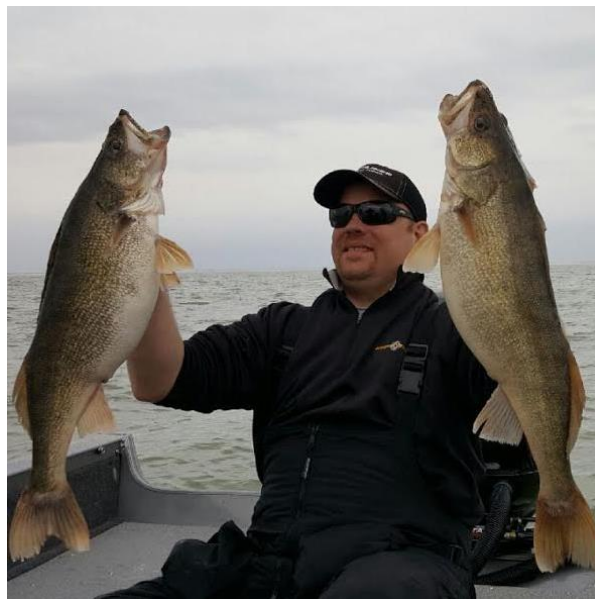




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Next Meeting: The next monthly meeting will be June 9th at the Hoffman House at 6:30 pm. Socially distancing and wearing a mask will be mandatory for all non-vaccinated attendees. This month's speaker will be Adam Walton and he will be speaking about Lake Koshkonong/Rock River system



Captain Adam Walton is the owner of Pike Pole Fishing Guide Service. He specializes in year- round multi-species fishing and enjoys taking guests out on a variety of Wisconsin waters, including the Lake Koshkonong/Rock River system that he grew up on. Other waters he guides include the Madison Chain of Lakes, Green Bay, and the Lake Winnebago system. Like many others, Adam began fishing at a very young age with his father and grandfather. They taught him countless things over the years which developed a true passion for the outdoors and helped lay the foundation for his guiding career. As a father of three boys himself, passing on this love for the outdoors is something Adam hopes to continue.



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Adam honorably served 6 years in the United States Navy and currently holds certifications as a United States Coast Guard Charter Captain, State of Wisconsin Firefighter Paramedic, and an American Heart Association CPR/First Aid Instructor.

Along with guiding, another passion Adam has is sharing information related to fishing and outdoor safety. He enjoys doing this by speaking at seminars, writing articles for various outdoor media agencies, and helping out at both sponsor and charitable fishing event.

If you would like to book a fishing trip with Adam, please call **608-290-3929** or contact us by email at **awaltonjfd@gmail.com**.

Upcoming meetings and speakers: Club leadership is researching potential speakers for subsequent monthly meetings. If any members have any ideas or recommendations for upcoming speakers, please contact Joe Caruana. The speaker for our July meeting will be Shawn McCarten from It's a Keeper Bait and Tackle in Janesville Wisconsin. He will be discussing fishing on the Madison Chain.

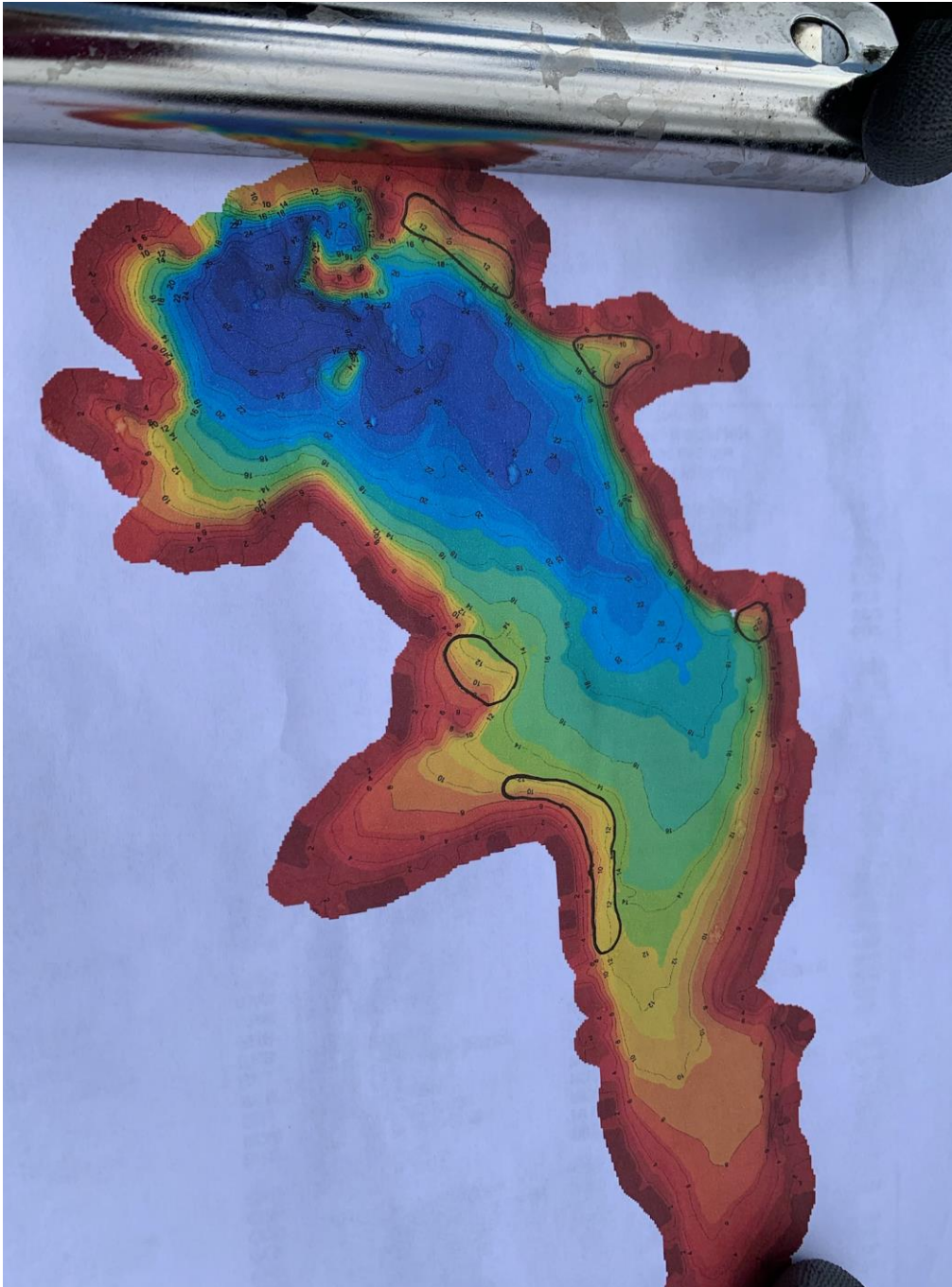
June Raffle: The large table raffle item for June will be a package of 3 Sportsman's Connection fishing map guide books. There will be a book that covers: the northern Illinois region, the southern Illinois region, and the southern Wisconsin region.

