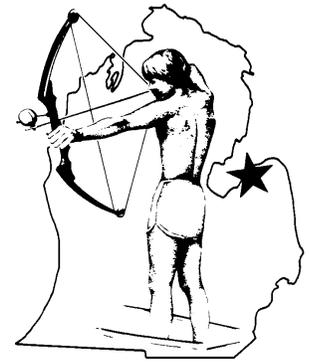


# GREAT LAKES BOWFISHING CHAMPIONSHIP



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### Weather Change Puts the Kibosh on Harvest 250 Teams Arrow 5-1/2 Tons of Fish – Lowest in 34 Years

CASEVILLE, MI – If you are any kind of fisherman, you’ve heard countless times, “Ya shoulda been here yesterday!” Well, the few hot sunny days leading up to the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Great Lakes Bowfishing Championship (GLBC) in Caseville, MI were the “yesterday”. Many of the two-man teams from as far away as Arkansas, North Carolina and Texas were licking their proverbial chops when they pre-scouted the local Saginaw Bay waters. The fish were in thick! “Going to be a banner year”, many thought out loud.

The goal of these bowfishermen was to reap as many carp and other rough fish as possible during the two-day shoot, using the tools of their trade... bow and arrow. The temperature dropped 40 degrees the day before the event! The question then was, were the fish still going to be there when the teams took to the water early Saturday morning?

From its humble beginnings in 1984, the GLBC has grown to become one of the largest, most prestigious bowfishing tournaments in the nation. This year’s event sold out at 250 teams more than a week before the event! The potential for tremendous bowfishing action, as well as the local hospitality and unparalleled camaradery of the participants has continued to draw this group of sportsmen back to Caseville for nearly three-and-a-half decades. With the strong support of industry sponsors like **Muzzy, AMS Bowfishing, Bohning Co., Bass Pro Shops, Tracker Boats** and **SCI-Southeast Michigan Bowhunters Chapter**, you can expect this great tradition to continue for years to come.

Spring time traditionally beckons the annual onslaught of spawning carp to the bay’s shallow waters where they can fall prey to crafty archers sporting bowfishing gear. When the weather and timing align perfectly, the numbers of carp can be incredible.

Over the past 33 years these contestants have broken the previous World Record for the most fish harvested by bow set in California twenty times! They currently hold the world mark at an astounding 278,871 pounds of what most consider “trash” fish!



*Brayden Smith and Clayton Steinman of Pigeon, MI accept their Great Lakes Bowfishing Championship trophies from tournament organizer Bob Easterbrook, Jr. The championship team managed to arrow 816 pounds of rough fish during the two-day contest under difficult conditions.*

As is customary, the tournament kicked off early Saturday morning at the **Wallace Stone Quarry**, the tournament’s weigh-in site situated just outside of Bayport. A throng of over 500 bowfishermen and women assembled in the cool morning hours to register and prepare for the send-off. Several of the two-person teams hosted a third “youth shooter” to help carry on the tradition and promote family participation.

The morning dawned quite chilly and a bit breezy as 250 vehicles were crouched and ready to spring into action the moment their team numbers were randomly drawn. Most were trucks with trailers sporting a wide variety of unusually-outfitted watercraft ranging from canoes to flat-bottomed john boats to large prop-driven airboats. Some resembled UFO’s more than boats. The teams were well prepared for the task at hand of harvesting and transporting rough fish such as carp, garpike, dogfish and goldfish with their archery equipment and assorted rigs.

Shortly after 8 a.m. the teams were scrambling about Saginaw Bay’s shoreline from Caseville to Bay City in search of these non-indigenous “trash” fish. They toiled in the bay’s shallows and islands, as well as the adjacent canals &

rivers attempting to haul in as many fish as possible prior to the 5 p.m. deadline.

After nine hours of competition the teams rolled back into the scales to have their catches tallied. It was evident that the intense cold front did its damage as the teams rolled through the scales quickly. Too quickly. The competitors were only able to arrow 7,665 pounds. A measly amount by typical standards. The fish were loaded via heavy equipment into a large dump truck destined to become quality organic fertilizer.

