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SIGN UP NOW FOR WHEATLEY TRIPS

By Keith Krych

It's almost that time of year again to go for the silver and gold; silver steelhead and gold walleye that is.

Only 42 miles from the Ambassador Bridge is the sleepy village of Wheatley Ontario. Sleepy until the months of July and August when fishermen in the know head there to take advantage of this great summer fishery.

Our usual program to fish for the "silver and gold" is to troll Dipsie Divers with spoons in 50 to 65 feet of water (fow). Last year we usually limited out on steelhead each trip (5 fish per angler) and also came close with the walleye too (6 fish per angler).

All members need to do to get in on the action is sign up at the meeting, or on the club forum page, as a boater or a rider. Or just call; my cell phone number is 586-431-0232. If you're a boater let me know how many people you can take or are taking. If you need a ride sign up and I'll try to match you up with someone with an open seat.

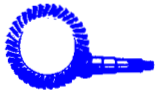
We usually meet early the morning of the trip day and caravan over together. The riders will share in the expenses for gas and bait. Make sure you bring rain gear, your food and beverage, and a cooler to take your catch home in.

You'll also need an Ontario fishing license (the same one you need to fish the Canadian side here), a birth certificate along with photo ID, or a passport to get back in at the border.

"Our club vice-president, Bob Barnes, with a couple of the nice Walleyes that can be caught in Lake Erie. This was on the recent trip to Port Clinton that some of our members went on. Fish like this are very common on the Wheatley one day fishing trips."

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JUNE 18, 2008
Next Meeting July 16, 2008**

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 happening in and around the Club
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Walleye World

The WALLEYE WORLD is the official newsletter of the Lake St. Clair Walleye Association, and welcomes all contributions from the members. These can be news items, articles, photographs, and art-work. We reserve the right to edit material for length, etc. All signed articles appearing in any issue reflect the opinions of the writer and are not necessarily the policy of the organization or its members.

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CALENDER OF EVENTS

June 18.....General Membership Meeting
 June 20-22LSCWA Derby • Weigh-in Lakeside Fishing Shop
 July 12-13.....MWT Qualifier Au Gres, Saginaw Bay
 July 16General Membership Meeting
 July 18-20.....LSCWA Derby • Weigh-in Professional Fishing Shop
 Aug. 14-16.....MWT State Championship Sault St. Marie
 Aug. 22-24LSCWA Derby
 Aug. 20General Membership Meeting
 Aug 24Derby Weigh-in & Club Picnic New Haven AmVets
 Sept. 17General Membership Meeting
 Oct.15General Membership Meeting
 Nov.....NO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
 Dec.17General Membership Meeting

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FISHING RODS AND GPS CHIP RAFFLE FOR AUGUST

By Ron Sharp

I'm handling the August Raffle which will be drawn at the August Derby Picnic. First prize will be two hand built rods by club members Richard and Ken Witkowski with two new reels. One is designed for trolling and a Daiwa reel with line-counter is mounted on it. One is for jigging and has a BPS Xtreme baitcast reel. Second prize will be a choice of a Navionics GPS mapping chip with a value of \$150.

The rods and reels are a \$250.00 value and the GPS is a \$150.00 value again we have some real nice items donated by club members. The tickets will be \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00 please stop by and see me at our June meeting to buy tickets or pick up books to sell.

OUR BUILDING FUND

Our fund is stagnant the past several months. Richard Bevins is our Sergeant of Arms at the door each meeting. He also collects our building fund donations. If everyone dropped in a dollar we would have at least \$100 a month minimum.

Your club president has taken on this subject and is making an elegant plaque for special donations. The original "anonymous" donors contributed \$4,000.00 total. Future donors of \$500.00 can get their name on a silver name tag; \$1,000.00 donors will have name on a gold (brass) name tag.

If your last will and testament reads like mine in part "my ashes are to be spread out over a Lake St. Clair school of 5 lb walleye...." then we will not have our name on a tombstone to be remembered by. What better place than a "Forever Building Fund Plaque" that someday will be on the wall of the LSCWA's own clubhouse.



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TOO MANY OF OUR CLUB MEMBERS MISSED A GREAT OPPORTUNITY

June 6th & 7th was the 7th Annual Spring Classic, co sponsored by LSCWA and Gilberts Sportsmen's (and women) Club. Your club President and two dozen smart LSCWA club members attended. There were 34 entries and all were winners. (I am not going to explain how here. You have to see me "one on one"). Club member Joanne Koch had the big fish at 4.90 pounds.

