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## CHARTER WITH BRANDON

By Dan Schmidt

Pete Kohnen, Tim Schwark, Dan Schmidt and John Marconi recently enjoyed a jig fishing trip with Brandon Stanton from Gunsmoke Charters in the Detroit River. Under bad weather conditions they still found fish in big numbers. They were cold but happy with the results and would recommend Gunsmoke Charters.



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I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully defend from waste the natural resources of my country, its air, soil and minerals, its forests, waters and wildlife.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS SPRING 2025

May 16-18 ..... Bo tournament at Gilbert's

May 21st ..... General Membership Meeting

May 23-25 ..... May Derby

May 28th ..... Treehouse breakfast at Willy's

May 28th ..... May BOD meeting

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## Treehouse Breakfast

By Richard Koch

Bob Evans senior breakfast on a beautiful sunshine April morning. The delicious meals were served to Ron Pisarski, Mark Carlson, John Sulkowski, John Dolney, Francis Gosiewski, Bob Barnes, Curtis Patton, Bob Peterson, Jim Lease, Ralph Busch, Dale Billings, Joann Koch, and Richard Koch. Look what happened when the picture was taken and everyone is in a hurry to go fishing. Our next breakfast is at Willy's 28409 South River rd. and Bridgeview. May 28th 8:00AM



## 350 CURRENT MEMBERS

### MISSION STATEMENT

*To protect, preserve, and promote the walleye  
fishing in Michigan through conservation, education,  
and enhancing fishing opportunities for all;  
celebrating our tradition since 1976.*

### MEMBERS:

DUES MUST BE CURRENT  
TO FISH ALL DERBIES!

PLEASE SEE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

## Presidents Corner



I'm hoping that everyone has been enjoying the spring fishing so far, the Detroit and St. Clair Rivers have been producing great numbers of walleye this spring and surprisingly salmon & steelhead as well in the SCR. Lake St. Clair itself has been hit or miss for the walleye but the yellow perch action has been nothing short of phenomenal which is very encouraging for another great year of fishing for them on LSC.

The lower water levels have been causing some problems for boaters this year, highlighting the problem at the Clinton's River Cutoff launch (CRCO). Water depths of barely over a foot were reported at the mouth coming off the lake and the MDNR has stated dredging will take place soon, as of this writing (5/1) a dredge was reportedly at the site the day prior, I will investigate to see if it happened. Further access problems on the road to Harley Ensign memorial boat launch only seem to frustrate us even more. One of the bridges on the road out to the point is being replaced and the road will experience delays through the coming months.

Derby season is under way once again, Lakeside Fishing Shop hosted us this past April, if you haven't been in there recently you should really stop in and check them out. Julie, longtime employee & now owner, has breathed new life into her shop and is always looking for ways to outfit fisherman with the gear they want and need.

For May's derby we will be at Sportmen's Direct on Sunday, May 25th from 3-4pm for the weigh in. June's derby we will be at Angler's Point on June 22nd and July will find up at Hook One in Marine City on the 20th of July.

We unfortunately had to cancel this year's Lake St. Clair Classic due to unforeseen circumstances. We are still going to hold our veterans fishing tournament, tentatively scheduled for November 22nd. We are also planning on our annual perch & pig with possibly additional dates and locations as well, follow our facebook page for more info.

Our bingo fundraiser remains very consistent along with the Ron Sharp raffle which both continue to fund our charitable activities like our scholarship program, kids camp, veterans fishing and the kids fishing outings amongst others.

May's meeting will feature a seminar on Offshore planer boards, from beginners to experts and everyone in between, there's going to be something for everyone to possibly learn a new thing or two.

This is YOUR club, be part of it!

Rich Benson, President LSCWA

## Treehouse Breakfast Revised 2025 Schedule

Willy's .....	28409 South River Road and Bridgeview .....	8 am May 28th
Dan's Diner .....	24820 Hoover .....	8 am June 25th
Gus's Coney Island .....	50899 Gratiot .....	8 am July 23rd
Leo's Coney Island .....	23815 Jefferson .....	8 am August 27th
Copper Penny .....	24975 Harper .....	8 am September 24th
Charlies .....	22315 Harper .....	8 am October 22nd
Lake Breeze .....	35450 Jefferson .....	8 am November 26th
Travis Restaurant .....	34400 Harper .....	8 am December 29th.

