

Manistee Tournaments Aug. 9th, 2025 Results

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Metro West Steelheaders met for its annual Manistee tournament on August 9. Conditions were ok to start, but boats fishing out of Ludington noted sloppy conditions by 8:30, and by 9:30 the winds had moved far enough north that boats out of Manistee were also fighting more waves than fish. Most boats called it a day by 10:00.

Nine boats with 29 crew fished, catching 39 total fish. Freshwater Drum II (Capt. Jeff Kinney) and crew caught two of the largest fish for the day, but Sara Ann (Captain Kirk Traver) had the last laugh, pulled out a win by less than two points over Freshwater Drum II. Mr. Barkie (Capt. Steve Spangler) came in a close third, trailing by less than five points. Freshwater Drum II and Finfull Addiction (Capt. Mike Hartrick) may have had the most fun, though, tying for the most fish caught (seven each). All of the boats came in with at least one fish. Lunch was hosted by Brooke Hartrick. We maintained the tradition of a fried chicken lunch, which everyone seemed to enjoy.

Later in the evening, Bill Dodge hosted the Hartricks and Kinneys for burgers and fish stories.

On Sunday, we called off the tournament due to small craft advisories and storms that were sitting just west of Ludington. Luckily, we were spared the weather that drowned Milwaukee.

Last	First	Boat	Place	Total	Weighed	Lbs	Pts	Total	Big Fish	Big Fish	C of Y Place	Pts BF	Tot	Crew
Traver	Kirk	Sara Ann	1	5	5	61.60	25	86.60	15.25	13.95	14		14	3
Kinney	Jeff	Freshwater Drum II	2	7	5	59.70	25	84.70	17.10	16.25	12	5	17	3
Spangler	Steve	Mr. Barkie	3	5	5	57.45	25	82.45	16.30	14.15	10	2	12	3
Hartrick	Mike	Finfull Addiction	4	7	5	42.50	25	67.50	12.20	11.20	8		8	4
Zawacki	Dave	Salty Dog	5	4	4	45.20	20	65.20	16.85	13.55	6	3	9	4
Spangler	Hunter	O G Barkie	6	5	5	37.70	25	62.70	10.90	9.50	4		4	4
Schulz	Bob	Bounty Hunter	7	4	4	33.50	20	53.50	14.20	10.7	3		3	3
Bishop	Dale	Anjelina	8	1	1	14.25	5	19.25	14.25		3		3	2
Dodge	Bill	Dodger	9	1	1	7.85	5	12.85	7.85		3		3	3
9	Boats	Total		39	35	360			125	89				29
							1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Place	BF	

