



Captain Walt's Log

Local Area Fishing Reports



Finally we have some good weather and the fishing has responded. June is a good month to catch a nice variety of fish. We concentrated on Lake Geneva and Lake Delavan fishing for bass and had many good days. One morning we caught 44 bass plus some panfish.

Wacky rigged Senko worms and the drop shot rig worked well on Lake Geneva. We worked the 8-15 foot area, shallower at the beginning of the month and deeper later in June. Water temps were in the mid 70's by month end. There are some nice cabbage beds this year on Lake Geneva. July should be good too!

Wacky rigs and live bait rigs were the answer on Lake Delavan. Again, we fished the 5-20 foot range, shallower in early June and deeper later. The weeds are growing nicely and July should be continue to be good on Delavan.

Fishing and Boating Tips For July

In July summer is in full swing and there are lots of boats on the water. Fishing can be tough during summer. Choose the best days and time to fish. Cloudy days during the week are best. Early or late in the day are best too. Good catches of fish can still be had during July, but you must adjust from May and June fishing techniques to summer patterns. If you go boating during July be careful. Lots of folks are enjoying the water. The wake boarders, skiers, and tubers are all on the water too. Look out for them and hopefully they will look out for the fishermen too. But remember, the best day to go fishing is any day that you can!

Fish of the Month Contest

The **Fish of the Month Contest** allows our guests to judge the quality of the fish they catch. The fish caught are rated against the National Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame record for that specie. The fish with the largest point value based on the specie specific formula is our **Fish of the Month**. There are separate contests for **Gamefish** and **Panfish**. Gamefish species eligible include Large-mouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Walleye, Northern Pike and Muskie. Panfish species eligible include Crappie, Yellow Perch, Bluegill/Sunfish, White Bass and Rock Bass.

Game Fish of the Month



This nice 17½" smallmouth bass caught from Lake Geneva on June 10 by John from Northbrook, IL was our **Game Fish of the Month** for June.

John (who was fishing with his nephew Jay) was using a drop shot rig with a plastic worm near a main lake point. We caught a mixture of large-mouth and smallmouth bass and panfish that day. This smallie weighed 2½ lbs. and

scored 73 pts. on our rating scale to become the best game fish caught during June. Congratulations John!

Panfish of the Month

This 9½" rock bass caught from the Lake Geneva on June 20 by Pat from Aurora, IL was our **Panfish of the Month** for June.

It was caught using a drop shot rig. We fished in several locations on Lake Geneva that day and Pat and her husband Jim caught a nice mix of bass and panfish. This Rock Bass scored 73 pts. on our rating scale and was the best panfish caught in June. Congratulations Pat!

