



The Angler

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Edwin Bremner

With a smallmouth caught on the VAC Wade Expedition on the North Anna River!
Frank Hart stands in the background.



Yes, this is Carter Clevenger not Keith Nutall but since we didn't have a photo of Keith I used one of Carter holding a speckled trout.

AUGUST MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Doors open at 6pm
August 22th 7PM

Keith Nutall

Speckled Trout

VDWR Board Room

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***SIGN UP FOR
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To join the text group:
Scan the QR code on the right:

Your texting app will open with a new message of **vactexts** being sent to **18045679579**.

- Press the Send button.
- After about 60 seconds, you will receive the following text:

This is a QR code. Scan it with the camera on your phone and see what happens!

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Your cell number has been added to the VAC Membership **Text Group**

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Oyster Roast Brisket & BBQ

October 21, 2023

Noon to 5 pm

Oysters, BBQ, Brisket,
fixings, water and soft
drinks provided.

If you wish to drink
something else ...
B.Y.O.B.

RSVP Required

by Monday, October 16, 2023

RSVP to Mike@DiscovertheJames.com

Bring a Guest



Hosts: Ronni & Dinkus Deane

15546 Saint Peters Church Road
Montpelier, VA 23192

2023 Expedition & Tournament Schedule

From Frank Hart
Angling & Activities Chair

Cedar Springs Trout Farm Expedition

Dec 17-19th

Are you looking for a great way to close out the 2023 fishing year? Want to join us for a very Merry Fishmas? Look no further than the Virginia Anglers Club expedition to Cedar Springs Trout Farm!

From Sunday December 17th to Tuesday December 19th, the club has reserved the Sportsman's Lodge, the Farmhouse, and the Bunkhouse for a great fishing trip.

Cedar Springs Trout Farm has been in operation since 1954 and offers 2 miles of fishable stream on Cripple Creek. The stream is stocked daily with Rainbow, Brown, Brook, and Golden Trout that are 2 lbs. and up. This is a great place to catch a freshwater leaping fish on spin, plug, or fly tackle. Every year we catch a pile of citation trout.

A Virginia Fresh water license is required, but no trout stamp is needed. You are allowed to catch and keep 6 fish per day per person, so this is not a catch and release trip. The cost for two nights stay and two days fishing is \$240 per person plus tax. The Sportsman's Lodge, the Farmhouse and the bunk house all have nice accommodations. Linens are provided. There is a phone at the lodge - cell phones may not get a good signal.

We will meetup at Cedar Springs at or around 4:00 pm on December 17th and will stay overnight on the 17th and 18th. We will have dinner/supper together on Monday and will have lunch and breakfast foods for two days. Cost

ALMOST FULL!!!



for food will be determined once we are close enough to the expedition to make plans.

Come join us for this great trip! Not only will you get to enjoy some great fishing, but you'll also get to spend time with your fellow anglers. Don't miss out on this opportunity to close out the 2023 fishing year with the Virginia Anglers Club!

Please note: the club has committed to rent all the lodging and fishing. I need to know ASAP who is interested in attending. Because of this I will not accept any last-minute additions. Please RSVP to reserve your spot to Frank Hart now and add this trip to your calendar, 859-808-0431.

ANGLING CALENDAR

For more information on any VAC Angling Activity, contact Frank Hart at (859) 808-0431 or the contact numbers listed below with the event.

October 14th, Expedition
Speckled Trout
Contact Carter Clevenger
(804) 316-5002

November 18 & 19th,
Tournament for James
River Blue Catfish

December 17- 19th
Expedition
Cedar Springs for BIG
Brook, Brown, and
Rainbow Trout

DON'T FORGET... Puppy Drum Tournament is still going on!!!

VAC is conducting a puppy drum tournament from April 1st to November 15th.

The winner will be determined by the puppy drum having the most spots (one side). First tie breaker is the largest fish up to 27 inches. A second tie breaker is first fish caught.

PAST 2023 Expedition & Tournaments

VAC Canoe & Kayak Expedition on the North Anna River with host Brian Bremner July 18th



"Little Man," Elias Bremner's FIRST Fish!

On July 8th, the Virginia Anglers Club enjoyed a successful canoe and kayak expedition on the North Anna River. The expedition was a perfect chance to do the two things we anglers enjoy most, spend time on the water with beautiful scenery and catch lots of fish. The river levels were just about perfect, providing clear water and an enjoyable experience for all participants. The three-mile float began at the Landora Rd bridge and ended at the Hewlett Rd bridge. The first 2.5 miles were slower moving water with ample trees for shading. The last half mile stretch of river was marked by chunk rock and some swift-moving water. Both excellent features for small mouth bass habitat. Thank you to all the members who joined us for this comfortable and easy half day fishing trip. HUGE thank you to Brian Bremner for leading the expedition and keeping everyone well informed and safe.



Fly Fishing FUN!



President Dinkus Dean in his natural habitat!

