

2013 Newsletter

Year Totals: Smallmouth Bass 9521 fish, Walleye 325 fish, Rock Bass 89 fish, Bluegill 29 fish, Channel Cats 17fish, white suckers/fallfish 15 fish, Northern Pike 10 fish, Carp 6 fish, Musky 3 fish, Quillback 2 fish, Total 10,017 fish!!!

Nov & Dec totals: Smallmouth bass 655 fish, Walleye 42 fish, Sucker 1 fish, Total = 690 fish

Dec 5th: Went fishing for a few hours with Ed Bardzel. The day was overcast and the water was light stained and 37 degrees. We caught 25 fish with 3 walleyes in the mix using Rage Baby craws on a Moaner Jig and Chilli-bou hair Jigs from JJ's Jigs.

Nov 23rd: First day of Bear season. Sat in my tree stand for a half day until a group of guys drove the mountain in front of me. Didn't even see a deer.

Nov 22nd: Last charter of the season. Had an enjoyable day with John Klatte and Bruce Romaglia. The day was overcast and the water 38 degrees. I didn't fish with the guys until the last 20 min. I guess I was having too good of a time just talking with them. The fishing was indeed tough but the guys caught a few big fish. I believe 10 nice bass were caught by the guys.

Nov 21st: Fished with John Snyder today. The sky was cloudy and the water was mostly clear and 37 degrees. We caught 21 fish with 1 walleye in the mix.

Nov 20th: Fished with Mike Travis at a different location today. I knew that yesterdays spot would have locals in it after we did so well yesterday. The day was sunny , low wind, and easy fishing for Nov. We caught 45 fish for the day with 4 walleyes in the mix on JJ's hair jigs and Rage Baby Craws. Forgot my phone, thought I was going to have withdrawl symptoms before I got home. LOL

Nov 19th: Yes it was cold, winds 15-17mph, the sky overcast in the AM when Myself and my quest Mike Brown fished for about 3hrs. The water was clear but the wind did put a chop on the water. It was tough jig fishing but we caught 20 nice bass today in the 41 degree water.

Nov 16th: Beautiful day, fished for 4hrs in another section of river with Tom Razine and George Stuban. The usual place was busy with locals and my client didn't want the crowd. The day was sunny and the water clear to 6ft. We caught 45 fish in the 39 degree water with 3 walleyes in the mix.

Nov 15th: Fished with Ed Bardzel for 6hrs It was cold with ice on the rod eyes and water that was 37 degrees. We caught 27 fish and the ticket that was a little late for me was to put a fluorcarbon line on my 16lb Stren Magnathin line because the water was so clear. We caught 27 fish and my buddy Ed kicked my butt! LOL

Nov 13th: Fished in the AM with Ryan Welch. The sky was partly cloudy and the water clear to 6ft and 41 degrees. We caught 29 fish with 3 walleyes in the mix. Finesse fishing is the ticket now!

Nov 11th: A big thank you to all veterans who served to keep us free! Went fishing with Todd and Jim Dillon. The sky was overcast and the water was 41-43 degrees and green stained. The wind was somewhat low and they guys did great in presenting their jigs very slow. They caught some big quality fish. We caught 46 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix. Fun guys to fish with.

Nov 10: Went fishing with Leon Strassolino for 4hrs today. The sky was a cold rain with 20mph winds, tough fishing in anyones book. Water was 43 degrees and dk green stain. We did manage to catch 25 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix.

Nov 9th: Went fishing with Rich Hochreiter and his son RJ. The sky was overcast, the river had come up a foot, dark green stained and 43-45 degrees. We caught 39 fish with RJ clearly catching the most. 7 walleyes were also caught.

Nov 8th: Fished with Ray and John Trobridge. The sky was mostly cloudy and the water was dark green stained and 45 degrees. We caught 58 fish with 5 walleyes in the mix on jigs.

Nov. 7th: Back up date for TV show, host not able to come so it's a day off for catch up computer work.

Nov 6th: It was just me and Rich Myers today. The sky was overcast and the water was 45 degrees. we caught 30 fish with 5 walleyes in the mix. On jigs and jerks.

