

**Wisconsin Bass Federation Nation
Junior State Championship
September 6, 2006**



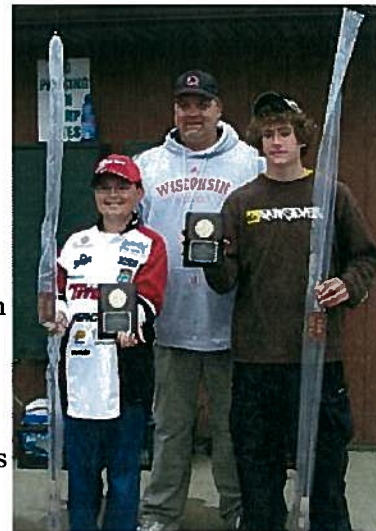
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Lodi, WI - Weather didn't detour the qualifiers of the 2006 WBFN Youth Championship Tournament held on Crystal Lake in Lodi, WI. The top four qualifiers from four different junior clubs representing Madison, Lacrosse, Milwaukee, and Oshkosh, fought rain, cold and wind to catch 34 fish. The kids also had to deal with a recent weed kill that made the lake like pea soup. Some kids report catching as many as 30 fish but most did not meet the minimum size limit of 14 inches.

In the 11-14 age group, Jonny Schultz from West Bend won with a weight of 7.85 pounds, including the tournament big bass of 2.94 pounds. In second was Broughan Cullen from Madison, who caught the only tournament limit of the event, but his total of 7.25 pounds wasn't quite enough.

The winner in the 15-18 age group was Ryan Welch of LaCrosse with a weight of 6.85 pounds. Second went to Charlie Lapine of Oshkosh, with a weight of 6.67 pounds – a difference of less than 3 ounces!

Jonny and Ryan now move on to the BASS Junior World Championship in Birmingham, AL in February 2007. They will fish against other State Champions in their respective age groups for a chance to win scholarships. Each young angler will get to fish with a BASS Elite Series pro. d the tournament days.



CONGRATULATIONS to all the youth the fished and good luck to Jonny and Ryan at the Junior World Championship!!!

Final Standings:

Key:

Oshkosh
 LaCrosse
 Madison
 Milwaukee

| Ages 15 - 18 | # Fish | Weight | Big Bass | Ages 11 - 14 | # Fish | Weight | Big Bass |
|------------------|--------|--------|----------|-----------------|--------|--------|----------|
| Ryan Welch | 4 | 6.85 | 2.17 | Jonny Schultz | 4 | 7.85 | 2.94 |
| Charlie Lapine | 4 | 6.67 | 1.99 | Broughan Cullen | 5 | 7.25 | |
| Matt Kotkosky | 4 | 5.91 | | Broc Bina | 3 | 5.05 | 1.89 |
| Andrew Bowman | 3 | 5.25 | | Beau Castillo | 1 | 1.89 | |
| Michael Bowman | 1 | 2.37 | | Alex Kjos | 1 | 1.74 | |
| Brandon Hundt | 1 | 1.94 | | Alex Noedel | 1 | 1.73 | |
| Brian Palmer | 1 | 1.81 | | Shane Mc Cusky | 0 | 0 | |
| Cody Cullen | 1 | 1.69 | | Allx Kaiser | 0 | 0 | |
| Wells Kaiser | 0 | 0 | | Danny Roth | 0 | 0 | |
| Drew McAdams | 0 | 0 | | Ben Meyerhofer | 0 | 0 | |
| Dan Schuh | 0 | 0 | | Paul Markowski | 0 | 0 | |
| Andrew Halverson | 0 | 0 | | Sam Poelling | DNF | | |