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**VALLE TAKES
KEUKA LAKE
WITH 15.87 LBS.**

**TJ WIDENS THE
LEAD IN THE
ANGLER OF THE
YEAR RACE BY
OVER 16 LBS.**

**\$125
SHIMANO
FIRST PLACE CASH WINNER**



2022 ANGLER OF THE YEAR SERIES AT

KEUKA LAKE

SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

KEUKA LAKE STATE PARK • BRANCHPORT, NY

TJ Valle won the 2022 Cashion Fishing Rods AOY race at Keuka Lake, September 11th. TJ took the 1st Place prize with 15.87 lbs.

From the Desk of **Wes Vyverberg, Tournament Director.**

TJ "Livewells and Kill Switches" Valle widens the gap with 15.87 lbs. for the win at the Mixer, all but closing it out for the 3-peat and picking up a **\$125 Shimano First Place Cash**. Some say he's "enfuego" or he's on fire, others say it's the all-composite construction of the diamond v hull that allows him to compete at such a high level.

Liam Blake climbs into second place, 21 points (16.55 lbs.) off the lead, with a solid 4th place finish.

Four points back sitting 3rd in the AOY race we have **"bent" Rod Brown**, who picked up the **\$200 Striker Big Fish Cash** with a 4.61 lb. lunker smallmouth.

Congratulations to new non-boater **Hunter Stone** on his second-place finish with a 15.68 lbs. bag from the back deck of the diamond V. Hunter boy picks up **\$75 Shimano Cash** and some dock cred to boot. Oh, and let's not forget the impromptu **Tradewins Googan Award** for the smallest limit

which goes to **David Holtby** with an impressive 5-fish satchel weighing in at just 6.06 lbs. and boasting a 1.212 average, not an easy feat to beat.

Taking 1st Place was **TJ Valle** with 15.87 lbs.

TJ said; "I practiced a couple days and I found my fish to be holding in fairly shallow water in and about 20-22 feet.

I caught all of the on 3/4 oz. football jig. All the fish I caught were smallmouth.

I had approximately 6 areas and I kept rotating through them and weeding through fish to get to my weight. I did catch about 40 fish on the day."

In 2nd Place was **Hunter Stone** with 15.68 lbs.

Hunter said; "I caught most of my fish on a football jig on deep flats along with fan casting a small swimbait and slowly retrieving it along the bottom. Most of my bites came first thing in the morning."

Finishing in 3rd Place was **Matt Ferrante**.

Matt said; "I fished small points where there was deep water throwing an a-rig. I caught 8 fish, all smallmouth. My biggest fish came on my last cast by the launch which helped cull out one of my two dinks.

Liam Blake took the 4th Place spot with 14.78 lbs.

Liam said; "My partner **Jake Zaremski** and I fished 2 areas all day making long drifts in 22-32 feet of water. Having a number of dropshots on the deck with varying leader lengths from 3 inches to 3 feet was key to making fish commit to the bait based on weather conditions and where they were set up in the water column.

Jake and I had a great day catching fish from start to finish. Thanks to Steve and the weighin crew for having



MATT FERRANTE
3rd Place - 15.00 lbs.

the scales set up when everyone arrived back at the dock."

5th Place went to Dave Livingston with 14.76 lbs.

Dave said; "Keuka was definitely different this year. Only certain areas were holding fish. With no specific depth, this suggested they were on the move.

As always weather also played a big part, and tournament day was somewhat different than practice.

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HUNTER STONE
2nd Place - 15.68 lbs.



ROD BROWN
6th Place - 13.92 lbs.

BIG FISH
STRIKER



DAN VYVERBERG
7th Place - 13.79 LBS.

The smallmouth were moving around and the largemouth were hunkering down. If there was a dock bite, it eluded me.

I lost two good fish first thing, so my mood matched the weather. I only had 4 fish by 1:00 PM, and two of them were small.

After a pleasant talk with the officers on the Sheriff's boat, and positive safety inspection (no tickets), the day got better. I found one spot in shallow (5-6') that was concentrating fish, and I was able to catch several there that made a big difference. Surprised that they had moved shallow here (both smallmouth and largemouth), but they were definitely feeding.

All in all it was a tough day and Keuka is hard to figure out. A beautiful lake but a real challenge for fishing. Can't wait to come back (sarcasm, Sheldon)!

My fish were all caught (or lost) on a NED rig, dropshot, wacky Senko or craw tube. G-Loomis rods and Diawa and Shimano reels."

Rounding out the Top Seven, **Dan Vyverberg** with 13.79 lbs.

Dan said, "The weather did a complete 180 on game day. It was a grinder kind of day...I had 3 fish in

<p>Cashion Fishing Rods</p> <p>2022 ANGLER OF THE YEAR SERIES AT KEUKA LAKE SEPTEMBER 11, 2022</p> <p>Cashfest at Keuka - Sponsored by Cashion Rods</p>					
Place	Angler	Weight	Lunker	Angler	Weight
1	VALLE, TJ	15.87	1	BROWN, ROD	4.61
2	STONE, HUNTER	15.68	2	STONE, HUNTER	4.39
3	FERRANTE, MATT	15.00	3	VYVERBERG, DAN	3.79
4	BLAKE, LIAM	14.78	4	NONI, TIGE	3.71
5	LIVINGSTON, DAVID	14.76	5	FERRANTE, MATT	3.57
6	BROWN, ROD	13.92	6	ZAREMSKI, JAKE	3.42
7	VYVERBERG, DAN	13.79			
8	BUSH, RICHARD	13.18			
9	ZAREMSKI, JAKE	13.09			
10	WALTERS, JIM	12.76			
11	HAROLD, MARK	12.31			
12	NONI, TIGE	11.57			
13	AUSTIN, TYLER	11.39			
14	JENSEN, TIM	11.23			
15	CONGE, JAMES	10.27			
16	PATANE, DAN	9.13			
17	SWEERS, KYLE	8.60			
18	KINNEAR, KEVIN	7.02			
19	VYVERBERG, WES	6.44			
20	CERASUOLO, DOMINICK	6.21			
21	HOLTBY, DAVID	6.05			
22	KELLER, TODD	5.31			
23	HUGHES, ERIC	4.82			
24	MASUCCI, SCOTT	2.34			
25	WITTMAN, BILL	2.34			
26	COOPER, DAVID	1.81			
27	MANLEY, BOB	1.47			
28	KELLER, KURT	0.00			
29	MCENEANEY, BOB	0.00			
30	O'BRIEN, DENNIS	0.00			
31	WALKER, DOUG	0.00			
32	WARREN, RICHARD	0.00			

