

2025 Chautauqua County Visitors Bureau - Outdoor Event Planning Calendar-02/04/2025 FINAL2

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1	Feb. 1-2	Musky Expo 2025 , Chautauqua Harbor Hotel, Celeron, NY; Katia Rivers 585-287-7578, https://www.facebook.com/groups/497322881051693/
2	Feb. 13-16	Niagara Outdoor Expo 2025 , Niagara Falls, NY; 716- 278-2100; https://niagarafishingexpo.com/
3	Mar. 7-9	WNY Sport, Travel & Outdoor Expo 2025 ; 814-790-5079; https://eriepromotions.com/wny-sport-show/
4	Apr 1	NYS Inland Trout Opening Day
5	Apr 26-27	NYS Youth Turkey Hunt Weekend 2025 (1 bearded bird allowed)
6	Apr 24-26	Outdoor Writers of Ohio (OWO) Annual Conference 2025 (Camp Perry-Port Clinton, OH)
7	May 1-31	NYS Spring Turkey Season (2 bearded birds/season; 1/day)
8	May 1-Mar 15	NYS Walleye Season , L. Erie: 15" min, 6/day; Inland lakes: 15" min, 5/day.
9	May 3	1-Day Perch Derby, L. Erie , \$40 entry, Southtowns Walleye, Paul Sanchez, 716-228-6520
10	May 15-18	POWA Annual Conference 2025 (Erie, PA); 570-886-1609
11	May 15-18	NYSOWA Annual Conf. 2025 (Niagara Falls, NY). Visit https://nysowa.org .
12	Fri-Sun Jun 6-8	WNY Walleye Classic / Dunkirk Walleye Festival 2025 , \$500 entry, Josh Larsen, 716-490-4226; https://www.primitivepatriotoutdoors.com/wny-walleye-classic
13	Jun 7-15	41st Annual 9-Day Southtowns Walleye Tournament , \$100 entry, \$100k prizes; Jim Skoczylas, 716-796-5372; https://www.southtownswalleye.com/
14	Jun 15-Nov 30	NYS Black Bass Season . L. Erie & Inland Lakes: 12" min, 5/day
15	New. Jun 21-22	NY Musky, Chautauqua Lake Showdown , Region 3 Chapter Challenge; 585-287-7578
16	Fri, Jun 27	WNY Heroes Day (Dunkirk) , Contact Jim Steel; 716-481-5348; visit https://wnyheroes.org/ NY Walleye Derby 2025, registration deadline Jun. 21 , Contact Jim Steel: 716-481-5348; www.newyorkwalleyederby.com .
17	Jun 28-Aug. 10	TBD
18	TBD	CHAUTAUQUA Outdoor Media MINI-CAMP's, Dave Barus, 716-597-4081
19	Sat-Sun New Date Jul 12-13	Walleye Duel in Dunkirk, Dunkirk Pavilion – new location , \$500 entry; 3-fish bag/ 2-days; Captain's Mtg on Jul 11; Mark Mohr: 716-998-9871.
20	Thu-Sun Jul 17-20	Sunset Bay Walleye Shoot-Out 2025 , \$500 entry, \$500K prizes; 6-fish bag/day – 1-day major contest; Don Ruppert; 716-435-4137, www.walleyeshootout.com/ .
21	New. Sat-Sun, Jul 26-27	NYS Archery Shooters Association (ASA) Federation Championship, Bear Lake Rod & Gun. Info: Rudy Abersold, 716-397-9717.
22	Fri-Sun, Aug 1-3	20th Annual Northern Chautauqua Conservation Club Walleye Tourney - Dunkirk Harbor ; 3 fish bag/day - 3 days; Contact Zen Olow: 716-640-2776;
23	Tue Aug 5	VIP Day 2025 (Dunkirk) , ELECBA / CCVB event, Contact ELECBA President: Capt. Jim Steel at 716-481-5348. Meet/Greet Aug. 4 evening.
24	Thu-Fri Aug 7-8	Cabela's National Walleye Tour event, Dunkirk Harbor . Professional angler TV event. Weigh-in open to the public.
25	Fri-Sat Aug 15-16	Innovative Outdoors Walleye Challenge (Dunkirk) , \$500 entry, Jim Steel, 716-481-5348; https://innovative-outdoors.com/ .
26	Fri-Sat Aug 22-23	WNY Walleye Assoc.; Lake Erie Walleye Tournament ; \$250 entry, Fish Donkey format, Rick Malik, 716-548-8219 or Ron Kucinski, 716-545-5925.
27	New Sep 13	NY Musky, Chautauqua Lake Big Baller Tourney , Casting Only. No FFS. 585-287-7578
28	Sat New Sep 13	WNY Walleye Assoc.; 1st Responders/Veterans Day of Fishing, Lake Erie ; Rick Malik: 716-548-8219 or Steve Haak: 716-225-0229.
29	Sep 13-21	NYS Special Early Firearms Antlerless Deer Season 2024 (specific WMUs.).
30	Sep 20	1-Day Walleye Derby, L. Erie , \$45 entry, Southtowns Walleye, Paul Sanchez, 716-228-6520
31	Sep 21-25	AGLOW Annual Conference 2025 (Eau Claire, WI)
32	Oct. 1-Nov. 14	NYS Big Game Early Archery Season 2025 (Southern Zone)
33	TBD	CHAUTAUQUA Outdoor Media MINI-CAMP, Dave Barus, 716-597-4081
34	Oct 11-13	NYS Youth Big Game Hunting Weekend 2025 (Columbus Day)
35	Date TBD	NYSOWA Fall Safari 2025, possibly Columbia-Greene County area
36	Nov. 1-14	NYS Big Game Crossbow Season 2025 (Southern Zone)
37	Nov 15-Dec 7	NYS Regular Firearm Big Game Season 2025 (Southern Zone)
38	Dec 1-Jun 14	NYS Winter Black Bass Season : L. Erie: 20" min, 1/day; Inland Lakes: Catch/Release only, Artificial Lures Only
39	Dec 8-16	NYS Late Archery, Muzzleloader Big Game 2025 (Southern Zone)
40	Dec 26-Jan 1	NYS Holiday Deer Season for 2025-26

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DEFINITIONS

AGLOW	Association of Great Lakes Outdoor Writers
NCCC	Northern Chautauqua County Conservation Club
NYSOWA	NYS Outdoor Writers Association
OWAA	Outdoor Writers Association of America
OWO	Outdoor Writers of Ohio
POMA	Professional Outdoor Media of America
POWA	Pennsylvania Outdoor Writers Association

NYS Fish-Hunt Season Event

Chautauqua County Walleye Tourney