

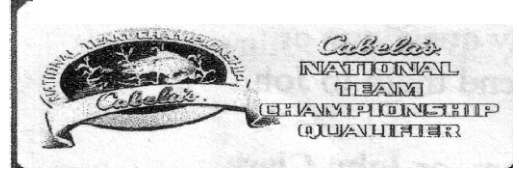


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## WESTERN OHIO WALLEYE NEWS OCT. 2009



Another year gone by.

Cheers to the 14 teams who showed up to fish the championship. I can't say I blame those who didn't enter. The lake was down 2', Cold mornings, hot afternoons. Winds out of the east and the lake where fish are caught in abundance daily had pretty much shut down. I can understand the fish in Blackwood and Oldfield turning on Sunday with the wind change blowing right in making a classic VIB'E presentation irresistible. Many of us should have remembered that from past experiences. But the shock personally and one of the first I've heard of personally was Sanderson and Sadowski trolling down the middle of the lake in no mans land with Cranberry Crush and Pink Lemonade 200 series Reef Runner Ripshads. I don't know why I've never thought of doing this but it makes sense. We've found fish in every other part of the lake so why not in the middle. I think this may be one of the most overlooked areas in the lake. Shad roam everywhere and mid lake would be no exception. I'm sure it's hit or miss but as was proven during the championship when you hit sometimes you hit hard.

Personally I'm glad the seasons are over. This was my 14<sup>th</sup> year as a tournament angler and it's time for a break. I am taking the next year or two off from tournament fishing. Between fishing the events and running them and helping John in the background a lot of time has been invested in the WOWC. I've enjoyed every minute of it. I've seen many anglers come and go, and there are a few that have been around as far back as I remember. But I promised my wife that when my daughter went to college I'd take time off fishing to spend traveling with her on more weekends. In the meantime I'll be working on the website. I'll be running around at one tournament or two to take pictures for adding to the site. And hopefully I'll have time to finish some articles I've started.

Plus I'm looking forward to another great year of ice-fishing. I love my time on the ice more than any other fishing I do. I love the cold, watching the fish come in on the camera, and hit my lures. You learn more about how they react to your presentations when you watch them live. I also enjoy the companionship on the ice. Time slows down with the temperature and there is plenty of time for BS. When the bites on fish, when it's not hop holes and swap lies. . I've yet to meet any assholes on the ice. I'm sure they're out there but I haven't met any. I'm sure they spend winters with the whiners inside where it's warm. For the rest of us we'll be at Indian and Buckeye banging blades and spoons. And watch for Pro Series VIBES in new colors and patterns, and new colors on the regular VIBES coming soon or possibly in some stores now. The new addition of a feather will be a bonus under the ice. I'm working on a tip-up like they use in Europe. It uses an ice rod n reel. If it works I'll put plans in a future issue.

## Presidents Corner

I have to start this president gram admitting a major mistake I made on who won the team of the year for our 2009 season. Congratulation goes out to Les Geiger and Buck Harmon on winning our 2009 season as the team of the year. Les contacted me on Monday after the tournament and asked if I could look at the team of the year points. After looking I realized I made a mistake. I contacted John Stallings and explained my mistake. I want to point out great sportsmanship that both Les and John showed in resolving this issue. Les and John actually traded first place and second place trophies the following weekend at Alum Creek the following weekend. I also want to make sure everyone can see these were the only two teams that were affected by my mistake. Les and Buck had a great year with all 3<sup>rd</sup> place finishes in our qualifiers and a 4<sup>th</sup> place at our championship. John and Mike Stallings made a surge from 5<sup>th</sup> place to take second place in team of the year points.

Congratulation goes out to Rob Lingg who fished by himself and used Mike Definbaugh as a sub on the second day. They trolled General Lee color Vibes in the Blackhawk channel for the win. John and Mike Stallings had two consistent days to take second place. The team of Robert Sanderson and Bill Sadowski went from a zero to 11.32 on day two to take third place. Robert and Bill stated that trolling Rip shads down the middle of the lake was the technique on having the single one weight. It was a tough bite for most with the lake down 2-3 feet.

Our Banquet had a good showing from the team that fished the championship. After giving out the awards, we discussed our next year season. We will pretty much stay with the same format, except for a few things. First a member brought up the 500 championship points. He pointed out that 500 point is worth almost three qualify tournaments. After discussion and a vote, it was decided next year's championship points will be worth 300 points. Also new for next year will be the number of places we will give out for end of the year trophies. Next year the top five teams will be awarded trophies at the end of the year. If our numbers go up we will look into adding trophies the following year.