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VAC Canoe & Kayak Expedition on the North Anna River
with host Brian Bremner
July 18th



A special THANK YOU to Brian Bremner
for leading this great trip!



PAST 2023 Expedition & Tournaments



Frank Hart with a Spotted bass.

By Mike Ostrander

On the warm Saturday morning of August 5, 2023 a dozen Virginia Anglers Club members gathered at the 7-11 across the street from Kings Dominion. This was probably our fifth year heading out on a small river wade fishing trip, and every year the same river has been quite different. This year, the river was low and clear and a couple of the keystone species the club has come to love on this outing were not present at all.

By 7:30am a dozen anglers entered the stream and like every year half went upriver, and half went downriver. Some were not seen until it was time to leave which is about normal for that place. Something about a small river that draws you further and further away from your starting location. The hint of what looks like a good spot, or maybe the way the sunlight works its way through the canopy of the trees

VAC Wade Expedition on the North Anna River with host Mike Ostrander August 5th

that weave over the river and lay upon the water. By the trips end, everyone caught their fair share of fish, and some caught up to eight different species.

The carp were not there this year, nor were the catfish. Over the years, these two species were plentiful and offered all a handful of drag pulling fun. Smallmouth bass, largemouth bass and Kentucky spotted bass were in every deep hole with structure, while multiple sunfish species, bluegill, white perch and black crappie were scattered in just about any place that had depth. A couple of small striped bass rounded out the species list. Big fish were two to three pound spotted and largemouth bass landed by a many anglers.

Gotta give a big shout out to Edwin, son of member Brian Bremner. That young man could take on any of us when it comes to fishing the longest. Edwin was the last one out of the stream, following his dad up the steps to the parking area. As soon as his head crested the hill you could see the smile on his face. Edwin's smile and a couple of high fives completed a fine day of fishing on this fine small river.

I'm going to create some structure here and go out on a limb (limb - structure ... get it?) and book a date for this VAC Expedition in 2024. Let's go with Saturday, June 29, 2024. We'll go a little earlier in the year and hopefully hit those carp again.

PAST 2023 Expedition & Tournaments

**VAC Wade Expedition
on the North Anna River
with host Mike Ostrander
August 5th**



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for leading this great trip!*



PAST 2023 Expedition & Tournaments

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**VAC Canadian Walleye & Northern Pike
Expedition with host Fred Murray
August 9-19th**



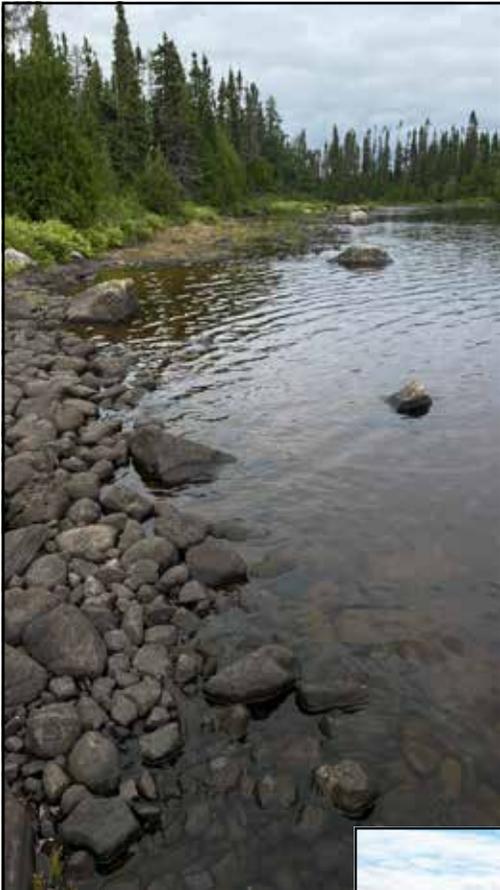
A special
THANK YOU
to Fred Murray &
Ray Moyer
for leading this
great trip!



They made it! Left to right: Club members Dinkus Deane, Cliff Phipps, Fred Murray, Frank Hart, Carter Clevinger and Mike Ostrander. Not pictured, Dave Manzano and Ray Moyer.

PAST 2023 Expedition & Tournaments

VAC Canadian Walleye & Northern Pike Expedition with host Fred Murray August 9th



Mike Ostrander with a 9lb Northern pike caught on 4lb line with....you guessed it, a 2inch white grub! LOL



Dinkus Deane and Carter Clevinger with a mess of walleye for dinner!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:



John Byrd with his
Once-In-A-Life-Time fish!

Virginia Angler Catches a "Blue"Chain Pickerell by Molly Kirk

One Caroline County angler couldn't quite believe his eyes when he reeled in a chain pickerel (*Esox niger*) recently. As the fish emerged from the water, John Byrd realized its mouth was a shade of vibrant blue. "I'd never seen one that color! And I've been fishing in that pond for more than 20 years!" Byrd, of Bowling Green, Virginia, said.

