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## Reel Into Fishing Camp

By Bob Barnes

I am pleased to announce that the Lake St Clair Walleye Association is teaming up with Macomb 4H and the International Game Fish Association (IGFA) on their "Reel Into Fishing Camp" at Lake St Clair Metro Park (LSCMP) on July 28 – 30, 2026. We have been asked to provide a quest speaker(s) to talk and teach fishing Lake St Clair. There will be about 27 kids participating in the event.

On July 30, 2026 we will be fishing Lake St Clair. I am looking for ten boats to take the three kids and one adult on each boat out from 8am to noon. Boats will launch from the LSCMP boat launch. Please contact me or the club hotline 586.778.0480 if you can help.

Getting kids involved in fishing and the great outdoors is the best thing we can do for the future of our sport.



## Time to fish, but wait...

Yes, the walleye run is here and you can't wait to get back out on the water but before you go on your first trip please take some time to check those safety items on your boat before heading out.

Jackets....check those auto inflates for a green indicator on the triggering mechanism. Both standard & inflatable, check belts, seams, buckles and fabric for wear & tear. Replace as necessary. Don't overlook your throwable!

Flares....expiration dates. First aid kits, make sure they didn't get wet, mildewed, degraded. Bilge pump on the boat, make sure it pumps water-don't just click it on assuming the hum means it works. Ship to shore radio, make sure they send and receive, charge those handhelds up. Boat equipment such as anchor lines, mooring lines as well as overall seaworthiness of a boat are huge factors to not overlook.

I know I sound like a broken record always spouting off remember this, that etc....but I want everyone coming back from every trip, every time. I'll also say it feels good when someone walks up and thanks me for reminding them and they found a problem and they thought to themselves, "hey, the Pres pointed this out". Please, be safe out there-Rich.

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**ALTERNATES**

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS**

**April 15, 2026  
at 7:30**

**American Legion Post 4  
401 N Groesbeck Hwy, Mt Clemens, MI 48043**

**Log onto our website to find out what  
is happening in and around the Club  
[www.lscwa.net](http://www.lscwa.net)**

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
SPRING 2026**

April 5th ..... Happy Easter  
April 15th ..... General Membership Meeting  
April 17-19th..... April derby. Lakeside weigh in  
3-4pm Sunday  
April 22nd ..... BOD meeting  
May 20th..... General Membership Meeting  
May 22-24 ..... May Derby  
May 25th..... Memorial day  
May 27th..... BOD meeting

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## Treehouse Breakfast

By Richard Koch

Strawberry Fields Restaurant breakfast did not take long to disappear when eaten by these hungry seniors. Dale Billings, Dan Schmidt, Kim Adams, Jim Lease, Ron Pisarski, Kay Carlson, Mark Carlson, Bob Peterson, Pete Aleccia, John Dolney, Joann Koch, and Richard Koch. All the conversations were about walleyes-walleyes-walleyes. Our next breakfast will be at Bob Evans 45140 corners ct. Hall rd. 8am April 22nd.

Get out the jigs, boards and hand lines.



## 300 CURRENT MEMBERS

### MISSION STATEMENT

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## MEMBERS:

DUES MUST BE CURRENT  
TO FISH ALL DERBIES!

PLEASE SEE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY



## President's Corner

I'd like to start off with sending a huge thank you across the border to our friend Jon Bondy for making our March meeting one to remember. His intimate knowledge of our local waterways is second to none

and as seen in his seminar he freely shares that info with us to increase our success on the water. Now if we could get a break from the heavy winds and be able to get out there would be another thing to be thankful for!

Jon not only made the trip over he donated his speaking fee back to the club in Bondy baits & braid which was given out to members via door prize raffle tickets. The regular raffle table was heavily loaded thanks to Moe's Bait & Tackle donating a net and other gear as well as a shopping spree a few of us made to Bondy's Bait Shop in Tecumseh a few days before the meeting.

April's meeting will feature another friend of the club, Captain Brandon Stanton with more knowledge to share of the local waterways one again. We will have the new knit hats as well as T's & hoodies for sale. We will have free hot dogs once again, a door prize, the regular raffle table and the 50/50.

May's meeting will feature fishing for walleyes from shore.

We have changed the club swap meet to the June meeting so we can utilize the parking lot so members won't have to carry large items inside if they don't want to carry them inside. July, well, that's our birthday... still figuring that one out yet!

I'd like to thank the board of directors and a few of our members for working so hard to help bring things together like raffles, fund raising, community projects and more. The recent fish fry at the Michigan Veteran Home was an excellent example of this and it left the residents & staff of the MVH wanting us back again!

This is YOUR club, be part of it!

