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Next Meeting Wednesday, April 10, 2019 @6:30pm



Flatlanders Chapter
and
Rock Valley Anglers
Joint Meeting to Present



***Rockford All City
Muskie Night***
Featuring
Doug Wegner
Presenting on fishing the Bay of Green Bay
April 10, 2019 6:30 PM Hoffman House
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Open to the Public
Win a day of guided fishing with Doug Wegner
Plus raffles, silent auctions, and fishing info



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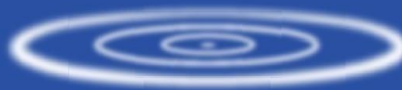
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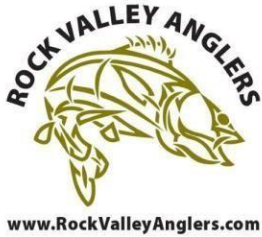
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Upcoming RVA Meeting

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 10 @ 6:30pm

Meeting Location: Hoffman House Banquet Room, 7550 E State St, Rockford, IL

Meeting Details: Speaker: Doug Wegner speaking on fishing the bay of Green Bay

Raffle: 1 day Guide Trip with Doug Wegner

News/Announcements

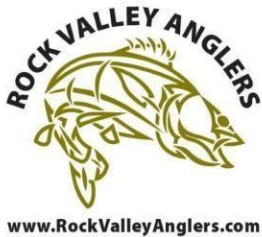
- RVA hats available at meeting—\$10 each!
- Leaders and Lures— For anyone interested in hair jigs, Gene can make jigs, 14 hair colors, your jig heads or his. Willing to negotiate on price. Give him a call at 812-654-0902!
- **Time to pay Dues for 2019! See Scott Campbell, Bruce Youngberg.**

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Upcoming Events

Meetings

- RVA Wednesday, 4/10/19, 6:30pm
- Cap City Muskies Inc 4/6/2019, 1PM 35th Annual Muskie Seminar \$12 in advance, \$15 at door
Speakers: Lee Tauchen and Robbie Jornigo
Doubledays Bar and Banquet Hall, 4586 Baxter Rd, Cottage Grove, WI
- Yahara 4/10/2019, 7.00pm VFW Hall, 301 Cottage Grove Road, Madison, WI
Speaker: Keith Krinke "Baits for Madison Chain Lakes"

Outings

Canada – Sioux Lookout

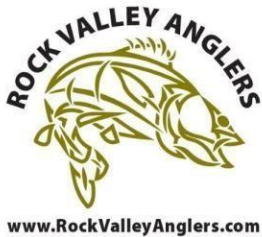
Discovery Lake Lodge May 23-31. Leaving May 22. Cost \$750 plus share of food and fuel. Walleye, Northern, Lake Trout. Currently 2 going. Looking for 1 to 2 more. See Gary Vosberg or Brian Rockwell

Gile Flowage

May 31-June 2. Small Mouth Bass. Cost \$ 150 plus share of food and fuel. See Nate Bergman.

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Fishing for Humor



"I don't know where you got the idea that you couldn't bring your fishing pole with you, but you should've. Because we've got the best saltwater fishing ever up here."

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Check the RVA Closed Facebook Group for the most up to date pictures and reports.

www.FB.com/groups/242324835910467 OR search for "The Rock Valley Anglers"

March 2019 Fish of The Month Chad Riesen 14.25" Crappie



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March Club Meeting Adam Walton



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March Club Meeting RVA \$500 to Bark River Fish Hatchery



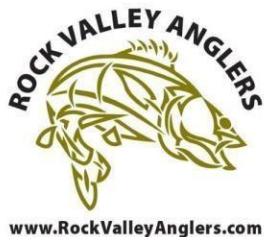
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March Club Meeting Member Prize Winner Guide Trip With Adam Walton Leonard Doubleday





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Fishing Contest

Standings as of 4/4/2019

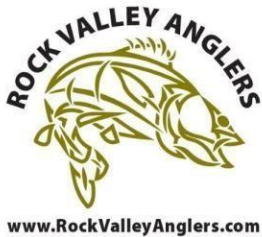
Fisherman of the Year

Angler	Smallmouth	Largemouth	Walleye	Bluegill	Crappie	Total Length
Kerry Schaible	14.00	20.50	22.50			57.00
Tom Wessein	15.00					15.00
Chris Olson		18.25	23.75	11.00	13.25	66.25
Brian Rockwell			27.50			27.50
Pat Abrahamson					12.00	12.00
Nate Bergman					14.25	14.25
Brian Hansas			23.00	10.00	12.00	45.00
Chad Riesen			29.50		14.25	
Dave McCoy			25.00			

