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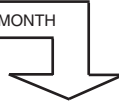
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# WALLEYE WORLD

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December 2016

<http://www.lscwa.net>

1st place at the August picnic blind draw. \$200 prizes awarded by (L-R) President Rich Benson to Ken VanArsdale, Dave Harms and Bob Barnes.



## Don't Forget!!!

We have a new venue for our General Membership meetings. Starting with our December meeting and Christmas Party, the meetings will be held at the American Legion Hall Post No. 4, 401 Groesbeck Hwy, Mt. Clemens, MI 48043. Phone 586-840-7582. Located on Groesbeck just south of the Macomb County Jail. Look for the Jet in the front yard. Our annual pot luck dinner will begin at 6:30 and appetizers are always welcome.

2nd place winners at the August derby blind draw. (L-R) Ed Kowalski, Isabell VanArsdale and Teresa Shue receive \$100 prizes from president Rich Benson.



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**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY ~ 7:30 P.M.**

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**CONSERVATION PLEDGE**

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Nov 30th .....Get-2-Gether breakfast at Cracker Barrel in Rsvl.  
30750 Little Mack South of 13 mile.  
Dec 21st ..... General Meeting and Christmas Party  
at the new meeting place. American Legion on Groesbeck.  
Come early around 6:30 for appetizers.  
Jan 12-15th .....Ultimate Fishing Show in Novi.  
Jan 18th..... General Meeting at 7:30. American Legion Hall  
Jan 25th.....Get-2-Gether breakfast at the  
Golden Greek in Mt Clemens  
Jan 28th..... Cold as Ice presented by WCSX.  
Day launch at Metro Park on 16 mile rd.  
Jan 29th..... Kids Ice Outing  
same tent as Cold as Ice was in the day before.  
Feb 23-26th ..... Outdoorama in Novi.

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## Sundays

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## May Madness

*by Rich Benson*

May Madness 2017 is going to be the largest tournament in LSCWA history! In partnership with Ram Trucks, the LSCWA is offering a \$5,000 guaranteed 1st place prize. Early sponsors include Dick Huvaere's Richmond Chrysler, Anglers Point, Anglers Outfitters, Rosemack Bingo Hall and of course the LSCWA. More sponsors are needed as well as smaller donations for prizes for the kids raffle after the awards presentation at May Madness on May 20, 2017.

Please contact any of these members for more info or to volunteer:

Rich Benson, Tim Muir, Jeff VanTorre, Ken VanArsdale, Don Murray or Richard Koch (Cookie)

## President's Corner

*by Richard Benson*



Christmas time already... how time flies! While quite a few of our members were out hunting, a lot were still out fishing this past few weeks and fall fishing 2016 has been fabulous to say the least.

Good catches of perch all over the lake with very good reports on the American side, walleye fishing is hot in the St. Clair River and Detroit River is almost as good and Lake Erie continues to produce perch and eyes. Get out there and fish before ice-up!

As I mentioned at the last meeting, we were notified that Lakeland Banquet and Event Center could no longer host our meetings. We thank them for their hospitality over the past 6+ years and wish them well. Our new meeting location is the American Legion hall at 401 Groesbeck Hwy. in Mt. Clemens, MI. This location has excellent parking, a nice hall and easy access to major roads and I-94, the board believes this move will be of great asset to the club.

Remember, December 21 is our annual Christmas party. This is a pot-luck event, please bring a dish to pass, appetizers are always welcome! This is also our awards night as well, masters talk and a night to share the Christmas spirit with all. I will need a few volunteers as well to help co-ordinate the kitchen.

The night will feature a 50/50 raffle, general prize raffle and of course the lure tree. Please bring either a new or gently used fishing item for the tree.

Upcoming events, Novi Ultimate Fishing Show, WCSX Cold as Ice, Kids ice fishing.....all in January!

Next year is going to be huge for the LSCWA, together with Ram Trucks, Dick Huvaere's Richmond Chrysler, WCSX and other sponsors we are going to hold a few big events....stay tuned for future developments!