According to Michigan DNR biologists, removal of these fish from the bay provide many benefits. These invasive species to Michigan's waters destroy and damage critical spawning and nesting habitat for game fish and waterfowl. Thinning out the carp's prolific numbers provides a boost to Saginaw Bay's native wildlife species, which in turn aids the local economies. So organizers were certainly hoping for a better take.

A large number of Caseville & Bayport area businesses sponsor cash awards for the two largest carp taken each day – a big favorite with the shooters. Saturday's winners were **Enoch Loulas**, of Chesterfield, with a huge 32.35-pound "hawg" sporting a \$10-per-pound prize; and **Don Duncan III** of Lake, with a dandy 26.15-pounder taking the \$5-per-pound second place prize.

Last year the prize money for other largest fish species was doubled to \$200, plus awarded for each of the two days, in effect quadrupling the pot. The big winners on Saturday were **Brian Park**, of Holly, with a nice 3.85 pound gar pike. **Jake Stewart**, of Otter Lake, took Largest Goldfish honors with a fat 2.95 pound specimen. **Alan Chritz**, of Hemlock, collected on the Largest Dogfish prize with a big 6.85-pound fish. And **Danielle Gajewski**, of Clinton Twp., arrowed a hotdog-like 1.25-pounder to garner the challenging Smallest Gar award.

During the evening hours many participants enjoyed a delicious dinner buffet, cold beer, raffles, door prizes and fish stories at tourney headquarters under the big top outside the **Wooded Island Sports Grill** in Caseville. Others settled into the local establishments for food, drink and fun to cap off a long day on the water. Then it was time to rest and recharge for round two.

Sunday morning brought slightly warmer temperatures, raising hopes that the some fish may have returned to the shallows overnight. The shooters took to the water at 7 a.m. with energy and enthusiasm, hoping to make up some ground on Saturday's slow performance.

By the 2 p.m. deadline, the weary archers filed through the 14 weigh stations even quicker than the day before. Not a good sign. The fish were uncooperative for a second day. Participants only managed to arrow another 3,235 pounds, bringing the weekend's total to 11,076 pounds! It was the lowest harvest per team in the tournament's 34 year history. A bit disappointing, but fun was still had by all.

In the end it was the team of **Brayden Smith** and **Clayton Steinman**, of Pigeon, MI and sponsored by **On The Bay Guide Service**, claiming the title of Great Lakes Bowfishing Champions. The pair managed to arrow and haul in a very respectable 816 pounds of rough fish in two challenging days on the water!

Taking second place honors with 534 pounds was **Steve** and **Rick Collins** of **Lake Orion**, along with youth

participant **Hunter**. Third place with 456 pounds went to **Trent Karcher**, of Remus, and his partner **Michael Lehmkuhle**, of Mt, Pleasant.

Cash prizes were also awarded to the remaining top 20 teams, as well as others who didn't place near the top, like the "Average Joe" prize (see sidebar, page 6).

Sunday's "Big Carp" honors went to **Jacob Messenger**, of Lapeer, with a tournament-topping 34.60-pound behemoth! **Luke Dinnan**, of Midland, took second place with a stout 28.55-pounder.

The other "Big Fish" award-winners included **Chris Lockard** and **Victor Charlie**, of Perry, who tag-teamed on a huge 8.45-pound gar pike. At the other end of the spectrum was **Caleb Wielock** with a wee-sized 1.55-pound gar pike. **Cody Lisowski**, of Kalamazoo, collected Largest Goldfish honors by arrowing a 2.65-pound specimen. And **Jake Cramer**, of Gobles, claimed the Largest Dogfish prize tipping the scales with a chunky 7.05-pound bowfin.

Aside from providing a lot of recreational fun for hundreds of sportsmen and ridding the bay of tons of destructive "trash" fish, the tournament's primary goal was achieved. Organizers raised thousands of dollars for the Wildlife Education Foundation -- a non-profit volunteer organization whose primary mission is to get kids involved in the great outdoors.

