



Captain Walt's Log

Local Area Fishing Reports



This newsletter will recount our local area fishing activities during June. The weather continues to impact the fishing. Lots of rain in June along with plenty of E and NE winds.

We fished the Fox Chain O' Lakes once during June.

The majority of our fishing was on Lake Delavan. The largemouth bass catching was good using Wacky rigged Senko worms. Green pumpkin was the best color. The drop shot rig worked well at times also. We had a few smallmouth bass and northern pike mixed in but our catch was mostly largemouth bass.

In our few trips to Lake Geneva, we caught the usual mix of Geneva fish. Lots of largemouth bass with a few smallmouth bass mixed in. Wacky worms and drop shot rigs worked the best for us. Green and brown colors are always good on Lake Geneva.

Fishing and Boating Tips For July

The weather is finally getting warm. Summer is here. The fish are moving into their summer patterns. Look for fish deeper in weeds and on the weed lines. Deep rock structures will hold fish too. July is a prime time for pleasure boaters. Try to fish during the week and early and late in the day to minimize the impact of the pleasure boaters.

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 Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Walleye, Northern Pike and Muskie. Panfish species eligible include Crappie, Yellow Perch, Bluegill/Sunfish, White Bass and Rock Bass. A score of 100 pts. would equal the National Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame world record.

Game Fish of the Month

This 19½" smallmouth bass caught by Don from Ava, IL was our game fish of the month for June. This smallmouth bass was caught on June 4th on Lake Geneva using a drop shot rig and finesse plastic worm. We caught several more bass that day and this one was released right after the picture was taken.

This smallmouth bass scored 81 points on our rating scale to become the best game fish caught during June. Congratulations Don!



Panfish of the Month

This 13¾" white bass caught by Ed from Libertyville, IL was our panfish of the month. This white bass was caught on June 1 from the Fox Chain O' Lakes using a live bait rig. We caught some walleyes and other species that day and all fish were released after the pictures were taken.

This white bass scored 85 points on our rating scale to become the best panfish caught in June. Congratulations Ed!