Standings as of 4/4/2019

Best of Breed

<u>Species</u>	<u>Angler</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Species</u>	<u>Angler</u>	<u>Length</u>
Smallmouth	Tom Wessein	15	Bluegill	Chris Olson	11
Largemouth	Kerry Schaible	20.5	Crappie	Nate Bergman	14.25
Northern Pike			Perch		
Muskie			White Bass	Kerry Schaible	14.5
Walleye	Chad Riesen	29.5	Catfish		
Sauger					



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Standings as of 4/4/2019

Battle for the Rusty Propeller Trophy - RVA Entries.

Fish #1 Fish #2 Fish #3

Largemouth

Chris Olson	18.25		
Kerry Schaible	18.50	18.00	

Pike

Blue Gill

Chris Olson	11.00	10.25	10.25
Brian Hansas	10.00	10.00	9.75

Crappie

Pat Abrahamson	12.00		
Nate Bergman	14.25		
Chris Olson	13.25		
Chad Riesen	14.25	13.25	
Brian Hansas	12.00	11.25	11.00

Fish #1 Fish #2 Fish #3

Yellow Perch

White Bass

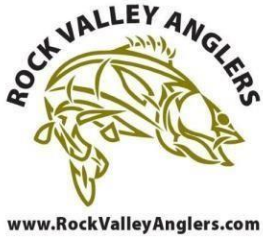
Kerry Schaible	14.50		
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Catfish

Inland Walleye

Brian Rockwell	27.50	24.00	23.50
Chris Olson	23.75		
Kerry Schaible	22.50	21.50	20.50
Dave McCoy	25.00	24.00	23.00
Brian Hansas	23.00	23.00	22.00

Great Lakes Smallmouth



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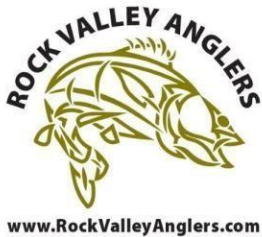
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	<u>Fish #1</u>	<u>Fish #2</u>	<u>Fish #3</u>
<u>Great Lakes Walleye</u>			
Chad Riesen	29.50	29.00	
<u>Inland Smallmouth</u>			
Kerry Schaible	14.00		
Tom Wessein	15.00		



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Contest #1: Fish of the Month

For the 1st time, panfish will be considered in this contest. All entries caught during a calendar month will be evaluated by the Board of Directors to determine a winner. Entries must be received by the 3rd Wednesday of the month following the catch to be considered. A \$10 gift card will be awarded to members catching the winning fish. Each member can win only once per year. The WI and IL Chapters will compete in this contest separately. Species considered—Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass, Northern Pike, Muskie, Walleye, Sauger, Blue gill, Crappie, Perch, White Bass, and Catfish.

Contest #2: Fisherman of the Year

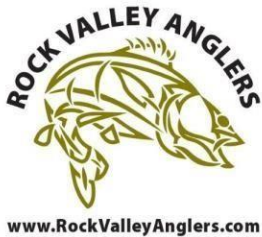
For the 1st time, panfish will be part of this contest. Fish will be judged on length accurate to 1/4 inch. The lengths of each member's best individual fish of 5 different species will be added to determine a total length. A \$100 gift card will be awarded to the longest total length. A \$50 gift card will be awarded to the second longest total length. A \$25 gift card will be awarded to the third longest total length. In the event of ties, the winnings will be split evenly. The WI and IL Chapters will compete in this contest together. Contest Species—Small Bass, Largemouth Bass, Walleye, Bluegill, Crappie.

