

# GLENWOOD ROTARY CLUB WALLEYE CHALLENGE

LAKE MINNEWASKA | SEPTEMBER 10TH

**Two-Man Teams | Limit 50 teams**

**Entry Fee** \$400 per team, sponsored or \$300 per team, non-sponsored

**Prizes:** 1st-\$4,300, 2nd-\$3,000, 3rd-\$1,450, 4th-\$900, 5th-\$700, 6th-\$600, 7th-\$500, 8th-\$500, 9th-\$350, 10th-\$350

**Largest Walleye Contest - WIN \$200! YOU MUST BRING YOUR OWN JUDGE RULER!**

**1) Eligibility** - Glenwood Rotary Walleye Challenge is a two-person tournament. A complete entry form must be signed and turned in, no later than Aug. 27, 2022. The Tournament is limited to 50 teams on a first come basis. Anyone under 18 must be partnered with an adult. All tournament contestants must have a valid MN fishing license, and all Minnesota Fishing regulations will be enforced.

**2) Pre-tournament Practice** - Anytime up until 4:30 on Sept. 9th - this will be monitored and enforced.

**3) Fishing Hours/Flight Schedule** - Tournament will run from 7am-3pm. As entries come in, that will determine boat order. Sponsored first, in order of entry. Non sponsored second, in order of entry. Check in will be at the City access dock. Non-sponsored boats must be in by 2:30 p.m. Sponsored boats must be in by 3 p.m.

**4) Tournament Format** - This is a catch, photo, and release tournament. You will need your own Judge ruler! Only Walleyes can be weighed. Each team may weigh 6 fish. Minimum size for Walleye is 15 inches. Since this is a catch and release you CAN weigh in multiple fish that are over 20". You will be given a cell number to text your pictures to on Friday. This is the number you send all your photos to.

- One partner holds the fish on the official ruler. The belly of the fish will face the person measuring the fish. The mouth of the fish MUST touch the bump plate on the ruler to the LEFT (head to Left), and the tail is extended back to its maximum length on the RIGHT end of the ruler (tail to the right).

- The partners agree on the length of the fish to 1/4" accuracy. If the tail fin touches or crosses a graduation line on the ruler, the official length of the fish for scoring purposes may be rounded up to the next 1/4 of an inch line on the ruler.

- Who ever measures the fish will measure all day. Whichever takes the pics, takes them the whole day!

- While the fish is being held on the ruler a "scoring" photo must be taken of the fish which clearly shows the overall length of the fish. The head and tail of the fish MUST BE included and show clearly with the nose on the bump plate. Another photo MUST be taken of the fish being held up by a partner. This "hero shot" photo must show the entire RIGHT side of the fish. These photos will be used for technical evaluation. Same person holding and taking pics as the first pic.

- The fish must then be immediately released back into the water by the partner holding the fish.

- Record the length of the fish on the Scorecard and both partners should validate the length recorded for accuracy.

- In the instance when 2 or more fish are caught at the same time, the process requires that one fish must be measured, photographed, and released as quickly as possible before the next fish can be processed.

- NO FISH are to be placed in the live well. It is NOT permissible to hold fish in water using nets, lines, stringers, etc. Delays in releasing fish may be grounds for disqualification.

- While a fish is in the boat, anglers will NOT be allowed to reset or place any fishing lines in the water. After all fish are processed and released, normal angling may resume.

**5) Largest Walleye** - Each team will be entered into the largest fish pot. Payback for the largest walleye will be - \$200.00.

**6) Weigh-In** - The city access dock will serve as the official site. You will turn in the filled-out sheet for the day signed by the team. Non-sponsored boats are in at 2:30 pm and sponsored boats at 3 pm. If you don't get an accurate photo where we can't see the bump plate and tail pinched we will throw out the fish. Please take time to get good photos. If you round up and it didn't go over the line, we will throw out the fish.

**7) Timer** - An official time check boat will be out in plain sight as you come in, you will be required to hold up your team # so the Official Timekeeper can track your time. Teams who return late to the check-in point, will forfeit their total weight for that day. Failure to check in, will result in disqualification.

**8) Tie** - In an event of a tie, it will be broken by the largest walleye.

**9) Boat Check** - Boat checks will start at 5:30 a.m. at the Glenwood DNR Access. All boats must be checked in and inspected prior to launch. At this point you will receive your ribbon for your boat. This must stay on all day. We will also give you something to put in all photos taken! To make sure no early fish pics can be taken.

**10) Rules Meeting** - Rules meeting to be held at the Minnewaska House on Sept. 9th. Happy hour and collect boat numbers from 5-6 p.m. Meeting to start at 6 p.m. If you have questions about the photo release, I encourage you to call or email for some examples. You will get your boat number, clipboard, pencils and score sheet at boat check. Losing your boat number will cost you \$10.

**11) Entry's** - We encourage you to be a sponsor! All sponsor boat entries will get the number spot as I receive them! Non-sponsored boats will be taken as we receive them and will go out after the sponsor boats.

**12) Ruler** - The official ruler of the tournament will be 'The Judge'. YOU MUST PROVIDE YOUR OWN JUDGE RULER!

**13) Sportsmanship** - Contestants will be expected to be courteous, safety conscious and practice sporting principles. Any infractions will result in disqualification. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed in boats during contest hours.

**14) Safety** - All contestants must follow U.S. Coast Guard regulations, and must wear your life jackets while the boat is on plane.

**15) Protest** - Must be made within 15 minutes after weigh-in is over.

**16) Paybacks** - Payback and team placement will be based on tournament participation and could be subject to change.

**17) Cellular Phones** - Cell phones may be used to record fish photos and to text judges. That's it! No other use unless it's an emergency.

**18) No Anglers** allowed a shore tournament hours unless of a emergency or threaten weather.

**19) Rules & Interpretation** - contestants are responsible for knowing tournament rules as well as state and local regulations. The tournament committee is not liable for any accidents, loss, or damage of personal property or personal injury in conjunction with this tournament.

**20) No refunds** allowed.

**21) Motor Issues** - If you cannot get to the scale on time, you can have another boat bring in your score sheet for you. If both teams are late you both forfeit your total weight for that day. You must contact Marin Rajdl if this is taking place 320-815-7117.



Send entry forms to: **Marin Rajdl, Country Financial | 8 First Street SE | Glenwood, MN 56334**

*Please make checks payable to Glenwood Rotary. DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS AUGUST 27TH*

Team Captain Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sign: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*in signing this application, I hereby waive and release all other contestants and tournament officials from claims on injury and/or damage incurred in connection with this tournament. Having read the rules, I agree to comply with the same.*