Over the past 34 years, the foundation has been responsible for hosting **Hunter Safety Camps** for over 1,700 youth ([www.scibowhunters.org/s-h-a-p-2](http://www.scibowhunters.org/s-h-a-p-2)); supporting **The Salvation Army Outdoors** ([www.salmich.org/emi//TSAO](http://www.salmich.org/emi//TSAO)) and **Center Shot Ministries** ([www.centershot.org](http://www.centershot.org)) youth programs; the **Wildlife Recovery Association** birds of prey education and rehabilitation programs ([www.wildliferecovery.org/](http://www.wildliferecovery.org/)); and putting over 62,000 campers through the **Sleeper State Park Outdoor Center** before its closure. These Michigan kids have been afforded the opportunity to appreciate the outdoors, learn about environmental respect & wildlife conservation and experience shooting sports & firearms safety. Thanks to the success of this tournament and the generosity of its supporters, the foundation will continue to ensure that kids who want to experience Michigan's great outdoors will have that opportunity.

"I would like to thank our generous supporters." said tournament founder Bob Easterbrook, Sr. "Our wonderful sponsors, the local area businesses, **Wallace Stone Quarry**, our prize donors and of course our supportive tournament participants. The foundation and the kids who benefit from it are extremely grateful for the opportunities that they help afford. It's great to see so many people come together, have this much fun and do so much good. I thank all of you for your incredible 34 years of outstanding support!"

By Bob Easterbrook, Jr.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**  
**2018 G.L.B.C. – MAY 19 & 20**  
**SEE YOU IN CASEVILLE!**

# 2017 G.L.B.C. RESULTS



TEAM	WGT	TEAM	WGT	TEAM	WGT	TEAM	WGT	TEAM	WGT	TEAM	WGT	TEAM	WGT
218	816	240	81	248	35	68	18	179	10	17	0	150	0
97	534	143	77	113	32	74	18	215	10	20	0	156	0
124	456	39	76	117	32	75	18	229	10	22	0	159	0
174	387	33	72	155	32	79	18	58	9	27	0	160	0
8	363	235	71	165	32	103	18	197	9	32	0	163	0
24	336	121	68	54	31	139	18	231	9	36	0	164	0
171	334	144	67	208	31	232	18	62	8	40	0	166	0
213	306	198	66	21	30	50	16	149	8	44	0	167	0
100	292	183	64	31	30	51	16	224	8	45	0	168	0
92	226	220	64	209	30	57	16	233	8	46	0	177	0
107	208	109	62	104	29	90	16	127	6	47	0	180	0
87	200	105	58	9	28	142	16	169	6	48	0	182	0
37	195	188	58	25	28	154	16	176	6	49	0	193	0
101	180	185	56	93	28	187	16	195	6	56	0	194	0
26	176	65	54	186	28	19	15	199	6	61	0	200	0
64	173	181	53	191	28	77	15	203	6	67	0	201	0
151	164	245	52	108	27	1	14	228	6	70	0	205	0
30	163	66	50	7	26	53	14	91	5	76	0	207	0
141	154	85	50	94	26	59	14	28	4	78	0	210	0
153	153	202	50	122	26	88	14	123	4	80	0	211	0
138	138	4	47	136	26	249	14	132	4	84	0	212	0
157	134	16	46	23	24	196	13	161	4	89	0	214	0
35	131	42	46	38	24	52	12	189	4	96	0	219	0
72	128	133	46	69	24	60	12	226	4	98	0	222	0
250	128	<b><u>147</u></b>	<b><u>44</u></b>	114	24	134	12	120	3	102	0	225	0
243	112	173	43	71	22	140	12	131	2	111	0	227	0
83	110	55	42	152	22	158	12	13	2	115	0	230	0
99	107	184	42	217	22	192	12	162	2	118	0	236	0
43	106	234	42	81	21	206	12	246	2	125	0	237	0
223	105	221	41	86	21	106	11	204	1	126	0	238	0
18	96	216	40	10	20	112	11	5	0	128	0	239	0
29	96	241	40	116	20	3	10	6	0	129	0	242	0
110	89	73	38	175	20	34	10	11	0	135	0	244	0
2	86	178	37	119	19	82	10	12	0	137	0	247	0
41	83	95	36	172	19	130	10	14	0	145	0		
170	82	190	35	63	18	146	10	15	0	148	0		

Listed in order of total weight. *Italic-Underline* indicates weight not eligible for team prizes due to voluntary or mandated disqualification or late weigh-in. **Bold-Underline** indicates "Average Joes". N/S indicates "No-Show".

