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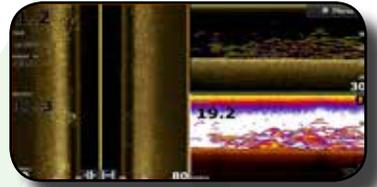
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Opening Cast

Finally, spring is trying to bust loose and with it comes fantastic Crappie Fishing. Bring on the sun, warmer water and an electrified crappie bite! It's a new year that can bring new products and capabilities.

New electronic capabilities from Garmin, Live Scope, have enhanced fish identification beyond our anticipated expectations. Guide trips, tournaments, fun fishing may never be better. Change can be positive and negative; hard for some and easy for others.

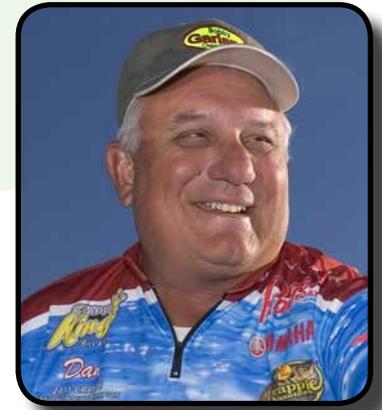
I will date myself by confessing I began fishing with the wonderful Hummingbird Flasher. It improved my fishing experience on all levels. Then came the paper graphs, liquid screens etc. At each improvement, I had to reinvest when I could afford it and it improved my fishing experiences each time. I am one that likes change even in my senior years but it does demand time, patience and resources.

Recently, I have read and heard many concerns about the Garmin Live Scope super technology. Some think that no one can compete against those who can obtain it and use it to its full capabilities. I heard these same concerns surrounding new bait technologies and techniques and even each of the past technology leaps I mentioned earlier. It is a tool for your toolbox but the fisherman is still the one making the casts, making technique decisions and strategies, etc.

I am looking forward to the day that our electronics embrace the capabilities of our smaller but more powerful computers and phones! In the past, the replacement schedules for computers and phones were every five years and now, they are outdated in a year. My grandchildren can embrace the capabilities quicker than I can as they experience the technologies at a very young age.

Change, when correctly applied, can be a good thing. So, I leave you with one major thought: never lose the focus on why we fish for either competition or for fun. The tools are developed to help us be more successful. Let's leave the drama on the land and use what works best for us to obtain stress relief and fun. Fish On!

God Bless,
Dan Dannemueller, Publisher



Cover Photo:
The Central Ark. Crappie Assn. held a tournament at Overcup Lake, Ark. March 16, 2019. Winners were London & Bunting with 13.77 for seven fish. Tim Huffman photo.

North Dakota Crappie & Travel

by Tim Huffman



Few articles are written about crappie fishing in North Dakota. That's because the crappie take a back seat to great walleye and perch fishing.

The prime season for crappie is winter when fish are taken under the ice. Ice-out follows in the spring when crappie are pursued for a few weeks. After that, they are forgotten until winter when ice returns.

The crappie fishing in most of our lakes is good because they are basically untouched.

Just because it's late April or May doesn't mean the North Dakota weather is warm. Dress to stay comfortable, find the warmest water and enjoy some crappie fun.
(photo by Cody Roswick)

Devils Lake is a 170,000 acre lake in the northern part of the state. It's a natural-formed glacier lake and a big body of water. Tanner Cherney, with Devil's Lake Tourism, says, "Devil's Lake is relatively shallow at about a 20 foot average with the deepest water at 55 feet depending upon the overall water elevation. Roughly 80 percent of the activity on the lake is fishing and the other 20 recreational. So

weekends in warm weather we see rises in family use, but the lake is primarily a fishing lake.

“Walleye and perch are very popular but most of the time we see fishermen going after whatever is biting. Our waters are unique in that we have brine shrimp in it. That has really helped keep our fish healthy and thriving.”

Cherney says along with the walleye and perch, northern pike, white bass and crappie are present. He says crappie popularity has really taken a jump in the past few years.

“Ice fishing is always good, but a good time to get them is in the spring after the ice is gone. The crappie will be up in the shallows and easy to get. Fish are caught along the edges. As spring continues and the water warms, the fish start moving deeper.”

Crappie aren't targeted in the summer and fall. The fish are deep, especially in the summer, so finding them is the key. Also, presentations become more difficult when the fish get deep.

Cherney says, “Ice melting is weather dependent but May 1st is the general time we can get the boat out on the lake. Out-of-state fishermen should consider hiring a guide for at least a couple of days to learn about areas of the lake and tactics that work. The lake has about a dozen public ramps and probably a dozen more private resorts with ramps. The lake is so big that wind is an obvious problem, but there are so many bays finding a shelter area usually isn't difficult.”

Lake Oahe has crappie and is close to Bismark. Jamestown Reservoir, in the eastern-central part of the state, is another spot for crappie.

Guide Cody Roswick (fin-hunters.com, 710-840-5407) fishes several waters including Devils Lake and Lake Ashtaula. “At ice-out, we are looking in the backs of bays and little harbors. The creeks warm up and that draws in minnows. Everything, including crappie, comes to the minnows.”

Roswick says, “I like to cast a little jig in about 3 to 12 feet of water. Our lakes aren't clear in the spring because of the runoff from the snowmelt, so our water has a stain. A Northland Fire-fly, a hair jig, works great and my favorite colors are yellow-white and pink-

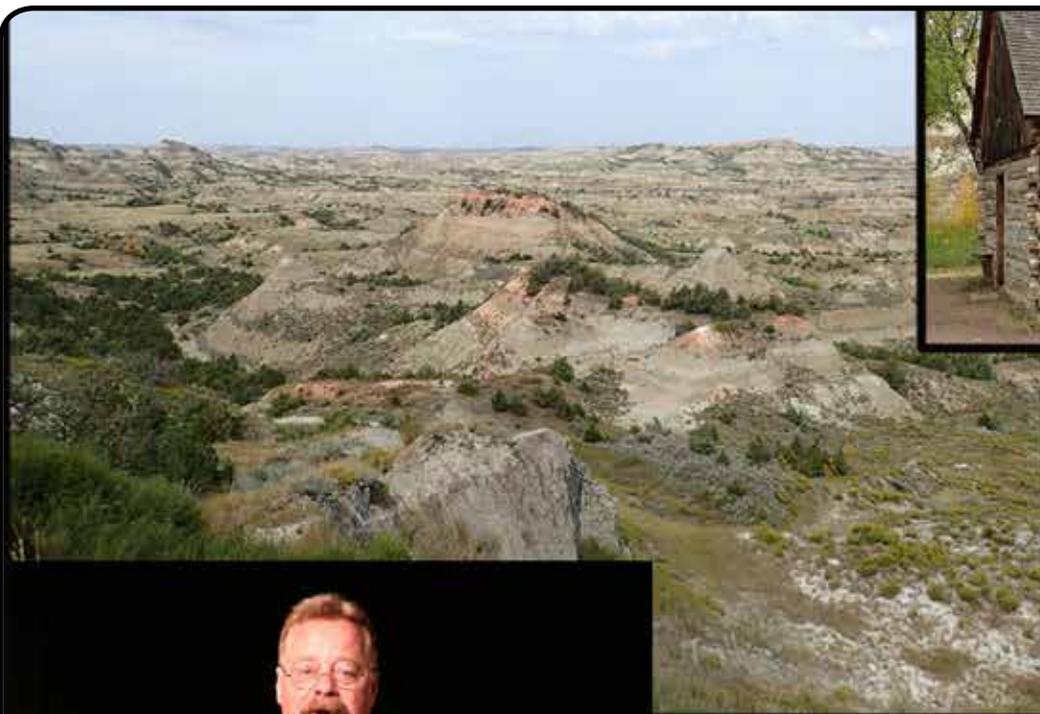


Casting and vertical jigging are two top methods for catching Dakota crappie. (photo by Cody Roswick)

white.

“The key is to find a little warmer water. Three to five degrees makes a big difference. The crappie fishing in most of our lakes is good because they are basically untouched. A fisherman can come here and have a good time.”

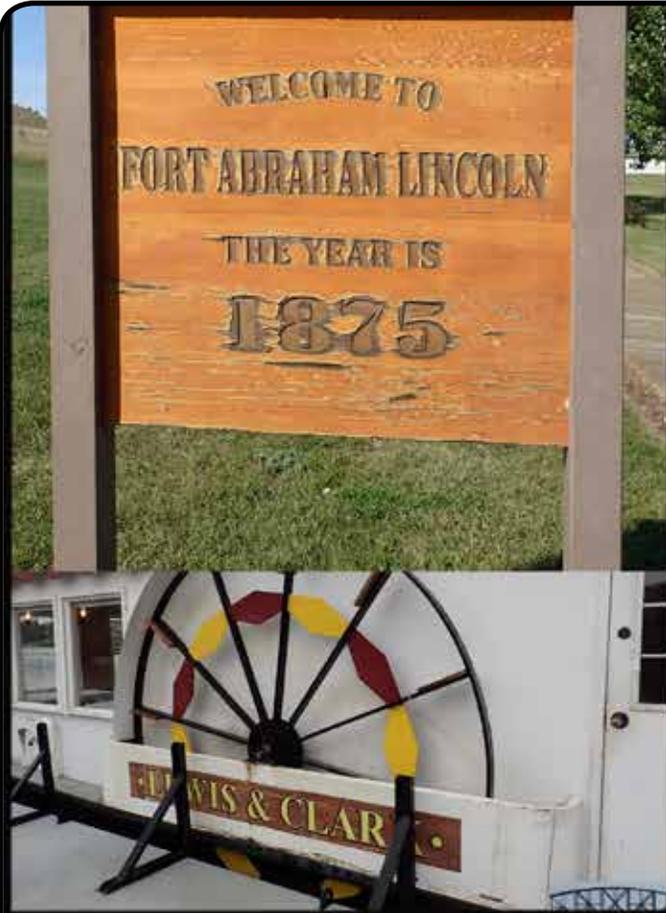




Madora



**Photos by
Tim Huffman**



Bismark / Manden



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Travelling Central and West North Dakota

An Association of Great Lakes Outdoor Writers conference in Bismark was a great excuse to make a trip out west last fall. My wife and I took the long way to Bismark via Jackson Hole, Yellowstone and Cody, creating a lot of miles but great memories.

Bismark/Mandan: Bismark is the capital city separated from Mandan by the Missouri River. The combined population is 117,000 so navigation is easy compared to a big city.

