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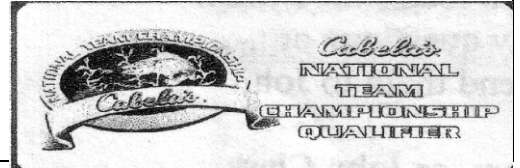
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CHAMPIONSHIP ISSUE



TOP: Dave Helton and Mike Defibaugh take the field with a two day weight of 29.28lbs. They also took both days Big Fish honors

LEFT: Several of the top ten teams were around for pictures at the banquet.

Did the words “Thank God it’s over” come out of your mouth after fishing Indian Lake? Well your not the only one. The lake know for giving up limits by the score showed her ugly temper. The weather only cooperated with the anglers. The fish were confused and scattered.

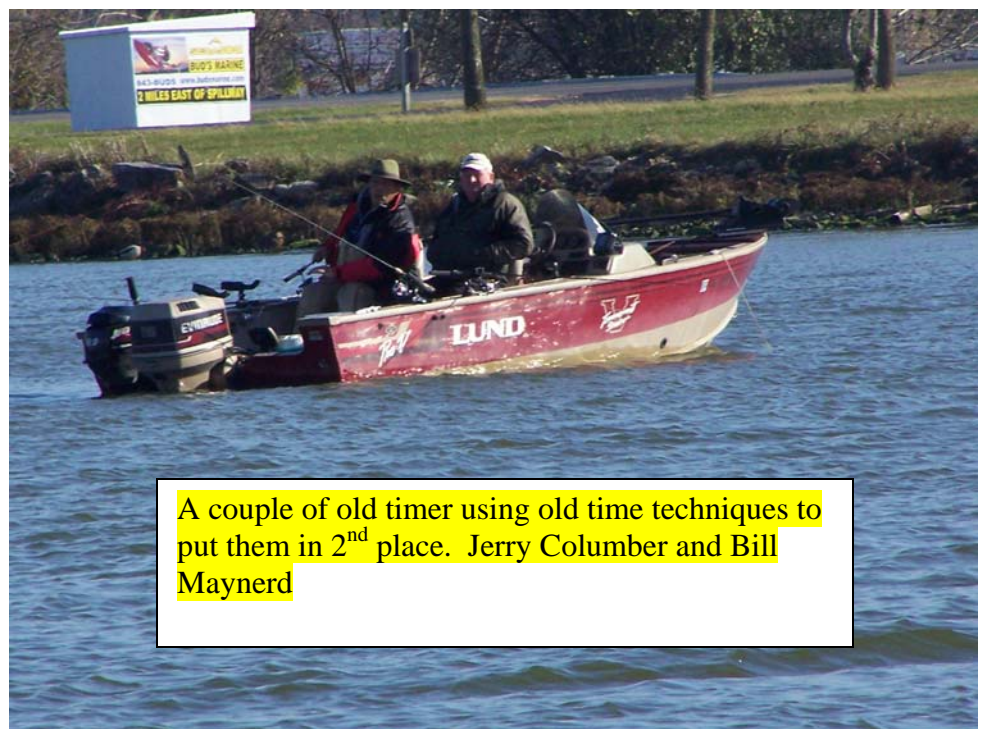
But as with any event someone figures it out. And on both days. Dave and Mike were pulling VIB’Es in the canals to pull out a win. It seems VIB’Es were a dominating force once again with old school anchoring and tightlined minnows right on their heels. Jigs accounted for many fish and trolling cranks only caught a few. The big surprise was how few limits came to the scales not to mention no fish over 4lbs.

Until this tournament I thought you could pre-fish Indian in a day and a half and figure out a pattern. Live and learn. Yes we thought we had a pattern on Friday. The wind was right and 3 quality fish were caught on one pass. But that was Friday. I love to live and learn but do the lessons always have to be so hard. But seriously it’s those lessons that drive us to fish harder.

Well on to next year. We are going back to a 4 tournament year. Indian Lake, Alum Creek and C.J. Brown will be the one day tournament and the championship will be held again at Indian Lake. All one day events will count toward the points standing. \$5 per entry will go in a pot for the points champions. This should cover the entry fee

For the Cabela’s championship should the winners decide to go. Along with the prize packages that our sponsors provide it will well be worth fishing all events for.

