



Walleye Wall



The 2022 Season Numbers Are In!!



Jerry Wood

770
MASTER ANGLERS
CAUGHT BY **353**
BUDD'S MASTER ANGLERS!!

Gunisao Lake Produced:

708 MASTER ANGLER WALLEYES
-> 106 Were 30" or Larger!!
46 MASTER ANGLER NORTHERN PIKE



Aaron Youngdahl

Our 35th season of the **World's Best Trophy Walleye Fishing** at Gunisao was phenomenal, to say the least. It sure was nice to see everyone again! We enjoyed some great fishing and good times, and many memories were made. **3 out of 5 guests went home Master Anglers** this season — **353 different anglers** landed a combined total of **770 Master Angler fish**. **65% of all Manitoba Master Angler Walleyes in 2022 (May-August) were caught at Gunisao.**

This season **Gunisao produced four 32" Walleyes** — caught by Jerry Wood, Pat McKune, Aaron Youngdahl, and Joe Goetz. They tied for the **second largest caught in Manitoba in 2022**. Of the **708 Master Angler Walleyes** caught, **106 were 30" or larger.**



Carey Heitman

Carey Heitman landed a whopping **44" Northern Pike**, the largest of the season at Gunisao. Of the 46 Trophy Northern Pike caught, 7 were 43" or larger.

Budd's anglers also caught 12 Trophy Whitefish, 3 Trophy Suckers, and 1 Trophy Perch.

Thanks to all of our guests for another great season of Trophy Fishing, and congratulations to all of our Budd's Master Angler Club 2022 members!

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Looking Back... And Forward

Budd's Gunisao Lake Lodge welcomed all of our anglers back during the 2022 season and we are relishing settling into norms after a whirlwind of ups and downs over the past few years. This is our first newsletter since 2019 and we would like to say THANK YOU!! We have been humbled by the support and loyalty of our guests, friends, and family over the last 5 years.

Our 5 year roller coaster ride began in the fall of 2017. After the season ended in August, we experienced our first "Great Bear Break-in". Two

bears broke into the main lodge and wreaked havoc for 6 weeks, causing over \$250,000 in damage. Closely following this discovery, the Budd Family suffered the untimely losses of Dusty's brothers, James

Budd Jr., and Brendon Budd (former manager of the Lodge from 1989 to 2001).

Spring of 2018 brought both the stress of piecing the Lodge back together before guests arrived, and the excitement of a new season with a freshly renovated lodge.

That fall we had the misfortune of a second "Great Bear Break-in"; this time totaling \$40,000 in damages. The race to rebuild followed in the spring of 2019. We prevailed, but began one of our driest seasons ever recorded. On June 13, a lightning strike approximately 9 miles from camp started a small fire that quickly grew out of control and placed the Lodge in a wary situation. Fire fighting crews were eventually deployed and began trying to save the Lodge. In the end, 86,450 acres of land around Gunisao Lake had burned; but our beloved camp was saved and we had a great season overall.

2020 was looking to be a record breaking season. The Lodge was 98% booked, planes were scheduled, staff was hired...and then the world stood still from COVID. We tried to make the best out of our situation and headed to camp to spend part of our summer. We had more time on the water and around camp as a family than ever before, but it was eerie and sad without the usual hustle and bustle normally going on at that time of year.

The night of July 2 brought a massive storm with straight line winds and we awoke

to a cabin that had been knocked off its stilts, several roofs that needed re-shingling, and a float plane that was flipped over and destroyed. Clean up and reconstruction began quickly afterwards. The border never opened, and the season ended up being a complete loss.

2020 continued to be hard on the Budd Family as Dusty's father Dr. James Budd — founder and previous owner of Budd' Gunisao Lake Lodge from 1987 - 2013 — became progressively sick, and entered into hospice care in September.

Doc Budd took his last breath on October 12, 2020 at the age of 88.

In 2021 the pandemic rolled on and the border stayed closed to Americans, but again we headed to Canada, optimistic there would be

some sort of a season. At that time restrictions in Canada allowed for some Canadian citizens to travel, so we planned to host Canadian guests from July 13-25, then being able to host American guests for another three weeks if the border opened up. In the end 34 Canadian Guests were able to make the trip to Gunisao, but unfortunately the second phase of our plan never came to fruition because the border didn't open until August 9th.

Then along came 2022, marking Dusty and Jennie's 21st season running the Lodge. We were able to welcome our guests back in full force (all 550 of them), and we had a fantastic season of great fishing and good times.