He caught the 11 ½-inch chain pickerel in a 14-acre private pond in Caroline County on a Whopper Plopper lure. Byrd, a retired veteran, kept the fish and contacted Scott Herrmann, a Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) regional fisheries biologist. Herrmann explained that the fish was exhibiting a "wild genetic pigment mutation" but otherwise normal.

"The coloration expressed by the blue pickerel is extremely rare," said Herrmann. "It pretty much falls into the one-in-a-lifetime category of catches. The normal coloration expressed in the green of a chain pickerel is from the xanthins of the yellow pigments. Blue pickerel express the rare mutation that is axanthic."

The chain pickerel is a native fish of Virginia common in rivers and streams and also found in reservoirs and impoundments. With a long, slim body, its typical coloration includes yellowish to greenish (almost black when young) sides overlaid with a reticulated, or chain-like, pattern of black lines. Pickerels have fully scaled cheeks and gill covers. The blue-mouth mutation has been reported in chain pickerel in Maryland and Pennsylvania, but is quite rare.



A normal colored chain pickerell is pictured here.

2023 Species Leaderboard as of 08/18/23



PRESIDENT'S AWARD FRESHWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	C PHIPPS	50-12	4	GEN	541	2023-01-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	Gizzard Shad

PRESIDENT'S AWARD SALTWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	C CLEVINGER	4-2	2	SPIN	365	2023-07-04	BACK RIVER, VA	Bass Assassin

DIVISION AWARDS FRESHWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, ROCK & ROANOKE	D MERRICKS	2-3	4	SPIN	475	2023-05-07	DAN RIVER, VA	Curly Tail Grub
CATFISH, BLUE	C PHIPPS	50-12	4	GEN	541	2023-01-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	Gizzard Shad
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	SC LEE	31-0	4	PLUG	449	2023-02-06	JAMES RIVER, VA	Bucktail
FALLFISH	D MERRICKS	1-6	6	FLY	312	2023-05-20	JACKSON RIVER, VA	Wooly Bugger

DIVISION AWARDS SALTWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
DRUM, RED	F MURRAY	49-0		SURF	350	2023-04-19	SMITH ISLAND, VA	Cut Bait
KINGFISH (SEA MULLET)(ROUNDHEAD)	C CLEVINGER	1-2	2	PLUG	304	2023-06-03	CHESAPEAKE BAY, VA	Fish Bites
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	C CLEVINGER	4-2	2	SPIN	365	2023-07-04	BACK RIVER, VA	Bass Assassin
WAHOO	F JAMES	75-0	50	GEN	202	2023-04-23	OREGON INLET, NC	BALYHOO



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"HIGHEST POINT" SPECIES AWARDS FRESHWATER								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	C PHIPPS	5-9	4	SPIN	278	2023-02-20	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Blade Bait
BASS, ROCK & ROANOKE	D MERRICKS	2-3	4	SPIN	475	2023-05-07	DAN RIVER, VA	Curly Tail Grub
BASS, SMALLMOUTH	D MERRICKS	3-4	6	PLUG	185	2023-05-13	NORTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Spinnerbait
BASS, STRIPED (HYB)	C PHIPPS	3-2	2	GEN	166	2023-03-29	LAKE ANNA, VA	Minnow
BASS, STRIPED (LL)	J GORMAN	5-14	2	GEN	156	2023-04-14	LAKE ANNA, VA	Minnow
BOWFIN	T EMBRY	7-14	2	SPIN	393	2023-03-22	POWHATAN CREEK, JAMES CITY CO, V	Power Bait Trout Worm
CARP	F HART	21-0	16	PLUG	238	2022-12-18	COHOKE, VA	Blade Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	C PHIPPS	50-12	4	GEN	541	2023-01-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	Gizzard Shad
CATFISH, CHANNEL	D MERRICKS	9-0	8	GEN	141	2023-07-16	NORTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Live Crawdad
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	SC LEE	31-0	4	PLUG	449	2023-02-06	JAMES RIVER, VA	Bucktail
CRAPPIE, ALL	C CLEVINGER	1-8	2	FLY	300	2023-05-30	PRIVATE POND, VA	San Juan Worm
FALLFISH	D MERRICKS	1-6	6	FLY	312	2023-05-20	JACKSON RIVER, VA	Wooly Bugger
GAR, ALL	G ALVIS	22-6	6	SPIN	369	2023-04-02	NOTTOWAY RIVER, VA	Crappie Jig
PERCH, WHITE	C PHIPPS	1-0	2	SPIN	263	2023-02-11	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Hand Poured Grub
PERCH, YELLOW	C PHIPPS	1-6	2	SPIN	361	2023-02-20	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER, VA	Hand Poured Grub
PICKEREL, CHAIN	C PHIPPS	2-9	4	SPIN	188	2023-02-10	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Blade Bait
SHAD, AMERICAN	JH SHEFFIELD	2-8	4	SPIN	149	2023-03-27	TAR RIVER, NC	Shad Dart
SHAD, HICKORY	G ALVIS	2-1	2	FLY	294	2023-04-08	MATTAPONI RIVER, VA	Shad Fly
SNAKEHEAD	C PHIPPS	4-13	2	SPIN	275	2023-02-24	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER, VA	Hand Poured Grub
SUNFISH	C CLEVINGER	0-12	2	FLY	250	2023-05-30	PRIVATE POND, VA	Popper
SUNFISH, REDEAR	T EMBRY	0-12	2	SPIN	119	2023-03-26	LITTLE CREEK RES, JAMES CITY CO,	Powerbait Trout Worm
TROUT, BROOK	C PHIPPS	2-4	2	SPIN	255	2022-12-14	CRIPPLE CREEK, VA	Mini Jig
TROUT, BROWN	M OSTRANDER	4-2	6	FLY	184	2022-12-20	CRIPPLE CREEK, VA	Mop Fly
TROUT, RAINBOW	F HART	4-6	2	SPIN	273	2022-12-20	CEDAR SPRINGS, VA	Cliff Hand Made Plastic

