

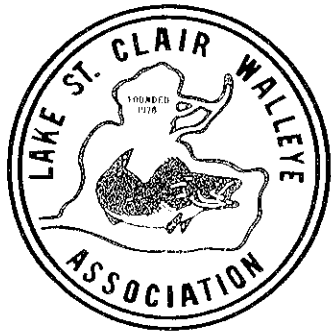
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SWAP 'N SHOP

This month's meeting on the 19th is also the club's annual springtime Swap 'N Shop. Members are invited to bring in those old rods, reels, lures, tackle boxes, and other outdoor sports related items that they no longer have a use for. Members who make lures, paint lures, or have a business selling new or used fishing equipment can also bring the items to the meeting. In the case of commercial sellers the club will be asking for a donation. Otherwise, members who have just a few items can just put them on their table.

APRIL GUEST SPEAKER

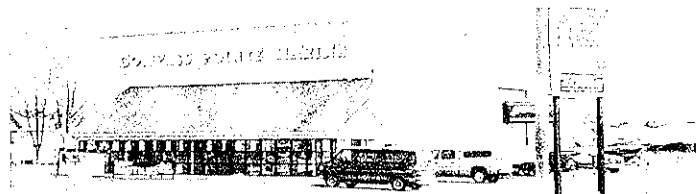
We plan on having a guest speaker for our April meeting. The topic will be boat preparation for a new season on the water. Many of the members, especially the river rats, got a jump on the season because of the warm winter. But, we still have members who are in the process of getting ready for the excellent fishing our lakes and rivers have to offer.

RE-SPOOL THAT REEL

This is your chance for the deal of a lifetime. Everyone knows that we are supposed to replace the line on our reels once a year; every other year at the most if the reel was not used that much. Jerry Fox, Jr. has offered to respool the reels of our members at this April meeting.

Because of his fishing on the pro Walleye circuit he was able to get large spools of Stren Magna Flex. And, these are large spools. So, members, bring in your reels and for \$1 each they will be respooled with new line.

Take the old line off the reels and bring them in to the meeting. The choices of line poundage will be 8, 12, or 14 pound line.



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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

WEDNESDAY ~ 7:30 P.M.

APRIL 19, 2006

Next Meeting MAY 17, 2006

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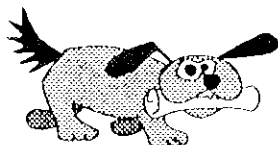
ALL FISHERMEN WELCOME!

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

APRIL 19, 2006 - MEMBERSHIP MEETING

APRIL 21-23 - FIRST DERBY

APRIL 29 - Open Day Walleye & Pike (Inland Waters)

MAY 12-13 - District 8 Walleye Tournament (tentative)

MAY 17, 2006 - MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MAY 19-21 - SECOND DERBY

JUNE 9-10 - Spring Walleye Classic (Tentative)

JUNE 10 - 11, 2006 - Free Fishing Weekend

JUNE 21 - MEMBERSHIP MEETING

JUNE 23-25 - THIRD DERBY

JULY 19, 2006 - MEMBERSHIP MEETING

JULY 21-23 - FOURTH DERBY

AUGUST 9, 2006 - Happy Birthday to Izaak Walton,

author of *The Compleat Angler*

born in 1593.

AUGUST 16, - MEMBERSHIP MEETING

AUGUST 18-20 - FIFTH DERBY/CLUB PICNIC

SEPTEMBER 20, 2006 - MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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2006-2007 DERBY RULES

1. There will be four divisions.

- a. Open division
- b. Masters division
- c. Youth division
- d. Super Six division

2. Patches will be awarded in all divisions for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in each division. Certificates will be awarded to the 4th and 5th place in each division.

- a. Two patches will be presented to the winning Super Six teams for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.
- b. Trophies will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in the Youth division.
- c. Masters division end of year awards will be Jackets for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. All will have MASTERS DIVISION embroidered on the front of the jacket opposite of the club insignia. The 1st place jacket will have a gold walleye embroidered on the back. The 2nd place jacket will have a silver walleye embroidered on the back. The 3rd place jacket will have a bronze walleye embroidered on the back.
- d. Open division end of year awards will be a jacket for 1st place, with OPEN division on the front of the jacket opposite of the club insignia, and a gold walleye embroidered on the back. Second and Third place for the Open division end of year awards will be plaques.
- e. The member who weighs-in the largest walleye entered during the derbies for each year will be presented with his/her name on a club trophy to be displayed at each meeting. The angler will also receive a plaque for his/her own personal recognition. The fish will be judged by weight and then length.
- f. The end of year award presentations will be made at the December membership meeting.

3. Boundaries for all divisions for derby purposes only, will be as follows:

The North tip of Celeron Island in the Detroit River, to a line running due east from the Fort Gratiot Light in Lake Huron.

4. Starting time for all derbies will be at 6:00 p.m. on the Friday before the weigh-in. All walleyes must be weighed in between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on the Sunday of the derby at the designated weigh-in location. This location will be announced at the membership meeting and will appear in the Walleye World prior to the meeting.

- a. Members MUST sign up for the Super Six division prior to the derby. This needs to be done only once at the start of each derby season unless there is a change in the Super Six participants.
- b. All other derby participants will automatically be in the Open division or the Youth division.