Over our 5 year roller coaster ride, we also made some nice upgrades — we added a pontoon boat to our fleet, re-shingled many of the cabin roofs as well as the main Lodge, resided part of the Little Log cabin, placed name signs on all cabins, laid new flooring in the Big Log cabin and several bathrooms in other cabins, hired a new bartender/store manager and built a new cabin for them, did some painting inside the Lodge to brighten things up, and completely remodeled the Tackle 'n' Things Store.

As we look forward, we are excited for future improvements around camp, continued great fishing, and of course welcoming you all back in 2023.

- The Budd's



Dusty and Doc



Doc and Dusty



World's Best Trophy Walleye Fishing

Size (inches) Of Largest Trophy Caught Total Trophies Caught

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708 Walleyes

Jerry Wood	32	3
Pat McKune	32	3
Aaron Youngdahl	32	2
Joe Goetz	32	2
Larry Eliason	31.75	2
Brandon Abell	31.5	3
Stephan Seko	31.5	3
John Nicholson	31.5	2
Richard Mingus	31.5	2
Steve McDaniels	31.25	3
David McLean	31	39
David Darr	31	9
Ed Theobald	31	7
Sabra Wood	31	5
Jacob Olson	31	4
Conrad Hahne	31	3
Craig Hahne	31	3
John Sever	31	3
Chad Abrams	31	1
Daniel Foor	31	1
Jim Craig	31	1
Thomas Meader	31	1
Robert Strawman	30.75	4
Chase Ruser	30.75	3
Lirim Lecaj	30.75	3
Steve Wahlin	30.75	1
Robert Haddorff	30.7	17
Glenn Buchko	30.5	6
Jack Naylor	30.5	6
Garrett Wobst	30.5	5
Alec Wahlin	30.5	3
Bill Hart	30.5	3
Duane Peterson	30.5	3
Ernie Costello	30.5	3
JP Olson	30.5	3
Richard Johnson	30.5	3
Chuck Pillsbury	30.5	2
Geary Blair	30.5	2
John Olson	30.5	2
Joshua Kukowski	30.5	2

Lloyd Dyck	30.5	2
Mark Lee	30.5	2
Paul Nichol	30.5	2
Mark Brandenburger	30.5	1
Tysen Ball	30.5	1
MacLain Bailey	30.4	1
Jett Collins	30.25	4
Brian Feeney	30.25	3
Lucas Amundson	30.25	3
Mark Dupont	30.25	3
Richard Hutter	30.25	3
Chris Irvin	30.25	2
Heather Hamilton	30.25	2
James Scheuring	30.25	1
Jeffrey Rupp	30.15	1
Jon Sinnen	30	7
Steve Botcher	30	7
Chuck Cyra	30	5
Kay Hawley	30	5
Geoffrey Stephens	30	4
Peter Yawn	30	4
Curtis Johnson	30	3
Jacob Chaffee	30	3
Jaye Duffield	30	3
Joel Mashek	30	3
John Guckenberg	30	3
Michael Collins	30	3
William Talley	30	3
Bruce Nusbaum	30	2
Chris Nicholson	30	2
Clint Rogers	30	2
Shari Ball	30	2
Spencer Werth	30	2
Todd Hadley	30	2
Brian Flaherty	30	1
Delbert Smith	30	1
Doug Flaherty	30	1
Matt Amundson	30	1
Nathan Bowman	30	1
Pat Day	30	1

Philip Amundson	30	1
Robert Goldberg	30	1
Troy Chaffee	30	1
Amanda Smyth	29.75	5
James Poiry	29.75	4
Stephen Hadley	29.75	4
Thomas Wiskow	29.75	4
Brad Greiner	29.75	3
Devan Kharitou	29.75	3
Greg Kvilhaug	29.75	3
Brian Fenelon	29.75	2
Bruce Butler	29.75	2
Darin Balken	29.75	2
Franklin Bradley	29.75	2
Jeffrey Eliason	29.75	2
Matt Billion	29.75	2
Ryan Kappenman	29.75	2
Cory Wiskow	29.75	1
Jon Kappes	29.75	1
Michael Vannett	29.75	1
Mike Egger	29.75	1
Wayne Unger	29.75	1
Doug Dozeman	29.7	2
Scott Rau	29.5	7
Hannah Lowen	29.5	4
John Anderson	29.5	4
Johnny Costello Jr	29.5	4
Karen Carlson	29.5	4
Adam Blakely	29.5	3
Albert Johnson	29.5	3
Grant Jones	29.5	3
James MacDougall	29.5	3
Rebecca Graf	29.5	3
Tony Sibert	29.5	3
Bob Clark	29.5	2
Brandon Sommers	29.5	2
Byron Snider	29.5	2
David Fenley	29.5	2
Edward Boyer	29.5	2
Hank Newell	29.5	2