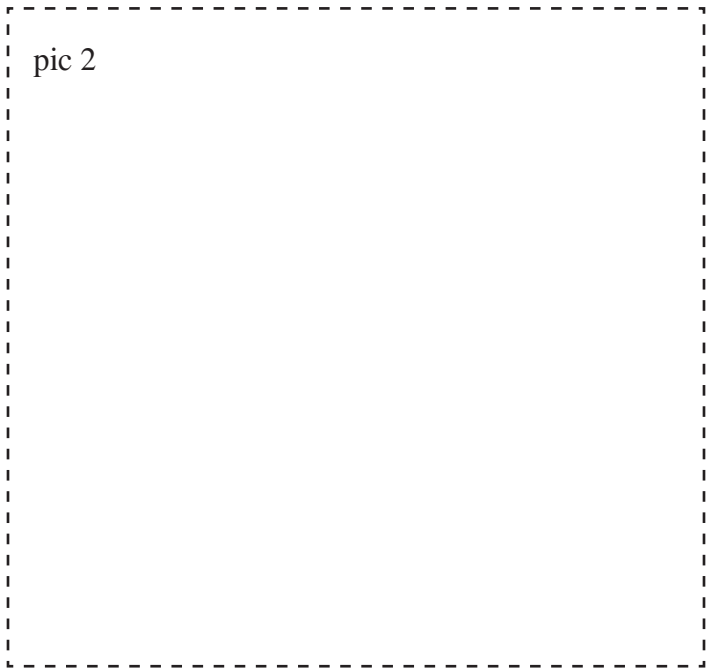
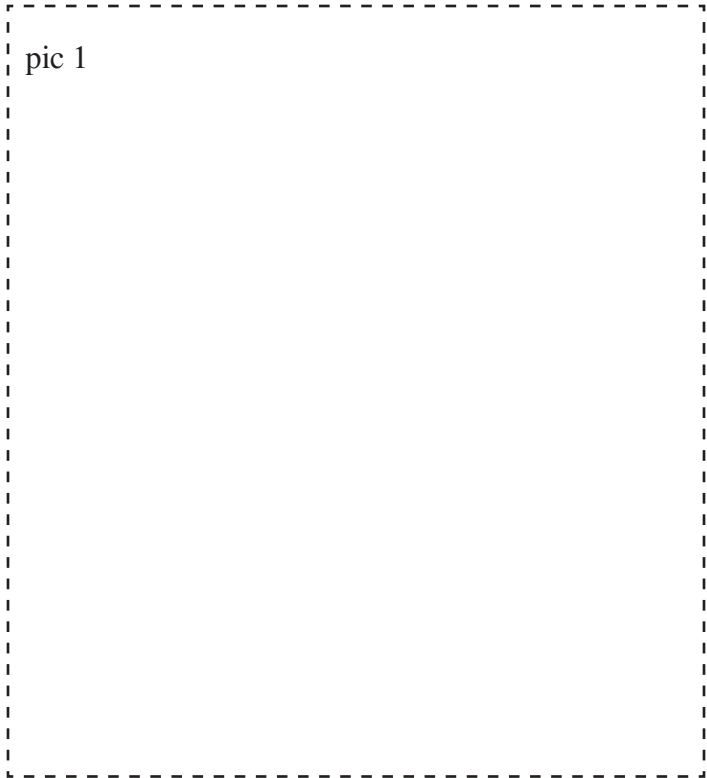
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Good fishing, Rich