5. All derby entrants must be a member of the L.S.C.W.A. and IN GOOD STANDING AND DUES CURRENT by the general membership meeting prior to the derby. Entrants in the Youth division, MUST BE PART OF A FAMILY MEMBERSHIP OR BE A JUNIOR MEMBER.

- a. All fish must be caught by the member whose name it's being registered for.
- b. A proxy may weigh-in a member's fish in his/hers absence.
- c. Super Six teams must be comprised of ONE BOAT containing up to, but not more than, four (4) members. The team must weigh-in a total of six (6) fish.
- d. Entry in the Masters division will be mandatory for those members who have accumulated Ten (10) points or more in the derbies over a three (3) year period.
- e. Scoring for points will be as follows for ALL divisions:

First place= 5 points
Second place= 4 points
Third place = 3 points
Fourth place= 2 points
Fifth place= 1 point

- f. Any member in the Masters division who fails to win three (3) or more points over a two year period will move back into the Open division.
- g. All members who start in a division will remain in that division for the entire derby year. (Except members in the Youth division who turn 17 during the derby year, will go in to the Open division once they become a regular member in good standing.)

6. All walleyes entered in the derbies will be considered under the following conditions:

- a. Minimum size will be thirteen (13) inches.
- b. All walleyes will be judged by weight. In case of a tie, the walleyes will be judged by length and if necessary by girth.
- c. All walleyes will be returned to the member who entered the fish.
- d. Only one position can be won by each member per derby (excluding Super Six).
- e. Each walleye entered will have the tail fin clipped. Walleyes which are being considered for taxidermy work will be marked in another way as to not interfere with the mount.

7. It is the angler's responsibility to keep his/her fish in a fresh like condition (red or pink gills). All fish will be checked by the derby committee. It will take a unanimous vote by the committee present to disqualify any fish at the weigh-in.

8. All Michigan and/or Ontario fishing rules will apply to all L.S.C.W.A. derbies. The derby committee reserves the right to disqualify any walleye entered. Any discrepancies or violations of the above rules should be brought to the attention of the derby committee.

9. These rules are in effect until the end of the 2007 derby season.

NEW MEMBERS

These are the new members to the club who joined this past February or March. Hopefully, we did not forget anyone. A very warm and heartfelt welcome is extended to all of them.

Mary Beth Telerico • Christopher Stemmer Kevin Dwyer • John Holihan • Richard W. Stine • Jerry Czernel • Ron Sharp • Ed Schoener

FISHING RULE BOOK

In an effort to reduce costs to the Game and Fish Fund, which pays for fishing programs in Michigan, the Department of Natural Resources is publishing a two-year Fishing Guide and Inland Trout & Salmon Guide. The regulations contained in these guides will be in effect for two complete fishing seasons - April 1, 2006 through March 31, 2008. Although all fishing regulations will be in effect for two seasons, anglers still need to purchase a fishing license for each year.

The DNR is asking anglers to keep their fishing guides for use in both the 2006-2007 and 2007-2008 fishing seasons. Anglers who misplace their guides or who need additional copies can access a printer-friendly version on the DNR Web site at: www.michigan.gov/dnr/fishing.

Major regulation changes for the upcoming fishing season are listed on page 3 of the 2006-2008 Michigan Fishing Guide; however, other regulation changes exist throughout the guide, so anglers are advised to review each page prior to going fishing. New regulations appear in red throughout the Michigan Fishing Guide. The Michigan Inland Trout & Salmon Guide does not indicate regulation changes in this manner.

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ST. JEAN RAMPS

For years members have discussed the conditions at the open to the public ramps at the end of St. Jean street. The current management of the ramps is aware of the problems and the complaints of the area fishermen and boaters. They have asked for help with the situation and took in many comments in late March and early April.

On Saturday, April 22nd, they will have a clean-up detail. Anyone who shows up and helps out will receive a free launch pass and a lunch. Details are not complete on how the pass will work.

More information will be available at the meeting on the 19th and will be posted on the club's web site on the Message Boards.

APRIL DERBY

Spring is here and the club is starting the 2006 Derbies. The first one this year will be the week-end of April 21, 22, and 23rd. The weigh-in will be hosted by the fine people at Compass Pointe Marina. Directions will be available at the meeting.

The derby starts Friday evening and club members can fish all weekend. They do have to be in line at the weigh-in site by the cut off time. A copy of the current Derby Rules is included in this issue of the newsletter. Members should read them through. There have been changes in some of the Derby Divisions.

WHAT'S NEW AT YOUR LOCAL BAIT SHOPS

By Keith Krych

Fishing season is upon us and I thought we should look at what's new and interesting at our local bait shops.

At Lakeside in St Clair Shores, the custom painted jigs have some new colors and styles. Check out the custom painted Rapala's above the cashiers counter too. They will put some BIG fish in the boat for you hand-liners. It's not too early to start looking at the wide array of crawler harness they have. Lakeside also has a great selection of custom painted walleye spoons, pencil plugs, chuggers, and wobblers. Don't forget to check out the custom made whipping rods. They have them in different lengths and handle styles.

Pro Fishing has its share of new tackle too. Steve Jones has one of the largest selections of fishing reels around.

Blue Water Bait in Fair Haven, next to the DNR launch has a great selection of custom painted pencil-plugs this year.

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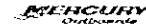
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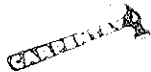


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