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Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BLUEFISH	SC LEE	5-2	6	SPIN	102	2023-07-13	PAMLICO SOUND, NC	Green Grub
COBIA	B SHEPHERD	28-0	12	PLUG	186	2023-07-25	CHESAPEAKE BAY, VA	Jig
DRUM, RED	F MURRAY	49-0		SURF	350	2023-04-19	SMITH ISLAND, VA	Cut Bait
FLOUNDER, SUMMER	T EMBRY	3-12	4	SPIN	234	2023-05-10	YORK RIVER GLOUCESTER PT PIER, V	Zman 3" Slim Swimz-The Deal
KINGFISH (SEA MULLET) (ROUNDHEAD)	C CLEVINGER	1-2	2	PLUG	304	2023-06-03	CHESAPEAKE BAY, VA	Fish Bites
MACKEREL, SPANISH	C CLEVINGER	2-12	4	SPIN	171	2023-07-23	CHESAPEAKE BAY, VA	Bass Assassin
POMPANO, COMMON	BL NOLAND	3-5		SURF	331	2023-06-16	HATTERAS, NC. RAMP 55, NC	Sand Flea
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	C CLEVINGER	4-2	2	SPIN	365	2023-07-04	BACK RIVER, VA	Bass Assassin
SPADEFISH	D HOWARD	6-15	12	GEN	138	2023-06-08	CHESAPEAKE LIGHT TOWER, VA	Clam
WAHOO	F JAMES	75-0	50	GEN	202	2023-04-23	OREGON INLET, NC	BALYHOO

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"HEAVIEST" SPECIES AWARDS FRESHWATER								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	M MASON	7-2	12	SPIN	178	2023-03-24	SWIFT CREEK RESERVOIR, VA	Jerkbait
BASS, ROCK & ROANOKE	D MERRICKS	2-3	4	SPIN	475	2023-05-07	DAN RIVER, VA	Curly Tail Grub
BASS, SMALLMOUTH	D MERRICKS	3-12	8	SPIN	178	2023-06-16	NORTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Road Runner Maribu Jig
BASS, STRIPED (HYB)	C PHIPPS	3-2	2	GEN	166	2023-03-29	LAKE ANNA, VA	Minnow
BASS, STRIPED (LL)	J GORMAN	6-9	6	GEN	105	2023-03-08	LAKE ANNA, VA	Minnow
BOWFIN	T EMBRY	7-14	2	SPIN	393	2023-03-22	POWHATAN CREEK, JAMES CITY CO, V	Power Bait Trout Worm
CARP	D MERRICKS	23-8	20	GEN	180	2023-06-17	SOUTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Corn
CATFISH, BLUE	S KNOX	61-0	20BR	GEN	314	2023-02-06	JAMES RIVER, JONES NECK CUT-OFF,	Cut Shad
CATFISH, CHANNEL	D MERRICKS	9-0	8	GEN	141	2023-07-16	NORTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Live Crawdad
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	SC LEE	31-0	4	PLUG	449	2023-02-06	JAMES RIVER, VA	Bucktail
CRAPPIE, ALL	D MERRICKS	2-0	8	GEN	137	2023-04-16	LITTLE CREEK RES., VA	Live Minnow
FALLFISH	D MERRICKS	1-6	6	FLY	312	2023-05-20	JACKSON RIVER, VA	Wooly Bugger
GAR, ALL	G ALVIS	22-6	6	SPIN	369	2023-04-02	NOTTOWAY RIVER, VA	Crappie Jig
PERCH, WHITE	C PHIPPS	1-0	2	SPIN	263	2023-02-11	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Hand Poured Grub
PERCH, YELLOW	D MERRICKS	1-8	2	GEN	319	2023-07-21	RAGGED MOUNTAIN RESERVOIR, VA	Live Minnow
PICKEREL, CHAIN	J GORMAN	3-1	20BR	GEN	0	2023-08-14	LITTLE CREEK RESERVOIR, VA	Nightcrawler
SHAD, AMERICAN	JH SHEFFIELD	2-8	4	SPIN	149	2023-03-27	TAR RIVER, NC	Shad Dart
SHAD, HICKORY	JH SHEFFIELD	2-8	4	SPIN	238	2023-03-17	WELDON, NC	Spoon
SNAKEHEAD	C PHIPPS	4-13	2	SPIN	275	2023-02-24	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER, VA	Hand Poured Grub
SUNFISH	C PHIPPS	0-14	2	SPIN	230	2023-05-26	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Hand Poured Worm
SUNFISH, REDEAR	T EMBRY	0-12	2	SPIN	119	2023-03-26	LITTLE CREEK RES, JAMES CITY CO,	Powerbait Trout Worm
TROUT, BROOK	F HART	2-8	4	FLY	250	2022-12-21	CEDAR SPRINGS, VA	Mop Fly
TROUT, BROWN	M OSTRANDER	4-2	6	FLY	184	2022-12-20	CRIPPLE CREEK, VA	Mop Fly
TROUT, RAINBOW	F HART	4-6	2	SPIN	273	2022-12-20	CEDAR SPRINGS, VA	Cliff Hand Made Plastic
WALLEYE	D MERRICKS	4-12	20BR	GEN	78	2023-04-29	LITTLE CREEK RES., VA	Live Minnow/Flashy Swimmer
WARMOUTH	T EMBRY	0-4	4	SPIN	54	2023-07-05	POWHATAN CREEK JAMES CITY CO, VA	Zoom 6.5' Trick Worm WM/Chart