After the fish fry all of the entrants were randomly matched up to two other fishing participants for teams of three. The prez's 3.05 pounder helped Richard Koch win some money also.

TWO CLUB GRADUATES OF DeLaSALLE COLLEGIATE

by David A. Wilemski

Last month I attended graduation ceremonies for the 2008 class of DeLaSalle. (I attended there in 1958 & 59). 18 year old club member Sam Tews was graduating with honors. He received his letter in Swimming and was the captain of the trap and skeet club. More importantly, Sam has been accepted into all four colleges he applied to: Kettering, Wisconsin, Michigan State and U of M. Sam will be pursuing a mechanical engineering degree at U of M Ann Arbor. Congratulations to Sam and his mother Diane who helped Sam along in many ways.

LSCWA derby masters division Richard Koch was there being honored as a graduate of DeLaSalle Class of 1958. Congrats Richard!



"Sam Tews and Richard Koch in a picture by David A. Wilemski at the ceremony."



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KID'S SUMMER FISHING EVENT

It is almost time for the LSCWA's kid's summer fishing outing. This year we will be holding it at a new location, Metro Beach Metropark. The day is Sunday, July 27th so you have a month or more to get ready. The starting time is 9am and it will run until 2pm. This club sponsored event is open to all members and their families and invited guests. The more children the more fun everyone can have.

A lunch will be served throughout the day's event. Delicious hot-dogs, bags of chips, and cold pop will be available. What would a fishing outing be without a fish fry of breaded fish. All of this will be served by gracious club members who want to see the kids and their parents enjoying themselves.

Since this is a fishing event dust off the rods and reels and the tackle box. Bring bait if you want but the club will be able to supply some worms. The kids will have a blast doing some shore and pier fishing for anything and everything the lake has to offer. There will be prizes awarded to the children (ages 2 through 16) for many different fishing categories.

If you plan on attending this event please contact Geoff Regulski (586) 872-1916 or Mark Tews (586) 557-3767. You can also see Geoff at the club membership meeting this month or in July. We are asking for your cooperation in this area since it is important to have an accurate count when purchasing the food and beverages.

Metro Beach Metropark is located at the end of Metro Parkway (16 Mile Rd) at Jefferson Avenue. Turn into the park at Jefferson and go up to the toll booth. There is a \$4 entry fee into the park. An annual pass is available for people who make frequent trips to the MetroParks. Once you are inside the park find a convenient parking spot and take the train to Picnic Site #2. The train is 50 cents for adults and free for children up to 15 years old.

Some other quick notes are that the park will open at 6am and closes at 11pm on Sunday. Besides the shore and pier fishing the park also offers several playgrounds, a putt-putt golf course and swimming.

TRADE-A-TRIP RESERVATIONS June 27 & 28

By Ron Sharp

Call the Howard Johnson located at exit #28 off of I-94. Their phone number is 269-925-7021. Do this to reserve your room if you have not already done it. The rooms are listed under Battle Creek Steelheaders for \$66.00 per night.

I will be calling everyone to make sure your set with your captains and have their phone numbers. The cut-off for the Big Fish is the meeting so remember to pay your \$5.00 by then you haven't already given it to me.

JUNE'S GUEST SPEAKER

by Steve Beasley

We are just getting into the summer walleye fishing patterns but how have your results been?

If you need a little extra information for adding a couple more walleye to your basket on your next fishing trip then this month's LSCWA Meeting is the place to be. We will have Mike Thomas from the DNR Fishery Division here to inform us what areas are currently holding the most walleyes. Armed with this current data you can make the necessary changes to your next fishing trip so you will be in the most productive waters. You can catch more walleye and have a great time on the water.

So bring a friend along to this Wednesday's meeting at 7:30 pm and have some fun as we get some great walleye fishing information. Good Fishing!

BIG FISH

By Don Murray

Who say's Up The Creek without a paddle is a bad thing? This photo shows that fishing with Up The Creek charter can yield good things. I fished with Capt. Anthony on the Up The Creek boat. On May 8th we jigged the fountain area on the Canadian side of the upper Detroit River.

