



LB Sportsman

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May has been hooked, netted, and put into the live well. All the while, June is on the line, but it is being swallowed by July in a hurry. The past month has taken us to many tournaments, and has added another team sponsor. We would like to welcome Sportsmans Review.com to our team of sponsors. Please take the time to visit their site at www.sportsmansreview.com. You can also visit our team link at www.sportsmansreview.com/LB.asp.

Our first tournament of the year was to be May 13th on Wood Lake. Due to 35+mph winds the league members voted and decided to move down the road to Dead Coon where a south boat access would allow easier access to the water. Hopes were high as we connected with 3 small walleye early in the evening, but with all three being short of the required 15" minimum, along with pounding wind and waves no qualifying fish were caught. Returning to the boat landing at the end of the tournament we discovered that no other boats were successful in landing a qualifying fish, thus leaving us tied for 1st for the evening.

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The second tournament on the schedule led us to the 16th Annual Lake Shetek Walleye Fishing Tournament. Having finished 9th place with 87 other boats the tournament was renamed to the 16th Annual Dead Sea Fishing Tournament. Ninety-five boats entered the tournament; eight of the boats caught a total of 14 walleye. In spite of having perfect weather conditions the tournament catch was extremely poor. Many anglers are pointing their fingers at the invasion of channel catfish from the Des Moines River.

Having exchanged Wood Lake for Dead Coon on May 13th we now headed back to Wood Lake on May 20th where we would record our first qualifying fish of the year. A 17" 1.44lb walleye lead us to a 4th place finish; .44lbs short of third place and .58lbs short of second.

Following the 4th place finish on Wood Lake we moved to Perch Lake on May 28th. Driving wind and waves made fishing difficult once again. Every team ended up anchored along the south shore within shouting distance of each other. A comical chatting evening became a still mutter as we connected with a 6lb Northern Pike. By quickly netting and putting the fish into the live well had all the teams concerned about a large walleye on board. Five minutes after netting the northern we were in action again with a large walleye. A weak hook, no thanks to a 6lb northern, left the 3+ pound walleye swimming free after showing himself at the boat. Fifteen minutes later a second walleye was caught, but was short of the 15" minimum, leaving us without any qualifying walleye. One qualifying walleye was caught during the evening tournament.



As May ended and June began we packed up the boat and campers and headed to Spicer for the two day 28th Annual Little Crow Anglers Walleye Tournament on Green Lake. Fishing was good as we connected with several small mouth and large mouth Bass ranging from 1/2lb – 4lbs. Having only caught four small walleye we were short of making the leader board.

Following the June 2nd and 3rd Green Lake tournament we headed to Lake Sarah for our 4th fishing league tournament the evening of June 3rd. The evening presented itself with the most serious weather conditions of the season. Mother Nature gave us a wild ride with strong winds and several torrential down-pours, but backed off as the evening progressed and allowed us to net a 1.30lb walleye leading to a 3rd place finish.

Leading into a big weekend we find ourselves in 4th place heading to Lac Qui Parle for the Buffalo Ridge Fishing League's season Finale. We are currently 70 points out of 1st, 25 points out of 2nd, and 5 points out of 3rd. Following the Sunday finale we head to Fish Lake south of Windom on Monday morning for the 18th Annual Southwest Police Officers Association Fishing Tournament.

Again we would like to thank all of our sponsors for their dedicated support.

Good Fishing, LB Sportsman



**Walleye Supreme
Ingredients**

- 1 pound walleye*
- 8 ounces cheddar cheese, grated
- 8 ounces sour cream
- 1 (10 1/2 ounce) can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 medium onion, diced

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Place fish in shallow baking pan; place diced onion and cheese evenly on fish. Mix sour cream and soup in a bowl and spoon onto fish. Bake in preheated oven 30 to 35 minutes. Serves 4.
*Ideal fillets should be approximately 3/4-inch thick.

NEW LIFE. As spring transitions to summer, wild critters have unveiled their young of the year, including Canada goose goslings. Every year at this time, the Minnesota DNR reminds citizens to trust Mother Nature and leave young, wild critters alone if you encounter them. Photo by John LaMere

Our Schedule

Date	Place	Event	Results
5/13	Dead Coon	Buffalo Ridge Fishing League	1st Place Tie
5/19	Lake Shetek	16th Annual Lake Shetek Walleye	9th Place Tie
5/20	Wood Lake	Buffalo Ridge Fishing League	4th Place
5/28	Perch Lake	Buffalo Ridge Fishing League	2nd Place Tie
6/2	Green Lake	28th Annual Little Crow Anglers	DNP
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6/3	Lake Sarah	Buffalo Ridge Fishing League	3rd Place
6/10	Lac Qui Parle Fish	Buffalo Ridge Fishing League	
6/11	Lake	18th Annual SW Police Officers	
6/23	Lake Benton	10th Annual L.I.F.E Walleye	
9/15	Lake Minnewaska	Fall Walleye Classic	
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2007 PHOTOS



Did you know?

A 3½-ounce portion of fish (before cooking) provides about half of the daily adult protein requirement and has, depending on the species of fish, only 100 to 150 calories