



# WALLEYE SEARCHERS MARCH NEWSLETTER

Monday March 2nd 2026, 7:00pm at the Eagles club in Rochester, Mn. We will be finalizing plans for our spring seminar. Please bring all donations to meeting if you have not already handed them over to a seminar committee member. Please finish up selling big tickets and turn in funds at meeting. We are still in need of volunteers to help at the seminar. This event is our best chance of raising money to fund our projects through the year and need your help to assure it runs smoothly. Contact Dan or Caleb if you have questions or can sign up to help with this event.

## Membership Notes

Our current board members are:

- President- Kevin Valento
- Vice President- Tom Klinkhammer
- Treasurer- Jeff Stokfisz
- Secretary- Steve Iverson

WALLEYE SEARCHERS OF MN  
ANNUAL SPRING SEMINAR  
MARCH 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
DOORS OPEN AT 1:00pm  
EAGLES CLUB OF ROCHESTER  
917 15<sup>th</sup> AVE SE. ROCHESTER MN

EVAN ROSEMORE GUEST SPEAKER  
TOPIC WILL BE  
PRETRIP SCOUTING FOR  
INCREASED SUCCES ON THE WATER

WE WILL HOLD A FREE DRAWING FOR  
VETS AND ACTIVE SERVICE PERSONAL

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Club Meeting

March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026  
7:00 pm Eagles Club

### Spring Seminar

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
Doors Open At 1:00pm  
Eagles Club Rochester, MN

### Tournament #1

April 11, 2026 7am-3pm  
With Fish Fry

### Lake Pepin Open

April 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> 2026  
Red Wing, MN



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## Membership Notes Cont.

Our tournament regulations are in the process of being reviewed. A club tournament was added to bring the total to 7 for the year and guidelines need to be adjusted to reflect this change. Guideline revision is scheduled to be presented and voted on at the March meeting. This year marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lake Pepin Open. We have the MN DNR permit in hand. The certificate of insurance has been obtained from the Federation. The PUPP form has been submitted to the City of Red Wing and water permit from the Goodhue Sheriff's office has been applied for. We currently have 16 teams signed up. We have switched to Paypal and Venmo for payments to the club and it has helped considerably.

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## WTF Where's the Fish

Crappies are providing the best action across the state. Deep basins are holding suspended fish. Best bite during low-light and after dark. Walleyes as well are picked up at low light or at night. Trucks, ATVs, wheelhouses and sleds add to the disturbance during the day. Little snow cover takes its toll as well with light penetration.

## Catch of the Month

We encourage members to submit photos to be shared here. Last week a trip to Lake of the Woods proved successful for a nice group of eaters. Temps were cold with extensions being used on augers.