Ian Dilyard	29.5	2
John Lyngstad	29.5	2
Perry Cummings	29.5	2
Stephen Billion	29.5	2
Tjody Jacobsen	29.5	2
Brian Ermer	29.5	1
Dan Smith	29.5	1
David Valentini	29.5	1
Dell Denise Hamilton	29.5	1
Doug Schlauderaff	29.5	1
Gary Gunderson	29.5	1
Jeff Keller	29.5	1
Patricia Begotka	29.5	1
Robert Demuth	29.5	1
Tom Blakemore	29.5	1
Anthony Scheuring	29.25	4
Chuck Morgan	29.25	3
Doug Guckenberg	29.25	3
Terry Harvey	29.25	3
Marc Cove	29.25	2
Michael Rahto	29.25	2
Reid Davidson	29.25	2
Steve Johnson	29.25	2
Todd Schrader	29.25	2
Barb Losing	29.25	1
Bryce Holden	29.25	1
David Billion	29.25	1
Hadly Skaw	29.25	1
James Fingerman	29.25	1
James R. Sowers	29.25	1
Larry E. Johnson	29.25	1
Mark Kharitou	29.25	1
Zach Taylor	29.25	1
Michael Theobald	29	6
Ron Ball	29	5
Guthrie Swenson	29	4
Joseph Sipinski	29	4
Kevin Michels	29	4
Kyle Zimmerman	29	4
Ric Collins	29	4

Rock Ripley	29	4
Scott Christianson	29	4
Alex Shellberg	29	3
Chase Hahne	29	3
Chris Meader	29	3
Jacob Amundson	29	3
Jane Nicholson	29	3
Jeff Parkhill	29	3
Robert Talley	29	3
Anne Ehler	29	2
Ashley Callihan	29	2
Daniel Knight	29	2
Jennifer Budd	29	2
John Dale	29	2
Mark Burch	29	2
Peter Youngdahl	29	2
Rich Howell	29	2
Ryan O'Connor	29	2
Shanna Hapko	29	2
Shaun Creasy	29	2
Troy Lindberg	29	2
Aj Quinn	29	1
Alex Brainerd	29	1
Bergen Parkhill	29	1
Bradley Stokes	29	1
Brady Gorman	29	1
Chris Schadow	29	1
Christian Amundson	29	1
Christopher Hoff	29	1
Colin Kelly	29	1
Cory Anderson	29	1
Daniel Aigner	29	1
Dustin Gonzales	29	1
Elijah Edwards	29	1
Erik Henderson	29	1
Jackson Budd	29	1
James Cramer	29	1
Jeff Shellberg	29	1
Jon Young	29	1
Kenneth Netsch	29	1



770 Master Anglers caught by 353 different anglers!!

Kenny Johnson	29	1
Kevin Wargin	29	1
Maurice Judd	29	1
Michael Brandenburger	29	1
Rorik Blatny	29	1
Roy Yawn	29	1
Shane Hogan	29	1
Tad Anderson	29	1
Thomas Zawier	29	1
Timothy Strehlow	29	1
John Hendricks	28.9	3
Tim Luskey	28.75	4
John Christianson	28.75	3
Jeff Glasser	28.75	2
Mark Milner	28.75	2
David Henry	28.75	1
James Dilyard	28.75	1
James Levos	28.75	1
Jeff Vellines	28.75	1
Todd Tadsen	28.75	1
Truc Frisbie	28.75	1
Keith Budd	28.5	4
Jack Keller	28.5	3
Jonathan Kuskie	28.5	3
Louis Cove	28.5	3
Randy Dujardin	28.5	3
Roger Werth	28.5	3
Timothy Whitman	28.5	3
Brad Chaffee	28.5	2
Brad Hoistad	28.5	2
Duwayne Balken	28.5	2
Eric Zimmerman	28.5	2
Hayley Medwid	28.5	2
James A. Rahto, Jr.	28.5	2
John Mettlen	28.5	2
Jon Jontz	28.5	2
Matt Cowan	28.5	2
Paul Durand	28.5	2
Ryan Shellberg	28.5	2
Albert Rempel	28.5	1