Our trip included a Lewis & Clark Riverboat ride on the Missouri, a visit to the North Dakota Heritage Center with exhibits that are awesome, and the Fort Abraham Lincoln State Park. Mike Jensen, ND Tourism says, "Fort Lincoln was the home of General Custer and the 7th Calvary before they went to the battle of Little Big Horn. Custer and his men lived here. They led the Yellowstone Expedition and the Black Hills Expeditions in 1874. Bunkhouses, General Custer's house and more history can be seen here."

Jensen says, "Bismark was the end of the line for the railroad when it went bankrupt in 1872. They needed the money to cross the Missouri River and they didn't have it. So Bismark became an important site for the military to protect the railroad. Steamboats would take supplies on up river."

Other local places to visit include the ND State Capital, Bismark Art Galleries, Dakota Zoo and ND State Railroad Museum.

Madora. "Our largest single attraction in North Dakota is the Theodore Roosevelt National Park," says Jensen. "Medora is the gateway town to that park. Teddy was very important to this state and is our adopted son. He often said he would not have been president if it were not for his experiences here in the state. Living with the cowboys and living this lifestyle here added to his background to help him become president. His original Maltese Cross hunting cabin that he built in 1883 is at Medora. The cabin was sent to the St. Louis World Fair, to Portland, OR and other places, then was brought back to the entrance of the park."

While there, you'll want to take an early morning or late afternoon drive in the national park to see the wildlife and the Badlands of North Dakota.

The Medora Musical is a great family show that is open every night from the beginning of June until just after Labor Day. Eat before the musical at the Pitchfork Fondue. Jensen says the pitchfork fondue is to North Dakota what salmon is to the West and seafood is to the East. The cooks stick several rib eye steaks on a pitchfork and cook them in a kettle of oil. I can personally verify (after two of these meals in three days), it has no oil taste, has a great outside texture and tender inside cooked to your preferred doneness. It comes with all the fix'ins.

A combination fishing trip and vacation can be a great adventure. Our trip was in early to mid-September with cool but great weather. Be sure to check on-line to find open seasons and dates for all activities. Also check on water/ice conditions and fishing activity.

More Information:

NDtourism.com; NoBoundariesND.com; and tourism.devilslakend.com

 - Tim Huffman



Big Baits & Stealth: By Kent Driscoll

"I'm still looking for a three-pound crappie. Arkabutla is the farthest north of the Mississippi lakes, so their spawn will be last, usually in April. I'll be slow trolling 16-foot BnM Pro Staff Poles because we are catching bigger fish and I want the stiffness of those poles.

"Big baits are important. I'll be using one or two 1/4-ounce jigheads, including a Crappie Magnet Thin Fin to add flash. My colors will be bright like orange-chartreuse, lime-chartreuse or black-chartreuse because the water is usually muddy in the spring. With a straight head I'll be using a Muddy Water bait because the glow and built-in scent sets them apart. I will still tip with a minnow. I believe a couple of good scents are good by enhancing the chances of a big bite.

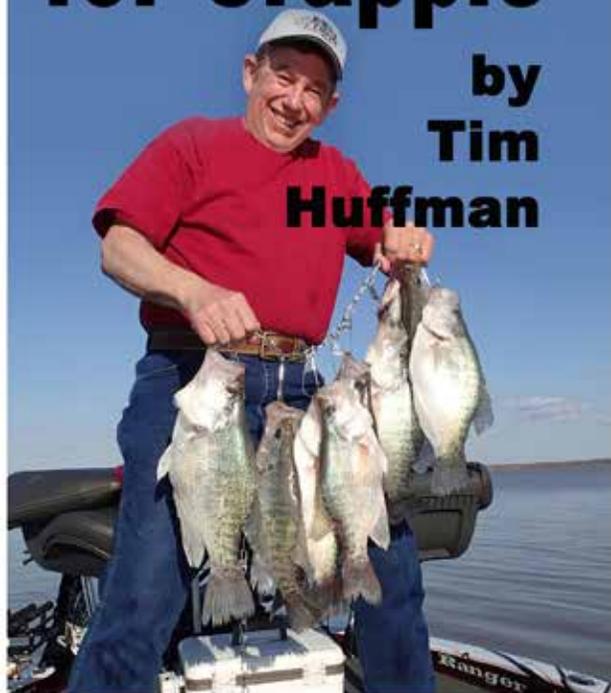
"A key to fishing shallow is to stay in a stealth mode. Be quiet and move slowly. I try to stay off my trolling motor. I'll go with the wind and use a windsock.

Kent Driscoll is pro staff manager for BnM Poles and regularly competes in regional and national tournaments.



Limiting Out for Crappie

**by
Tim
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Top Crappie Lakes 2019

by Tim Huffman

There is no perfect list of the best lakes in the country. One fisherman may love a stump-filled lake while another fisherman hates it. What makes a good lake good can include big fish, numbers of fish and secondary factors including launching, local accommodations, beauty or uniqueness and other factors. Therefore, picking best lakes is difficult. This list is a combination of inputs from many fishermen and using other parameters. The top eight should be on everyone's list of must-try waters because they are proven big-slab producers.

GRENADA, MS #1

Still at the number one spot, this big-crappie producer is on the bucket list of any fishermen serious about putting a 3-pounder in the boat and on the wall. The lake can be rough in the wind and it's crowded in the spring. However, the payoff can be the best stringer of fish you've ever caught. The next bite can be a 3-plus pounder you'll remember forever. The key period is from early March until the second week of April. Don't let stained-murky water fool you, that's normal color. Overlooked Grenada fishing is the summer bite with crankbaits, and slow trolling works then, too. Size: 35,000 acres, depending upon level.

WASHINGTON LAKE, MS #2

Washington is a favorite of many fishermen because it is an easy lake to fish and navigate. It's not a huge oxbow so finding fish isn't as difficult as in a large reservoir. You can often find fish by looking where the crowds of fishermen are located. Top methods include slow and fast trolling. This is a land-locked oxbow making it more stable and consistent compared to most other oxbows. Size: 5000 acres.

SANTEE COOPER, SC #3

Santee is the largest super-lake system in our top seven. Two lakes, Marion and Moultrie, create Santee Cooper. Santee is capable of giving up quality crappie in good numbers. The two lakes give a fisherman a choice of fishing styles with jigging, casting, slow trolling and fast trolling all being techniques used on the lake. For safety, wind must be considered when picking areas to fish. March and April are good months with typical spawning patterns. A wildcard tip: August is brutally hot but has excellent mid-day fishing when fish are pushed tight to brushpiles in about eight feet of water. Size: Marion 110,000; Moultrie 60,000 acres.

ARKLABUTLA, MS #4

This lake is difficult to put in the top seven because it is so hit-and-miss. It's easy to score a big stringer of fish one trip and the next two trips struggle to catch a few. However, the potential for a super big fish is always present and is worth the effort. The spawn peak is around the end of March thru April. Seek shallow water. Slow trolling is popular but vertical jigging can be good too. Catch post-spawn through fall crappie by trolling crankbaits. 2018 was a good year and so should 2019. Size: 11,200 acres.

LAKE FORK, TX #5

Texas offers good crappie lakes, many overlooked. Lake Fork stands out because of its massive size and opportunities. Visible cover, submerged cover, docks and more are places to find big fish. Tactics can vary on the lake with vertical jigging being a popular favorite. You should be physically and mentally prepared for a slab attack at any time. Size: 27,000 acres



ST. JOHNS RIVER, FL #6

December through February is peak time at the St. John's River. There may be some cold weather, but in general, temperatures are moderate making it a comfortable winter fishing lake. There are plenty of pound and a half crappie with two-plus fairly common. The black crappie are some of the prettiest fish in the country. You can catch crappie while watching birds, alligator and manatee, all at the same time. Size: 310 miles long.

LAKE CONWAY, AR #7

This lake, near Little Rock, will be a controversial pick because it's not nationally popular as a top crappie spot. Even some of the locals shun the lake because navigation is difficult and the stumpy lake is brutal on equipment. However, this is a crappie producing hotspot that will give up some three

pounders every year. Vertical jigging is popular but casting and slow trolling are also used depending upon the season and area. Pick your tactic, find your fish and enjoy a unique, fantastic trip. Size: 6,700 acres.

LAKE D'ARBONNE, LA #8

This lake is probably under-rated. It produces ample numbers of 1.75- to 2.25-pound crappie, with several 2.50-plus slabs. It is a fisherman's paradise with channels, flats, submerged cover and lots of exposed cover. A fisherman can cast, jig, slow troll and pull jigs. February is a prime pre-spawn month. Summer air temperatures can be brutal, so fall, winter and spring are the seasons to visit. Size: 15,200 acres.

See the Top 50 Crappie Lakes for 2019 at www.monstercrappie.com



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Crappie Basics #184

Spawn to Post-Spawn

“On Kentucky Lake, the spawn may start in March or early April, depending upon the weather. The blacks will spawn first and they’ll be on the pea gravel banks and rocky points. I like to cast curly tail jigs to them. A lot of people use a cork with a jig underneath it. The cork and jig and keeps the presentation simple. When the black crappie are in a spot they can be super aggressive. They give a good fight.

“When fishing a cork, I’ve found it best not to let it set but rather keep it at the right depth and use a constant retrieve. I use a 1/16-ounce jig with a Southern Pro curly tail. The extra action of the tail is important. Colors I like include Popsickle, Kentucky green and Cajun Cricket.

“I believe in Crappie Nibbles, and having a cup holder with holder for scents makes it handy and quick. I’m a believer in the scent.

“A last tip for anyone coming to Kentucky Lake is to know there are areas where you can get into trouble, so be careful when navigating.”

Dean McCoy, Cornfield Crappie Gear.



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KY & Barkley Lakes, Paris, TN.....	03/22/19 - 03/23/19
Lake Cumberland, Somerset, KY.....	04/05/19 - 04/06/19
Lake Barkley, Cadiz, KY.....	04/12/19 - 04/13/19
Green River Lake, Columbia, KY.....	04/19/19 - 04/20/19
Grand Lake/St. Marys, St. Marys, OH.....	04/26/19 - 04/27/19

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In the Spotlight

Phil & Eva

by Tim Huffman

Rambo



There are many great people who fish the tournament trails, but one team people admire is Phil and Eva Rambo. They are in their late 70's, but they still have a desire to compete. More importantly, they are good people and great representatives of the sport of crappie fishing.

What are some of the memories fishing has provided? Eva says, "Some of my greatest memories have come from camping and fishing with tournament fishermen. We have met many friends, lost a lot over the years, but have memories that we would have never had otherwise. Also, we've gone to Canada for many years and have had great times with our girls up there. All of those times and memories are special."

