

GWA – 2025

The Official Newsletter of the 41st Annual Great Walleye Assault

Terror Alert Level Raised Alters Cites AI Security Threat

Eagle River, WI GWA Security Czar Jackson Alters on Thursday raised the Terror Alert Level to Trombone, citing the threat posed by rapidly developing AI technology.

Stated Alters, “The way this artificial intelligence thing is taking off, it’s getting almost impossible to tell what is real and what isn’t. I’m gonna be coming up with some security protocols over the next couple months to make sure GWA is real.”

Explained Alters, “There’s stuff out there that could make it look like a guy caught a giant walleye, when in fact he caught a dink, or maybe nothing at all.”

“Even scarier,” he continued, “AI could make it look like we had plenty of whiskey in camp when, in fact, we were running short. Talk about a real mess!”

“How can I know if I’ve even got enough minnows in my bucket if AI is going to give the illusion of plenty of bait at all times,” questioned Jackson.

The Leinie’s Guys expressed surprise and concern at the elevated terror alert.

“I’m glad Jackson is staying on top of this,” nodded Leinie’s Guy and GWA Safety Officer Mikey Bishop. “I hate the thought of guys just sitting back at camp asking AI to go out and catch a mess of crappies for them.”



Security Czar Jackson Alters is focused on keeping GWA 100% real.

“Yeah, we need to nip this in the bud,” agreed Leinie’s Guy Lard Krueger. “I don’t want to lose out on angler of the year to some hologram or something.”

“Look, GWA made it the first 40 years without AI, I think we can make it the next 40,” stated Puck Johnson. “And that goes for Go-Pro cameras too.”

GWA- 2024 In Review

Eagle River, WI GWA Organizer Buck Tailspinner on Saturday delivered a 2 ½ hour power point presentation dissecting GWA-2024 during happy hour at the Last Cast Bar and Grill.

“You’d think that after 40 years, the Guys would really have it all together and you’d be right,” assessed Tailspinner. “GWA is probably the greatest fish camp of all time.”

Some of the highlights covered in Tailspinner’s presentation included:

- A smoothly executed five man camp set-up followed by a heavy re-hydration session.
- PI Pub pizza.
- Turkey gobbling at 4:30a.m. in the campground
- Mitch & Wolfe arrive with massive amount of donuts
- Deano breaks out his fancy new charcuterie board
- Morning coffee with Baileys
- Creamed turkey appetizers from a turkey killed by Mikey’s dog Ruby
- Campfires and cocktails nightly
- Mikey makes first ever GWA birdie while golfing after spending the morning at Michigan opener
- Geno takes a dump over the side of Keet’s boat due to gastric distress
- Keet throws back a limit of walleyes thinking that the size limit was 15”
- Big-ass fish fry.
- Jerry Flemma attends his last GWA
- Puck blames Pringles can for his sneezing jag
- GWA legislative session and closing ceremonies
- Smooth as silk camp tear-down and exit from Big Lake

They Really Said It Quotes from GWA-2024

“His truck looks like a tiki bar on wheels.” –Puck, on Greggo’s truck

“I’d better get up before I sh*t myself.”
-Mikey

“I should go and pull the carcass and show ya.” –Lard

“My hearing has gotten a lot better since I retired.” –Lard

“I can stand a lot of stuff, but I can’t stand a wet ass.” –Puck

“My burps taste like what my lunch tasted like.” – Levi Johnson

“I know, I didn’t listen.” – Lard

“I threw a northern back today that hit me in the head.” –Lard

“I’m nervous (that’s why my hat is sweaty).” –Lard

“If we go now, it’ll be sunny at Big Lake when we get there.” – JJ, at Boulder Beer Bar just before getting back to camp and getting hit with hail

“I had to cut the hole because I think my head got bigger.” –Puck, referring to the GWA sweatshirts Lard provided years ago



Krueger Gives Super Bowl Halftime Show A+

Eagle River, WI Leinie Guy Mark “Lard” Krueger on Monday issued a statement saying that he thought the Super Bowl halftime show was a “definite A+”.

“It was like looking in a mirror,” stated Krueger, referring to Kendrick Lamar’s halftime exhibition.

Krueger, who launched a brief rap career as LL Lard-dog after retirement stated that Lamar’s dance moves were right out of his old playbook. “The guy must have studied my concerts and spent a lot of time copying my moves. He was pretty danged good.”

Other Leinie’s Guys were less complimentary of the halftime spectacle.

“Couldn’t understand a single word the man said,” muttered Keet Moericke. “The time would have been better spent taking a dump.”

“Not my cup of tea,” assessed Leinie’s Guy Deano Radke. “I’d rather listen to pretty much anything else.”



THE LL Lard-dog

Buck Shots...

It is butt cold out there and I know that GWA seems like it’s a long way off, but it’s not. Less than 90 days until we’re pulling into Big Lake campground for the 41st annual Great Walleye Assault.

Lots of work yet to be done, men. We need to come up with our official theme, Joe needs your campfire chat topics, your wives need to send in their provocative photos for the calendar, reels need to be respooled, raingear needs to be located, boat batteries need to be recharged/replaced....it all seems pretty overwhelming, yet I know that it’ll all get done. Somehow.

The place is Big Lake.
See you there!!!
God Bless America!

- Buck

Buck Tailspinner

**GWA-2025
May 8-18 at the Big Lake Campground
BE THERE!!!**

**(Sites 1835 and 1836 have been
reserved for the duration.)**