



Lake Region Anglers Association

PO Box 456, Devils Lake, ND 58301

• Sportsmanship • Conservation • Youth Activities • Preservation

Reminder: If dues are not current, this is your last newsletter.

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Prez Sez:

In recent newsletters I've been encouraging more emphasis on preventing the spread of Aquatic Nuisance Species. It seems the North Dakota Game and Fish Department does not agree with the importance of keeping these destructive biological invaders from affecting our waters. Nor does G&F view strong enforcement as an integral part of any program to prevent the spread. Your Board of Directors disagrees and is discussing what measures we as North Dakota fishermen and as an Organization should take. I would ask members who have strong feeling to contact me or come to a Board meeting and join the discussion. Our Board meetings are always held the first Tuesday of the month at Felix's starting at 7PM.

On a more positive note, the Four Season Cleaning Station

just south of Ed's Bait Shop off Hwy 20 South is coming along. It should serve Devils Lake and the Lake Region fishing community well. Construction should be completed about the time the other outside cleaning facilities are shut down. Be sure to thank the City of Devils Lake for spearheading this project. We need more involvement from area fishermen in Lake Region Anglers Assn. We do a lot of things for the Lake Region fishermen but it doesn't get done by itself, it takes people and work. If you can help let us know or come to a Board Meeting.

Thanks for being a member
Clark Williams, President
Lake Region Anglers Assn

2012 Team of the Year & East Bay Outing

Highest point total of two man teams fishing the Spring Northern Walleye, the East Bay Earlybird and the Devils Lake Open. 6 teams qualified.

Team of the Year	Cory Anderson & Ken Remmen	275.847 pts
2nd Place	Mearl Nelson & Travis Klein	261.904 pts
3rd Place	Tanner and Tyler Elhaug	206.10 pts
4th Place	Brenda & Justin Barstad	201.39 pts
5th Place	Jesse Hermanson & Tim Mack	183.06 pts
6th Place	Ross Sensiba & Gary Remmen	172.29 pts

Team of the Year winners qualify for the Automatic Invitation to the Cabela's National Team Championship and a paid entry as well as Plaques recognizing their accomplishment which are presented to them at the Annual Meeting. Congratulations to Cory and Kenny and all those who competed.

Saturday June 2, 2012 – Estenson's Landing

The East Bay Outing was held for the first time at Estenson's Landing at Dead Cow Bay off Hwy 20 South. A beautiful day with 17 teams competing.

1st Place	Cory Anderson & Ken Remmen	25.78 lbs
2nd Place	Terry Schlieve & Todd Schlieve	21.67 lbs
3rd Place	Travis Klein & Mearl Nelson	20.63 lbs
4th Place	Eric Nygaard & Troy Goulet	18.88 lbs
5th Place	Forrest Balvitch & Rod Troftglube	18.33 lbs
Largest Walleye:	Timmy Mack & Jesse Hermanson	5.52 lbs
Largest Northern:	Cory Anderson & Ken Remmen	8.48 lbs
Tournament Directors: Randy and Annette Anderson		
Plaques sponsored by: Jerome Wholesale		



2012 Team of the Year & East Bay Outing Winners:
Ken Remmen & Cory Anderson

2012 Spring Northern and Walleye Outing

Sunday May 20, 2012 – Pelican Marina

21 teams fished the 2012 Lake Region Anglers Spring Northern and Walleye Outing. Held for the first time out of the Pelican Marina and for the first time Walleyes were included. The Outing was rescheduled for Sunday due to high winds predicted for Saturday.

1st Place	Jon Dircks & Jay Hagen	53.95 lbs
2nd Place	Travis Klein & Merle Nelson	51.61 lbs
3rd Place	Aaron McQuiod & Quince Hambek	44.86 lbs
4th Place	Ben Mack & Matt Taylor	42.28 lbs
5th Place	Cory Anderson & Ken Remmen	42.04 lbs

Thanks especially to Jessica Mack for her organization and work to make this Outing happen.