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BLUEFISH	SC LEE	5-2	6	SPIN	102	2023-07-13	PAMLICO SOUND, NC	Green Grub
COBIA	B SHEPHERD	28-0	12	PLUG	186	2023-07-25	CHESAPEAKE BAY, VA	Jig
CROAKER	T EMBRY	0-9	4	SPIN	56	2023-08-07	YORK RIVER GLOUCESTER PT PIER, V	6th Sense 2.6" Swim-bait-Divin
DRUM, RED	F MURRAY	49-0		SURF	350	2023-04-19	SMITH ISLAND, VA	Cut Bait
FLOUNDER, SUMMER	T EMBRY	3-12	4	SPIN	234	2023-05-10	YORK RIVER GLOUCESTER PT PIER, V	Zman 3" Slim Swimz-The Deal
KINGFISH (SEA MULLET) (ROUNDHEAD)	BL NOLAND	1-14		SURF	187	2023-06-20	HATTERAS - RAMP 48, NC	Sand Flea
MACKEREL, SPANISH	C CLEVINGER	2-12	4	SPIN	171	2023-07-23	CHESAPEAKE BAY, VA	Bass Assassin
POMPANO, COMMON	BL NOLAND	3-5		SURF	331	2023-08-16	HATTERAS, NC. RAMP 55, NC	Sand Flea
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	M MASON	4-14	12	SPIN	195	2022-12-19	JAMES RIVER, VA	Artificial Shrimp
SPADEFISH	D HOWARD	6-15	12	GEN	138	2023-06-06	CHESAPEAKE LIGHT TOWER, VA	Clam
SPOT	T EMBRY	0-4	2	SPIN	92	2023-07-07	YORK RIVER GLOUCESTER PT PIER, V	3" Gulp Minnot Smelt
WAHOO	F JAMES	75-0	50	GEN	202	2023-04-23	OREGON INLET, NC	BALYHOO

NEW CLUB RECORDS FRESHWATER								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, ROCK & ROANOKE	D MERRICKS	2-3	4	SPIN	475	2023-05-07	DAN RIVER, VA	Curly Tail Grub
BASS, STRIPED (HYB)	C PHIPPS	3-2	2	GEN	166	2023-03-29	LAKE ANNA, VA	Minnow
BASS, STRIPED (LL)	C PHIPPS	3-6	2	PLUG	112	2023-02-08	LAKE ANNA, VA	Blade Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	SC LEE	55-10	8	GEN	468	2023-01-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	Cut Gizzard Shad
CATFISH, CHANNEL	D MERRICKS	9-0	8	GEN	141	2023-07-16	NORTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Live Crawdad
CRAPPIE, ALL	D MERRICKS	2-0	8	GEN	137	2023-04-16	LITTLE CREEK RES., VA	Live Minnow
FALLFISH	D MERRICKS	0-14	8	GEN	109	2023-06-19	NORTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Live Crawdad
FALLFISH	D MERRICKS	1-2	4	SPIN	244	2023-07-15	SOUTH RIVER, VA	Spoon
FALLFISH	D MERRICKS	0-15	4	GEN	161	2023-07-16	NORTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Live Crawdad
GAR, ALL	G ALVIS	22-6	6	SPIN	369	2023-04-02	NOTTOWAY RIVER, VA	Crappie Jig
SNAKEHEAD	C PHIPPS	4-13	2	SPIN	275	2023-02-24	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER, VA	Hand Poured Grub
SUNFISH	C PHIPPS	0-13	4	FLY	219	2023-05-15	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Popping Bug
TROUT, RAINBOW	D HOWARD	6-8	12	SPIN	141	2023-02-23	COLUMBIA RIVER, VA	Soft Plastic Swim Bait (Green)
WALLEYE	D HOWARD	8-1	12	SPIN	254	2023-02-22	COLUMBIA RIVER, VA	Soft Plastic Crawdad (Green)
WALLEYE	D MERRICKS	4-12	6	GEN	175	2023-08-11	GENEVA LAKE, WI	Leech

