

Program:

Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 2, 2011. Our speaker will be James Phillips. Jim is a Fisheries Biologist with the Department of Natural Resources. He will speak about Walleye and Bass fishing in Bussy Woods.

Check out our web site: www.great-lakes.org/vpsc.

You are just a click away from pictures of the Fishing Derbies, Salmon and Walleye trips, previous news letters and more about our Villa Park Sportsmen’s Club. You may also send information to be posted on the web site to villaparksportsman@att.net.

Catch the Big One

At the January meeting we elected to give prizes for the biggest catch for 6 types of fish based on minimum length in inches.

| Fish | Minimum |
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| Northern | 30 |
| Blue Gill | 9 |
| Bass | 19 |
| Perch | 13 |
| Crappie | 12 |
| Walleye | 25 |

The prize will be a \$10 gift card from Bass Pro, Cabala’s or Dicks. To certify your catch bring a photo showing a ruler indicating the head-to-tail length of your catch.

Future Programs and Scheduled Events

Dec 7 - Christmas dinner at the club house.

February 11, 2012 - Ice Fishing Derby. We’ll dig the holes in the ice. There will be lots of fun and prizes for the kids. In case of bad weather the derby will be on February 18.

BYOB Fishing

Where’s your favorite fishing hole? Call and we’ll set up a meet; Joe Nutt (630)961-1513 or Gary Buehre (630)279-0696 or Adolph Janke (630)843-7193.

Sun Times Midwest Fishing Report

Click this link <http://www.suntimes.com/sports/outdoors/index.html> then click on ‘Midwest fishing report’.

As of October 19, 2011:

AREA LAKES: Open lakes for trout fishing include Axehead, Belleau and Horsetail (Cook County); Pickerel, Grove and Silver (DuPage); Bird Park Quarry (Kankakee); Big Lake at Silver Springs SFWA (Kendall); and Sand Lake at Illinois Beach SP and Banana (Lake). Crappie started to pick up at the usual fall spots, such as Saganashkee.

CHAIN O’LAKES AREA: Arden Katz reported good bluegills on ice jigs or Mini-Mites shallow (3 feet or less) on Catherine and good white bass and walleye on wind-blown main lake points. Triangle said Marie has been best for white bass and walleye. Muskies should improve with cooling weather.

DES PLAINES RIVER: Dan Sims of Sims Spinners reported walleye (notably a 21-incher on the northern end by Jason Norris of WindyCityFishing.com), pike and bass are good.

DuPAGE RIVER: Frank Macikas reported water cooled to where drifting unweighted minnows in fast current is best for smallmouth.

FOX RIVER: WESTERN SUBURBS: Ken Gortowski picked up a dozen smallmouth and missed another eight in a few hours Sunday.

ILLINOIS RIVER: STARVED ROCK AREA: Time on the Water Outdoors reported fair fishing, but sauger improving around Starved Rock. Cooler water should spark white bass and sauger by the weekend.

KANKAKEE RIVER: River is low with some dead emergent vegetation and leaves in some areas, Norm Minas said, so fishing is better when topwaters work or with single-hook lures (flukes, swimbaits, swim jigs, spinner baits or buzzbaits). Dan Grabon of Plainfield caught and released many smallmouth using roaches under a slip float in the state park. Ed Mullady reported smallmouth are good through Illinois. He also said there are some walleye in the state park and around Wilmington. Catfish and smallmouth are good at the Point north of English Lake in Indiana.

LAKEFRONT: CHICAGO: Henry's reported steelhead and browns are picking up on spawn or small jigs in the harbors. Park Bait reported a couple of steelhead at Montrose and Belmont.

WAUKEGAN: Salmon Stop reported spawn sacs taking nice steelhead and coho on the south rocks. SALMON SNAGGING: Salmon Stop reported good snagging at Waukegan. Henry's said Jackson Park remains best in Chicago. Snagging is allowed only at Lincoln Park Lagoon, Waukegan's North Harbor Basin, the Winnetka Power Plant discharge area and Jackson Park Harbor (inner and outer harbors).

NORTHWEST INDIANA: Mik-Lurch reported good coho on Salt (fish to Valparaiso) and Trail; still kings and a few steelhead, too. Some perch being caught at Hole-in-the-Wall. Walleye are improving on the corn channel on Wolf.

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We meet the first Wednesday of each month (except July and August) at 7:30 PM at the North Terrace Pond Clubhouse on Westmont and Terrace (approximately 6 blocks south of North Avenue and 3 blocks west of Addison) in Villa Park. Annual dues are \$30. Visitors or prospective new members are welcome - a \$3 fee is requested. If you are interested in attending or becoming a member please contact: Marty Kapolczynski at (630) 932-1923.