Tournament Directors: Ben Mack & Brenda Barstad

Plaques sponsored by: Jerome Wholesale



Jon Dircks, Alan Nord & Jay Hagen

2012 WALLEYE WIDOW OUTING

Saturday August 11, 2012 – Henegar Landing & Roosevelt Park

Blustery winds and schedule confusion kept participation low. 7 teams participated and enjoyed good fishing. Kay Barstad (guided by Justen Barstad) won with 35.83 lbs of walleye, northern and white bass. Kay also had the largest walleye. A steak fry catered by Cedar Inn was enjoyed by participants after the weigh-in at Roosevelt Park.

Winner	Kay Barstad (Justen Barstad)	35.83 lbs
2nd	Roxanne Lang (Bryan Lang)	31.98 lbs
3rd	Brenda Barstad (Mearl Nelson)	24.92 lbs
4th	Kasey Peterson (Allan Krech)	24.01 lbs
5th	Sarah Kleinisch & Carly Paulseth (Zach Axtman & Spencer Deutz)	20.20 lbs

Largest Walleye: Kay Barstad 3.89 lbs

Largest Northern: Sarah Kleinisch & Carly Paulseth 6.95 lbs

Largest White Bass: Sarah Kleinisch & Carly Paulseth

Tournament Director: Clark Williams

Plaques donated by Jerome Wholesale



Kay Barstad

37th Annual Devils Lake Area Chamber Walleye Tournament

On June 23-24, 2012, 99 of the 100 teams that fished the 37th Annual Chamber Walleye Tournament had inconsistent success fishing, but the team of Travis Clemens and Jason Ramberg found the bigger fish consistently and ran away with First Place by almost 7 pounds. Six of the top seven teams were Lake Region Anglers and 14 of the top 20. Congratulations Travis and Jason and all Lake Region Anglers.

WINNERS	Travis Clemens & Jason Ramberg	40.0 lbs
2nd Place	Bryan Lang & Mitch Lang	33.19 lbs
3rd Place	Larry Zimmerman & Dennis Andruski	32.54 lbs
4th Place	Rick Darling and Jeff Trana	31.54 lbs
5th Place	Trey Benson & Karl Kenner	28.69 lbs
6th Place	Todd LaMotte & Mark Zinke	26.87 lbs
7th Place	Don Denning & Jacob Denning	25.63 lbs
8th Place	Tod Troftgruben & Dustin Larson	25.60 lbs
9th Place	Mark Slotto & Kris Rainsberry	24.83 lbs
19th Place	Ryan Kalberer & Jim Kalberer	24.61 lbs

For complete results check: <http://tourism.devilslakend.com/?p=4915>

Lake Access: 2012

Four Season Cleaning Station: The big news is the construction of the Four Season Cleaning Station just south of Ed's Bait Shop off Hwy 20. The Cleaning Station will be heated and air conditioned and open year round. Hours will be the same as Ed's Bait Shop, 6AM till 10PM. There will be two cleaning tables and grinders and serious security, camera's and locking doors, so we can hopefully keep equipment intact. There will be no cleaning of game and waterfowl inside the facility. Steel Shot does not mix well with \$10,000 grinders.

Lake Region Anglers has been working closely with the Lake Access Committee and the City of Devils Lake to see this project to completion. Ground has been broken and target completion date is October 15th. Thanks to the City of Devils Lake and Mike Graafsgaard, City Engineer, who have done much of the coordination for this project.

Pelican Marina: Open for most of a year now, the Pelican Marina has had some growing pains but always seems to be very busy. With the dropping lake levels the channel has gotten very shallow and we will be looking at having it dredged but at least for now anglers can get under the Hwy 19 bridge from the main lake. Be careful when exiting the Marina to the North, be sure to stay to the west, away from the submerged farm road on the east. Not good for props and lower units.