the live well with 2 hours to go and I chose to make a run to an area that I grew up fishing as a kid to try and fill out my limit. The area had some good looking weeds, so I locked a flipping stick in my hands and went to work. I put two solid largemouth in

the boat with 45 minutes to spare and even managed to make one good cull about 10 minutes before we needed to head back."





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2022 STANDINGS

ANGLER OF THE YEAR SERIES

Place	Angler	Seneca Lake	Oneida Lake Day 1	Oneida Lake Day 2	St. Lawrence River Day 1	St. Lawrence River Day 2	Keuka Lake	Chaumont Bay Day 1	Chaumont Bay Day 2	Total Weight	Total Points	Adjusted AOY Points
1	TJ Valle	254	295	239	290	295	300	0	0	101.27	1673	1434
2	Liam Blake	268	285	280	295	100	285	0	0	84.72	1513	1413
3	Rod Brown	280	268	285	300	237	276	0	0	92.95	1646	1409
4	David Livingston	295	260	300	233	268	280	0	0	84.03	1636	1403
5	Dan Patane	257	290	295	272	272	243	0	0	89.7	1629	1386
6	Jake Zaremski	300	251	268	285	239	264	0	0	83.4	1607	1368
7	Tyler Austin	251	300	257	260	280	251	0	0	88.95	1599	1348
8	Matt Ferrante	0	237	248	257	300	290	0	0	66.92	1332	1332
9	Jim Walters	285	276	241	248	245	260	0	0	74.36	1555	1314
10	Tige Noni	243	100	272	254	248	254	0	0	65.6	1371	1271
11	Richard Bush	276	239	237	229	241	268	0	0	62.06	1490	1261
12	Bill Wittman	100	272	243	231	264	226	0	0	46.79	1336	1236
13	Hunter Stone	221	227	233	251	225	295	0	0	46.07	1452	1231
14	Eric Hughes	100	248	264	239	243	229	0	0	48.19	1323	1223
15	Dominick Cerasuolo	0	254	245	227	257	235	0	0	43.51	1218	1218
16	Wes Vyverberg	229	241	225	243	260	237	0	0	47.02	1435	1210
17	James Conge	225	235	251	100	251	245	0	0	39.89	1307	1207
18	David Holtby	239	229	235	245	235	233	0	0	47.18	1416	1187
19	David Cooper	231	100	254	237	221	223	0	0	39.14	1266	1166
20	Todd Keller	0	244	231	225	227	231	0	0	28.43	1158	1158
21	Tim Jensen	100	100	229	223	276	248	0	0	35.58	1176	1076
22	Mark Harold	290	264	260	0	0	257	0	0	53.93	1071	1071
23	Collin Trapiss	100	233	276	217	229	0	0	0	29.8	1055	1055
24	Scott Masucci	0	280	290	100	100	226	0	0	33.35	996	996
25	Bob Manley	0	100	223	215	231	221	0	0	14.29	990	990
26	Kevin Steinruck	272	0	100	276	285	0	0	0	49.81	933	933
27	Dennis O'Brien	0	231	227	219	100	100	0	0	10.08	877	877
28	Paul Caldwell	245	244	0	241	0	0	0	0	30.51	730	730
29	Kevin Kinnear	223	100	100	0	0	239	0	0	11.35	662	662
30	Doug Walker	0	0	100	280	100	100	0	0	18.3	580	580
31	Justin Duemmel	0	257	0	100	223	0	0	0	15.84	580	580
32	Brian Tesmer	235	100	0	0	233	0	0	0	19.26	568	568
33	Dan Vyverberg	260	0	0	0	0	272	0	0	28.91	532	532
34	Bob Mceneaney	100	100	100	100	100	100	0	0	0	600	500
35	Steve Levine	0	0	0	235	254	0	0	0	19.75	489	489
36	Mark Buttarazzi	248	0	0	100	100	0	0	0	13.34	448	448
37	Jim Bianchi	0	0	0	100	290	0	0	0	17.41	390	390
38	Richard Warren	0	0	0	100	100	100	0	0	0	300	300
39	Gabriel Tan	0	0	0	268	0	0	0	0	16.87	268	268
40	Jack Kleinman	0	0	0	264	0	0	0	0	16.6	264	264
41	Daniel Scanlon	264	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15.18	264	264
42	Nate Kalpin	241	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12.48	241	241
43	Kyle Sweers	0	0	0	0	0	241	0	0	8.6	241	241
44	Fred Ratcliffe	237	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11.18	237	237
45	Rich Zajac	233	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.39	233	233
46	Mike Rook	227	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.85	227	227
47	Don Josselyn	0	0	0	221	0	0	0	0	3.85	221	221
48	Aaron Macdonlad	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	100
49	Dalton Forte	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	100
50	Fred Blom	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	100
51	Dacia Hirsch	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	100
52	Kurt Keller	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	100	100
53	Will Rogers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0