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**WILL ROGERS AND HIS WIFE LAUREN
SHOW OFF WILL'S WINNING CATCH**



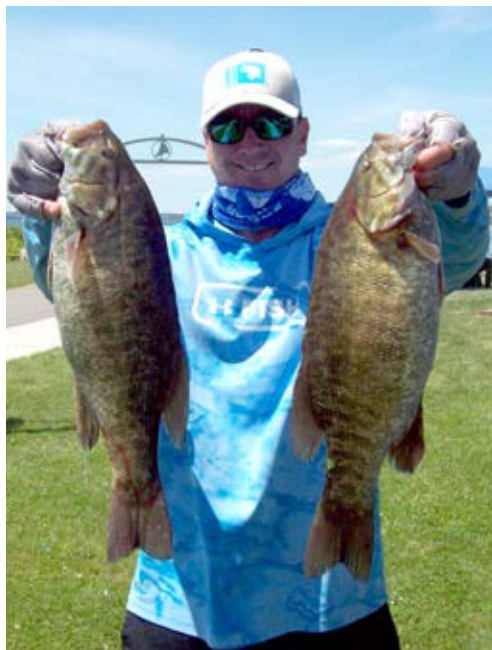
**ROGERS
DIALS IN THE WIN
ON DAY TWO AT
LAKE ERIE WITH
24.43 LBS. AND A
5.71 LB. LUNKER**

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LAKE ERIE

SMALL BOAT HARBOR, BUFFALO NY
ANGLER OF THE YEAR SERIES - JUNE 23, 2019



JIM BIANCHI
2nd Place - 23.31 lbs.

Will Rogers took Day 2 of the Tradwins Financial at Lake Erie with 24.33 lbs.

Will said, "Sunday started off much the same as Saturday with my first 5 fish being somewhere around 12.00 lbs. From there I was able to cull multiple times, catching 35-40 fish, to my 24.33 lb limit. The best time for me was midday when the water slicked off and it was dead calm. I know this is probably when many people struggled, but as soon as it calmed I was able to boat 4 of the 5 fish I weighed in.

Toward the end of the day I caught multiple 4+ lb. fish, but was not able to cull, as my smallest fish which was 4 lbs. 8 oz. That was both fun and frustrating. Same as day one, the bulk of the fish came on a Tube and the bigger fish including the lunker came on the Ned rig. The same rods were used, which were the LRS 744xf paired with a Daiwa Tatula 4000 reel, 15.00 lb. yellow power pro line, and 10.00 lb. Seaguar inviz-x fluorocarbon.

Thank you to the tournament staff for making things run smoothly at weigh-in, to all the members that helped bring fish out and take pictures, and of course the weigh/measure master. You all did a great job, as always.

Thank you to the tournament committee for continuing to put Lake Erie on the schedule.

A big thank you to my wife *Lauren*, again, she makes a lot of what I do possible and gives me her full support for this awesome sport! Thank you to Douglas Rods and their staff, they put out a great product and have great staff working for them."

Jim Bianchi came to the scales with 23.21 lbs. Just .03 lbs. from 1st.

Jim said, "Lake Erie has been a lot of fun the last few years and I've always said it's a great non boater lake. Well *Tyler Muhs* proved that to me and he had three 5 pound fish in the box before the ice in my live well even started to melt. As the day went on he needed one more good bite and I honestly thought with having the three kicker fish, a fourth 4 pounder, that he would win the tourney because he only needed one more big one to replace a rat. So I told him I had a different spot with concentrated 4 to 4.5 lb fish and I felt it would be no problem for him to get a fifth big one. Unfortunately the little spot on a spot was found by another boat and we never did cull again on day one but man he put it to me good so congrats Tyler. On the second day the bite was slow in the morning and heated up in the afternoon. There was a spot that looked right in practice but I never caught a fish on it. But when I pulled up to it on day two late in the day the fish were there and we made a couple nice culls. All typical Erie type baits

over fairly deep water for both days.

Chris O'Brien coming off an impressive Day 1 win, Chris came in 4th Place on Day 2 with 23.13.

Chris said, "Day 2 started off much in the way Day 1 ended, but quickly fizzled out after a half hours or so. With the dead calm winds, I was able to run a bunch of new water picking up a fish here and there."

I was only after quality so I exclusively threw the Draggin Head today.