Contest #3: Best of Breed

Fish will be judged on length accurate to 1/4 inch. A \$20 gift card will be awarded to members catching the longest fish of each species. In the event of ties, a \$40 gift card will be awarded to members catching the longest fish of each species. Each member can win only once per species. The WI and IL Chapters will compete in this contest together. Contest Species—Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass, Northern Pike, Muskie, Walleye, Sauger, Bluegill, Crappie, Perch, White Bass, and Catfish

Contest \$4: Battle for the Rusty Propeller Trophy

The Rock Valley Anglers® square off against the Yahara Fishing Club for southern Wisconsin and Northern Illinois angling supremacy in this interclub contest. The WI and IL Chapters will compete in this contest together. Dual club members can compete on behalf of only 1 club. Entries must be caught in WI or IL. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each category will be awarded 3, 2, and 1 point respectively. In the case of ties, entries will receive equal points. Each member can receive points for only 1 fish in each category. The club with the highest point total will win the Rusty Propeller Trophy! Contest Categories—Great Lakes Smallmouth Bass, Great Lakes Walleye, Inland Smallmouth Bass, Inland Walleye, Largemouth Bass, Northern Pike, Muskie, Bluegill, Crappie, Yellow Perch, White Bass, and Catfish.



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Submitting fish for the contests is very easy. Just use the copy/paste email template. Paste the template into an email, complete the questions, attach picture(s) of the catch, and send to:

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Copy/Paste Email Template for Electronic Fish Entries:

- 1) Name:
 - 2) Date Caught:
 - 3) Species:
 - 4) Length (inches to 1/4 inch):
 - 5) Lake/River:
 - 6) State:
 - 7) Picture: [Yes or No] 8) Date Entered:
 - 9) Witness:
- *Remember to attach picture(s) to email prior to sending.
*Send to rockvalleyanglers@gmail.com

Rock Valley Anglers® - Fishing Contests:

Contest #1: Fish of the Month

Contest #2: Fisherman of the Year

Contest #3: Best of Breed

Contest #4: Battle for the Rusty Propeller Trophy

See the CONTESTS page of our website, www.rockvalleyanglers.com/contests, for additional details.



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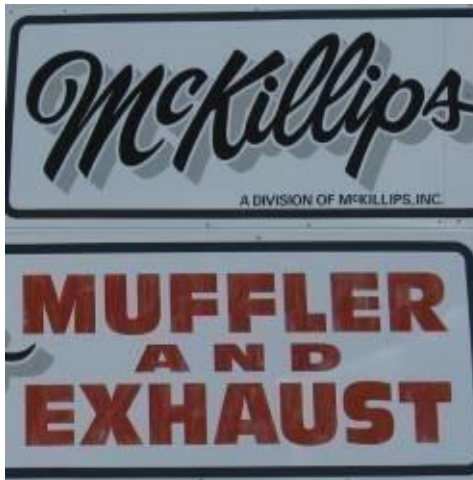
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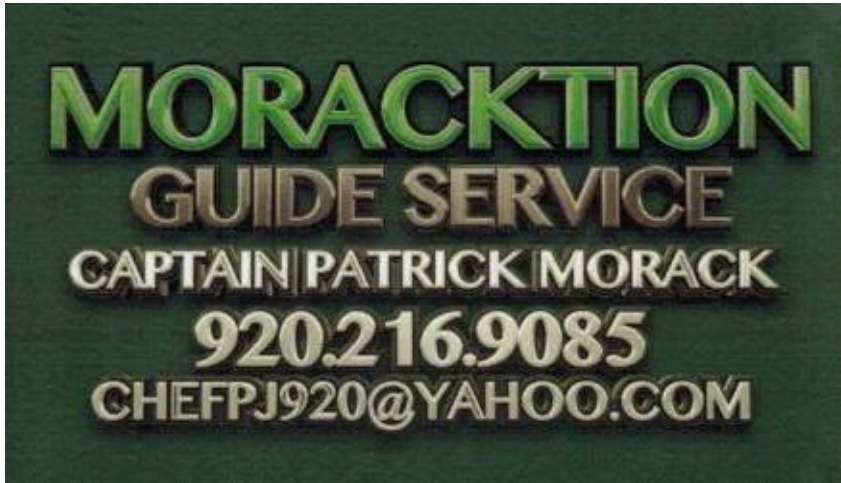


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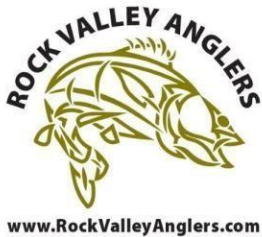
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