Rich Benson, President LSCWA



## St Jeans Boat Launch Pass

By Bob Barnes

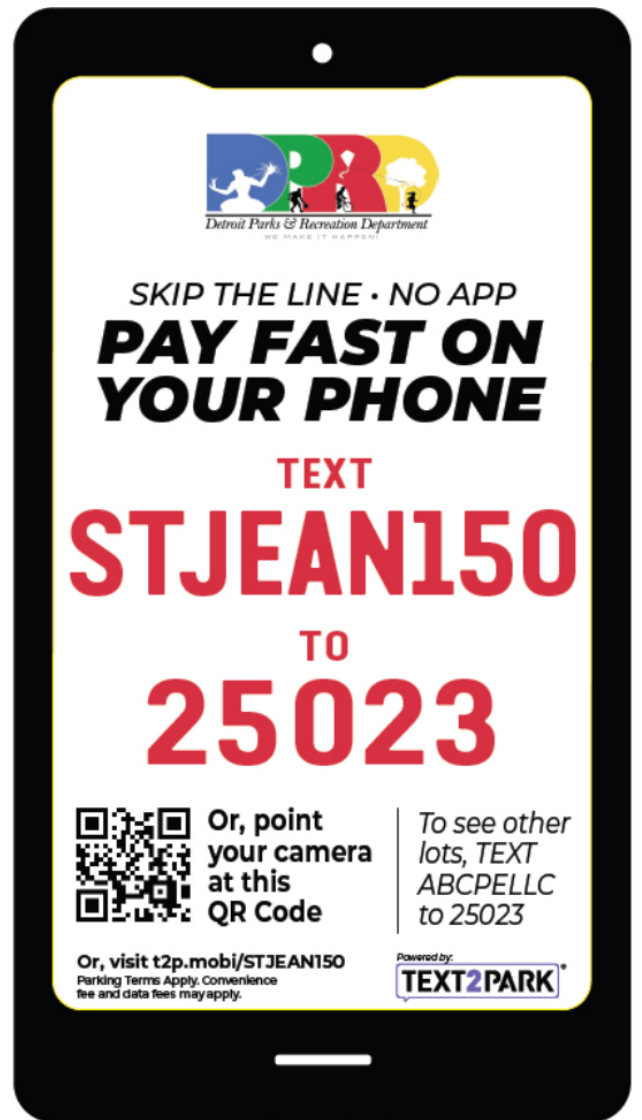
Riverside Marina has generously donated a yearly pass to the St Jeans Boat Launch. It will be raffled off at the April 15 meeting. Tickets will be \$10, this is a \$250 value! So, buy baby buy.



## Membership Dues

As the club's membership secretary, I plan to write articles though out the year reminding members that you must keep your dues current. A very important reason to stay current is to be able to enter your walleye for the club derbies. The derby rules state you have to be current before you can enter a walleye.

Another way I plan to remind members is a phone call the month your dues expire with the club's phone. When I call it won't only be about keeping membership current, it might evolve into a fishing discussion, you never know what info gets passed alone.



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# LSCWA College Scholarships 2026

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 eleventh 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, 2026 and will be awarded at the August 19, 2026 general membership meeting.

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

MASTER DIVISION 2026								
			Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	2025
Name		2024	2025	2025	2025	2025	2025	Total
Al McMurray		5						0
Bob Barnes		1		1	3		2	6
Chad Beardslee	New 2026		4	4	4	4	3	19
Charlie Boyce	New 2026	3		3	1	3		7
Dan Schmidt	New 2026	3			5			5
Don Murray		6	3				1	4
Glen Marohn		12					5	5
Jeff Regulski		5						0
Joann Koch		11	2	2		5		9
John Tancredi		11						0
Kirk Cleland		10	3		4			7
Mike McCabe		13			2			2
Nick Markowski		13		5	1	3	4	13
Nicloe Benson		4						0
Pete Aleccia		9				2	3	5
Ray Wauters		2	1					1
Rich Benson		11						0
Rich Koch		5	5	4		4		13
Ted Stehney				3	5	1		9
Tim Muir	New 2026	4				2	2	4
Entry To Masters Have To Accumulate 10 Points In Three Years								
Return To Open Division If A Master Fails To Win Three Points In Two Years								



## Jack of Spades Progressive Raffle



By Bob Barnes

The Lake St Clair Fish Cleaning Foundation is having a Jack of Spades Progressive Raffle to raise money to build the fish cleaning station at the DNR launch in Harrison Twp. Please buy some tickets and help us build the fish cleaning station. It will be finished in 2026. Tickets will be available at the meetings. Please see me. Let's build this together!

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### **DEADLINE TO RESPOND IS 16 APRIL 2026**

If you are interested in either; being a captain here for BCS fisherman, OR going to Southwest Michigan area to be a fisherman with a BCS captain, you must sign up, on or before 16 April. POC at LSCWA is John Dolney.

**Either sign up at the April club meeting on 15 April, OR send an email to the club on or before 16 April.** Club email address is [lscwaemail@gmail.com](mailto:lscwaemail@gmail.com) .

**LSCWA Captains** who would like to take out BCS fisherman Walleye fishing around here. (e.g.; Detroit River, Lake St Clair, St Clair River, US Waters and or Ontario CA waters ). Please provide your name and phone number, on or before 16 April 2026. Let me know if you have a preference for jigging, bottom bouncing, trolling, or whipping? Also, what is the maximum BCS fisherman would you like to take out, e.g.; 1, 2, or 3.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

POCs at LSCWA & BCS will partner fisherman to Captains. Fisherman assigned to a Captain shall discuss with their assigned Captain, to determine

- Fishing date(s), time(s) and location to meet at.
- What they could or should bring.

**LSCWA members** who would like to go to Southwest Michigan area to fish with BCS Captains. Please provide your name and phone number, on or before 16 April 2026. BCS captains mainly use trolling to catch their fish. Early season is Coho time, Kings and Steelhead are good until June, then Lake Trout are the target for July. In August, any of those species is possible.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

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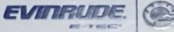
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