Ashley Van Damme	28.5	1
Bob Hayes	28.5	1
Bob Yang	28.5	1
Bruce Hall	28.5	1
Chandler Hart	28.5	1
Chet Delbridge	28.5	1
Curt Ratajczak	28.5	1
Dave Penner	28.5	1
Gerald Emrick	28.5	1
Grant Leutschaft	28.5	1
James A. Rahto, Sr.	28.5	1
Jesse Lammers	28.5	1
John Hazer	28.5	1
Karen Fischer	28.5	1
Ken Carlson	28.5	1
Lake Gogolin	28.5	1
Linda Henkel	28.5	1
Michael Alexander	28.5	1
Michael Zipoy	28.5	1
Patterson Fenelon	28.5	1
Randy Peters	28.5	1
Ryan Anderson	28.5	1
Ryan Marchand	28.5	1
Sam Boyer	28.5	1
Steve Kemps	28.5	1
Terry Huseman	28.5	1
Steve Scheel	28.25	3
Cory Baseraba	28.25	2
Brook Davis	28.25	1
Brooke Ball	28.25	1
Cameron Miller	28.25	1
Cary Pierce	28.25	1
Curtis Jr. Frisbie	28.25	1
Dustan Budd	28.25	1
George Hendricks	28.25	1
Henry Newell	28.25	1
Jamie Vincent	28.25	1
Jim Kelly	28.25	1
Jim Kouri	28.25	1
Nolan Hart	28.25	1

Rick Weber	28.25	1
Ryan Stephens	28.25	1
Scott Ruser	28.25	1
Shawn Friesen	28.25	1
Simon James	28.25	1
Thomas Senior	28.25	1
Mark Ericksen	28	3
Jamison Day	28	2
Mark Graf	28	2
Al Bipes	28	1
Callan Young	28	1
Carl Lanciaux	28	1
Curt Uebele	28	1
Dale Brandenburger	28	1
Dave Laudon	28	1
David Maltry	28	1
Eric Vogler	28	1
Greg Meader	28	1
Heather Butler	28	1
Jacob Goldberg	28	1
Jackie Weaver	28	1
Jake Jazwick	28	1
Jason Kuehne	28	1
Jeffrey Boettcher	28	1
Jeremy Sims	28	1
Jim McMillan	28	1
John E. Costello	28	1
John McGee	28	1
John Schultz	28	1
Justin Sampson	28	1
Kate Young	28	1
Kevin Miller	28	1
Les Zanotti	28	1
Matthew Edwards	28	1
Micah Teets	28	1
Michael Johnson	28	1
Nathan Tymchuk	28	1
Peter Grigorovich-Barsky	28	1
Rick Bateman	28	1
Rick Blatny	28	1

Rob Lyngstad	28	1
Ron Corby	28	1
Scott Gable	28	1
Scott Strehlow	28	1
Skyler Solsaa	28	1
Steve Reuvers	28	1
Steve Scheel	28	1
Thomas Olson	28	1
Tom Cavanagh	28	1
Tom Tessman	28	1
Trace Mills	28	1
Tyler Buchko	28	1
Will Smetana	28	1
William Ehler	28	1

12 Lake Whitefish

Geoffrey Stephens	24	2
Randy O'Daniel	23	1
Robert Tallman	22.5	2
Kent Spriggs	22.25	2
Ron Corby	22	1
Paul Newell	22	1
Patterson Fenelon	22	1
Jacob Huseman	22	1
Darin Balken	22	1

3 Sucker

Sam Keller	21	1
Robert Haddorff	20.5	1
Jeffery O'Daniel	18.75	1

1 Yellow Perch

Tom Cavanagh	13	1
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46 Northern Pike

Carey Heitman	44	1
Les Zanotti	43.75	2
Bjorn Nelson	43.5	1
Luis Machado	43.3	2
Kyle Slobodian	43.25	2
Brian Fenelon	43	1
Joey ODaniel	43	1
Lloyd Dyck	42.5	2
Mark Jones	42.5	2
Kyle Strega	42.5	1
Russell Popham	42.25	2
Sabra Wood	42	1
James Dilyard	41.75	2
Michael O'Daniel	41.75	1
Andrew Belanger	41.5	1
David Darr	41.5	1
Jacob Olson	41.5	1
James Rahto, Sr.	41.5	1
Jerry Woods	41.5	1
Lake Gogolin	41.5	1
Michael Theobald	41.5	1
Mike Stephens	41.5	1
Randy Peters	41.5	1
Will Smetana	41.5	1
Cameron Miller	41.25	1
Eric Vogler	41.25	1
Jason Sylte	41.25	1
Victor Mader	41.25	1
Albert Johnson	41	1
Ben Keller	41	1
Brad Hoistad	41	1
Ernie Costello	41	1
Geoffrey Stephens	41	1
Jamison Day	41	1
Jeffery O'Daniel	41	1
John Olson	41	1
Pat McKune	41	1
Scott Rau	41	1
Terry Huseman	41	1



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