# Erie Walleye

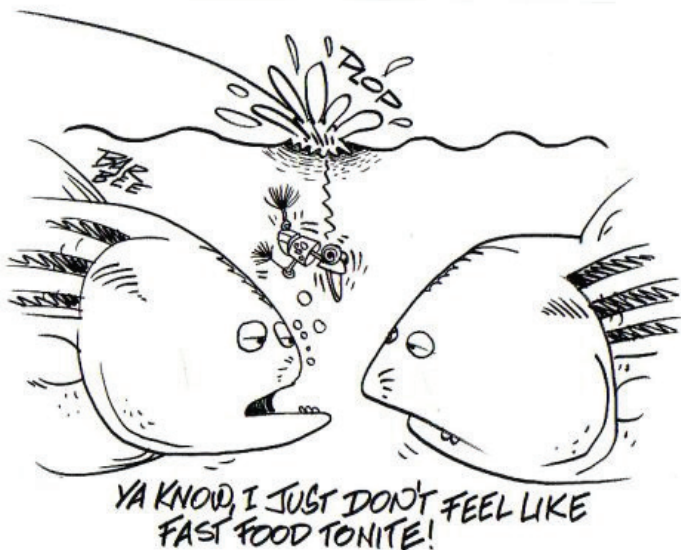
by Jim Lease

Up early and down to Huron, Ohio. Buy a license (one day \$11.00) and launch the boat. On the water by 8:30 and down to Sandusky we go. Around 2 or 3 miles puts us out front of Cedar Point about a mile out. Trolling planer boards with Capt Keith Krych and first mate Rich Benson. These guys make this look so easy. They have their lures picked out and their patterns already in their heads. We had a nice 4 pounder in just a short time and after that some unwanted sheephead, silver bass etc. Back on the walleyes with a 9.09 pounder that really got my heart going. That was the second largest walleye I have ever caught. Keith was nice enough to hand the rod off to me but I think he has reeled in many a walleye larger than that. All and all we got 8 walleye with some real nice fish and a few small ones that will be real good eaters. I was pretty cold most of the day but fishing with two top notch fishermen like I was lucky enough to be with made it a day to remember. If you want colors and lures and how many feet back etc.. ask either Keith or Rich. They will tell you I'm sure. Thanks Guys



*Things You Probably Never Knew About The Great Lakes...*

Lake Superior is actually not a lake at all, but an inland sea.



## Kids Christmas Party Cancelled

Due to a lack of interest and a shortage of volunteers the Board of Directors has decided to cancel this year's kids Christmas party. With a small turnout the last two years, the board feels our money could be spent throughout the year in better ways. The kids of current members are invited to the Pot Luck dinner on Dec 21.

# GET-2-GETHER 2017

Jan 25	The Golden Greek 180 N. Groesbeck	Fam Restaurant Mt. Clemens	At light near Ice Hockey 586-463-8788
Feb 22	Strawberry Fields 51070 S. Foster	E of I-94 on 23 Mile 586-949-7740	Chesterfield 48047 Dave's BD week
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Sep 27	Gus's Coney Isle Gratiot just S. of 23 Mile	Chesterfield Good Food	On West Side/Gratiot Fun Waitresses
Oct 25	Rose's Family Dining 31301 Harper Ave	SCS West Side, N of 13 Mile	Always a Great Time Special Prizes
Nov 29	Cracker Barrel, Rsvl. 30750 Little Mack Rd	Just S of 13 Mile 586-293-5066	48066 Big Meals
Dec skip	No Tree House for December	See You in 2018 (I hope)	Suggest Some New places - '18



I asked my mother to find some old pics for me, she found this from July of 1980, a good day pulling spinners off the spillway. L-R, Carl Benson, Rich Benson and Kevin Anthony.

## Perch and Pig

by Jim Gimpert

Once again we had a great time at the Perch and Pig Tournament. As always Team Average Joe finished in about the middle of the pack.

Captain Joe Gimpert, 1st Mate Jim Gimpert, Perch Slayer Randy Jacobs, Missing from photo our mentor Dave Van, Support Staff sporting fashionable WCSX headgear the lovely Bev and Alice.



# Sterling State Park Walleyes

by Rich Benson

I recently had some vacation time which I spent a couple days of fishing on Lake Erie. On one day I was by myself on Erie fishing the waters about 3 miles off the beach at Sterling State Park on a very calm day but it was 23 degrees as I left the dock!