## OFFICIAL 2017 GRAND TOTAL: 11,076 POUNDS



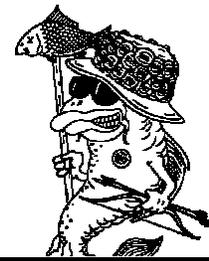
# 2017 GREAT LAKES BOWFISHING CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL STANDINGS



PLACE	TEAM	NAME	FROM	SPONSOR	WEIGHT
1 <sup>st</sup>	#218	Clayton Steinman Brayden Smith	Pigeon, MI Pigeon, MI	On the Bay Guide Service	816 Lbs.
2 <sup>nd</sup>	#97	Steve Collins Rick Collins Youth: Hunter	Lake Orion, MI Lake Orion, MI		534 Lbs.
3 <sup>rd</sup>	#124	Trent Karcher Michael Lehmkuhle	Remus, MI Mt. Pleasant, MI		456 Lbs.
4 <sup>th</sup>	#174	Alex Martin Jacob Messenger	White Lake, MI Lapeer, MI		387 Lbs.
5 <sup>th</sup>	#8	Jim Ulerick John Ulerick	Kokomo, IN Kokomo, IN		363 Lbs.
6 <sup>th</sup>	#24	Chuck Ritz, Jr. Chuck Ritz, Sr.	Linden, MI Linden, MI	Taylor Turning	336 Lbs.
7 <sup>th</sup>	#171	Joseph Mathes Jordan Holbrook	Howell, MI Howell, MI		334 Lbs.
8 <sup>th</sup>	#213	Ron Aldridge Dylan Aldridge	Pigeon, MI Pigeon, MI	Ironclad Tattoo Co.	306 Lbs.
9 <sup>th</sup>	#100	Chris Cass Dan Reilly	Jamesville, WI Portage, WI	Shaggy Dog's Marinades	292 Lbs.
10 <sup>th</sup>	#92	Gary Reid Garrett Reid	Nashville, MI Nashville, MI	Reid's Electric Inc.	226 Lbs.
11 <sup>th</sup>	#107	Marc Trotter Mike Trotter	Haslett, MI Spring Lake, MI		208 Lbs.
12 <sup>th</sup>	#87	Brian Sutfin Brandon Sutfin	Jonesboro, AR Hastings, MI		200 Lbs.
13 <sup>th</sup>	#37	Joe Godzik Chad Kalbfleisch	Pellston, MI Levering, MI	Daylight in The Swamp	195 Lbs.
14 <sup>th</sup>	#101	Jason Perkins Jason Banura Youth: Justin	Grand Blanc, MI Fenton, MI	Sterling Homes	180 Lbs.
15 <sup>th</sup>	#26	Jacob Cramer Cody Lisowski	Gobles, MI Kalamazoo, MI		176 Lbs.
16 <sup>th</sup>	#64	Luke Dinnan Alan Chritz	Midland, MI Hemlock, MI		173 Lbs.
17 <sup>th</sup>	#151	Don Duncan, Jr. Don Duncan III Youth: Donovan	Lake, MI Lake, MI		164 Lbs.
18 <sup>th</sup>	#30	Zachary Malinowski Aaron Malinowski	Richmond, MI Richmond, MI		163 Lbs.
19 <sup>th</sup>	#141	Reilley Cameron Scott Cameron	Sterling Heights, MI Sterling Heights, MI		154 Lbs.
20 <sup>th</sup>	#153	Chad Carr Chris Gocha	Mason, MI Linden, MI	Dream Season Taxidermy	153 Lbs.