Phil says, "Friends and good times are top on the list of memories. Fishing is like being on vacation and we often don't want to go home. A highlight was when Eva caught the big fish at a Crappie USA Classic on Kentucky Lake and her photo showed up in Sports Afield."

The team is known for travelling the country with a boat behind their RV. They are easy to spot. Their RV allows them stay at a campground near the lake and it has given them the advantage of being able to stay for weeks instead of renting a motel for a few days.

Favorite place to fish? Phil says, "Grenada is at the top because you can catch a three-pounder there quicker than any other place. There are many good places like St. John's River and D'Arbonne, but we've caught more three-pounders at Grenada than all the others combined." Eva says she always looks forward to Grenada because they often catch really big crappie when pre-fishing for tournaments. It's fun.

Team strength? They try to be good slow trollers but are probably best long lining with Eva in the back and Phil in front.

Team weakness? Both agree, it's not

making changes quickly. Sometimes it's a matter of just enjoying the fishing or staying with a spot where fish were yesterday instead of changing when they should.

Pet peeves? "Myself. I forget and say a few blue words sometimes when things aren't going right. Eva fusses at me and I have no comeback because she is right."

How do you spend time when not fishing? "We have five grandsons," says Phil. "They all like sports and the outdoors so whenever we can be with them and their parents, we have a bit of time together. Church is a big part of our time when we're home."

American heroes? Phil says his dad. Although he says he shouldn't say it because politics are so controversial, President Trump.

Fishing heroes? Eva says Bill Dance and Hank Parker are favorites.

Home: Bloomington IN
Home Lake: Monroe IN
Ages: Phil boned 1940; Eva in '41
Married: 58 years this June
Careers: Phil teacher & principle; Eva middle & high school teacher
Tournaments: -Phil tournament fishing since 1993; Eva since 1997.
 -They've fished Classics/National Championships with Crappie USA; NACA; CAST, Crappie Masters, and ACT. They've fished all Crappie Masters Classics except for the first one, and finished 10th in the 2013 Classic
 -Won two tournaments
 -Big fish in several events including Crappie USA Classic
 -Third in points race two years in a row
Highlights: -Sportsman of the Year in two circuits
 -Received Lifetime Achievement Award from Crappie Masters
 -Tournament wins and points race finishes



Boat Food? Peanut butter and jelly, candy bar mid-morning for sugar and maybe an apple. Tea and Coke.

Sports team? Indianapolis Colts and Chicago Cubs.

Fishing tips? Phil says, "The person who concentrates on getting the hookset on the first bite has a better chance of catching the fish. I would rather use a hard jerk because there will be fewer big fish lost. Sometimes a tiny fish becomes a flying fish over the boat but that's okay as long as the big ones are getting hooked."

Eva says, "I'm not a fan of wind or current. We've learned to get out of the wind instead of fight it. Also, when at a river, we'll get in an eddy, but it's usually easier just to get in a creek."

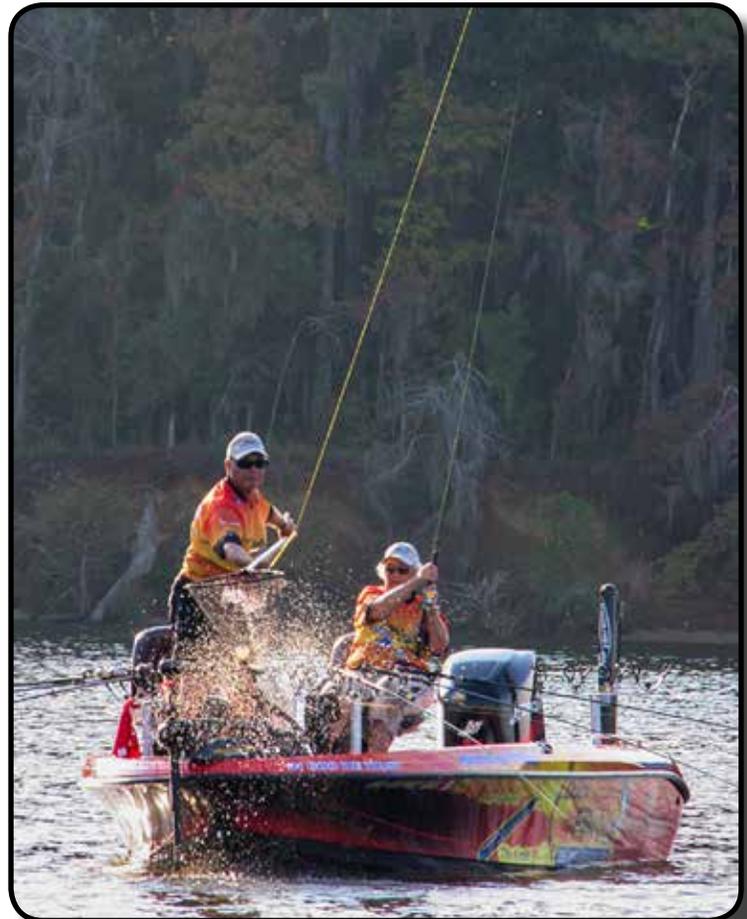
Funny? "Eva and I were fishing on our home lake. We were on one side of a bridge and I used the trolling motor to quietly go to the other side. I was a school principle and one of my teachers was answering the call of nature with his pants down. There was and nothing he could do but say, "Hi Guys," as we trolled past.

Something people don't know about you? Phil jokingly says, "Most of what they don't know are things I probably don't want them to know."

You're not young, so what keeps you motivated? "I may not be a good fisherman but I love to compete," says Phil. "By competing, we want to catch as many big fish as possible. That feeling of competing is good. And the old adage says if you retire and go to the rocking chair, you won't live long. We keep going. We've been competing and we don't want to give it up, but at 79, I'm just not sure about our fishing future."

Eva says, "I love fishing but more importantly I love getting out of the house."

Anything else? "I hope every crappie fishermen," says Phil, "will take their kids out with them, show them how it's done and how to have a good time. Most kids have never been shown the joys of fishing, which includes watching an eagle fly, an



Phil and Eva Rambo landing a good crappie in Swift Creek, Alabama River, 2011.

otter or beaver swim by, seeing a deer and sunlight peaking through the fog. In other words, enjoying fishing and all of nature."

How would you like to be remembered? "Known as Christian people," says Phil. "Most people respect knowing where others are at even if they are different. Mostly, I would like to be known as a fisherman, one who loves the Lord and tries to live that way."

Eva says, "What Phil said, along with honest, hard working."

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Lake D'Arbonne, LA	March 28-30, 2019
Ross Barnett, MS	April 26-27, 2019
Grenada, MS	May 17-18, 2019
Kentucky Lake, TN	June 21-22, 2019
Truman, MO	July 27-28, 2019
Ouachita River, LA	Sept 13-14, 2019
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Seeing Is Believing... Marine Electronics

by Brad Wiegmann



There has never been a better time to upgrade your marine electronics. Manufacturers have new marine electronics available with everything from LiveSight Sonar, Panoptix LiveScope, MEGA Imaging, RealVision 3D and Superior HyperVision. It's almost impossible to keep up with the new technology and features offered in each unit.

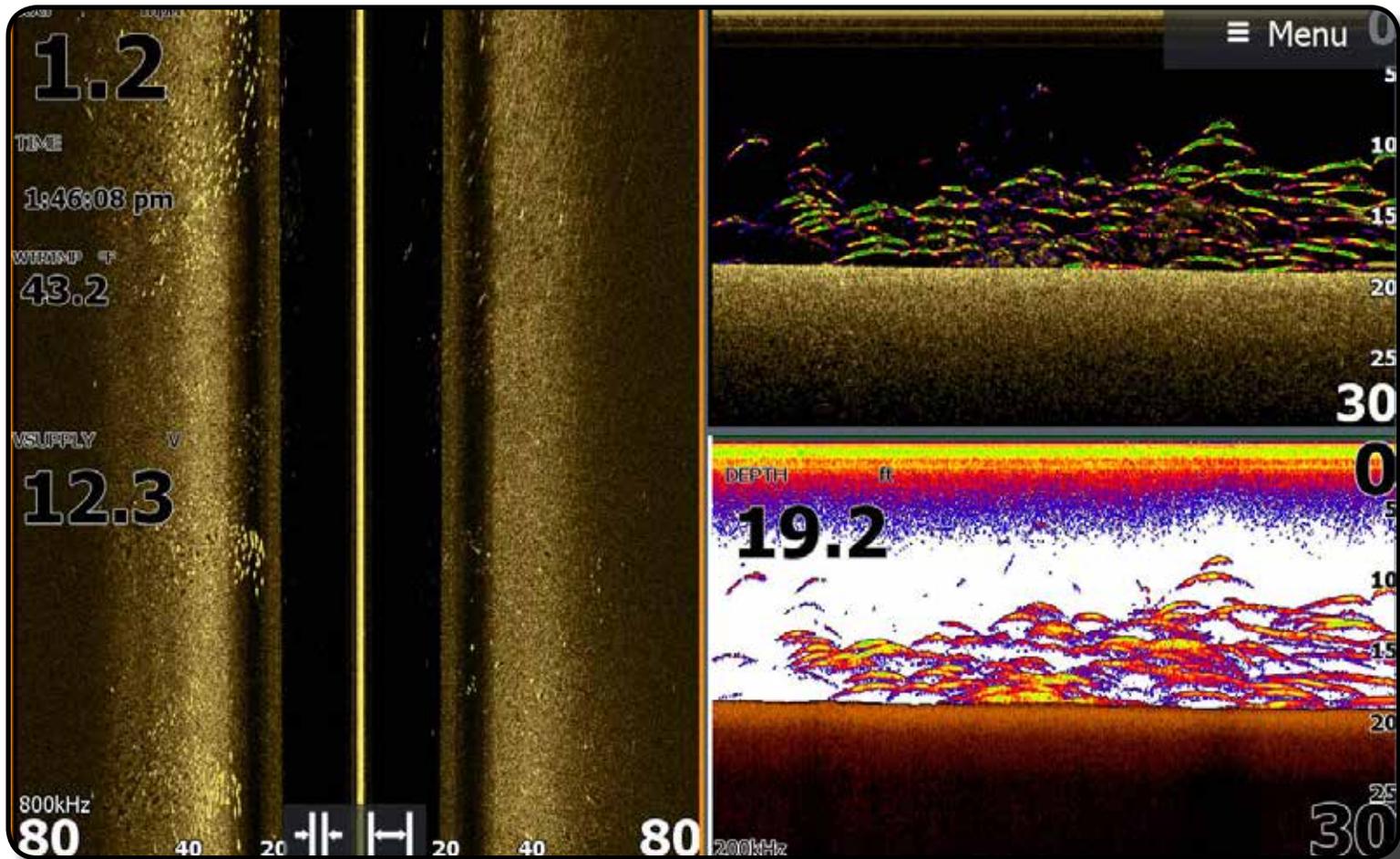
Professional crappie guide and Garmin pro staffer Kirby Ham aka Crappie Kirby (www.crappiekirby.com) has seen the advancements in sonar over the years. "Sonar has been able to show images of the bottom and fish echoes for years, but now you can actually see where the fish are located, how they react to a lure

Thanks to his electronics, Kirby Ham displays two nice crappie.

and what species. It's truly changed the way I fish for crappie and how other anglers will be fishing for them in the future," said Ham.