Grahams Island: The road is finished and paved, looks really good. The State Park will be adding 48 more camper sites with full service and is planning a lot of sprucing up.

Black Tiger Bay Boat Ramp: Black Tiger has been closed since the access road went under a couple of years ago. Benson Co has been working with FEMA to construct a new access road into the site. Will keep the club informed when further news available.

Lakewood Beach: Lake Region Anglers worked with the Devils Lake Park Board to stabilize the shoreline north of the new ramp. The erosion was undercutting the shoreline badly and undercutting the road. Thanks to the Park Board for coordinating this project.

Ice Fishing is being proposed on Lake Alice Refuge: The LRAA Board of Directors and FWS discussed the how to open Lake Alice to winter fishing last spring. Allowing ice fishing on Lake Alice will require a change in the refuge's operational management plan. Change in refuge operations will require paperwork must be submitted to the regional office for their approval. The FWS Devils Lake staff asked the LRAA to prepare the paperwork to allow fishing on Lake Alice refuge.

The LRAA Board accepted the task with the FWS help in following federal guidelines for preparing the documents. The FWS Devils Lake staff provided very useful suggestions to open the refuge to ice fishing. The FWS staff at Devils Lake will review the paperwork, make suggestions, and then the documents will be submitted to the FWS regional office.

The change in Lake Alice refuge management will begin with a 5-year experimental period for winter ice fishing. If there are no problems or problems cannot be easily solved, Lake Alice would be opened to winter ice fishing as a permanent operational objective.

A general overview of the Lake Alice proposal is – allowing ice fishing from 1st of December to 13th of April, no open water fishing is being proposed for Lake Alice, no boat or shore fishing will be permitted, fishing will be from ½ hour prior to sunrise to ½ hour after sunset, no permanent ice house used on Lake Alice, and North Dakota Game and Fish's fishing regulations will be followed.

The new Lake Alice operational plan must be approved by the FWS regional office. The plan will then need to be published in the Federal Register for public comment and additional review by federal agencies and other resource agencies. Lake Alice maybe opened to winter fishing in December of 2013 or as soon as possible.

Thanks to Lynn Schlueter and Bob Gibson for taking charge on this project.

2012 Devils Lake Open

June 16, 2012 – Six Mile Bay

1st Place	Don Denning & Jacob Denning	28.52 lbs
2nd Place	Cory Anderson & Kenny Remmen	27.78 lbs
3rd Place	Corey Everson & Chad Estenson	25.82 lbs
4th Place	Tim Rutten & Kelly Bakken	24.95 lbs
5th Place	Travis Klien & Mearl Nelson	24.41 lbs
6th Place	Carl Kenner & Troy Benson	22.39 lbs
7th Place	Tyler Elshaug & Tanner Elshaug	22.29 lbs
8th Place	Chase Freidig & David Remmen	21.50 lbs
9th Place	Brenda Barstad & Justen Barstad	20.15 lbs
10th Place	Jeff Trana & Rick Darling	20.14 lbs

Largest Northern Pike Corey Everson & Chad Estenson

Largest Walleye Cory Anderson & Ken Remmen 4.16 lbs

Tournament Director: Bruce Hagen

Plaques sponsored by: Jerome Wholesale

Jacob & Don Denning



2012 Adult - Child Outing

Saturday July 28, 2012 – Lakewood Beach

1st Place Riley Schlieve & Miles Barstad	41.67 lbs
2nd Place Blake Gellner & Alwx Gellner	39.99 lbs
3rd Place Alex Reslock & Tylor Carlson	34.37 lbs
4th Place Jace Trana & Cody Shereck	31.62 lbs
5th Place Tanner Elshaug	28.33 lbs
6th Place Garrett Soderstrom	25.05 lbs
7th Place Bridgette Harkness & Gracie Harkness	24.75 lbs
8th Place Jace Estenson & Tate Estenson	17.69 lbs
9th Place Dani Schwanke & Desidy Schwanke	15.66 lbs
10th Place Alex Holmes & Jodi Holmes	14.97 lbs
Largest Pike Bridgette & Gracie Harkness	10.55 lbs
Largest Bass Alex Reslock and Tylor Carlson	3.13 lbs
Largest Walleye Connor Knatterud	3.26 lbs