**THE TOP 20 TEAMS SHOT 5,816 POUNDS OF ROUGH FISH!**

# 2017 GREAT LAKES BOWFISHING CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL STANDINGS



## 2017 SPONSORED TEAMS COMPETITION

1ST PLACE	ON THE BAY GUIDE SERVICE	PIGEON, MI	816 Lbs.
2ND PLACE	TAYLOR TURNING	WIXOM, MI	336 Lbs.
3RD PLACE	IRONCLAD TATTOO COMPANY	TROY, MI	306 Lbs.

The top three sponsored teams receive trophies for their sponsors

## 2017 INDIVIDUAL FISH AWARDS

<b>Largest Carp</b>	Sat:	32.35 Lbs. 26.15 Lbs,	Enoch Loulas Don Duncan III	Chesterfield, MI Lake, MI	Team #138 Team #151
	Sun:	34.60 Lbs. 28.55 Lbs.	Jake Messenger Luke Dinnan	Lapeer, MI Midland, MI	Team #174 Team # 64
<b>Largest Goldfish</b>	Sat:	2.95 Lbs.	Jake Stewart	Otter Lake, MI	Team #165
	Sun:	2.65 Lbs.	Cody Lisowski	Kalamazoo, MI	Team # 26
<b>Largest Gar</b>	Sat:	3.85 Lbs.	Brian Park	Holly, MI	Team #190
	Sun:	8.45 Lbs.	Lockard & Charlie	Perry MI	Team # 41
<b>Largest Dogfish</b>	Sat:	6.85 Lbs.	Alan Chritz	Hemlock, MI	Team # 64
	Sun:	7.05 Lbs.	Jake Cramer	Gobles, MI	Team # 26
<b>Largest Gold Carp</b>	Sat:				
	Sun:				
<b>Smallest Gar</b>	Sat:	1.25 Lbs.	Danielle Gajewski	Clinton Twp., MI	Team #204
	Sun:	1.55 Lbs.	Caleb Wielock	Lansing, MI	Team #185

The two largest carp each day receive awards of \$10 and \$5 per pound, respectively.  
All other categories each receive \$200 awards for top fish each day.

## G.L.B.C. ALL-TIME RECORD BOARD

<b>Largest Carp</b>	42.75 Lbs.	MARTY KIDD	Millington, MI	1998
<b>Largest Gold Carp</b>	19.40 Lbs.	AARON MARION	Trevor, WI	2011
<b>Largest Goldfish</b>	4.00 Lbs.	DUSTEN WELLS	Newaygo, MI	2007
<b>Largest Gar</b>	12.10 Lbs.	JUSTIN HERLINE	Midland, MI	2016
<b>Largest Dogfish</b>	8.20 Lbs.	JASON FRAME	Sterling Hgts., MI	2008
<b>Smallest Gar</b>	0.20 Lbs.	LEO GRANT	Kewadin, MI	2015
<b>Team Best</b>	6,412 Lbs.	CHUCK BECKER KYLE BECKER	Deckerville, MI Deckerville, MI	2008
<b>Tournament Best</b>	278,871 Lbs.	250 TEAMS	Caseville, MI	1996



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# G.L.B.C. Notables

## AVERAGE JOE'S

A \$400 prize is awarded each year to the team that harvests closest to the average weight per team. The average for 2017 was a meager 44.3 pounds... the lowest in tournament history. But the run-o-the-mill tandem of **Kasey Bulemore**, of Bancroft, and **Jesse Hurst** of Bath, made the best of it by arrowing 44 pounds of fish - earning them the title of "**2017 Average Joes**". Congratulations on your hard-fought "average" performance Team #147! It wasn't an easy task this year!

## THANK YOU!

We owe a great deal of gratitude to a fantastic cast of supporting people, businesses and organizations.