Ham will scan the lake bottom to the surface searching for baitfish, cover, structure and crappie. "I use CHIRP DownVu to see laydowns or brush piles to see where the fish are located in the wood indicating where I need to be fishing," said Ham.

On an unfamiliar reservoir, Ham will utilize Garmin SideVu (side-to-side imaging)



technology to search for brush piles and crappie in fishy areas. SideVu allows him to cover a large area quickly. He will waypoint those areas then go back and use LiveScope scanning to pinpoint exactly where the crappie are positioned.

“After, I have graphed the area and know where the crappie are located it’s time to dial in the LiveScope range from 30 feet down to 20 feet. At the 20 foot range I can easily see the outline of the fish and tell if they are walleyes, bass, stripers, white bass or any other species. Normally, I keep the boat about 10- to 12-feet away from the fish compared to

...real time scanning sonar technology has been called a game changer by crappie anglers that have been using the Garmin LiveScope technology.

Screenshot by Brad Wiegmann with a DownScan and Traditional 2d sonar 200kHz.

when I used to put the boat right on top of the brush,” said Ham.

Amazingly, Ham can see just how many crappie there are in a brush pile, his lure presentation and how the crappie react to his lure or minnow on a hook. Normally, he likes to use a slow rise presentation to entice a crappie to bite if keeping it right in their face doesn’t get a reaction strike. “I have had crappie chase my lure all the way up from 18 feet deep to 6 foot trying to bite my lure and I can see it all with live viewing,” said Ham.

Real time viewing technology allows Ham to control or manipulate his lure better to tease them into striking a lure and control the lure with confidence when a crappie is close by. In addition to being able to see just how a crappie is reacting in real time to the lure. To keep his distance away from the cover or structure,





Ham uses long fishing rods. B'n'M Poles Russ Bailey Signature Series 12 foot rods for jig fishing and Super Stiff for everything else.

"I keep my presentations really simple. I like to have a 3/8-ounce bell sinker with swivel below a jig or live bait. The length between my crappie jig and #2 Red Tru-Turn Hook and bell sinker depends on where the crappie are located. Of course the bell sinker helps the rig from getting hung up on brush or get loose and allows me to put it level or above the crappie," said Ham.

Normally, Ham is a one man-one pole in-the-hand angler. He loves to feel the bump of a crappie strike a lure or live bait, however, he revealed crappie anglers could long line, spider rig or even shoot docks in more productive areas by utilizing side or live viewing technology.

He acknowledged that crappie fishing was similar to football. "Fishing is a game of inches, not guesses if you want to be successful!" said Ham.

Seeing fish in real time or real time scanning sonar technology has been called a game changer by crappie anglers that have been using the Garmin LiveScope technology. Currently only Garmin and Lowrance offer real time scanning sonar technology. Instead

of real time sonar, Humminbird continues to promote 360 Imaging that became available to anglers back in 2012 and Bow 360 a year later. Unlike real time scanning sonar, 360 Imaging works like underwater radar making circular sweeps surrounding your boat up to 150 feet off all sides.

Raymarine and Lowrance have 3D imaging technology. It's advanced sonar imaging capable of showing three dimensional views. Raymarine's new RealVision 3D and Lowrance StructureScan 3D can both accurately identify the location of cover, structure, baitfish along with fish.

Quick Look...Choices and More Choices

Be prepared for sticker shock when shopping for a new marine electronics units and transducers especially on real time scanning sonar units. Note units may require transducers not included with the unit to operate specific features. Different mapping options are available for all units.

Garmin GPSMAP 8612xsv 12-inch touch screen display with premium performance processor (MSRP \$3,999.99)

Lowrance HDS Live 12 12-inch touch screen display with quad-core processor (MSRP \$2,999)

Lowrance Elite Ti2 12 12-inch touch screen display with built in CHIRP and Broadband Sounder (MSRP \$1,849)

Raymarine Elements 12HV 12-inch non-touch display with quad-core processor featuring HyperVision with HV-100 transducer (apx \$2,430)

Humminbird SOLIX 12 MEGA SI+ G2 12-inch display with touch screen interface (MSRP \$3,099.99)

Connectivity between units continues to improve with Wi-Fi and Bluetooth capabilities along with features like Lowrance's Smartphone Notifications or Humminbird's One-boat Networks. Plus now many of the units available can do software updates through Wi-Fi.

Knowing which transducer to purchase can be confusing. Several of the electronics manufactures offer all in one transducers or single purpose transducer. Additional sonar enhancing black box or module may also be available.

Garmin LVS 32 Panoptix LiveScope with GLS 10 sonar black box is 135 degree (front to back) x 20 degree (left to right) ICAST 2018 "Best of Show". (MSRP \$1,499.99)

Garmin LVS 12 single-array LiveScope is both 30 degree (down) x 20 degree (left to right) x 30 degree (forward) x 20 degree (left to right) with no black box required compatible with Garmin's (MSRP \$499.99)

Lowrance LiveSight will have forward facing transducer and down viewing for the transom or bottom of trolling motor. All three brackets come in the box. (\$999)

Often overlooked frequency settings can change the size of the area your unit is scanning. In traditional 2D sonar 83 kHz is a wider cone making it a better setting when searching for cover or crappie compared to 200 kHz. Similar 455 kHz is wider than the 800 kHz or 1.2 MHz (short range, High resolution). CHIRP (Compressed High Intensity Pulse) is a wide spectrum of sonar pulses producing sharp, accurate signals.



- Brad Wiegmann

Take That Kid

Crappie Fishing

**But it's
okay to
catch
whatever
is biting!**

**Story & photos
by
Kenneth Kieser**



by Kenneth L. Kieser

The old Model-A Ford roadster raised dust in my mom and dad's gravel driveway. My great grandfather, Milo Rose, only moved the car that he had purchased in the early 1920's from his wooden garage for fishing or hunting trips. The year was 1957 and I, their four-year-old great-grandson, was always included on their fishing trips.

I can close my eyes and remember those fishing adventures 63-years later. The old Model-A Ford had a musty smell and Grandpa's purring engine made the entire car shake. On arrival my first effort was to peer inside his metal tackle box, a treasure chest with tin boxes full of swivels, sinkers, hooks and other fascinating stuff including a few red and white bobbers. I, too, was fascinated by the freshly dredged creek minnows swimming around in a coffee can.

Next came the adventure of trying to squeeze a worm or minnow on the hook. I was allowed to put the bait on without help. Grandpa helped me cast. Then I was handed the cane pole. Grandmother would advise me on leaving the bobber sit there a few more seconds. Or as she would say, "You never know when a big, fat catfish, bluegill or crappie is going to take that squirmy bait. Pull it in too soon and the big fish won't have a chance to bite."

Taking the trouble to include me on those trips may have seemed like an afterthought to my grandparents. But this many years later I still remember that warm pond bank and my grandparents.

Perhaps you will be remembered in 60 years for your efforts of taking a child fishing this year. The correct preparation and effort may plant a fishing seed in your child that could last a lifetime. Let's consider some rules that will help create future fishermen and women:

THE REALLY IMPORTANT STUFF-
-Sandwiches snacks and drinks are

mandatory. My great grandmother was an excellent cook. She would make fishing trips a picnic, adding to the adventure. Of course, knowing there are goodies close by might become a distraction when teaching fishing skills. But early trips should be about associating fishing with pleasure.

This is a good time for your child to learn the importance of picking up their trash and taking it to a suitable trash can. Point out trash that some left on an earlier trip and show how it spoils the beauty of nature. Sadly, it is not hard to find examples on most fishing lakes or ponds.

Remember to let them land a fish, even if you have to set the hook and hand them the rod.

Be extremely conscious of potty breaks. If you think little kidneys and bowels work fast in a car, wait until you get them in a boat. Don't hesitate to make several trips to shore--even if the fish are biting. Bathroom facilities are always welcomed, but not always present. Remember to bring a small spade and toilet paper. Burying waste products is an important environmental lesson for kids and some adults. Be sure that you dig the hole at least 75 feet from the shoreline to avoid drainage into the lake or pond.

Finally, use this opportunity as a learning experience. Even the most careful scouting and planning will not mean the fish will bite. While waiting, point out nature like a swimming water snake, soaring hawks, tadpoles and fluttering dragonflies. Your child will start appreciating nature at an early age.

FIND PRODUCTIVE FISHING FIRST-
-You can bore any child by spending a couple of hours trying to find a spot where



the fish are biting. Locate good crappie or bluegill water and know the best techniques for catching either species. Scouting or experimentation will be more accepted later after your child is hooked on fishing. But your child must catch fish on the early trips and size is not important.