. And last but not least thanks to Duane Hough for his help Saturday checking boats so I could get the board taken care of and thanks to my partner John Clark for taking a hook out of my throat while we were pre-fishing. It’s kinda funny that when I partner up with John someone gets injured. We’ve both imbedded hooks in ourselves and even got in a car wreck (a first for me) Since he had to take the hook on thru and back out I should of just made a piercing from it, might of made me look ten years younger. Oh well hind sight.. Marc Colwell



A couple of old timer using old time techniques to put them in 2nd place. Jerry Columber and Bill Maynerd

This is the last newsletter to be mailed. Starting next issue the Western Ohio Walleye News will be e-mailed only. If you don't have access at home all public library's have computers and internet access. They will even give a 10 min. lesson to get started. AOL, YAHOO AND HOTMAIL all have free e-mail and simple instructions on getting them. Once you have a user name *e-mail it to me with your real name* and you'll start getting the newsletter again. E-MAIL to saugeyemarc@aol.com I also need to know when you change your e-mail address. A couple of past addresses came back user unknown because of changes. I also except pictures, jokes, articles and anything to do with fishing.

Casting the Web.

If your getting this by e-mail then you spend at least a little time surfing the web. If you don't then your really making fishing rough on yourself. True postings can be pure bull**** but they are a small fraction of postings out there. You can head to a lake even your home lake not knowing what, where, when, where or how. But checking fishing reports can give you a starting point if nothing else. Some days I'd almost sold my mother for a clue. There are many good sites out there and over the next year I plan to give my thoughts on a few I like to use.

Ever look for the best price on tackle. In today's market I believe we all are. One of our sponsors has one of the most well thought out site on the web. If you don't already have www.mackslure.com saved in your favorites, it just means you haven't checked it out yet. There online store is priced right and the sale items change regularly. But mackslure.com is more than a store.

With most places all you get is price and description but here you get tips and techniques. One of the newer things to come to this website is the Mackattack This newsletter is extremely well put together with plenty of input from every day anglers using the Mack Product. A letter sent to John says it better than I can. Check it out soon.

Dear John,

First and foremost we at Mack's Lure would like to commend you on your willingness to serve and sacrifice your time to the good of your club. We also appreciate the activities of your club to support the sport of fishing and protecting it for future generations.

I also wanted to share with you and your club members, an opportunity to read and learn more about fishing. This offer is at no cost to you or any of your members now or at anytime in the future.

We at Mack's Lure provide a monthly fishing news publication called the Mack Attack. It is filled with tips and stories from fishermen around the country as well as a featured story written by Hall of Fame fisherman, Stan Fagerstrom. I think you and the majority of your members will find it quite enjoyable to read and beneficial as well. To have a look simply go to www.mackslure.com/mackattack, and you can view the latest edition as well as all previous issues. You, or any of your interested club members, can have the latest copy delivered to your email account each month simply by signing up on our home page. Please rest assured Mack's Lure will not use your email address for any other purpose.

I look forward to hearing your comments on the Mack Attack, and hope to see one of your fishing stories in an upcoming edition.

Sincerely,

Bob



ERIE'S FALL NIGHT EYES...

The Mecca for fall fishing in Ohio is the Sandusky, Huron and Vermillion area of Lake Erie. From around Thanksgiving till ice-up this is the time to bag that fish for your wall. The Walleyes are full of firm eggs and are putting on weight for the winter. This combination makes for some serious weight.

And these eyes can be caught 24hrs a day. There is a bite several miles out during the day but to make a great outing sleep those daylight hours and head out just before sunset. Bring plenty of coffee and snacks because you can find pods of fish biting all night.

Yes it's true many lakes around have a night bite eyes so why go to Erie? Weight and numbers... I've been out on more than one occasion where two of us boated over 50 fish in one night and over half were 8lbs or better. Your chance of a 10lbs. or better are in your favor here.

The gathering or staging area is at the boat ramp at Rt.6 and the Huron river. The entrance is on the southwest side of the bridge. There is a small tackle shop here and it's a pay to launch ramp but there's parking for close to 75 truck and trailers. From here it's a mile or so down river to the lake.

If you don't have access to a boat there are good catches on and off around the areas of the lighthouse. I once saw a couple of Amish boys toting a log (not a stick but a 4" log filled with 6-10 pounders caught on the backside casting cranks. This was back when the limit was ten fish. The sight of these young boys with

All those fish was something to see.

