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Walleye Madness Tournaments opened their first Lake Erie event of the year with a bang. The 30 boat field launched out of Wildwood Park in Cleveland, Ohio. Teams were looking for a big bag of 5 fish to bring to the scales on a not so normal calm day on Mother Erie.

First Place was captured by the team of Mitch Shipman and Chad Fenstermaker with a 38.95# bag. Their winning bag was anchored by the Buckeye Sports Center big fish of the day at 9.15#. Mitch and Chad also captured the Mercury Marine Contingency good for a total payday of \$2250 dollars. The husband and wife team of Mike and Dana Daugherty captured 2nd place with 38.15#. Chris Duffus and Chris Romano took 3rd with their 35.75# bag. Jim Copper and Rudy Began hauled in 4th place and Lund Boats Contingency Bonus with 34.35#. Dave Ish and Kevin Lukehart rounded out the top five with 33.35#.

Winning teams caught fish using crawler harnesses behind inline weights and dipsey divers. Purple, pink and antifreeze colorado blade colors worked well. Teams also reported catching fish on reef runners. Fish were caught all over the area including the Cleveland crib and the Cleveland dumping grounds.

Walleye Madness Tournaments are sponsored by Buckeye Sports Center, Lund Boats, Mercury Marine and Mepps. The series offers no-membership fee required 100% payout tournaments, plus \$500 per event in sponsor bonuses. Cabela's National Team Championship qualifying is provided by the series affiliation with the national organization The Walleye Federation.

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