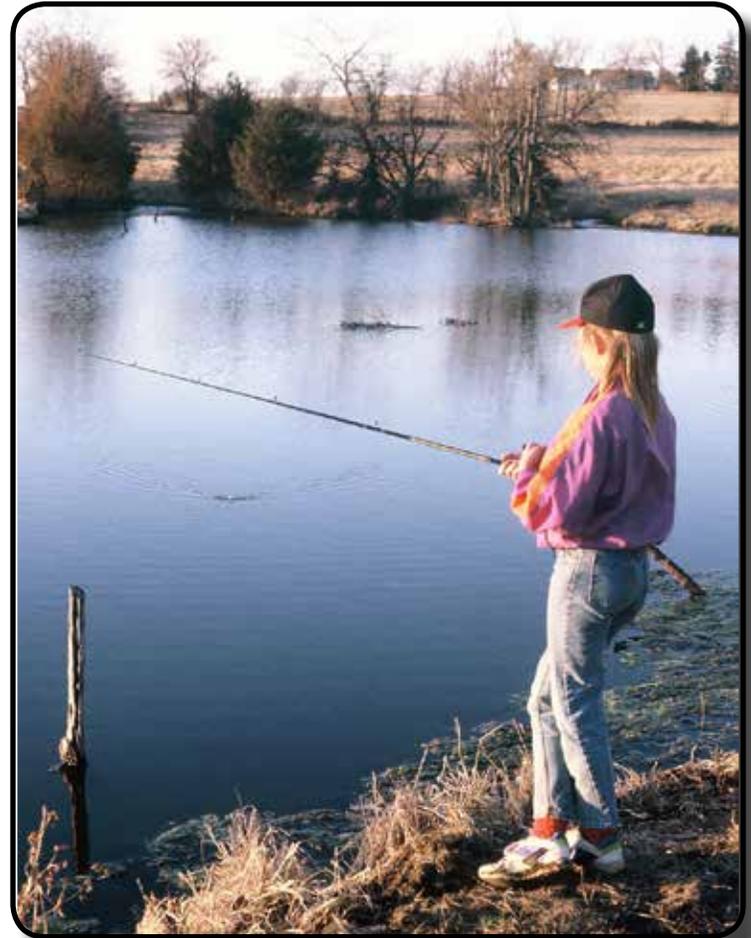
TEACH THE BASICS-- Let the child create their own experience. Some adults do everything for the child and this can be a mistake. Encourage the child to do as much for themselves as is possible.

Take the time to explain why you are tying a certain hook or lure on the line. Younger children will have trouble mastering a well tied knot on monofilament, but they can pick out brightly colored lures or certain bait. Kids need to develop self-reliance and putting their own bait on the hook is a start. Yet, don't force the issue. Some kids don't want to touch a slimy old worm or minnow. This will change with time and experience.

Children under seven or eight are best equipped with a simple rod, reel, hook, line and sinker. Later they can learn techniques for casting and different type of retrieves. But for now, keep it simple. They will want better equipment as their skill levels increase.

SETTING THE HOOK-- An eager child will likely lose a fish or two by setting the hook too hard. Teaching them to set the hook quickly but gently will improve their technique. Remember to let them land a fish, even if you have to set the hook and hand them the rod. You can explain setting the reel's drag when the child develops more skill and understanding.

CHOOSE FISHING EQUIPMENT WISELY-- Ultra-light rod and reels are excellent for children. You can purchase less expensive versions that will no doubt eventually be damaged or destroyed. But take you child on a successful fishing trip and you might be surprised how prized that fishing rig will become. Note that



A pond is a great place to teach fishing, playing with turtles, learning to avoid snakes and having lunch on the bank.

some kids still want to learn with a spin cast reel. I highly recommend Zebco in this instance.

Your child's reel should be wound with four to six-pound test line. Find a small, inexpensive tackle box and stock it with a few jigs, bobbers, hooks, weights and other neat stuff. Teach your child to neatly arrange and organize. Early attention to organization will pay off in enjoyable trips as long as the child fishes.

PROPERLY FITTING LIFE VESTS-- Each child in your boat must wear a life jacket. Make sure the vest fits snugly and comfortably. Trying to fit an adult-sized vest on a child's frame is a mistake. The child will be uncomfortable and it is

an unsafe act.

Remember to avoid boat rings, inner tubes or float toys. Instead, take you child to a store and find a Coast guard approved version that fits. Convincing the child to wear that vest, even on hot, sticky days is the adult's responsibility. You can set a good example by wearing a vest too.

BEAWEATHERWATCHER--

Choose your days well before taking that child fishing. Avoid windy, rainy or cold days. Blue bird days are the best for the best childhood memories. Remember to take extra jackets for weather changes.

KNOW WHEN TO LEAVE--

Boredom in youth may strike at any time--even when the fish are biting. Forcing children to stay out longer than their attention span allows is a good way to turn them off from fishing forever.

Remarkably, the child that you take fishing may take you fishing someday. You will always be marked in their memory for the experience of a warm pond bank, tadpoles and green sunfish.



- Kenneth L. Kieser



Fishing is an experience best shared with others.

The Great Outdoors

by Larry Whiteley

Thank God It's April

To me, April is God's gift to us after a long, cold winter that we didn't think would ever end.

April is turkey hunting time and your heart beating faster as a big old gobbler comes into your calls.

April is the sounds of peeper frogs and whip-poor-wills. Buckeye trees are leafing out and Sarvis Berry trees are showing off their white blooms to be followed by the Dogwood and Redbud trees and their showy colors. Wildflowers begin popping through the dead leaves and so do morel mushrooms. And while looking for morels you never know when you'll find a shed antler from a big buck.

April means limits of crappie, white bass and walleye. It's matching the hatches on a trout stream. It's big bass and battling smallmouth.

April is floating a river, hitting the hiking trails and getting your gear together for your first camping trip of the year.

There's so much to do and so little time to do it. Call in sick and tell the boss you have a fever – "Spring Fever".

Frog Forecast

Those loud amphibians the frog are said to croak even longer and louder than usual when bad weather is on the horizon. When you hear their volume increase, you can assume a storm is brewing and you better go close the windows.

Communicating with Your Kids

A great way to improve communication with your kids is involvement in outdoor traditions like fishing, hunting, camping, and hiking. Outdoor activities take you away from the distractions of everyday life and put you in touch with nature.

There are no TVs or smart phones (if you turn them off) that would interfere out in the

great outdoors. It's a perfect environment for listening and talking.

Don't Make a Crow Mad

Crows can recognize the faces of humans who pose a threat to them or their habitat, and those memories can last a lifetime. Plus crows can live up to 15 years. So, if you get into a fight with one it might be time to start thinking about growing a moustache.

Crows also have their own language which varies from region to region. They also make tools and play tricks on each other. And, they still haven't forgotten about you.

Be Proud of Who You Are

Hunters and anglers have championed clean water and air, prevention of soil erosion and healthy forests, conservation of our natural resources, and preservation of our fish and wildlife. All of this long before the current environmental and conservation movements became popular.

Be proud you are a hunter or angler because your commitment to our world continues to make a difference.

A Serious Camping Fact

The urgency of a late night bathroom trip while camping depends on the outside temperature, how complicated it is to get out of your mummy sleeping bag and how many layers of clothes you have on.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Elections should be held on April 16th—the day after we pay taxes. That is one of the few things that might discourage politicians from being such big spenders."

-Thomas Sowell

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Kyle Schoenherr Tip of the Month

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Crappie Basics #185

Make Adjustments

“Washington Lake is a good place to fish. The lake is shallow overall so a couple of warm days really fires the fish up. A 65 degree day, sunshine and 45 degree nights can start them spawning by going into pre-spawn mode. Then as water warms they’ll be spawning.

“They feed up right before the spawn so fishing can be fantastic. Fishing is a process of elimination for me, so I’m starting out with a variety of colors, will try different depths but usually quickly find that with my locator and I start out long lining at a fast speed. I’ll adjust everything based upon what the crappie show me.

“I use double jig rigs. The weights are dependent upon the depth I’m fishing and my boat speed. When the fish are shallow, I’ll go to light jigs and put out a lot of line because the boat can spook them. I will use long poles to get jigs away from the boat but I don’t like using planer boards.”

Brad Chappell, guide in Mississippi and host of Crappie Connection.



Lake Overcup...Central Arkansas Crappie Association



The Central Arkansas Crappie Association, CACA, had its first tournament of the year and it was a good one. There were 32 teams fished Lake Overcup, Arkansas, and the lake produced two three pounders. Their weigh-in took place at the Conway Expo Center.

How They Fished

First place was Lamar Bunting and Greg London with 13.77 pounds for seven fish. "We found fish in five to eight feet of water with fish three to four feet deep. We started out with big 1/4-ounce jigs but kept missing a lot of bites. We switched to a 1/16-ounce on bottom and 1/32-ounce jig on top and started catching them. We were rigging eight, 16-foot poles out the front. Yellow-chartreuse, black-chartreuse and electric chicken were good colors. Once we found a pocket of fish we stayed with them. We went from one end of the lake to the other and only found two places where we could

The second place team of John Williams and Scott Black with a good stringer that included a 3.10-lb slab.

catch fish."

Second Place Scott Black and John Williams had 13.17 pounds with a 3.10 huge slab to anchor their catch. "We caught fish from two to 15 feet deep. We had 14 bites all day. We had 12 fish on, lost two of them that were bigger than the big fish we caught. We just couldn't get them into the net. There are some really big fish in the lake. We fished eight rods, spider rigging. Our fish moved so we started out by scanning to find some fish. Throughout the day the fish kept moving up into the water column and by the end of the day we were catching them two feet from the surface."

3rd place was Monty Havens/Taylor Havens with 12.72. 4th place Jeff Handley/



Chris Williams 12.56. 5th place Jason Koch/
Gary Koch 12.54.

Central Ark Crappie Association

The CACA was formed in 2013. It's president is Jason Westerberg jwesterberg@stephensgroup.com. (You can also visit CACA on their Facebook page). He says it's been a great way for fishermen to learn and socialize. Also, it also provides a path for fishermen to learn at a local level and then move up to the national tournaments.

Member Dennis Bayles says, "I've been a member since the beginning. The part I like best about the club is that we've gotten a lot of new anglers out on the lakes. Our rules require the top three teams to tell their techniques, depths, type covers, what baits and tips to help our other fishermen catch crappie. That's worked."

Upcoming tournaments include: May 4th- Lake Daranelle; June 1st- Peckerwood, Stuttgart; July 13th- Lake Nimrod; Championship TBA.

Lake Overcup

Overcup is a 1025 acre lake near Morrilton Arkansas, with a maximum depth of 35 feet and average of 10 feet. It's an Arkansas Game & Fish managed lake.

"The lake is similar to many other Arkansas lakes," says Bayles. "It's got some deep water channels and shallower flats and shallow water. It's full of stumps and trees. The fish here are the healthiest you'll find anywhere. It's an outstanding fishery. When you catch a 12-incher it's a chunk with a lot of weight."

He says fishing here should start with Basics 101... find a channel ledge with wood on it. From there you can fish the ledge, the flats associated with the ledge or move up into shallow water when conditions are right for fish to be there.



CRAPPIE EXPO

2019

Crappie Expo & Mr. Crappie Invitational Tournament

October 4-6, 2019 are the dates for the first Crappie Expo and Fishing Classic at the Hot Springs Convention Center and Lake Hamilton, Arkansas. The event is set up to bring large numbers of spectators to enjoy vendor and manufacturer booths, boat giveaways, concert and free fish fry. There will be a weigh-in on Friday at the Fish Hatchery Launch area. Saturday and Sunday weigh-ins will be in the Hot Springs Convention Center in conjunction with the three-day Expo there.

