

# Entry Form

REGISTER ONLINE: [fishingchallenge.org](http://fishingchallenge.org)

## Team Member Information

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: (Team Member #1) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: (Team Member #2) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  check box below if same info.

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Team Information

Please register by Feb. 1 with a preferred #. After that, numbers will be assigned randomly. \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt size: member 1: \_\_\_\_\_ member 2: \_\_\_\_\_

### Where would you like to direct your fundraising dollars?:

Brainerd  Duluth  Lakeside Academy – Buffalo  Mankato  Minneapolis  Rochester  Alexandria

Any 2025 graduate or younger will be entered into the youth competition to win one of six college scholarships. Please list the names below of angler(s) on this team who is a 2025 graduate or younger.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## Payment Information

Send \$200 check, made payable to MnTC. Mail to: **Minnesota Fishing Challenge**  
2424 Business 371, Brainerd, MN 56401  
Attn: Sue Van Hal

Credit Card info: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_  
Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ 3 Digit CVC Code \_\_\_\_\_

## Required Signatures of each Registrant:

I have read the participant agreement, photo release and release of liability carefully and understand all of the terms and conditions specified. I enter and sign-up for this event voluntarily and without any reservations.

Member #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Member #2: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Thanks to Our Sponsors



## About Mn Adult & Teen Challenge

Minnesota Adult and Teen Challenge (MnTC) is a drug and alcohol treatment and recovery program that has been in operation since 1983. We serve people ages 13-74 years with multiple locations statewide with a full range of services including long-term recovery and short-term intensive treatment programs. Additionally, our Know the Truth™ Prevention Program speaks in more than 160 high schools and middle schools across the state, sharing personal stories of addiction with students to help prevent substance use.



Scan to visit our website!



## For questions about...

**Registration and fundraising**  
contact Sue Van Hal, MnTC Events Manager:  
218.833.8752 | Sue.VanHal@mntc.org

**Tournament rules and format**  
contact Bernie Barringer, Tournament Director:  
218.820.8459 | Bernie.Barringer@mntc.org

# 17th Annual Minnesota Fishing Challenge



**MAY 31, 2025**

CRAGUN'S RESORT ON GULL LAKE  
BRAINERD, MN

[fishingchallenge.org](http://fishingchallenge.org)

Plan to fish the fishing challenge!  
Enter online or call:

**218.833.8752**

## Dear Anglers,

I am excited to be involved again this year in this tournament for Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge. It has always been one of the highlights of my summer. Gull Lake is a treasure in our community, filled with great fishing and Cragun's serves as an excellent weigh-in station. Join us this year for another great experience with other anglers from across Minnesota and beyond. I would love to see you at the Rules Dinner on May 30 and fishing on May 31. Thank you for your fundraising effort to support MnTC.



Would you consider fishing with us in this fundraising tournament? Minnesota Adult and Teen Challenge offers hope to individuals struggling with addiction. Campuses across Minnesota will benefit from your partnership in this tournament!

Sincerely, 

Al Lindner, Tournament Host

## Divisions

The team entry fee of \$200 allows teams to enter one of five divisions. Teams can decide division while fishing:

### PIKE DIVISION



Sponsored by Nor-Son

Weigh two northern pikes under 30"

### BASS DIVISION



Sponsored by Lindner Media

Weigh three largemouth bass

### WALLEYE DIVISION



Sponsored by Navillus Land Company

Weigh three walleyes

### PANFISH DIVISION



Sponsored by Nisswa Lions Club

Weigh three panfish, crappies, bluegills, sunnies or perch

### MIXED BAG DIVISION



Sponsored by Premiere Marine

Weigh one pike, one walleye, one rock bass and one panfish

### RON LINDNER BONUS

Bring in one rock bass, and this weight will be added to your fish total weight.

## Division Prizes

The top 10 teams in each division (50 teams) will win a trip through the prize tent for your team with a combined team prize valued at a minimum of \$100 each. Nearly \$20,000 in prizes will be available including rods, reels, tackle, trolling motors, guided fishing trips, gear, and much more.