For those in the boat let me say this. You can catch fish in as shallow as your willing to fish. I tend to do zig-zags from a ¼ mile to a mile off shore. Going East or West is a matter of choice. Most fish are caught within the top ten feet of the water colloum, most of the time but not always. You will have fish hit dead on the surface and you see that happen on the rare calm night.

Unlike day time the best time is when there is two foot waves or less. More for comfort than anything. This is not the time to be trying to keep your balance and not step on your favorite rod, or get hooks in your hand. The fact is you need to store anything that isn't absolutely needed that minute. Put it all up front when you fish because you'll need the room for netting the fish in the dark.

When your out there you'll see some boats with high-power searchlights they turn on to net fish. Please do me a favor and buy one and use the next time your fishing at night. That will give me a line of sight right to your school of fish. It starts out like ball bearings rolling toward a magnet and ends up a parade scattering the fish.

The best way is to use penlights and those head mounted led lights for netting. Don't call attention to yourself and you can do circles and work the fish.

For the inside of the boat nothing works better than those big glow sticks the kids play with. Toss a few on the floor and you'll see quite well in the boat for most applications. While your at pick up some of the long thin ones they make necklaces and bracelets with. These will be the marker lights for your Off-Shore or Church boards.

At night trolling cranks is King. And if there's a Queen to go with the King then it has to Be the Reef Runner Ripstick. The Little Ripper also has been quite the success at night. New from Macks this year the Humbait should make a big splash behind boards this year. Run separate or on a three way with a deep diving Reef Runner. I think they will up the action at night. Lures will be run 5-50 feet behind your board on most nights keeping baits shallow..

Next goes on a planer board. I can't say enough about the tattle flags attached to Off-Shore boards. Attach the small diameter glow sticks to the board and you can the action from a ½ mile or more. And pulled near the boat (up to a hundred feet) you'll know when the flag is down, or on a great hit when the board goes under like a big bobber.

Speed is one of two things you'll have to experiment with (the other being lure colors). Anywhere from a half miler per hour up to three can be productive. If you see baitfish on the surface you should be looking at a good night.

I like to do big zigzags from a ¼ mile to 1 mile offshore until hitting fish. Once contact is made do circles until you no longer catch fish then go back to zigzagging. Also use your boards as a sign to speed up or slow down. If the fish hits an outside board while turning you know your going to slow. It's not rocket science but it can mean the difference between a few fish and a limit. Have fun fishing Marc Colwell



THE NEXT TWO PAGES ARE PHOTOS FROM THE CHAMPIONSHIP AS SHOT BY DUANE HOUGH. WE'D LIKE TO THANK ALL THAT SHOWED UP FOR THE BANQUET AND WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE NEXT YEAR. UNTIL THEN GET IN GEAR AND GET YOUR GEAR IN SHAPE.



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Watch your E-mails.

We've cut back on the WOWC circuit but we're going back to doing the fun tournaments. ON THE SPOT WALLEYES CIRCUIT. \$40 per two man team winner takes all. \$5 big fish. We've had 5 teams and we've had 12 teams in the past. Events last 5-8 hours you'll know when there posted. So far we've had 4 suggestions. A night tournament at Alum Creek. We're waiting on a report of the bite turning on. The Ohio river in Dec. Jan. or Feb. They put a new ramp by Mendal Dam that will make access and distance easier for all. Eastwood Lake, Cowan Lake and Huston Woods and Grand Lake are four lakes with potential for a larger event and are also on the list starting next spring. If you know of others let me know.

Notice will be 3-5 days in advance and only by e-mail. So check weekly.

Tournaments will be on Saturdays, could be mornings could be evenings. Hell I might just throw in an artificial only tournament in there. I will be searching fishing reports on the net looking for hot bites on the lakes.

I like company and competition and John and I wanted to check out some of the lakes they've been stocking saugeye in during the past ten years. Who knows how many lakes we've passed up that have larger tournament potential. I'm hoping this might be a good combination of both. No big set-up just scales in the back of a truck and guys playing King of the Hill. Alum should be coming fast so keep an eye on your e-mail. More info will be available as the lakes come up. . Marc Colwell