The tournament is by invitation only in an effort to increase the prestige and importance of getting to fish the event. Payout

will \$100,000 with 100 fishing teams fighting for the first place prize of \$40,000.

Local businessman, Reji Short, sales manager at Trader Bill's Outdoor Sports & Marine, says, "The Crappie Expo and tournament means a lot to Hot Springs and the surrounding area. It should bring a lot of people into town and that's always good for the community. We have a lot of bass events but this is the first really major crappie event I know of here."

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Short says, "Hamilton is known as a bass lake but there are plenty of crappie, too. My father-in-law does well there especially on brushpiles. During a bass tournament, one of our fishermen caught a crappie that went over three pounds. So I know some good crappie are in there. I'm not sure what the lake level will be in October, but the lake should be in good shape for fishermen to catch fish.

"We are excited about the tournament," says Short. "It's always difficult to predict exactly what the response will be for a first-time tournament, but we are expecting a very good event."



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Salt-Baked Fish 'n' Stews

We commonly think of table salt when most recipes call for salt. Table salt has additives like iodine (to prevent thyroid disease) and an anti-caking agent to prevent lumping in humidity. Many chefs prefer kosher salt (additive-free, coarse-grained) for cooking and sea salt for table use because they have a softer flavor than table salt. Kosher salt easily draws blood when applied to butchered meat (koshering process). The salt dissolves easily and provides flavor without over-salting because of its large surface area.

Hawaiian sea salts (red or black) are specialty finishing salts. The red variety has an iron taste and is used to add color. The black variety has a sulfurous aroma from the addition of purified lava. Black salt is more tan, little lighter than black, with a strong, sulfurous flavor. Black salt is available in Indian markets, either ground or in lumps.

Pickling salt is free of the additives that turn pickles dark and pickling liquid cloudy. Sel gris is a gray salt from France, and fleur de sel (salt flower) is a by-product of sel gris created when sel gris is allowed to bloom into lacy flowerlike crystals in evaporation basins.

Maldon sea salt is a British finishing salt similar to fleur de sel. It has a light delicate flavor that is obtained by boiling sea water to form delicate pyramidal crystals. Rock salt is used to make ice cream.

Salt comes from salt mines or from the sea. Most of today's salt is mined and comes from large deposits left by dried salt lakes throughout the world. Salt preserves foods by creating a hostile environment for certain microorganisms. Within foods, salt brine dehydrates bacterial cells, alters osmotic pressure and inhibits bacterial growth and

subsequent spoilage.

The word "salary" was derived from the Latin term "salarium", the name for a soldier's pay in ancient Rome. The pay included a large ration of salt that had a high value and used for barter. The spice coined such expressions as "salt of the earth" and "worth your salt."

Stuffed Fish

Here's a French dish that is simple as far as French cuisine goes. Stuff a fish's cavity with herbs and lemons. Cover with salt and bake. The salt only lightly seasons the fish and traps all the juices and aromas from the herbs and lemon. Take the fish to the table, break open the salt and serve.

- 2 3/4-pound crappie (whole fish with head and tail and clean cavity)
- 10 sprigs of thyme
- 4 sprigs rosemary
- 1 teaspoon tarragon or chervil
- 3 thin slices of lemon, halved
- Olive oil
- 3 cups sea salt or kosher salt (a mix of 2 cups coarse and 1 cup fine)
- 1 egg white
- Water

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Pat the fish dry inside and out with paper towels. Stuff fish cavity with thyme, rosemary, tarragon or chervil and lemon. Lightly oil the outside of the fish with olive oil. In a bowl, mix the salts and the egg white with your hand. Add water a little at a time until the mixture reaches the consistency of wet sand that you might use to build a sand castle. On a rimmed baking sheet, create a layer of the salt mixture approximately the size of the fish about 1/4-inch thick. Place the fish flat on this bed and mound the salt around the fish about 1/4-inch thick creating a tight seal. Leave the head and tail exposed.

Bake for 30 minutes, remove from oven to rest for 10 minutes. Carefully break off the salt crust and fillet the fish. Serves 4-6.

Fish Stew I

- 1 pound fish fillets cut into 1-inch pieces
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 large leek, cleaned and thinly sliced
- 1/2 cup sliced shallots
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon fish sauce
- 3/4 cup white wine
- 1 1/4 cups chicken broth
- 1/2 cup thinly sliced fennel bulb
- 1 pound baby red potatoes, trimmed
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 pinch cayenne pepper (or more) to taste
- 1/2 cup heavy whipping cream
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh tarragon

Melt butter in a large saucepan over medium-low heat. Cook and stir leek, shallots, fish sauce and 1/4 teaspoon salt in the melted butter until softened, 10 to 15 minutes. Stir wine into leek mixture, increase heat to medium and cook for 2 minutes. Add chicken broth and bring to a simmer. Mix fennel and potatoes into leek mixture and simmer, stirring occasionally until potatoes are nearly tender, about 10 minutes. Season with salt, black pepper and cayenne pepper. Add cream and stir to combine. Stir fish and tarragon into soup, cover and cook for 3 minutes. Stir gently, reduce heat to medium-low and cook until fish flakes easily with a fork, about 5 minutes. Season with salt and black pepper if needed.

Fish Stew II

- 1 to 1-1/2 pounds fish fillets cut in 2-inch pieces
- 4 large garlic cloves cut in half,

- green shoots removed
- 4 anchovy fillets, soaked in water for 4 minutes, drained and rinsed
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 celery rib, chopped
- 1 medium carrot, chopped
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher or sea salt, to taste
- 1 teaspoon fish sauce
- 1 28-ounce can chopped tomatoes, with liquid
- 1 quart water
- 1 pound small new potatoes, scrubbed and quartered or sliced
- Salt to taste
- 1 bay leaf
- Freshly ground pepper to taste
- 2 sprigs fresh parsley, finely chopped

Place the garlic cloves and 1/4 teaspoon salt in a mortar and pestle and mash to a paste. Add the anchovy fillets and mash with the garlic. Set aside. Heat the olive oil over medium heat in a large, heavy soup pot or Dutch oven and add onion, celery carrot, 1/2 teaspoon salt and fish sauce. Cook, stirring until the onion is tender, about 5 minutes. Add the pureed garlic and anchovy. Cook, stirring until the mixture is very fragrant, about one minute, and then add the tomatoes. Cook, stirring often until the tomatoes have cooked down a bit and the mixture is aromatic, about 10 to 15 minutes. Add the water, potatoes, salt (to taste) and the bay leaf. Bring to a simmer. Turn the heat to low, cover partially and simmer 30 minutes. Taste, adjust salt and add pepper to taste. Remove the bay leaf. Season the fish with salt and pepper and stir into the soup. The soup should not be boiling. Simmer 5 to 10 minutes (depending on the thickness of the fillets) or just until it flakes easily when forked. Remove from the heat, stir in the parsley, taste once more, adjust seasonings and serve. Makes 4 servings.

CRAPPIE USA

LOGAN MARTIN

FEBRUARY 16th

AMATEUR DIVISION

1. Fred Walker/Danny Sisson	12.23
2. Gary Kendrick/Blake Kendrick	11.92
3. Jason Bailey/Lori Bailey	11.8
4. Frank A Jackson/James Stewart	11.24
5. Greg Hanson/Paul Johnson	10.79

PRO DIVISION

1. Rodney Talley/John Baker	12.4
2. Sean Dees/Aaron Knight	12.03
3. Forrest Walker/Jacob Walker	11.68
4. Robert Harris/Richard Greer	11.28
5. Alan McGinnis/Charles Wood	9.96

BIG FISH

1. Sean Dees/Aaron Knight	2.3
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EAST TN CRAPPIE CLUB

FT. LOUDON

FEBRUARY 16th

1. Darren Caughron/Matt Xenos	9.57
2. Brandon Henderson/Brian Harrell	8.03
3. Mike Ferguson/Tim Fletcher	7.28
4. Scott Baines/Alan Wetzel	7.27
5. Tim Irwin/Cory Owenby	6.39

BIG FISH

1. Mike Willard	1.55
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FLORIDA CRAPPIE CLUB

BEAUCLAIR-DORA-CARLTON

FEBRUARY 16th

1. Larry Durden	9.08
2. George/Rosie	8.08
3. Darryl Cole/Terri Cole	7.09
4. Harrell/Joe	7.08
5. Chuck/Randy	7.06

BIG FISH

1. Larry Durden	1.07
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PEACH STATE CRAPPIE CLUB

LAKE BLACKSHEAR

FEBRUARY 16th

1. Justin Churchwell/Lamar Young	10.57
2. Scott Williams/Jacob Sapp	9.18
3. Chance Kelly/Jackson Hanson	8.74
4. Kyle Redford/Jason Holiday	7.06
5. Keith register/Robin Register	6.95

BIG FISH

1. Justin Churchwell/Lamar Young	1.87
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SOUTH CAROLINA CRAPPIE ASSOCIATION

CLARKS HILL

FEBRUARY 16th

1. Lynn Robertson/Robert Jackson	11.05
2. Chip Knoght/Charles Knight	10.91
3. Mike Huffstetler/Statia Huffstetler	10.9
4. Brad Soper/Todd Frick	10.84
5. Nick Dowda/Matthew Williams	10.51

BIG FISH

1. Tracey Davis/Chuck Davis	2.66
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WAPPAPELLO CRAPPIECLUB

WAPPAPELLO LAKE

FEBRUARY 16th - 17th

1. Joe Guiling/Nathan Conner	16.6
2. Tim Hill/Jarred Green	16.29
3. Brody Roper/Brandon Miller	14.9
4. Eric Parris/Jason Comfort	14.26
5. Houchins/Houchins	14.15

BIG FISH

1. Chuck Chism/James Chism	1.93
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CRAPPIE MASTERS

LAKE D'ARBONNE

FEBRUARY 22nd - 23rd

1. Robert Carlile/Craig Nichols	27.65
2. Dustin Harris/Kelley Graham	25.87
3. Jock Young/Nicholas Young	25.73
4. Distin Boudreaux/Glen Davis	24.75
5. TJ Palmer/Alex Palmer	24.55

BIG FISH

1. Dusty McGhee/Landon Pender/ Freddie Dooly/Johnny Lovelady	2.6
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MALE/FEMALE