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NEW CLUB RECORDS FRESHWATER								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, ROCK & ROANOKE	D MERRICKS	2-3	4	SPIN	475	2023-05-07	DAN RIVER, VA	Curly Tail Grub
BASS, STRIPED (HYB)	C PHIPPS	3-2	2	GEN	166	2023-03-29	LAKE ANNA, VA	Minnow
BASS, STRIPED (LL)	C PHIPPS	3-6	2	PLUG	112	2023-02-08	LAKE ANNA, VA	Blade Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	SC LEE	55-10	8	GEN	468	2023-01-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	Cut Gizzard Shad
CATFISH, CHANNEL	D MERRICKS	9-0	8	GEN	141	2023-07-18	NORTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Live Crawdad
CRAPPIE, ALL	D MERRICKS	2-0	8	GEN	137	2023-04-16	LITTLE CREEK RES., VA	Live Minnow
FALLFISH	D MERRICKS	0-14	8	GEN	109	2023-06-19	NORTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Live Crawdad
FALLFISH	D MERRICKS	1-2	4	SPIN	244	2023-07-15	SOUTH RIVER, VA	Spoon
FALLFISH	D MERRICKS	0-15	4	GEN	161	2023-07-16	NORTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Live Crawdad
GAR, ALL	G ALVIS	22-6	6	SPIN	369	2023-04-02	NOTTOWAY RIVER, VA	Crappie Jig
SNAKEHEAD	C PHIPPS	4-13	2	SPIN	275	2023-02-24	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER, VA	Hand Poured Grub
SUNFISH	C PHIPPS	0-13	4	FLY	219	2023-05-15	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Popping Bug
TROUT, RAINBOW	D HOWARD	6-8	12	SPIN	141	2023-02-23	COLUMBIA RIVER, WA	Soft Plastic Swim Bait (Green)
WALLEYE	D HOWARD	8-1	12	SPIN	254	2023-02-22	COLUMBIA RIVER, WA	Soft Plastic Crawdad (Green)
WALLEYE	D MERRICKS	4-12	6	GEN	175	2023-06-11	GENEVA LAKE, WI	Leech

NEW CLUB RECORDS SALTWATER								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
COBIA	C CLEVINGER	5-0	2	SPIN	125	2023-07-23	BACK RIVER, VA	Bass Assassin
KINGFISH (SEA MULLET) (ROUNDHEAD)	T EMBRY	1-6	4	SPIN	292	2023-05-06	YORK RIVER GLOUCESTER PT. PIER,	Zman Slim Swimz 3" Smelt
KINGFISH (SEA MULLET) (ROUNDHEAD)	C CLEVINGER	1-2	2	PLUG	304	2023-06-03	CHESAPEAKE BAY, VA	Fish Bites
KINGFISH (SEA MULLET) (ROUNDHEAD)	BL NOLAND	1-14		SURF	187	2023-06-20	HATTERAS - RAMP 48, NC	Sand Flea
MACKEREL, SPANISH	C CLEVINGER	2-12	4	SPIN	171	2023-07-23	CHESAPEAKE BAY, VA	Bass Assassin
WAHOO	F JAMES	75-0	50	GEN	202	2023-04-23	OREGON INLET, NC	BALYHOO

YOUTH FRESHWATER								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	HENRY TOWNSEND 7_12	38-8	12	GEN	267	2023-03-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	Hickory Shad

YOUTH SALTWATER								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	ASHER BROUGHTON 7_12	2-8	6	SPIN	166	2023-07-01	CROATAN SOUND, NC	Z-Man