The fish measured 29 inches long and a girth of 20 to 22 inches. After looking it up on the Walleye Central website I saw that the weight charts would put the fish at 11 to 13 pounds. It was released to hopefully complete it's spawning cycle.



MAY DERBY RESULTS

We want to say Thanks to Blue Water Bait for hosting a great derby weigh-in last month. The weather was perfect for this event and the bait shop and its staff were great to work with. The top five winners in the divisions are going to be shown below.

In the Open Division 20 members weighed in Walleye with an average weight of 3.42 pounds. In the Master's Division there were 16 with an average of 3.75 pounds. The Youth Division saw 3 entries and the average weight was 2.47 pounds.

If anyone wants to see their own point totals or wants to see the results from the last couple of years then stop by the Derby Committee at the meetings.

OPEN DIVISION

1st	Doug Bair	5.15	26.50
2nd	Maurice Schroeder	4.55	23.75
3rd	Jerry Stacy	4.20	23.75
4th	Bo Soulliere	4.15	24.25
5th	Dave Harms	4.00	23.0

YOUTH DIVISION

1st	Izaak Davidson	2.65	20.50
2nd	Josh Kepczynski	2.60	21.0
3rd	Jacob Bemis	2.15	19.50

MASTER'S DIVISION

1st	Jim St. Aubin	6.15	27.50
2nd	Richard Koch	5.10	23.75
3rd	Skip St. Aubin	4.85	25.0
4th	Mike McCabe	4.65	26.0
5th	Keith Krych	4.60	25.50

SUPER SIX DIVISION

1st	Skip St. Aubin; Jim St. Aubin; Mark King	23.70
2nd	Mike McCabe; Ron Sharp	21.00
3rd	Joann Koch; Richard Koch	19.60
4th	Dennis Kot; Jerry Stacy	19.30
5th	Dave Harms; Theresa Schue	19.10

CLUB PICNIC COMING UP

by Dave Wilemski

The August Derby weigh-in is always our summertime family picnic with great food, big raffles, kid's activities and fun for all. Mark down Sunday, August 24th on your family calendars. The picnic and derby weigh-in will be held at the AmVets on New Haven Road just a mile or so off of the I-94 freeway.

JUNE DERBY

The derby for this month will be held at Lakeside Fishing Shop. The shop is located at the corner of Jefferson and 10 Mile Rd in St. Clair Shores. Parking is limited behind the store but there are parking spots available on the side of the street. There is limited parking in the lot behind the marine supply store across the street.

The weigh-in will start at 4 pm though the crew will be setting up at about 3pm if you want to give a hand. The committee will continue to weigh in the Walleye for all members who are in line at 6pm. The division winners will be announced at the event. Every member who weighs in a Walleye, no matter how large, will get a chance on one of the door prizes.

"WHAT'S COOKING IN THE LSCWA WEIGH-IN TRAILER"

By Ron Sharp

It's a brand new fish and fryer thanks to one of our club members. Geoff Regulski and I were meeting with Bill Rose to discuss his up coming walleye tournament when we ran into Morrey Schroeder who was asking about our French Fryers and if we had replaced our old one. We replied that we had not and were still using it as a back up or as an as needed fryer. He than came back to say he wanted to get the club a new on to replace it.

He gave us a check for \$1,000.00 to buy one. I called around and the new owner of Macomb Restaurant Supply agreed to lower the price for the new one to meet the money we had to spend. When you see Morrey during your fishing trips or at the club meetings gave him a big Thanks for his support to the club for something we will use for a long time.

ROSE MARINE SERVICE FIRST ANNUAL WALLEYE TOURNAMENT

By Ron Sharp and Geoff Regulski

Bill Rose Senior and Bill Rose Jr. owners of Rose Marine Service had asked Geoff if the LSCWA would do the weigh in for their First Annual Walleye Tournament on May 18, 2008. The club board approved as long as members handle our equipment. Geoff asked for volunteers to help with the weigh in and to clean fish to help them out.

We had a nice turn out of club members (could always use more). The Rose's want to thank them for a job well done. LSCWA did a 50/50 drawing and netted \$268.00 for the club. Bill Rose asked Geoff and me to stop by and see him the next week. Geoff's son was home from the service so he was busy with the family. I stopped by and to my surprise he donated \$200.00 to the club for all our hard work and Bill Sr. and Bill Jr. signed up as club members. Welcome aboard and thanks for the support of our club.