Outing Director: Jay Hagen

Prize Sponsors: Pete's Bait Shop, Johnnie Candle Guide Service,
Devils Lake Area Chamber of Commerce
& Ed's Bait Shop

Plaques sponsored by: West Bay Resort



Largest Northern: Bridgette & Gracie



1st Place: Riley & Miles

Largest White Bass: Tyler & Alex



Participation Gifts



Largest Walleye: Connor



12th Annual Spirit Lake Walleye Classic

June 9-10, 2012

With 70 teams competing, the 12th Annual Spirit Lake Walleye Classic had strong winds on Saturday and fine weather on Sunday. The first day leaders of Chad Haberstroh and Kelly Bakken held on for a close victory of just over a pound over past champions Matt Taylor and Ben Mack. 8 of the top 10 teams were members of the Lake Region Anglers, including the top 5 teams.

Winners	Chad Haberstroh & Kelly Bakken	42.99 lbs
2nd Place	Matt Taylor & Ben Mack	41.82 lbs
3rd Place	Tim Rutten & Lance Forsburg	35.55 lbs
4th Place	Jeff Trana & Rick Darling	34.66 lbs
5th Place	Travis Klein & Rich Frisch	34.66 lbs
6th Place	Larry Zimmerman & Dennis Andruski	31.46 lbs
7th Place	Chase Freidig & Terry Schlieve	31.10 lbs
8th Place	Jason Ramberg & Travis Clemens	30.52 lbs
9th Place	Leigh Hoogenson & Jeremy Wolf	29.43 lbs
10th Place	Cory Anderson & Ken Remmen	27.95 lbs

For complete standings information check www.spiritlekacasino.com/recreation/marina/walleyeclassic/

Devils Lake Fall Fishing

It is by far my favorite time of the year to be on the waters of Devils Lake. There are a few reasons. The fall colors are really fun to watch on the lake, the fish bite really good and get bigger in the fall, and NO ONE ELSE IS OUT THERE. It is true, some of the best fishing of the year and you can have the all to yourself.

There are a couple of key things to look for to guarantee fall success. The first thing that gets me fired up for the fall bite is the first indication weeds are dying. If while casting the shallow weed beds I begin noticing brown weeds on my lures, it is time to get ready for fall. September first is a good date to use as a guideline, but the first frost guarantees things are right.

It is now time to start looking for the steepest drop offs nearest the deepest water. Remember, this is relative to the surrounding areas. In some places on Devils Lake, it may be a drop from 20 to 40 feet of water with 50 feet nearby and in other areas it could be a drop from 14 to 18 feet of water with 27 feet of water nearby. Either way, it is steep and deep that will concentrate fall walleye.

As for techniques, there are two that I prefer. My choice is based on the size of the structure. If the area of structure is large enough, I will troll crankbaits. There is something about fall walleye, colder water, and the magic of a trolled crankbait. The depth will dictate how to get to the bottom, but the lures stay the same.

Berkley Flicker Shads on lead core line or Fire Line depending on the depth have been hard to beat the past few years. Bigger seems to be better as the #7 and #9 size dominate my catches. Stick with whites and perch imitators and you will catch plenty of fish.

If the structure is small, vertical jigging rules the day. A three or four inch Gulp! minnow on a quarter oz Nuckle Ball jig turns a lot of spectators into biters. When that won't work, I turn to ice fishing tactics. A 3/8th oz PK Spoon jigged aggressively can trigger those not so willing to eat.

Whether it is trolling or jigging you prefer find the steep and deep spots and get you line in the water. It is hard to beat a day on the lake catching 5 pound walleye and no other boats in sight.