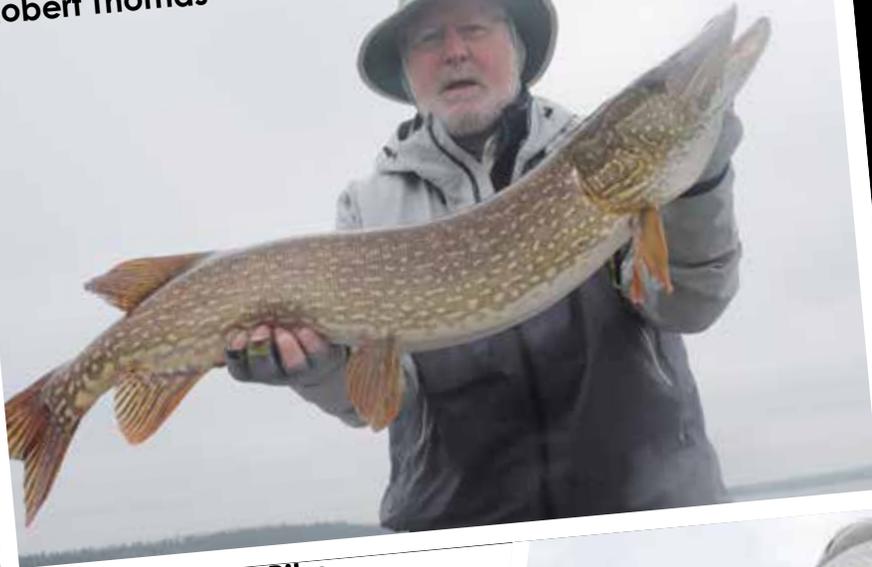
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NON-LOCAL AWARD FRESH OR SALTWATER								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
WALLEYE	D HOWARD	8-1	12	SPIN	254	2023-02-22	COLUMBIA RIVER, WA	Soft Plastic Crawdad (Green)

NEW MEMBER AWARD								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	D MERRICKS	6-4	8	GEN	168	2023-04-23	SANDY RIVER RESERVOIR , VA	Live Minnow
BASS, ROCK & ROANOKE	D MERRICKS	2-3	4	SPIN	475	2023-05-07	DAN RIVER, VA	Curly Tail Grub
BASS, SMALLMOUTH	D MERRICKS	3-4	6	PLUG	185	2023-05-13	NORTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Spinnerbait
BASS, STRIPED (LL)	D MERRICKS	0-0	6	GEN	50	2023-04-02	LITTLE CREEK RES., VA	Live Minnow
CARP	D MERRICKS	23-8	20	GEN	180	2023-06-17	SOUTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Corn
CATFISH, CHANNEL	D MERRICKS	9-0	8	GEN	141	2023-07-16	NORTH FORK SHENANDOAH RIVER, VA	Live Crawdad
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	D MERRICKS	20-8	12	GEN	169	2023-07-07	JAMES RIVER, VA	Live Bluegill
CRAPPIE, ALL	D MERRICKS	0-12	2	FLY	150	2023-08-04	RAGGED MOUNTAIN RESERVOIR , VA	Shad Dart
FALLFISH	D MERRICKS	1-6	6	FLY	312	2023-05-20	JACKSON RIVER, VA	Wooly Bugger
FLOUNDER, SUMMER	D MERRICKS	1-12	4	SPIN	109	2023-06-30	WACHAPREAGUE, VA	Gulp Saltwater Shrimp
GAR, ALL	D MERRICKS	9-8	8	GEN	104	2023-06-03	RIVANNA RIVER, VA	Cut Bait
PERCH, WHITE	D MERRICKS	0-0	6	SPIN	50	2023-04-14	JAMES RIVER, VA	Crappie Jig
PERCH, YELLOW	D MERRICKS	1-6	2	SPIN	361	2023-07-23	RAGGED MOUNTAIN RESERVOIR , VA	Trout Magnet
PICKEREL, CHAIN	D MERRICKS	0-0	8	GEN	50	2023-04-16	LITTLE CREEK RES., VA	Live Minnow
SHAD, HICKORY	D MERRICKS	0-0	6	SPIN	50	2023-04-06	JAMES RIVER, VA	Shad Spoon
SUNFISH	D MERRICKS	0-13	2	GEN	172	2023-06-23	RAGGED MOUNTAIN RESERVOIR , VA	Nightcrawler
SUNFISH, REDEAR	D MERRICKS	0-9	2	GEN	72	2023-08-04	RAGGED MOUNTAIN RESERVOIR , VA	Nightcrawler
TROUT, BROWN	D MERRICKS	3-0	6	SPIN	107	2023-05-19	JACKSON RIVER, VA	Thomas Buoyant Spoon
TROUT, RAINBOW	D MERRICKS	4-0	6	FLY	178	2023-05-20	JACKSON RIVER, VA	Wooly Bugger
WALLEYE	D MERRICKS	4-12	20BR	GEN	78	2023-04-29	LITTLE CREEK RES., VA	Live Minnow/Flashy Swimmer
Total					3159			