As most of you know I'm having Back surgery on October 29<sup>th</sup>, I'm not sure what the results will be. I hope to be fishing next year. If I can't we will have to see what happens. I asked if anybody would be interested in running our tournament for me. I had a couple guys that said they might be interested, but no one has contacted me with a serious offer of running the tournaments. Marc has told me He will not be able to do it again. I want everyone to wait and pay next year's membership at our first tournament. I will keep everyone posted on my progress after my surgery. I hope to have a meeting or two before our first tournament.

Next year's schedule looks like this.

Buckeye Lake (May)

Alum Creek (June)

C.J.Brown ( July)

Indian Lake (two days in October )

I will not post dates until first of January or late December, hopefully by that time a lot of mine up in the air question about my surgery will be answered.

On a side note, I want to make sure everyone is aware we pay back around 150% to 175% on our tournaments. It seems over half the field in our tournaments leave the tournaments with money or sponsorship products. My question to everyone is should we pay down less spots with bigger payouts, or should we leave it the same? I know our numbers always go up one year than down the next, and it's hard to predict what our numbers will be next year. This might be a question we can discuss in our meetings. It's something to think about over the cold winter months.

We do not have a time table on when our website will be up and running. Marc is working on learning the website software. He states it's a big software program to learn and he may need to get a photo software program also. We are taking time to make sure that we will produce a top notch website for the club. Once it is up and running, we hope to have entries, flyers, tournament rules, results, pictures,

# 3rd Annual Indian Lake Saugeye Challenge

**Sunday, October 25, 2009**

Place: Indian Lake, Ohio

Launch Site: Lakeview Ramp

Time: 8:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. ( Weather Permitting)

Entry Fee: \$80.00 Per team

Includes \$10.00 Big Fish Pot

100% pay out after cost of plaques  
Plaques for top 4 teams and big fish

1 Big Fish pay out

Registration will end 7:00 am Sunday October 25th.

No checks will be taken the day of the tournament.

There will be a 5 fish limit and all fish must be at least 14 inches long and living.

Dead fish will not be weighed at all.

All Boats must be at weigh in by 4:00 P.M.( Inside buoy)

Life vests must be worn any time outboard motor is running over a trolling speed.

Please contact John Stalling at (937) 407-1398 with any questions.

Please return bottom portion along with entry fee to:  
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## 2009 Team of the Year Points

| Placement | Team                              | Qualifying Points | Championship Points | Total Points |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| 1         | Les Geiger / Buck Harmonm         | 613               | 485                 | 1098         |
| 2         | Mike Stallings / John Stallings   | 599               | 495                 | 1094         |
| 3         | Robert Sanderson                  | 587               | 490                 | 1077         |
| 4         | Andy Blumenschein / Gary Levan    | 613               | 460                 | 1073         |
| 5         | John Clark / Marc Colwell         | 605               | 450                 | 1055         |
| 6         | Duane Hough / Jim Burdette        | 563               | 465                 | 1028         |
| 7         | Jerry Columber/ Bill Maynard      | 443               | 440                 | 883          |
| 8         | Tony Thornton / Mike Thornton     | 423               | 450                 | 873          |
| 9         | Dave Helton / Brian Bowen         | 368               | 470                 | 838          |
| 10        | Ken Bailey/ Gary Maynard          | 293               | 475                 | 768          |
| 11        | Gery Myerys / Dave McCabe         | 287               | 455                 | 742          |
| 12        | Robert Lingg Sr / Robert Lingg Jr | 220               | 500                 | 720          |
| 13        | Chris Funk/ Chris Funk            | 575               | 0                   | 575          |
| 14        | Jim Robenson / Bill Adae          | 455               | 100                 | 555          |
| 15        | Tom Kemper / Marion Erb           | 50                | 480                 | 530          |
| 16        | Say Louanglath / Jessie Wait      |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | Chris Sands / Matt Sands          |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | Bill Sadowski/ Larry Riley        |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | Corbin Williams / Brenda Williams |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | John Mahar / Dale Rapp            |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | Shane Falke/ Scott Newman         |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | Mike Defibaugh/ Adam Harlamert    |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | Lenny Wooten / Larry Wooten       |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | Jason Walls. Maria Chamberlin     |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | Mark Wolf / John Mayberry         |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | Andy Jones / Dan Jones            |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | Andy Stickley / JD Stickley       |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | Don Pedrick / Larry Patton        |                   | 0                   | 0            |
| 16        | Gary Thornbury                    |                   | 0                   | 0            |