1. Jay Don Reeve/Rhonda Reeve	24.38
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ADULT/YOUTH

1. TJ Palmer/Alex Palmer	24.55
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FISH THE CAROLINAS

SANTEE COOPER

FEBRUARY 23rd	
1. A Outlaw/J Outlaw	16.1
2. S Potts/B Shore	15.94
3. W Hinson/T Slice	15.73
4. S Ball/K Ball	15.43
5. N Quan/C Grimm	14.93
BIG FISH	
1. S Ball/K Ball	2.98
2. T Robertson/N Robertson	2.98

FLORIDA CRAPPIE CLUB

LAKE ROSALIE

FEBRUARY 23rd	
1. Bobby Hill	11.06
2. Jack/Wayne	10.1
3. Tony/Don	10.04
4. James/Tony	10.03
5. Russell Regel	10.01
BIG FISH	
1. Bobby Hill	1.15

LAKE OKEECHOBEE CRAPPIE SERIES

LAKE OKEECHOBEE

FEBRUARY 23rd	
1. Larry Ballard/David Morris	9.66
2. Tim Eberly/George Parker	9.56
3. Brad Gibson/Ron Veale	8.83
BIG FISH	
1. Daniel Bernhard Jr/Daniel Bernhard	2.05

MAGNOLIA CRAPPIE CLUB

EAGLE LAKE

FEBRUARY 23rd	
1. Jason Eichwurtzle/Parker Eichwurtzle	15.16
2. Terry Stewart/Cole Stewart	14.71
3. Jeremy Aldridge/Clint Egbert	14.7
4. Rick Moody/Shane Moody	14.56
5. TJ Prince/Wade Griffin	14.19
BIG FISH	
1. Eric Neth/Whitt Whitten	2.87



YADKIN RIVER CRAPPIE TRAIL

HIGH ROCK LAKE

FEBRUARY 23rd

1. Eudy/Koontz	10.51
2. Walser/Montgomery	9.88
3. Lundy/Koon	7.29
4. Goforth	6.63
5. Maynar/Rayburn	6.45

BIG FISH

1. Walser/Montgomery	2.14
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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CRAPPIE ASSOC.

LAKE OF EGYPT

FEBRUARY 24th

1. Hess/Lutchka	10.82
2. Mavigliano/Olson	8.7
3. Shoppell/Knight	8.32
4. Brinson/Naber	7.11
5. Johnston/Haines	7.11

BIG FISH

1. Hess/Lutchka	2.91
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CRAPPIE MASTERS

ALABAMA RIVER

MARCH 1st - 2nd

1. Wade McDonald/Eric Cagle	32.95
2. Billy Williams/Scott Williams	31.15
3. James Heflin/Jamie Heflin	28.84
4. Jason Threadgill/Brandon Threadgill	28.18
5. Rick Howard/Steve Deason	27.54

BIG FISH

1. Billy Williams/Scott Williams	2.98
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CRAPPIE USA

LAKE WYLIE

MARCH 1st - 2nd**AMATEUR DIVISION**

1. Pat Schneider/Pat Schneider	17.97
2. Shannon Suttle/Shawn McAbee	15.94
3. John Hicks/Tim Harris	15.61
4. Ricky Smith/George G Smith	15.42
5. Jeff Lowdermilk/Brian Stacey	15.1

PRO DIVISION

1. Kevin Hawkins/Chad Gilbert	18.69
2. Robert Harris/Richard Greer Jr	17.45
3. Lynn Robertson/Robert Jackson	17.22
4. Jordan Newsome/Craig Newsome	16.85
5. Nate Quan/Chad Grimm	16.83

BIG FISH

1. Ricky Smith/George G Smith	2.23
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BEAVER LAKE CRAPPIE ASSOCIATION

BEAVER LAKE

MARCH 2nd

1. Brad/Ronnie	9.93
2. Seth/Randy	9.58
3. Clay Johnson	8.46
4. Brian/John	7.61
5. Payton/Ken	7.41

BIG FISH

1. Seth/Randy	1.65
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MIDDLE TENNESSEE

WOODS RESERVOIR

MARCH 2nd

1. Dave Odell/JW Jackson	5.09
2. Mark Quimby/Scott Quimby	4.09
3. Tyler Spray/Terry Spray	3.92
4. Toby Ivey/Matt Ivey	3.33

BIG FISH

1. Jamie Johnson	2.67
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SHOALS AREA CRAPPIE

LAKE GUNTERSVILLE

MARCH 2nd

1. Kevin/Steve	11.23
2. David/Jimmy	7.92
3. Keith/Darrell	6.57

BIG FISH

1. Team Jenkins	2.08
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CHATTANOOGA CRAPPIE CLUB

CHESTER FROST PARK

MARCH 3rd

1. Mike Johnston	12.82
2. Jim Edmister/Jason Morrison	11.91
3. David Elliot/Davis Stephens	11.76
4. Fred Schoenfield/Sherrie Schoenfield	8.58
5. Brian Higgins	

ULTIMATE PANFISH LEAGUE

EAST RUSH LAKE

MARCH 3rd

1. Zach Herber/Pat Conroy	7.88
2. Charles DeGrio/Matt Weber	7.81
3. Rich Lemmer/Jamie Montag	7.76
4. Matt Milbrandt/Matt Waldron	7.73
5. Chris Lafean/Jake Morris	7.61

BIG FISH

1. Kyle From/Aaron Carlson	0.92
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CRAPPIE MASTERS

WASH., LEE, FERGUSON, WHITT., GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

MARCH 9th

1. Kevin reller/Brian Creech	13.96
2. John Harrison/Jeremy Aldridge	13.89
3. Paul Turner/Elizabeth Turner	13.56
4. Eddie Truhitt/Jessie Belk	13.03
5. Bill Burnett/Steve Coleman	12.51

BIG FISH

1. AdOUG Laake/Ryan Rohl	2.55
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MALE/FEMALE

1. Casey Rayner/Savannah McMannus	5.98
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ADULT/YOUTH

1. TJ Palmer/Alex Palmer	6.64
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CRAPPIE USA

LAKE GUNTERSVILLE

MARCH 9th**AMATEUR DIVISION**

1. Bobby Johnson/Brett Curlis	13.43
2. Donald Hicken/Chad Hill	12.38
3. Roger West/Karen West	10.37
4. Ricky Baker/James Lovings	8.94
5. Kelly Johnson/Laddie Cannon	8.7

PRO DIVISION

1. Johnny Walker/Jeff Ramsey	13.53
2. John Pierce/Jason Houston	11.23
3. Dale Thompson/Eddie Milby	10.41
4. Steve Freguson/Frank Finley	9.99
5. Patrick Stone/Patrick Vowell	9.67

BIG FISH

1. Donald Hicken/Chad Hill	2.66
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FLORIDA CRAPPIE CLUB

CRESCENT LAKE

MARCH 9th

1. Darryl Cole/Terri Cole	9.01
2. Bub Taylor/Debra Taylor	8.11.8
3. Gary/Jim	8.11.7
4. Jack/John	8.08
5. Sam/Billy	8.06

BIG FISH

1. Sam/Billy	2.04
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PEACH STATE CRAPPIE CLUB

CLARKS HILL

MARCH 9th

1. Justin Churchwell/Lamar Young	12.42
2. Jamie Kincade/Floyd Mayweather	11.74
3. Chance Kelly/Jackson Hansen	11.63
4. Scott Williams/Billy Williams	11.5
5. Bubba Norris/Billy Shelton	11.43

BIG FISH

1. Jamie Kincade/Floyd Mayweather	2.19
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MIDDLE TENNESSEE CRAPPIE CLUB

NORMANDY

MARCH 9th

1. Joey Davis	2.82
2. Rodney	1.12
3. Toby/Matt	0.63

BIG FISH

1. Joey Davis	1.12
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SOUTH CAROLINA

MURRY LAKE

MARCH 9th

1. Ray Koon/Derek Frick	13.82
2. Bret Davis/Josh Ricard	13.7
3. Greg Matthews/Ronnie Shealy	13.62
4. Mike Huffstetler/Statia Huffstetler	13.6
5. Ed Duke/Teddy Steen	13.34

BIG FISH

1. Ed Duke/Teddy Steed	2.76
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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CRAPPIE ASSOC

KINKADE LAKE

MARCH 10th

1. Durham/Lindsey	10.85
2. Bennett/Bennett	8.87
3. Boucher/Snyder	8.21
4. Hamson/Mooney	7.54
5. Johnston/Haines	4

BIG FISH

1. Durham/Lindsey	3.05
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WAPPAPELLO CRAPPIE CLUB

WAPPAPELLO

MARCH 10th

1. Maddox/McMillin	10.07
2. Emerson/Brown	9.91
3. Hill/Green	8.74
4. Houchins/Houchins	8.26
5. Guiling/Connor	8.04

BIG FISH

1. Guiling/Connor	1.94
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CRAPPIE USA

LAKES MARION, MOULTRIE, SANTEE

MARCH 15th - 16th**AMATEUR DIVISION**

1. Robert Denen	16.13
2. Matthew Varnadore/George Hutto	14.17
3. Ken Vinson/Avery Hoilman	13.15
4. Rick Stalder/Danny Zidaroff	10.34
5. John Hicks/Tim Harris	4.25

PRO DIVISION

1. Charles Knight/Charles Jr Knight	30.17
2. Dennis Outlaw/Russell Rush	29.34
3. Whitey Outlaw/Matt Outlaw	27.13
4. Lynn Robertson/Robert Jackson	26.01
5. Robert Harris/Richard Greer	25.99

BIG FISH

1. Ellis Cannon/Jon M Cannon	2.84
2. Lynn Robertson/Robert Jackson	2.84

BEAVER LAKE CRAPPIE ASSOC

BEAVER LAKE CRAPPIE ASSOCIATION

MARCH 16th

1. Brad/Ronnie	8.99
2. Brian/John	8.46
3. Xieng/Cecil	8.1
4. Clay Johnson	7.87
5. Matt	7.84

BIG FISH

1. Xeing/Cecil	1.69
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BOYD'S CRAPPIE TRAIL

LAKE EUFAULA

MARCH 16th

1. Gary Clancy/Richie Bell	13.59
2. Ronnie Bleas/Aaron Knight	11.41
3. Kevin Lee/Ricky Thomas	11.15
4. Forrest Walker/Jacob Walker	10.36
5. Ricky Willis/Clint Shipman	8.61

BIG FISH

1. Gary Clancy/Richie Bell	2.92
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CENTRAL ARKANSAS CRAPPIE ASSOC

LAKE OVERCUP

MARCH 16th

1. Lamar Bunting/Greg London	13.77
2. Scott Black/John Williams	13.17
3. Monty Havens/Taylor Havens	12.72
4. Jeff Handly/Chris Williams	12.56
5. Jason Koch/Gary Koch	12.54