- ☞ Our generous sponsors, **Muzzy Products, AMS Bowfishing, Bohning Co., Bass Pro Shops, Tracker Boats** and **SCI-Southeast Michigan Bowhunters Chapter**, who all help make this the nation's premier bowfishing tournament!
- ☞ **Wallace Stone Quarry** and the wonderful staff led by **Eric Gardy** who shared their great facility with us, made us feel right at home and put up with our little bit of chaos for a couple of days.
- ☞ **Dave & Sue Bouck** and the good people at **Wooded Island Sports Grill** in Caseville for hosting our evening gatherings!
- ☞ **Rod Heck** and crew from **Hot Rod's Bar-B-Que & Catering** of Elkton for keeping the troops well fed and refreshed.
- ☞ The dozens of **Caseville & Bayport Area Businesses** that pledged a dollar-per-pound for the largest carp of the tournament to sponsor the Big Fish Awards -- a huge favorite with many of our repeat participants!
- ☞ **WLEW-AM Radio** of Bad Axe and **Eddie Fury** for broadcasting live from our event, promoting our supporters and attracting spectators to our "must-see" weigh-in.
- ☞ Our exceptional **GLBC Staff** of over 30 hard-working, helpful volunteers who travel from all over the Midwest to lend a hand for the long weekend.

Without all these generous people and businesses, this great bowfishing tournament would be just another carp shoot. We thank you, as do the kids who get to enjoy the outdoors this year!

We're looking forward to continuing the tradition and working with everyone to make our 35th annual event even bigger and better. We have some



*Young Easton was the grand raffle prize winner on Sunday morning. He was exuberant, to say the least, with his new AMS E-Rad Bowfishing Bow package! We've never seen so many people cheer after a raffle drawing before. Just awesome!*

tonnage to make up!



●**ABOVE:** Enoch Loulas of Chesterfield brandishes his hefty 32.35-pound carp, which earned him Saturday's Largest Carp Award.

●**BELOW:** Danielle Gajewski of Clinton Twp. shows off her Smallest Gar Pike of the tournament... the toughest shot there is to make!



●**ABOVE:** Jake Messenger of Lapeer proudly displays his tournament-topping 34.60-pound monster carp with the help of teammate Alex Martin.



## G.L.B.C. HISTORY BOOK

Year	Weight	Teams	Avg. Wgt.	Year	Weight	Teams	Avg. Wgt.
1984	4,959 lbs.	20	248 lbs.	2001	27,320 lbs.	250	109 lbs.
1985	13,639 lbs.	38	359 lbs.	2002	242,604 lbs.	228	1,064 lbs.
1986	14,338 lbs.	123	117 lbs.	2003	52,265 lbs.	250	209 lbs.
1987	72,119 lbs.	175	412 lbs.	2004	96,175 lbs.	250	385 lbs.
1988	41,377 lbs.	177	234 lbs.	2005	78,399 lbs.	250	315 lbs.
1989	121,181 lbs.	189	641 lbs.	2006	85,694 lbs.	245	350 lbs.
1990	79,364 lbs.	200	397 lbs.	2007	60,769 lbs.	234	266 lbs.
1991	56,548 lbs.	225	251 lbs.	2008	83,803 lbs.	232	361 lbs.
1992	134,000 lbs.	230	583 lbs.	2009	83,850 lbs.	210	399 lbs.
1993	161,997 lbs.	230	704 lbs.	2010	42,525 lbs.	217	196 lbs.
1994	129,280 lbs.	250	517 lbs.	2011	145,882 lbs.	208	701 lbs.
1995	61,731 lbs.	250	246 lbs.	2012	148,733 lbs.	238	625 lbs.
1996	278,871 lbs.	250	1,114 lbs.	2013	56,560 lbs.	250	228 lbs.
1997	15,724 lbs.	250	63 lbs.	2014	23,137 lbs.	230	101 lbs.
1998	17,571 lbs.	250	70 lbs.	2015	102,996 lbs.	239	431 lbs.
1999	84,822 lbs.	250	339 lbs.	2016	114,263 lbs.	250	463 lbs.
2000	94,621 lbs.	250	378 lbs.	2017	11,076 lbs.	250	44 lbs.
Note: Average is calculated using number of teams that shot, not including No-Shows.				<b>Total</b>	<b>2,838,193 lbs.</b>	<b>7,388</b>	<b>384 lbs</b>

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You can beat the rush and ensure your spot for next year's sell-out event. Registrants will receive updated rules, maps, and tournament info one month in advance. Payments are refundable up until 10 days prior to event.

