.

Sunday proved to be better wind wise but T storms foretasted which came about 10 am with a big lightning and thunder right over the lake.

Jackie and I headed for shore to the nearest dock and secured the boat and took cover under a porch at the house we docked at until the storm was over. No one home.

Sunday tourney time found the lake had mega dead weeds in the water over the majority of the lake which made it impossible to pull cranks or crawler harnesses. Those who tried cranks and harnesses did manage a better quality of a fish or 2.

Houghton Lake continued

Those who caught fish used leaches, crawlers and jigged around drop off areas near and in the deeper holes while a couple tried to use cranks.

The lake has about an eight foot average depth with deep holes here and there that we were told that were made when a sand sucker was used to take sand out of the lake to build roads in the area around the lake.

1st place goes to Adam Hume, Mike Karner and Chris Mulvahill 5 fish for 8.20 lbs.

2nd place is Adam Birk and Marc McCaleb weighing 5 fish for 6.92#.

3rd place Dustin Bragg and Tom Hatley Houghton Lake area fishermen weighing 3 fish for 4.39# and their largest was a nice 3.24 lbs.

Carl Hatala did manage a 4.10# fish on a crank bait.

2017 Thunder Bay Walleye Club		
Top 14 By Rank of 51 Entrants		
Best 5 of 10 of 10 Tournaments		
Name	Points	Rank
	Best 5 of 9	
Karner, Mike	172.13	1
Carlson, Erich	100.00	2
Hume, Adam	100.00	2
Mulvahill, Chris	100.00	2
Peterson, Adam	100.00	2
Wade, Chris	100.00	2
Kruczynski, Eric	86.10	3
Kruczynski, Gage	86.10	3
Krutttlin, Jon	86.10	3
Birk, Adam	84.39	4
McCaleb, Marc	84.39	4
Kozlowski, Bryan	82.89	5
Schellie, Dillon	82.89	5
Schellie, Doc	82.89	5
2013,14,15,16 Angler of the year		
Erich Kruczynski		

Next TBWC Tournaments

Long Lake- Launch Long Lake Park Sun June 11th 7AM - 3PM

Last year only 6 boats fished. Very, very, very windy and rain.

"Nite-Eyes"-Launch Alpena Boat Harbor Fri & Sat June ~~23th & 24th~~ **6PM - 1AM**
DATE HAS BEEN MOVED BACK TO JUNE 16TH & 17TH.

**DUE TO A CONFLICT WITH A TOURNAMENT ON SAGINAW BAY THE SAME WEEKEND.
A NUMBER OF TBWC MEMBERS PLAN TO FISH THE SAGINAW BAY EVENT.**

Thunder Bay - Launch Alpena Boat Harbor Sun July 9th 7AM - 3PM

2017 TBWC Club Fishing Tournaments

<u>Location:</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
1 Hubbard Lake - Launch DNR East Bay	Sat May 6 th	6PM - 2AM
2 Houghton Lake - Launch South End DNR Launch	Sun May 21 st	7AM - 3PM
3 Long Lake- Launch Long Lake Park	Sun June 11 th	7AM - 3PM
*4 "Nite - Eyes" - Launch Alpena Boat Harbor (Public)	Fri & Sat June 23th & 24th NEW DATE 16th & 17th	6PM - 1AM
5 Thunder Bay - Launch Alpena Boat Harbor	Sun July 9 th	7AM - 3PM
MI. Brown Trout/MWT Walleye Tourney - Launch Alp. Boat Harbor	Sat & Sun July 22 nd & 23 rd	7AM - 3PM
6 Rockport - Launch Rockport, Alternate Grand Lake	Sun Aug 6 th	7AM - 3PM
7 Tawas City - Launch DNR Boat Launch	Sun Aug 20 th	7AM - 3PM
8 Hubbard Lake - Launch DNR East Bay	Sun Sept 10 th	7AM - 3PM
9 Thunder Bay - Launch Alpena Boat Harbor	Sun Sept 24 th	7AM - 3PM
10 NONE		

NON NUMBERED TOURNAMENTS ARE NO POINT TOURNEYS. * NITE EYES ENTRY IS \$100.00 PER BOAT for both nights, entry is Friday the 16th starting at 4pm at the tournament trailer, captains meeting about 5:30, 6 ROD LIMIT, NO LIMIT ON # OF CONTESTANTS THE BOAT

For more tourney and other info see tbwalleye.com

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. These were purchased by the club for all to use.

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2 Fishing Reports as of this writing

The lake trout are stacked at the first set of humps. This one was 36.5" and 19.5lbs. We caught a 4 man lot in around 4 hours of fishing. A Michael Jackson spoon (black & white) was the hot ticket. Both right on bottom and on stickers 15' above. All fish were caught on down riggers. 2.2 mph

Hey everyone, Captain Ed just called me to report that there are new gill nets Northeast of the Parking Lot-- North Shore-- in 30-40' of water. He wanted to share so no one has issues when running and trolling tonight.

BROWN TROUT

Brown Trout Raffle Tickets will be available at this meeting. The club needs our membership to sell some of these so please come to the meeting Wednesday night to help us out. Thank you very much.

This year the first place prize is \$8,000 towards a trip(s) of your choice thru AAA travel agency in this area. You do not have to take 1 trip but can take 2 or 3 or more up to the \$8,000 value. More details at this meeting.

As of this writing there still is no BT booklet done yet or a schedule for all the supporting clubs which volunteer for BT 10 day event.

Three BT raffle tickets and the BT work schedule will be mailed to our membership as soon as we know the work schedule.

You may not receive raffle tickets in this mailing. It all depends on how many raffle tickets the membership picks up at this meeting. The mailing will include the work schedule.

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.*
- 3 *You can choose not to participate and return all intact tickets in the enclosed envelope as soon as possible so we can try to sell to get the club investment back.*

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

If tickets are purchased, return the small ticket stub, name and Phone number on the stub along with the \$\$\$ in the envelope provided.

***DO NOT RETURN TO ANYONE AT THE BROWN TROUT FESTIVAL EXCEPT DENNY BURNS
OR GLEN KLIMCZAK.***

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Hooked for Life Kids Fishing Tournament Saturday June 17th noon to 3pm

This is a great event for the kids, they have such a great time fishing and catching something to bring to be measured. All kind are in different age groups to even out the field. DNR, Law enforcement, how to tie hooks on the line, and other placements to educate them on the environment needed for a good fisheries. Bait and rods are provided but if you want to you can bring your own. A Light lunch, burgers and dogs along with chips and various soda and water is provided. All you have to bring is yourself. Help is needed for some small, easy tasks. If you can help and for more details call Richard Hubert 989-379-4614.

TBWC LAFARGE KIDS DAY

IS SCHEDULED FOR August 19th 2017

BOATS ARE ALLOWED OR FISH FROM SHORE
9AM - 2PM
LUNCH, BAIT, FISHING TACKLE, AWARDS
ALL PROVIDED

CONTACT DARWIN GRABOW FOR MORE INFO
(989) 354-4788 OR 255 7167

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. NEW HAT JUST RECEIVED.

JAMES FARM WALLEYE POND

Richard Hubert continues to feed the pond as directed by the DNR.
He will have an update at this meeting.

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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**

NEW

**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 #.**

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 Van Dyke

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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?? 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

Wednesday May 10th 2017 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 conditions the meeting will be rescheduled or cancelled)

**Agenda: Club Tournaments for 2017, Brown Trout, Fishing Review
Banquet to a different date, Open discussion on any topic.**

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 me 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).