Club News: Below is topographic map of Pierce Lake that has the approximate location of some of the fish cribs that were recently constructed by the club and placed by the DNR. The DNR has informed the club the GPS coordinates for the cribs will be published on their website: www.ifishillinois.org. On a related note, club member Gary



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Vosberg caught a 13.5-inch crappie off of one of the cribs during the club's Tuesday night outing at Pierce Lake.





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Upcoming Club Outings:

Mid June- Another potential Pierce Lake evening outing- Bass and Crappies - This will be discussed at our June meeting. Joe has offered to grill up some brats so guy can stop in and have a quick bit to eat while out on the lake. Launch anytime you want and we will gather at the boat launch just after sundown.

September 11 and September 18 – Rockford Speedway Raffle nights. Please contact Joe Caruana for details. As a club we need to pitch in and help cover these nights as this is one of our primary fund raisers for the year.

May Fish of the Month Winner: Chis Olson caught a 39-inch Northern Pike in Lake Michigan in Michigan on 5/5/21.





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Members Only Fishing Contest

Best of Breed: Standings as of: 06/02/2021

Species	Angler	Length (in inches)
Smallmouth	Jerry Fisher	22
Largemouth	Kerry Schaible	18.5
Northern	Chris Olson	39
Muskie	Kerry Schaible	37
Catfish	No Entries	
Walleye	Rod Bondele	30

Angler of the Year: Standings as of 06/02/2021

Angler	Largemouth	Smallmouth	Walleye	Bluegill	Crappie	Total Length
Kerry Schaible	18.5	20	25.25	9	13.5	86.25
John Rassmussen		19	27.25	9	13.5	68.75
Jerry Fisher		22	29.5			51.5
Rod Bondele			30			30
Gary Vosberg					15	15
Tom Wesseln					15	15
Scott Campbell					12	12



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Pan Fisherman of the Year: Standings as of 06/02/2021

Angler	Perch	Bluegill	Crappie	Total Length
Kerry Schaible	10.75	9.25	13.5	33.25
John Rasmussen	11	9.25	12	32.25
Chris Olson	14.75	10		24.74
Tom Wesseln			15	15
Gary Vosberg			15	15
Scott Campbell			12	12

General: Only fish caught from waters accessible by the general public are eligible.

Contest #1: Fish of the Month

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 1st Wednesday of the month following the catch to be considered. A \$15 gift card will be awarded to members catching the winning fish. **Each member can win only once per year.** Species considered—Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass, Northern Pike, Muskie, Walleye, and Catfish.

Contest #2: Fisherman of the Year

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. Contest Species—Smallmouth 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 \$10 gift card will be awarded to members catching the longest fish of each species. Each member can win only once per species. Contest Species— Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass, Northern Pike, Muskie, Walleye, and Catfish.



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Contest #4: Pan fisherman of the Year

Fish will be judged on length accurate to 1/4 inch. The aggregate lengths of each member's best individual fish of the 3 different species of panfish will be added to determine a total length. A \$50 gift card will be awarded to the member with the longest total length. In the event of ties, the winnings will be split evenly. Contest Species—Bluegill, Crappie, and Yellow Perch

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

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



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