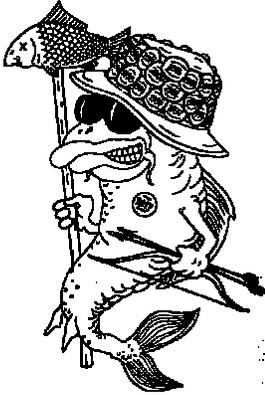
Regular applications will be mailed out to past participants a couple months in advance.

Any questions, please call Colleen at (248) 583-4863 from 8:30 to 4:30 weekdays or email [glbc.caseville@gmail.com](mailto:glbc.caseville@gmail.com).

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## Great Lakes Bowfishing Champions

Year	Team	Wgt.	Year	Team	Wgt.
1984	Dennis Phillips (Caro, MI) & Doug Don (Fairgrove, MI)	685 #	2001	Brant Gnagey & Thad McGathy (Bayport, MI)	2,059 #
1985	Judd Hill & Don Bessler (New Carlisle, IN)	1,292 #	2002	Dan Rasmussen (Lakeview) & Roger Rasmussen (Stanton, MI)	4,478 #
1986	Dave Wille & George Putze (Port Huron, MI)	946 #	2003	Marty Kidd (Millington, MI) & Ron O'Connor (Beaverton, MI)	2,924 #
1987	Benny Wright (Cinci., OH) & Arnold Akers (Berea, KY)	2,082 #	2004	Alan Yedor (Merrer, LA) & Harold Speed (Duncan, OK)	3,116 #
1988	Dennis Phillips (Caro, MI) & Doug Don (Fairgrove, MI)	1,448 #	2005	Chris Lockard & Victor Charlie (Perry, MI)	4,008 #
1989	Bill Thiele (Appleton, WI) & Clyde Thiele (Menasha, WI)	3,516 #	2006	Michael Goad (Millington, MI) & Brent Sorge (Otter Lake, MI)	3,688 #
1990	Dave Wille & George Putze (Port Huron, MI)	4,131 #	2007	Joe Svoboda (Byron, MI) & Bryan Woodard (Durand, MI)	3,358 #
1991	Alan Whaley (Alma, MI) & John Allen (Crystal, MI)	1,746 #	2008	Chuck Becker (Deckerville, MI) & Kyle Becker (Deckerville, MI)	6,412 #
1992	Bruce Langley (Casevl.) & Darin McGathy (Bayport, MI)	4,231 #	2009	Rick Russell & Jim McIntyre (Sparta, MI)	3,614 #
1993	Chris Tuszke & Tom Rutta (Stevens Point, WI)	4,882 #	2010	Rick Russell & Jim McIntyre (Sparta, MI)	1,308#
1994	Chuck Hoag (Vassar, MI) & Dennis Phillips (Caro, MI)	3,440 #	2011	Zach Corradi (Caro, MI) & T.J. Wilson (Grand Marais, MI)	4,574#
1995	Dan Schude & Pat Shibilski (Stevens Point, WI)	2,354 #	2012	Mike Goad (Millington, MI) & Brent Sorge (Otter Lake, MI)	4,893#
1996	Doug Currey (Battle Crk.) & Rick Sanders (Berrien Spgs.)	3,855 #	2013	Dave & Ryan [Y] Donley & Darrell Maggert (Riverdale, MI)	4,525#
1997	Chad Gembariski & Ray Simmons (Port Austin, MI)	859 #	2014	Justin Pastoor (Hamilton, MI) & Josh Tarman (Allegan, MI)	1,450#
1998	Butch Donley (Vestaburg, MI) & Alan Whaley (Alma, MI)	765 #	2015	Zach Corradi (Caro, MI) & T.J. Wilson (Grand Marais, MI)	3,992#
1999	John Musacchia & Mark Land (Cartersville, GA)	2,187 #	2016	Chuck Ritz & Chuck Ritz, Jr. (Linden, MI)	4,080#
2000	Brant Gnagey & Thad McGathy (Bayport, MI)	2,842 #	2017	Brayden Smith & Clayton Steinman (Pigeon, MI)	816#