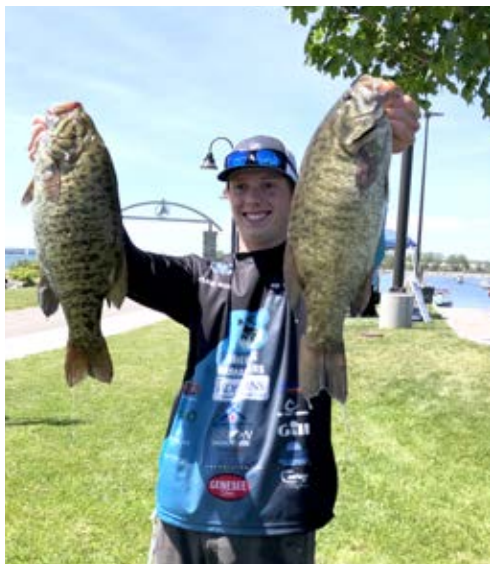
All in all it was a fun weekend catching a bunch of fish. Anytime you can catch 2 relatively calms days on Erie will make for an enjoyable weekend. Thanks to the tournament staff for all their hard work and putting on a great event."

New Rochester Bassmasters member *Dan Patane*, brought in 23.16 lb. for a 3rd Place Day 2 finish. Dan said, "I started my day off fishing

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DAN PATANE
3rd Place - 23.16 lbs.



TYLER AUSTIN
5th Place TIE - 21.00 lbs.

for some bedding fish. I knew I could catch around 18-19 lbs. I told myself once I did this I would go explore new water and look for some upgrades. I had about 19 lbs. by 10:30 AM. So I took off to find something different and less pressured. After a few stops I was able to find some isolated rock that I caught (3) five pounders of off. It took repetitive casts to get one to bite.

Nothing like 23.00 lbs of bronze gold in your livewell on a sunny day on Erie!



DOM CERASOULO
7th Place - 20.91 lbs.

Tyler Austin tied for 5th Place with 21.00 lbs.

Tyler said, "Lake Erie is a fantastic fishery. I came in to this event knowing I was going to fish the break walls. Day one I was throwing a 3/8 oz. jig head with a swimbait. Day two I made the change to 1/4 oz. to slow down my presentation. I was throwing the swimbait on my xmatrix 744xf.

I had *Doug Walker* for a non-boater for day two. This was his second tournament he has ever fished. He did an awesome job adapting to how we were fishing. Huge thanks to Douglas outdoors, Gill, and Tradewins Financial.

T.J. Valle brought 21.00 lbs. even to the scales. T.J. tied Tyler Austin for a very rare tie for 5th Place.



T.J. VALLE
5th Place TIE - 21.00 lbs.

Dom Cerasoulo finished in the 7th spot. Dom had 20.91 lbs.

Dom said, "I found a spot Saturday and saved it and I went back on Sunday morning. I had a limit by 7:00 am. I went back to the main lake and fished 20-25 ft. of water. I used a drop shot. I was able to cull my limit to 20.91 lbs."



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CAL COAST FISHING



Place	Angler	Fish Caught	Fish Weighed	Dead Fish	Weighed	Penalties	Lunker	Final Weight
1	Will Rogers	5	5	0	24.33	0.00	5.71	24.33
2	Jim Bianchi	5	5	0	23.31	0.00	5.38	23.31
3	Dan Patane	5	5	0	23.16	0.00	5.13	23.16
4	Chris O'Brien	5	5	0	23.13	0.00		23.13
5 tie	Tyler Austin	5	5	0	21.00	0.00	5.7	21.00
5 tie	TJ Valle	5	5	0	21.00	0.00		21.00
7	Dom Cerasuolo	5	5	0	20.91	0.00		20.91
8	Mark Harold	5	5	0	20.50	0.00		20.50
9	Jon Skirment	5	5	0	20.42	0.00	5.42	20.42
10	Jake Zaremski	5	5	0	19.90	0.00		19.90
11	Rich Zajac	5	5	0	19.72	0.00		19.72
12	Rod Brown	5	5	0	19.68	0.00		19.68
13	Steve Levine	5	5	0	19.48	0.00		19.48
14	Fred Ratcliffe	5	5	0	19.29	0.00		19.29
15	Todd Keller	5	5	0	19.11	0.00		19.11
16	Wes Vyverberg	5	5	0	19.05	0.00	4.87	19.05
17	Matt James	3	3	0	18.98	0.00		18.98
18	Dave Livingston	5	5	0	18.92	0.00		18.92
19	Nate Kalpin	5	4	1	19.00	0.00		19.00
20	Tige Noni	5	5	0	18.26	0.00		18.26
21	Drew Damtoft	5	5	0	18.19	0.00		18.19
22	Paul Caldwell	5	5	0	18.12	0.00		18.12
23	Tyler Muhs	5	4	1	17.81	0.00		17.81
24	Matt Ferrante	5	5	0	17.36	0.00		17.36
25	Tom Haley	5	5	0	17.26	0.00		17.26
26	Sean Brown	5	5	0	17.23	0.00		17.23
27	Jack Kleinman	5	5	0	17.23	0.00		17.23
28	Jim Shamp	5	5	0	17.10	0.00		17.10
29	Kurt Keller	5	5	0	16.86	0.00		16.86
30	Bill Wittman	5	5	0	16.37	0.00		16.37
31	Rich Bush	5	5	0	16.04	0.00		16.04
32	Kyle Sweers	5	5	0	15.70	0.00		15.70
33	Terry Gartz	4	4	0	15.32	0.00		15.32
35	Dylan Mackaravitz	5	5	0	13.41	0.00		13.41
36	Doug Walker	5	5	0	13.33	0.00		13.33
34	Kevin Kinnear	5	3	2	13.46	0.00		13.46
37	Bob Manley	4	4	0	11.47	0.00		11.47
38	Merritt Diamond	3	3	0	7.90	0.00		7.90
39	Ben Levy	3	3	0	7.77	0.00		7.77
40	Livote Liane	3	3	0	5.56	0.00		5.56



