

Manistee Tournaments August 8th & 9th, 2026 - Results

Submitted by Henry Nabors - Pictures provided by Kelly Kinney

Metro West Steelheaders met for its annual Manistee tournaments on August 8th and 9th. Three weeks before tournament weekend there was only one port captain for the two events. After a few phone calls Captain Bill Dodge and Captain Jeff Kinney agreed to host Saturday and Captain Steve Spangler and Captain Kirk Traver agreed to host the Sunday event. Eight boats signed up for each event; some fished out of Manistee and others fished out of the Ludington port. All met in Manistee for the weigh-ins and the lunch Bill and Gail Dodge provided on Sat.

The 9 AM Fish-Call was handled by Group-Text messages; that process worked very well! The text kept the Port Captains well informed and The other participants up to date at call in time as well. There were eight boats in each of the two tournaments. The group-text will likely become part of all tournament in the future.

The results for the two tournaments are presented to show the winners and the boats catching the top four big fish each day. Thanks Kelly for all the great pictures!

Port Captain Bill Dodge/Jeff Kinney Sat. Aug 8th Manistee Tournament																		
Last	First	Boat	Place	Total	Weighted	Lbs	Pts	Total	Big Fish	Big Fish	Co.Y. Place	Pts. BF	Tot	Crew				
Zawacki	Dave	Salty Dog	1	6	5	52.85	25	77.85	16.60	13.10	14	4	18	2				
Spangler	Steve	Mr. Barkie	2	10	5	52.30	25	77.30	15.50	11.90	12	3	15	6				
Kinney	Jeff	Freshwater Drum II	3	7	5	27.95	25	52.95	6.60	8.50	10	10	10	4				
Traver	Kirk	Sara Ann	4	2	2	21.50	10	31.50	14.00	7.50	8	2	10	3				
Frazee	Gale	Chilaxin	5	2	2	21.00	10	31.00	14.00	7.00	6	2	8	3				
Dodge	Bill	Dodger	6	1	1	13.85	5	18.85	13.85		4	1	5	4				
Schultz	Bob	Bounty Hunter	7	1	1	8.25	5	13.25	8.25		3		3	3				
Johnson	Jeff	Heavy Metal	8	1	1	3.05	5	8.05	3.05		3		3	5				
8	Boats		Total	30	22	201			92	48				30				
								1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Place	BF				
Port Captains Steve Spangler/Kirk Traver Sunday Aug 9th Manistee Tournament																		
Last	First	Boat	Place	Total	Weighted	Lbs	Pts	Total	Big Fish	Big Fish	Co.Y. Place	Pts. BF	Tot	Crew				
Kinney	Jeff	Freshwater Drum II	1	7	5	56.95	25	81.95	12.20	12.05	14	5	19	3				
Frazee	Gale	Chilaxin	2	7	5	44.25	25	69.25	12.50	10.40	12	4	16	3				
Spangler	Steve	Mr. Barkie	3	4	4	15.80	20	35.80			10		10	6				
Zawacki	Dave	Salty Dog	4	2	2	14.30	10	24.30	11.60	2.70	8	1	9	2				
Dodge	Bill	Dodger	5	2	2	12.05	10	22.05	7.35	4.70	6		6	3				
Schultz	Bob	Bounty Hunter	6	2	2	9.70	10	19.70	5.90	3.80	4		4	3				
Traver	Kirk	Sara Ann	7	1	1	6.75	5	11.75	6.75		3		3	3				
Johnson	Jeff	Heavy Metal	8	4	DNW	0.00	0	0.00			3		3	3				
8	Boats		Total	29	21	160			56	34				26				
DNW		Did not weigh						1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Place	BF				