LR Anglers: "What We Do" 2012-2013

"WHAT WE DO" is a brief overview of some of the activities that your Lake Region Anglers Association is involved in. We welcome all persons who enjoy the benefits of "WHAT WE DO" to become members of LRAA.

Your membership in LRAA helps us to advance the objectives of the Association.

The objectives of the Association are the Conservation and Preservation of our natural resources, enhancing recreational and fishing opportunities through our work with Lake Access projects, creating an environment that promotes a spirit of Sportsmanship and Fellowship amongst our members and supporting Youth Education and Youth Activities.

FELLOWSHIP-SPORTSMANSHIP

Spring Northern Outing

East Bay Outing

Devils Lake Open – open to the public

Devils Lake Angler Young Angler (AYA) Tournament in partnership with FM Walleyes

Adult-Child Outing

Walleye Widow Outing

Association Newsletters - 3 per year – updates on club activities, how to fishing articles, topics of local, regional and statewide significance, legislative concerns related to fishing and our natural resources

LRAA Website www.ndsportfishingcongress.org/LRAA.htm
- Everything LRAA

E-Mail Tree -- Regular e-mail communications to the membership and interested parties on upcoming events, items of interest, and provide a way for members to contact the memberships elected Board of Directors and Officers of LRAA through our e-mail contact address of [HYPERLINK "mailto:lraa@gondtc.com" lraa@gondtc.com](mailto:lraa@gondtc.com)

Community Activities -- Provides Equipment, technical assistance and volunteer support to:

Flyway Fish Fry

Devils Lake Area Chamber of Commerce Fish Fry

North Dakota Telephone Company Fish Fry

Devils Lake Chamber Fishing Tournament

Devils Lake Volunteer Fire Department Ice Fishing Tournament

Kim Barstad Memorial Fishing Tournament

Host of ND Game & Fish District 3 Advisory Meetings

Lure Em' for Life - Youth Camp (funds 5 full scholarships for member youth)

Fishing Has No Boundaries - Anglers with Disabilities

North Dakota Teen Challenge - Fishing Qwest

LAKE ACCESS

Advisory Member of Devils Lake Access Committee - cooperative committee of City, County, DL Park Board and Lake Region Anglers to provide for improved access to Devils Lake both summer and winter.

Coordinate new access projects, fish cleaning stations in partnership with North Dakota Game and Fish Department Provides consultation, money and volunteer labor to maintain Lakewood Landing, East Bay, Estensons Landing, Henegar Landing, 6 Mile Bay, and Pelican Lake landings – Help purchase, install, maintain, clean-up Docks, Ramps & Fish Cleaning Stations

Fundraising - Calendar Raffle - funds used to support Lake Access Projects

LEGISLATIVE - CONSERVATION - PRESERVATION

Member of **North Dakota Sportfishing Congress (NDSFC)**
- The NDSFC is the fisherman's independent representative at the state and federal level. We offer support to the NDSFC who represents the interests of fisherman at local, state and the federal meetings. LRAA helps to support an independent lobbyist to work for the fisherman's interests at the State Legislature each biennium. Currently the President, Past President one Board member and two delegates of NDSFC are LRAA members. Our Independent Lobbyist for the past 4 Legislative sessions is also a LRAA member.



8th Annual Community Fish Fry & Corn Feed

The 8th Annual Fish Fry and Corn Feed served 455 people on August 23, 2012. We had 35 Volunteers help with cooking and serving.