Help us fill the event to the 150-team limit again this year. Last year we raised over \$620,000. With your help we can reach our goal to beat that record fundraising year.

## Early Bird Awards

Enter now and start your fundraising right away! If both team members are registered by April 1, your team will win one of three Aqua-Vu cameras as an Early Bird prize. One winning team will win complimentary lodging for up to six people (Thursday, May 29 through Sunday, June 1 [9am checkout]) at Sandy Beach Resort on Gull Lake's west shoreline. This will be awarded in early April.

## Additional Fishing Prizes

- **Sea Foam Second Chance awards** – Ten teams not placing in the top ten of any division will be chosen by random drawing to win a case of Sea Foam Marine Pro motor treatment. Anglers must be present to win.
- **McDonald's Biggest Bass award** – The winning team will win a plaque and a giant Rapala lure autographed by Al Lindner and the staff of Lindner Media.
- **Navigate North Biggest Walleye award** – A plaque and a giant Rapala lure autographed by Al Lindner and the staff of Lindner Media will be awarded to the winner.
- **Beaudry Oil Ugliest Fish award** – The winning team will receive a plaque and bragging rights!
- **Sea Foam Scholarship** – Any 2025 graduate or younger ("youth angler") will be entered into a competition to win one of six Sea Foam scholarships. The top three ranked teams that include a youth angler will receive a \$500 college scholarships for every youth angler on the team. It doesn't matter what division and team does not have to be in the top ten of the division. For example, winners

could be 5th place in the walleye division, 7th in the mixed bag, and 10th in the bass division.

**NEW THIS YEAR:** The team could be two youth anglers or adult/youth combination.

## Fundraising Awards

- **The top three fundraising teams** will win a fishing trip with Al Lindner, Walleye Dan Eigen or Bass Pro Scott Bonnema.
- **Each team that raises \$500** will get their name in a drawing for a brand new Lund boat powered by Mercury and rigged with electronics. For each \$500 raised, you get another ticket in the drawing.
- **If you can raise \$1,460** you will be awarded an official 2025 Fishing Challenge personalized jersey at the Rules Dinner. Funds must be collected by May 15 for shirt delivery at the Rules meeting.
- **All teams who raise \$3,000** or more will receive a special imprinted Fishing Challenge jacket.



## Youth anglers

Any student angler teams where both partners are under age 16 must have an adult in the boat who does not participate in the fishing.



**Excellence Award:** Any team who raises \$10,000 for the tournament will receive a prize for each member: either a Yeti Roadie 24 cooler filled with fishing gear OR a \$250 gift card. You will not want to be a penny short of this goal; this prize is amazing!



## Participant Agreement

### AS A PARTICIPANT IN THE MINNESOTA FISHING CHALLENGE:

- I understand that photos, video and digital images will be taken during the course of my participation, and I agree that the organizers, administrators, sponsors, news media and web sites may use these images for promotional or commercial purposes without royalties or prior consent and with my full permission.
  - As a participant in the Minnesota Fishing Challenge, I understand this is a sporting event governed by rules. The tournament director shall act as the referee in all disputes, and his decision based on his interpretation of the rules will be final and without legal appeal.
  - I acknowledge I am voluntarily participating in the Minnesota Fishing Challenge and am aware that this creates the risk of serious personal injury or death and loss or damage to personal property.
- In exchange for being accepted into the Minnesota Fishing Challenge, I hereby release and discharge the tournament administrator, Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge, Cragun's Resort, and event sponsors from the liabilities and/or injuries, damages, or loss sustained by me.
  - I expressly recognize that loss of property, injury or death could arise from:
    - 1). the fishing and boating activities contemplated by the event;
    - 2). the fact that competition rules contemplate that participants will fish in boats belonging to other participants as well as their own boats;
    - 3). the fact that the risks normally encountered in open-water fishing from a boat may be enhanced by the existence of competition.