WOWC Championship Indian Lake November 1st -2nd

2008

Placement	Name	Day one	Day two	Total weight	Total Points
1	Dave Helton / Mike Defibaugh	14.14	15.04	29.28	500
2	Bill Maynard / Jerry Columber	11.68	10.44	22.12	495
3	Jeff Speakman / Mike Ahlers	11.2	8.1	19.3	490
4	John Stalling / Mike Stalling	8	6.38	14.38	485
5	Pete Loukoumidis/Loren Fleischman	2.46	8.4	10.86	480
6	Kenny Biale / Gary Maynard	0	9.92	9.92	475
7	Walls / Smith	8.14	1.12	9.26	470
8	Duane Hough / Jim Burdette	4.28	2.22	6.5	465
9	FunkFunk	0	6.2	6.2	460
10	Say / Waites	4.94	0	4.94	455
11	Wade Kinney / Kurt Kinney	4.56	0	4.56	450
12	John Clark / Marc Colwell	1.4	2.56	3.96	445
13	Tom Kemper / Rick Dutton	2.98	0	2.98	440
14	Geiger / Harmon	2.65	0	2.65	435
15	Willams /Williams	0.47	1.9	2.37	430
16	Mahar / Rapp	2.28	0	2.28	425
17	Gerry Myers / Cave McCabe	1.82	0	1.82	420
18	Tony Thornton / Mike Thornton	1.5	0	1.5	415
19	Wooten / Wooten	1.42	0	1.42	410
19					
19	Total fish weight for tournament	83.9	72.28	156.3	

RAVINGS OF A MAD ANGLER

Harold and David are out hunting when David suddenly falls to the ground and stops breathing. Desperately, Harold feels for a pulse but can't find one. He whips out his cell phone, dials 911 and blurts, "My friend just dropped dead!" What should I do.?" A soothing voice at the other end says, " okay, okay, I can help you. Please just relax. First, let's make sure he's really dead." After a brief silence the operator hears a shot ring out. Then Harold comes back to the phone. "Okay," he says nerously to the operator. "What do I do next?"

A cure for your cough that's precise Is a gallon of prune juice --- on ice. You should really be told That it won't cure your cold, But before you cough, you'll think twice!

Please join me in remembering a great icon of the entertainment community.

The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday of a yeast infection and trauma complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 71. Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin.

Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs. Butterworth, Hungry Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies, and Captain Crunch. The grave site was piled high with flours.

Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded.

Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turnovers.

He was not considered a very smart cookie, wasting much of his dough on half-baked schemes.

Despite being a little flaky at times, he still was a crusty old man and was considered a positive roll model for millions.

Doughboy is survived by his wife Play Dough, three children: John Dough, Jane Dough and Dosey Dough, plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart.

The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes.

2008 Team of the Year Points

Placement	Team	Qualifying Points	Championship Points	Total Points
1st	Say / Jesse Wates	608	455	1063
2nd	Robert Funk / Chris Funk	598	460	1058
3rd	Marie Chamberlin / Jason Walls	588	470	1058
4th	Jim Burdette / Duane Hough	592	465	1057
5th	John Clark / Jared Meighen	602	445	1047
6th	Gary Maynard / Kenny Bailey	570	475	1045
7th	Corbin Williams / Brenda Williams	590	430	1020
8th	Tom Kemper / Rick Dutton	570	440	1010
9th	Kurt Kinney / Wade Kinney	426	450	1000
10th	Larry Wooten / Lenny Wooten	566	410	976
11th	Bill Maynard / Jerry Columber	444	495	939
12th	Les Geiger / Buck Marmon	444	435	879
13th	Gerry Myers / Cave McCabe	438	420	858
14th	Tony Thornton / Mike Thornton	298	415	713
15th	Dave Helton / Mike Defibaugh	200	500	700
16th	John Stalling / Mike Stalling	100	485	585
17th	Mike Ahlers / Jeff Speckman	50	490	540
18th	Pete Loukimiadias.	50	480	530
19th	John Mahar / Dale Rapp	50	425	475
20th	Marc Colwell / Mercedes Colwell	248		248
21st	Robert Sanderson / Lawerance Phillips	224		224
22nd	Chuck Bayman / Benson Osborn	190		190
23rd	Gary Thornbury / Dean Thornbury	100		100
24th	Chet Blevins / Rich Wilson	50		50
25th	John Hill / Charles Hill	50		50

Presidents Corner

I would like to start this newsletter off by saying congratulations to Mike Defibaugh and Dave Helton on their win at our championship tournament at Indian Lake. I also want to congratulate Say and Jessie on their team of the year win. Say and his partner had a good year.