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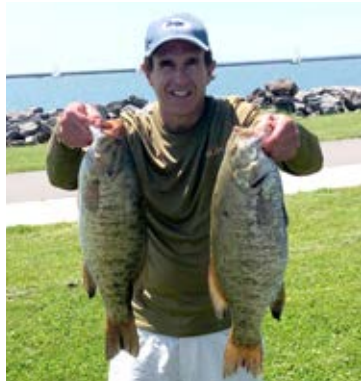
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2019 STANDINGS

ANGLER OF THE YEAR SERIES

Place	Angler	Lake Erie Day 1	Lake Erie Day 2	Total Weight	AOTY Weight
1	Will Rogers	22.05	24.33	46.38	24.33
2	Chris O'Brien	22.76	23.13	45.89	23.13
3	Jim Bianchi	21.04	23.31	44.35	23.31
4	Dan Patane	18.99	23.16	42.15	23.16
5	Mark Harold	21.60	20.50	42.10	21.60
6	Rod Brown	21.08	19.68	40.76	21.08
7	Tyler Austin	19.60	21.00	40.60	21.00
9	TJ Valle	19.22	21.00	40.22	21.00
8	Tyler Muhs	22.49	17.56	40.05	22.49
10	Jake Zaremski	19.80	19.90	39.70	19.90
11	Steve Levine	19.10	19.48	38.58	19.48
13	Wes Vyverberg	17.71	19.05	36.76	19.05
12	Nate Kalpin	17.94	18.75	36.69	18.75
14	Matt Ferrante	18.85	17.36	36.21	18.85
15	Todd Keller	16.84	19.11	35.95	19.11
16	Fred Ratcliffe	16.62	19.29	35.91	19.29
17	Paul Caldwell	17.67	18.12	35.79	18.12
18	Jim Shamp	18.66	17.10	35.76	18.66
19	Jon Skirment	14.82	20.42	35.24	20.42
20	Dom Cerasuolo	14.28	20.91	35.19	20.91
21	Matt James	15.89	18.98	34.87	18.98
22	Drew Damtoft	16.62	18.19	34.81	18.19
23	Dave Livingston	14.89	18.92	33.81	18.92
24	Bill Wittman	16.57	16.37	32.94	16.57
25	Kyle Sweers	16.88	15.70	32.58	16.88
26	Sean Brown	15.15	17.23	32.38	17.23
27	Rich Bush	16.04	16.04	32.08	16.04
28	Jack Kleinman	14.55	17.23	31.78	17.23
29	Kevin Kinnear	16.80	12.96	29.76	16.80
30	Doug Walker	15.66	13.33	28.99	15.66
31	Tige Noni	9.34	18.26	27.60	18.26
32	Terry Gartz	10.63	15.32	25.95	15.32
33	Merritt Diamond	16.38	7.90	24.28	16.38
34	Rich Zajac	0.00	19.72	19.72	19.72
35	Devon Talbot	19.14	0.00	19.14	19.14
36	Bob Manley	7.12	11.47	18.59	11.47
37	Tom Haley	0.00	17.26	17.26	17.26
38	Kurt Keller	0.00	16.86	16.86	16.86
39	Orlando Roman	16.15	0.00	16.15	16.15
40	Dylan Mackaravitz	0.00	13.41	13.41	13.41
41	Dalton Talbot	13.07	0.00	13.07	13.07
42	Ben Levy	3.31	7.77	11.08	7.77
43	Livote Liane	0.00	5.56	5.56	5.56
44	Don Joffelyn	2.56	0.00	2.56	2.56



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