PS: I think were going to get a couple other new members from the club information handed out at the weigh in table.

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5. The winding tool that came with the reel or the thickest coat hanger you have in the closet that will fit in the hole on the side of the spool cover center screw (the aluminum screw with the 5/8" dia. head. Test the diameter and fit first of your coat hanger. You will soon turn it into a winding arm or crank.

Take your side cutters and cut a chunk of the thick coat hanger about 5 inches long. At it's center (approx. 2 1/2") bend it 90 degrees. This is now your A&S Reel "Winding Tool" or Crank.

Next cut your snap swivel off the main line while ensuring that you are carefully holding the line spool. You DO NOT want to allow the spool to unwind or free wheel. Carefully place the tape you previously cut on the tag end of the line and make sure the line is firmly taped down on the spool.

You are now ready to add additional tension. Insert your winding tool into the side of the 5/8" aluminum center screw at the center of spool cover. Make sure it is firmly pushed in to the hole, the full depth of the pilot hole on the side of the screw.

Crank or wind the screw in a clock wise rotation (looking at the screw turn it to the right). The Spool Cover also has an arrow stamped into it, that is the direction you want to turn the crank you fabricated. Be careful to ALWAYS HAVE A FINGER ON THE SPOOL ENSURING IT DOES NOT FREE WHEEL! This could possible cause Catastrophic Damage to the spring or gear mechanism if allowed to spin unimpeded. Crank the winding tool twenty or thirty full revolutions in a clockwise direction. Remove crank and while holding the line spool you can use the carpenter Spring clamp to grasp the line spool temporarily through one of the cover ports as you prepare for the next step or review the instructions again

Re-thread the line through the line guide. Test the line tension to see if it is working as you originally had it. If not repeat the previous procedures and add another 10 or 15 more turns. Adding additional extra turns to get the line to be super responsive is not desired or good for the reel. It adds additional tension and make the gear multiplier components wear more rapidly. It could also cause an overwind condition which you won't know exists until you put the reel to use. You want adequate tension without going overboard and adding too much.

Re-install the main line snap swivel and crimp the sleeve down making a small loop into the eye of the swivel after you have threaded the line through the line guide.

Make one last check- proof of principal by clamping the reel down to something and walking out the entire 300 ft. of line. You should observe the entire 300ft of line has been extracted without having the spring bind or the reel stop its rotation before all the line is all played out. You are properly tensioned.

You have now successfully and properly re-tensioned your reel.

If your still unsure of how to re-tension your reel or are not quite sure your properly doing a procedure correctly, DON'T GUESS, seek professional assistance. It will save you a load of hard earned dollars in having someone who has seen it all when it comes to self induced Handlining Reel disasters. They can get very expensive and often times are totally avoidable. I got dozens to share with you as I'm repairing your badly broken reel and we will probably add your story to the pile.

I am always available to help a fellow wire-line fisherman or woman and will give you over the shoulder, hands on instruction on how not to destroy a perfectly functional reel. You are the one who is going to perform the service, I just give instruction. Contact me if your apprehensive or unsure how to do it. You can bring it by and we'll get you taken care of.

It is tougher on your pocketbook if you try guessing and I sincerely don't need the extra work repairing a situation that has gone terribly bad. I got a significant backlog of other fishermen's reels that I really need to get back to them. They have been waiting for their reels patiently, all which I have had much too long already.

It's your dollars.....How do you want to spend them? Handing them to me or keeping them in your wallet. In any case one of us is going to have the opportunity of purchasing more fishing equipment . I'd rather have it be you !!! Your the one who earned it! We can get you educated the proper way and everybody comes out a winner! It all comes down to the valued words of my departed father, "Advice is free.....it's what you do with it!!!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By David A. Wilemski

Our beloved club is constantly evolving, growing and improving. With each new elected administration the LSCWA tweaks the monthly events. We add new details and remove others to improve what we do.

We are a diverse club made up of men, women, and children of all ages. Our 300+ members come from different social, political and economic backgrounds. Like the cement, sand, gravel and water in a good concrete mix this all makes us strong.

The LSCWA also has a lot of common traits. We are all sportsmen and women. We are friendly and law abiding. Most of our members are very helpful, generous and caring.

If it were not for all of the above we would not have the great track record we do. Go on out there this summer and sell our club to others as we continue to grow. We will make more room.