Now that this year is over I can honestly say that I'm glad it is over. It was a very trying year for me. I was running the tournaments; go to school full time, and working part time. I also want to thank Marc for stepping up and offering to run the circuit next year. It seems that I won't be far because I will be fishing as Marc partner next year. I want to remind everyone that I will be helping with the circuit and weigh-ins, but Marc will be the director and his word is final.

As most of you found out at the banquet. The club is moving into the modern age of technology. This will be the last newsletter that will be mailed out to club members. I will continue to mail out the newsletter in color to our sponsors, but will no longer be mailing newsletters out to members. The reason for this move is to try and create a website for the club. With a web site he will try to have a message board that club members can use to talk to one another. We will have all our results posted, newsletters posted, articles posted, club pictures posted, and a way to communicate emergency issues with all club members. This web site will also allow us to offer more to our sponsors like posting their website links and articles featuring their products, along offering more to potential sponsors. **It is important that everyone e-mail Marc at saugevemarc@aol.com with an e-mail address and your name so he knows who you are. Marcs e-mail address is listed on two separate areas on this newsletter, so if he doesn't receive it and you miss out on the next newsletter it is on you.**

Next Year we are looking at going to Indian Lake in the spring, Alum Creek, C.J. Brown, and Indian Lake again in fall for our championship tournament. It was voted on that all tournaments will count. So that is three qualifying tournaments at 200 possible points, and our championship at 500 points. That means 1100 points up for grabs. Marc is working on permits as I write this and hopefully we will have dates in the next newsletter.

If you have any concerns or commits please call me at 937-361-3799 or e-mail me at walleyeclark@aol.com

NEW PREAMBLE TO THE CONSTITUTION

attributed to State Representative Mitchell Kaye from GA.

'We the sensible people of the United States, in an attempt to help everyone get along, restore some semblance of justice, avoid more riots, keep our nation safe, promote positive behavior, and secure the blessings of debt-free liberty to ourselves and our great-great-great-grandchildren, hereby try one more time to ordain and establish some common sense guidelines for the terminally whiny, guilt ridden, delusional, and other liberal bed-wetters. We hold these truths to be self evident: that a whole lot of people are confused by the Bill of Rights and are so dim they require a Bill of NON-Rights.'

ARTICLE I: You do not have the right to a new car, big screen TV, or any other form of wealth. More power to you if you can legally acquire them, but no one is guaranteeing anything.

ARTICLE II: You do not have the right to never be offended. This country is based on freedom, and that means freedom for everyone -- not just you! You may leave the room, turn the channel, express a different opinion, etc.; but the world is full of idiots, and probably always will be.

ARTICLE III: You do not have the right to be free from harm. If you stick a screwdriver in your eye, learn to be more careful; do not expect the tool manufacturer to make you and all your relatives independently wealthy.

ARTICLE IV: You do not have the right to free food and housing. Americans are the most charitable people to be found, and will gladly help anyone in need, but we are quickly growing weary of subsidizing generation after generation of professional couch potatoes who achieve nothing more than the creation of another generation of professional couch potatoes.

ARTICLE V: You do not have the right to free health care. That would be nice, but from the looks of public housing, we're just not interested in public health care.

ARTICLE VI: You do not have the right to physically harm other people. If you kidnap, rape, intentionally maim, or kill someone, don't be surprised if the rest of us want to see you fry in the electric chair.

ARTICLE VII: You do not have the right to the possessions of others. If you rob, cheat, or coerce away the goods or services of other citizens, don't be surprised if the rest of us get together and lock you away in a place where you still won't have the right to a big screen color TV or a life of leisure.

ARTICLE VIII: You do not have the right to a job. All of us sure want you to have a job, and will gladly help you along in hard times, but we expect you to take advantage of the opportunities of education and vocational training laid before you to make yourself useful.

ARTICLE IX: You do not have the right to happiness. Being an American means that you have the right to PURSUE happiness, which by the way, is a lot easier if you are unencumbered by an over abundance of idiotic laws created by those of you who were confused by the Bill of Rights.

ARTICLE X: This is an English speaking country. We don't care where you are from, English is our language. Learn it or go back to wherever you came from!

ARTICLE XI: You do not have the right to change our country's history or heritage. This country was founded on the belief in one true God. And yet, you are given the freedom to believe in any religion, any faith, or no faith at all; with no fear of persecution. The phrase IN GOD WE TRUST is part of our heritage and history, and if you are uncomfortable with it, TOUGH!!!! GET OVER IT !!!



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