## LSCWA Raffle Time 2025

By Mike Roush & Dan Schmidt

Our club raffle honoring Ron Sharp is upon us again. Dan Schmidt and I have been working hard to make this raffle one of the best ever! We incorporated some of the suggestions that you members noted on the cards passed out a few meetings ago. This year there will be a choice of five prize packages. The first ticket drawn will have their choice of prize, the second ticket drawn will have their choice of the remaining 4 prizes and so on for the remaining 3 prizes.

**The prizes are as follows:**

- 1. Custom boat cover (\$1800 retail value);**
- 2. Fishing package ( \$650 retail value);**
- 3. After the Catch (\$400 value);**
- 4. Fall Boat Maintenance package (\$250 value);**
- 5. Fishing Charter (\$500 retail value) Any one of these packages can be won with a mere \$5.00 ticket!!**

In addition, everyone that buys or sells 10 tickets has a chance to win \$100 cash in a separate drawing.

Dan and I would like to thank the following companies & organizations for making this event possible: L.S.C.W.A., Rose Marine Service, Grosso Trucking & Supply, and Hook One Bait & Tackle. Remember - this is your club. Please support us and good luck!!

## LSCWA College Scholarships 2025

By Bob Barnes

I am pleased to announce that the Lake St Clair Walleye Association will be awarding college scholarships again this year. This will be the tenth year for the scholarships.

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded. The club believes in giving back to the community and there is no better way than to help our young adults pursue higher education. Plans are to award a scholarship for fishing and wildlife studies and for general education.

Applications are available on our website LSCWA.NET. Applications are due August 1, 2025 and will be awarded at the August 20, 2025 general membership meeting.

This is one of many reasons I am proud to be a member of the Lake St Clair Walleye Association.

## Planer Boards

There's many ways to fish for walleye, my favorite is cranks or crawlers behind boards on LSC or Lake Erie. At this months June meeting I will do a presentation on how we troll them on our boat, tricks and upgrades as well as night time tactics.

Our raffle table will feature many different products mostly focusing on planer boards and accessories.



## Mucc Dividend Program

As part of MUCC's dues restructure, a new program is being launched to give back to the clubs for their support. MUCC is beginning a membership drive in an effort to increase membership. Individual membership comes with the magazine delivered to your house quarterly, discounts at MUCC's sponsors and other benefits. The biggest benefit is knowing that MUCC is working on the behalf of all hunters, fishers, shooters, trappers, to conserve protect and enhance our natural resources and outdoor heritage.

For every member of the LSCWA that signs up to also be an individual member of MUCC using the discount code LSCWA on the 5th step of the join process (in the discount code field) MUCC will donate \$7 back to LSCWA. Please consider signing up as an IM to help not only MUCC keep up the important work of protecting our natural resources and our rights as outdoors people but also helps out the LSCWA by returning \$7 to our club.

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# MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR LSCWA

As your club membership person I'm writing this article to help members keep current with your dues. We are starting the 2025 year derbies with the April derby. You have to be a current member per derby rules to enter a fish. Before the start of a derby.

At the top of your monthly newsletter is an arrow pointing to your expiration of dues. The message of the arrow is a two prong notice of expiration for derbies, and membership. The derbies notice is a reminder to be paid before the derby in that month, per derby rules. The second part of the notice is for general club dues expiring at the end of the month.

An example of the expiration information under the arrow is month, year, type of membership such as 04,2024, S. This translates to April 2024 Single membership that will expire in that month.

You can renew a few different ways. One way is face to face meetings now that we have regular meetings. Second, the club web page, third, mailing a check to the post office. The club address is Lake St Clair Walleye Association PO BOX 130 St Clair Shores MI 48080. Hopefully this reminder will help members stay current with dues.

## Bingo Workers

By Dan Schmidt

The bingo workers want to thank LSCWA for the great looking new bingo shirts! We look good and are working hard every week to make money for the club.





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