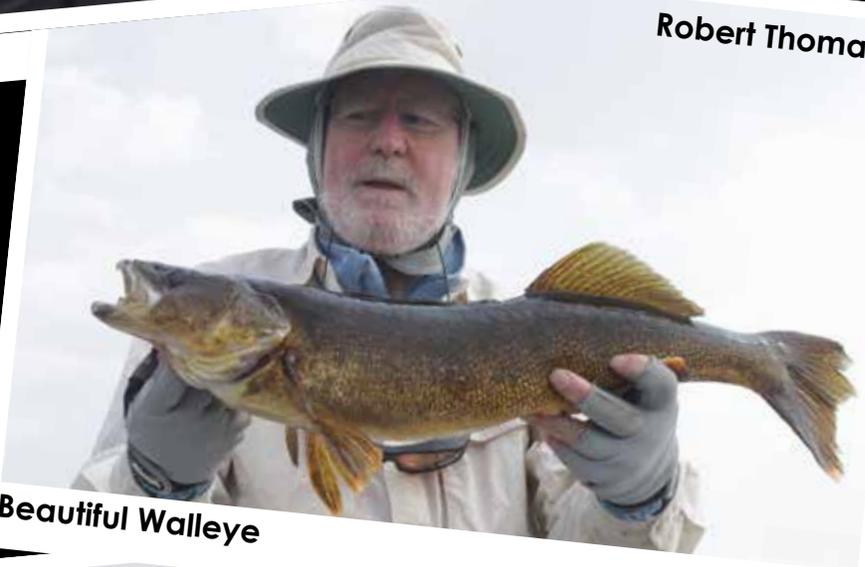
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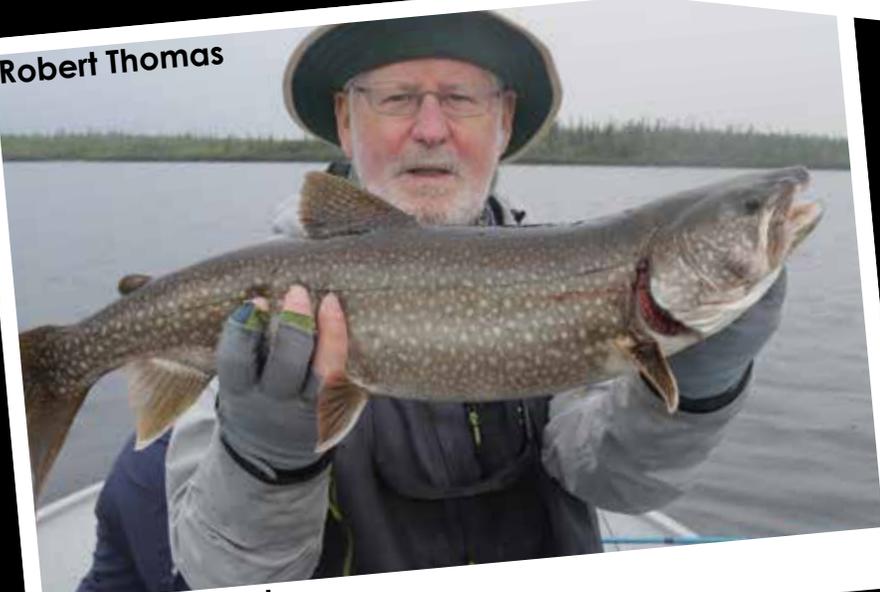
GREAT Northern Pike

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Beautiful Walleye

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Nice Lake Trout

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Lynn Spurlin



Lake Trout also caught at Ganglers Lodge.

Lynn Spurlin



Another nice Northern Pike caught at Ganglers.

Lynn Spurlin



Arctic Grayling!

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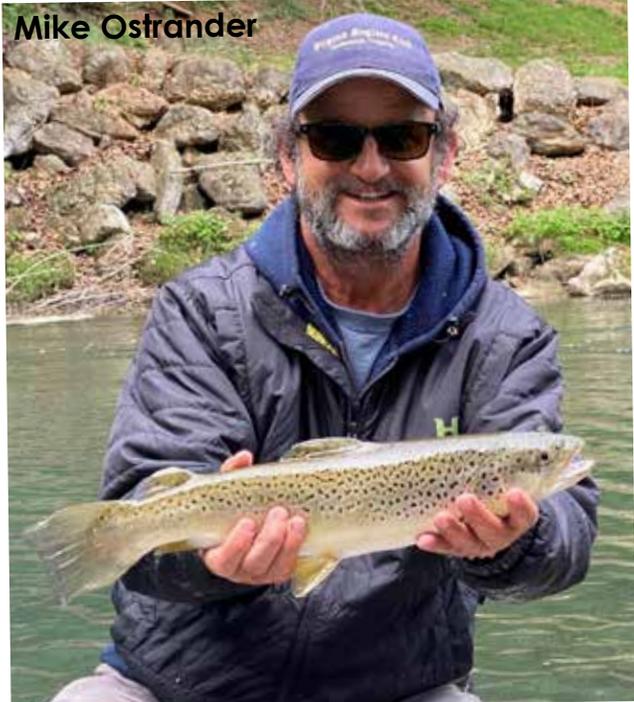
Sweet.... Speckled Trout!

Dinkus Deane



Big Bass, Little Bass at Boshers Dam.

Mike Ostrander



Nice Brown Trout!

Carter Clevinger



I didn't know they made Cobia that small
Carter! LOL