BIG FISH

1. Scott Black/John Williams	3.1
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EASTERN MISSOURI CRAPPIE CLUB

LAKE OF THE OZARKS

MARCH 16th

1. James Gilchrist/Will Nordman	10.04
2. Brian Sowers/Travis Lepley	9.84
3. Willie James/Tyler Homan	9.69
4. Mike Valentine/Jesse Shoemake	9.63
5. Mike Wehde/Tim Bessleman	9.51

EASTERN TN CRAPPIE CLUB

WATTS BAR LAKE

MARCH 16th

1. Darren Caughron/Matt Xenos	13.67
2. Mike Ferguson/Tim Fletcher	11.12
3. Mike Cox/Jeff Phillips	10.91
4. Brandon Henderson/Brian Harrell	10.55
5. Scott Bunch/Neal Alvis	10.55

BIG FISH

1. Darren Caughron/Matt Xenos	2.23
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HOI CRAPPIE CLUB

SANGCHRIS

MARCH 16th

1. Rick/Terry	9.03
2. Tim/Chad	7.3
3. Sullivan/Markwell	6.49
4. Jack/Chuck	6.47
5. Price/Cooper	6.27

BIG FISH

1. Tim/Chad	2.3
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PEACH STATE CRAPPIE CLUB

CLARKS HILL

MARCH 16th

1. Jose Bigio/Paul Johnson	11.2
2. Kyle McCloud/Glenn Fox	10.35
3. George Harmon/Danny Grantham	10.23
4. Christopher Hamel/Scott Williams	10.01
5. Jimmy Fox/Billy Williams	9.74

BIG FISH

1. Jose Bigio/Paul Johnson	2.21
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TWIN LAKES CRAPPIE CLUB

BLOOD RIVER

MARCH 16th

1. Danny Todd/Sammy Tidwell	8.74
2. Scott Waldrop/Christy Waldrop	8.47
3. Tony Shephard/Mike Shephard	6.9
4. Logan Robertson/David Butler	6.7
5. TJ Groom/Will	6.66

BIG FISH

1. TJ Groom/Will	2.08
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MAGNOLIA CRAPPIE CLUB

GRENADA LAKE

MARCH 16th

1. Terry Stewart/Cole Stewart	15.05
2. Rick Moody/Shane Moody	13.88
3. John Harrison/Lance Evans	12.95
4. Jason Eichwurtzle/Parker Eichwurtzle	12.93
5. Roger Womack/Katie Womack	12.58

BIG FISH

1. Bernard Williams/Don Terry	2.93
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CRAPPIE MASTERS

GRENADA LAKE

MARCH 22nd - 23rd

1. Paul Turner/Elizabeth Turner	33.24
2. Robert Carlile/Craig Nichols	32.06
3. Barry Morrow/Chad Maupin	31.84
4. David Harley/Don Rossman	31.1
5. Danny Darnall/Kevin Murphy	29.14

BIG FISH

1. Wade Recker/Matt Mavigliano	2.98
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MALE/FEMALE

1. Paul Turner/Elizabeth Turner	33.24
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ADULT/YOUTH

1. Brandon Fulgham/Jake Hood	21.39
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CRAPPIE USA

KY & BARKLEY LAKES

MARCH 22nd - 23rd

AMATEUR DIVISION

1. Heath Martin/Jason Rigdon	21.52
2. Jeff Outland/Michael McGregor	19.46
3. Chris Glasgow/James Welker	18.97
4. Jay Harris/Robert Teeter	17.66
5. Scott Waldrop/Christy Waldrop	16.81

PRO DIVISION

1. Sean Baskin/Jimmy Temple	23.34
2. Ed Hadley/Mark Young	21.78
3. Terry Elliot/John Quinn	20.26
4. Shawn Gore, Travis Gore/Joey Peck	20.18
5. Tim Gill/Mike Tinsley	19.45

BIG FISH

1. Chris Mann/Terry Mann	2.48
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FISH THE CAROLINAS

SANTEE COOPER

MARCH 22nd - 23rd

1. A Outlaw/J Outlaw	16.1
2. D Potts/B Shore	15.94
3. W Hinson/T Slice	15.73
4. S Ball/K Ball	15.43
5. N Quan/C Grimm	14.93

BIG FISH

1. S Ball/K Ball - T Robertson/N Robertson	TIED	2.98
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FLORIDA CRAPPIE CLUB

LAKE OKEECHOBEE

MARCH 23rd

1. Daryl Cole/	10.06
2. Scott/Randy	9.1
3. Bobby/Dave	8.15
4. Marvin/Laura	8.03
5. Tommy	8.01

BIG FISH

1. Tommy	1.13
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INDIANA SLAB MASTERS**MARCH 23rd**

GEIST/MORSE

1. Jason Shingler/Mike Arnold	6.49
2. Joe Long/Brandon Melzer	6.35
3. Jim Raymer/Rob Raymer	6.01
4. Nathan Noblit/Shawn Balls	5.7
5. Tim Guard/Robert Williams	5.01

BIG FISH

1. Jason Shingler/Mike Arnold	1.76
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MIDDLE TENNESSEE CRAPPIE CLUB**MARCH 23rd**

WOODS RESERVOIR

1. Terry Spray/Tyler Spray	11.45
2. Toby Ivey	9.36
3. Randy Clark/Delbert Hayes	7.8
4. Joey Davis	7.29
5. Travis/Mandy	6.9

BIG FISH

1. Terry Spray/Tyler Spray	2.32
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KENTUCKY CRAPPIE TRAIL**MARCH 23rd**

Barren River

1. Brad Bowles/Dean McCoy	4.47
2. Tony Long/Mike Belcher	3.69
3. Brandon Garrett/Melvin Furlong	2.55

BIG FISH

1. Mike Belcher	1.27
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WAPPAPELLO CRAPPIE CLUB**MARCH 23rd**

WAPPAPELLO LAKE

1. Miller/Miller	11.51
2. Maddox/McMillin	9.33
3. McMillin/Duley	9.07
4. Sanders/Sanders	8.82

BIG FISH

1. Miller/Miller	2.47
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CRAPPIE CALENDAR

APR	5th - 6th	CRAPPIE MASTERS	LAKE FORK	ONE POLE ULTIMATE CHALLENGE
APR	5th - 6th	CRAPPIE USA	LAKE CUMBERLAND	SUPER EVENT
APR	6th	INDIANA SLAB MASTER	BROOKVILLE	CLUB
APR	6th	MAGNOLIA CRAPPIE CLUB	ROSS BARNETT	BMO
APR	6th	PEACH STATE CRAPPIE CLUB	WEST POINT LAKE	CLASSIC
APR	6th	SPRINGFIELD CRAPPIE CLUB	LAKE SPRINGFIELD	CLUB
APR	6th	TWIN LAKES CRAPPIE CLUB	FISH ANYWHERE	OPEN
APR	6th - 7th	CRAPPIE ANGLERS OF TEXAS	LAKE FORK	2 DAY CRAPPIEFEST
APR	7th	KANSAS CRAPPIE CLUB	EL DORADO LAKE	SEASON OPENER
APR	8th	CHATTANOOGA CRAPPIE CLUB	CHESTER FROST PARK	CLUB
APR	12th - 13th	CRAPPIE MASTERS	LAKE DARDANELLE	AMERICAN ETHANOL AR STATE CHAMP
APR	12th - 13th	CRAPPIE USA	LAKE BARCLAY	SUPER EVENT
APR	13th	BEAVER LAKE CRAPPIE ASSOCIATION	BEAVER LAKE	CLUB
APR	13th	EASTERN MISSOURI CRAPPIE CLUB	MARK TWAIN LAKE	CLUB
APR	13th	HOI CRAPPIE CLUB	EVERGREEN	CLUB
APR	13th	FLORIDA CRAPPIE CLUB	LAKE MONROE	CLUB
APR	13th	NORTHEAST OHIO CRAPPIE CLUB	SALT FORT LAKE	CLUB
APR	14th	CENTRAL ILLINOIS CRAPPIE CLUB	DECATUR	CLUB
APR	14th	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CRAPPIE ASSOC	SMITHLAND POOL	CLUB
APR	19th - 20th	CRAPPIE USA	GREEN RIVER LAKE	SUPER EVENT
APR	20th	CENTRAL ILLINOIS CRAPPIE CLUB	CLINTON LAKE	OPEN/EXELON MEGA EVENT
APR	20th	CRAPPIE ANGLERS OF TEXAS	CEDAR CREEK	QUALIFIER
APR	20th	CRAPPIE MASTERS	LAKE OF THE OZARKS	1st LEG OF MO STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
APR	20th	EAST TN CRAPPIE CLUB	MELTON HILL	CLUB
APR	20th	INDIANA SLAB MASTER	FREEMAN/SHAFFER	CLUB
APR	20th	S.N.A. KRAPPIE MASTERS	BARREN RIVER LAKE	ONE POLE CHALLENGE
APR	26th - 27th	AMERICAN CRAPPIE TRAIL	ROSS BARNETT	TRAIL
APR	26th - 27th	CRAPPIE USA	GRAND LAKE,MARYS, ST MARYS	SUPER EVENT
APR	27th	BEAVER LAKE CRAPPIE ASSOCIATION	BEAVER LAKE	CLUB
APR	27th	CAPITOL CRAPPIE CLUB	LAKE OF THE OZARKS	CLUB
APR	27th	CENTRAL ALABAMA CRAPPIE CLUB	SWIFT CREEK	CLUB
APR	27th	CRAPPIE MASTERS	LAKE EUFAULA	NATIONAL QUALIFIER
APR	27th	EASTERN MISSOURI CRAPPIE CLUB	LAKE OF THE OZARKS	CLUB
APR	27th	FLORIDA CRAPPIE CLUB	ORANGE LAKE	CLUB
APR	27th	KANSAS CRAPPIE CLUB	CLINTON LAKE	*SPECIAL OLYMPICS FUNDRAISER
APR	27th	SHOALS AREA CRAPPIE	PICKWICK LAKE	CLUB
APR	27th	SPRINGFIELD CRAPPIE CLUB	LAKE SHELBYVILLE	CLUB
APR	27th	WAPPALLO	WAPPAPELLO LAKE	CHRIS SIFFORD
APR	28th	GRAND LAKE CRAPPIE SERIES	GRAND LAKE	SERIES
APR	28th	NORTHEAST OHIO CRAPPIE CLUB	PYMATUNING LAKE	CLUB

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Ouachita River Monroe La
2.08 lb

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Runner Up
Adonis Terry
Grenada Lake
2.93 pounds



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