Brenda Barstad	Larry Schneider
Allan Nord	Mike Kraft
Lori Frith	Kevin Frith
Elaine Dosch	Todd Thompson
Tom Stoe	Matt Taylor
Mark Olson	Robin Friedig
Dave Magnuson	Ed Dosch
Jay Hagen	Johnnie Candle
Jon Dircks	Al Feidig
Bruce Hagen	Lynn Schlueter
Paul Lee	Michelle Williams
Barb Ash	Steve Juntunen
Jeff Klemetsrud	Suzie Kenner
Katie Mertens	Kensi Schuppert
Kensi Eisenzimmer	Jenny Schuppert
Chad Peterson	Kale Stromme
Mike Yoder	Mandy Kenner
Clark Williams	Bob Gibson

*thanks for the Devils Lake Park Board for the use of the Bill Jerome and their staff

*Thanks to Pepsi for donating the beverages

*Thanks to the Firebirds Football Team and Boosters for shucking the corn

*Thanks to Dr. Wayman and Chad Peterson for their help with a sick elderly guest

The following helped prepare the fish the night before

Al Friedig	Brenda Barstad
Lynn Schlueter	Steve Juntunen
Jay Hagen	Bob Gibson
Bruce Hagen	Larry Schneider
Annette Anderson	Randy Anderson
Clark Williams	

*Thanks to Ed's Bait Shop and Donna Dircks for the use of their back room for the preparation.



2012 AYA Outing

The Lake Region Anglers Association and FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc. held their 5th Annual "ANGLER YOUNG ANGLER" Fishing Tournament on Saturday July 14th, 2012 out of Lakewood Landing. The anglers were greeted with an overcast day in the morning turning to sunny in the afternoon with winds of 5 to 9 mph through-out the fishing day.

In our closest finish in the 5 year history of our event the first place finisher's walleye weighed 9 hundreds of a pound more than the second place team. We are proud to announce the Champions of the 5th Annual Devils Lake Regional AYA Fishing Tournament are;

"Angler Young Angler" Awards CHAMPIONS –

"Angler Young Anglers" –

"Jacob Denning & Blake Meyer" – 16.11 lbs.

2nd Place - Jayce Trana & Tanner Armstrong –	16.02 lbs.
3rd Place - Hannah Pierson & Cameron Rotter –	13.55 lbs.
4th Place - Carson Lovin & Leo Halko –	11.02 lbs.
5th Place - Jayce & Elise Ramberg –	10.38 lbs.
6th Place - Matthew Schindele & Wyatt Ziegler –	10.24 lbs.
7th Place - Brandon & Cameron VanOverbeke –	9.42 lbs.
8th Place - Bryce Sebelius & Garrett Schroeder –	9.26 lbs.
9th Place - Hunter Tuchscherer & Karson DeMers –	8.45 lbs.
10th Place - Conner Heiser & Grady Stillwell	

"ANGLER YOUNGEST ANGLER" –

CONNER HEISER – 5 years old

"TRAVELERS AWARD" –

BRANDON & CAMERON VANOVERBEKE –

407.06 miles – 6 hrs 9 minutes

"LARGEST WALLEYE GIRL" –

HANNAH PIERSON – 7.36 lbs.

"LARGEST" WALLEYE BOY" –

JAYCE TRANA – 5.56 lbs.

LAKE REGION ANGLERS ASSOCIATION

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Lake Region Anglers Association Officers

Board of Directors

President:.....Clark Williams
Vice President:.....Johnnie Candle
Secretary:.....Cathy Nord
Treasurer:.....Brenda Barstad

Board Members: 2012-2014

Jay Hagen, Matt Taylor, Cory Anderson
Allan Nord

Board Members: 2011-2013

Lynn Schlueter, Tim Rutten, Ben Mack,
Bob Gibson, Jon Dircks

Current Resident or

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION TO LAKE REGION ANGLERS ASSN.

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

(CITY) (STATE) ((ZIP)

TELEPHONE NO. _____
(HOME) (WORK)

E?MAIL ADDRESS: _____

<p>LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP o Ages 18-59 \$350.00 o Ages 60 & Over \$250.00 SHIRT SIZE____</p>
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☐ INDIVIDUAL
/ FAMILY
MEMBERSHIP
\$20.00

☐ I wish to add my support to the North Dakota
sportfishing Congress. \$5.00 is enclosed for
my membership to the Congress.

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