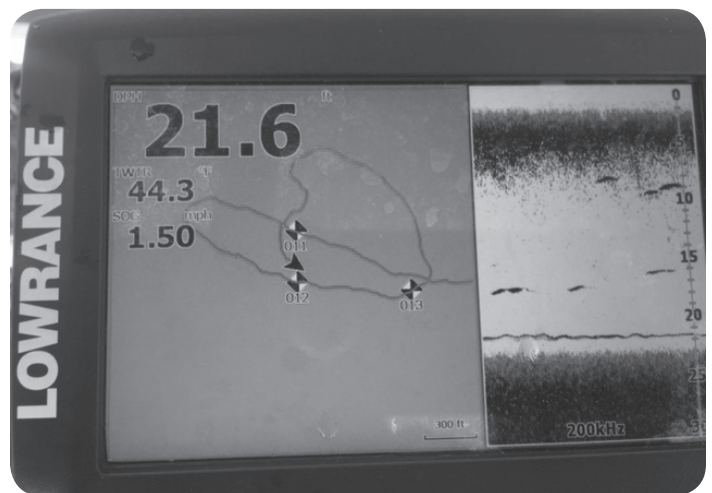
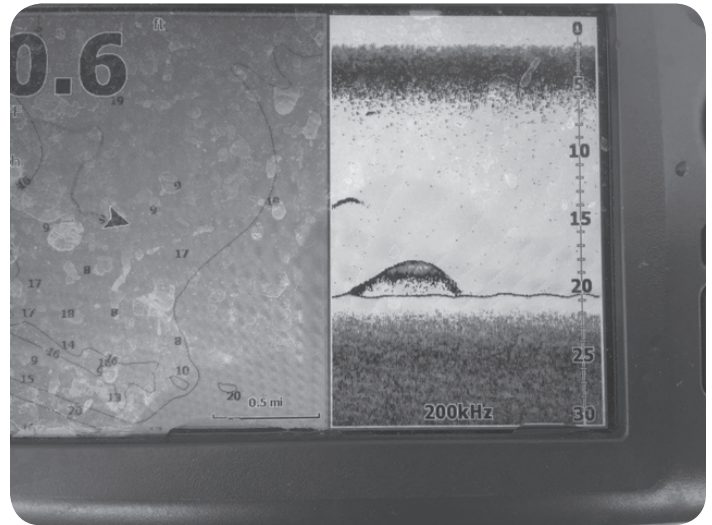
I found what I thought were good marks on my Lowrance HDI 7 and trolled my Off-Shore planer boards pulling crankbaits around them for the better part of the morning, with only one short walleye, a silver bass and a short musky. I tried different baits, colors, speeds and depths. As morning turned to afternoon I thought the skunk would never get off the boat, so I switched baits yet again and tried my luck with a custom deep husky jerk. With 55 feet of line out it was just what they wanted! I got three fish in about 20 minutes time, now a limit was in sight! I had put waypoints in my GPS for each fish and I had circled back to troll over the area the school was in but they had moved off as about 5-6 other boats quickly closed in on the school I located. I decided to run a long line off the back of the boat with a Church Tackle stern planer, 120' back with an additional 55' from the planer to the lure in addition to my other 2 planer boards. As the sun went behind the clouds a nice 18" walleye grabbed the board and started pulling the line out as I had the drag set to nothing with the "clicker" on...4 in the box, needing one more fish I thought as I put my line back out. Less than 30 seconds later one of my Off-Shore boards went back nice and slow, slowly cranking it in I was rewarded with a nice 5lb walleye.

Use your electronics, not only for marking fish, but your location, speed and return back to the fish once you've made your pass.

Change tactics if you're not catching fish, lures, colors, speed, depth etc.

My fish all came on down deep husky jerks trolled at 1.38-1.5 mph, 52-55' back. 4 on Off-Shore planer boards and 1 on the Church Tackle stern planer, 120' to the planer, 55' to the lure.

As the sun was setting I had just finished catching my limit of fish and was thinking that we are truly blessed with some of the greatest fishing in the world. (last picture)



**Editor's Note:** To all readers of the WW. This is a perfect example of what I would like to publish every month. Our club is a fishing club and articles like this one are what make our club better and our members better fishermen and fisherwomen. I would not expect an article this eloquent from everyone but just some facts that might help our readers. We have a lot of good fishermen and fisherwomen in our club and sharing your knowledge benefits everyone. If you go fishing, just take a picture and a moment to write a short article and send it to me. Don't worry, I will find any spelling mistakes and make the article shine. Thanks Jim



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