Nov 5th: Went fishing with Joe Lech and Diane Sembello. The sky was mostly overcast and the water was stained and 46 degrees. We caught 55 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix on jigs and jerks.

Nov 4th: Went fishing with Jack and Joe Remsberger. The day was partly cloudy and the water was stained and 47 degrees. We caught 67 fish with 4 walleyes in the mix on jerk baits and jigs.

Nov 3rd: Went fishing with Carl Moran and Bruce. The river had come up a foot overnight, the sky a mostly cloudy and the water was 49 degrees. We caught 55 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix on jigs and jerks.

Nov 2nd: Went fishing with Russ Decker and Joe Ditzer . The sky was mostly sunny and the water had started to rise but still clear and 51 degrees. This was Joes first time fishing for river smallies and he caught on quick! We caught 56 fish with 3 walleyes in the mix.

Nov 1st: Went fishing with Brent and Billie Thomas. The day was very windy(20mph),

with rain in the AM. The water was clear and 50 degrees. We caught 73 fish with 1 fall fish in the mix..An excellent day for all the wind we got all day!

Oct totals: Smallmouth Bass 1484 fish, Walleye 88 fish, Rock bass 3 fish, Bluegill 3 fish, Sucker 3 fish, Northern Pike 2 fish, Total = 1583 fish

Oct 31st: Went up to Snake Creek Marine for some outboard motor oil the had an afternoon trip with Bill and Josh Hartman. We caught 48 fish with 4 walleye in the mix.

Oct 30th: Went fishing with Gregg Jones and Ed Cwalina. The day was sunny and the water was 48 degrees and clear. Had a good early top water bite then the sun hit and we struggled until the end of the trip and Ed was just a fishing machine! I should state that this was Doc's first time fishing without his fly rod but he soon mastered the spinning rod and did well, but that new baitcaster has just gotta go. lol We ended up with 35 fish and 1 walleye in the mix.

Oct 29th: Never got the deposit for the guy who booked today and no contact,(bad e-mail address), so I fished with friends. We caught 67 fish with 2 walleye in the mix. Had a great time.

Oct 28th: As good as yesterday was the sun came out bright today and made the fishing tough for Marion, Fran, and John. The day was sunny and the water 45 degrees. We caught some nice fish first thing in the AM on top water but as soon as that sun hit direct on the river it was one here and there. We ended up with 27 fish, well you can't hit home runs every time you play.

Oct 27th: Went fishing with Russ Decker and Jim Gdovin. The sky was overcast and the water clear and 46 degrees. A perfect morning. The top water action was great for the first 2 hours with many nice fish being caught. Then it was jerk baits finishing with jigs. I was having a great time watching the guys and didn't even touch my rods until noon. We ended up with 80 fish and it could have easily been a hundred if we were out for numbers and I got my butt in gear! LOL

Oct 26th: A no call, no show on a great day to fall fish! To add insult to injury my wife wants me to come out to her shop and make her 200 wood crosses and I really don't like that place! CRAP!!!

Oct 25th: Had an instructional charter with Seth Hendershot and his daughter AJ. Seth didn't fish and I hardly touched a rod. The day was partly cloudy to a cold rain in the PM. Water was clear to 4ft and 49 degrees. This was AJ's birthday present to learn smallie river fishing and she did great!! At 14yrs old she was one of the quickest study's I've ever had on the boat. She caught them on top water to start and then caught the rest of her 19 fish on a jerk bait. It was wet and windy in the PM but she never complained, just kept on fishing. I gave her an autographed copy of my latest DVD "Extreme Summer Fishing" Jigging in the muddy water.

Oct 24th: Was supposed to film a TV show but the host got caught up, (pun intended) doing some trapping shows and couldn't make it. We still had a show we filmed last fall that can be used that nobody has seen.

Oct 23rd: Caught up on computer work and fished 4 hrs in the afternoon with Jerry Katouski. We caught 42 fish. water is getting clear down to 3ft.

Oct 22nd: Went for a 6hr trip with Doug Denure and Jaban Cubides. The sky was mostly cloudy and the water was stained green and 54 degrees. We had a great start with many caught on top water. I hardly touched a rod until the afternoon, it was fun just watching the action! We caught 50 fish today all smallies.

Oct 21st: Went fishing with John Snyder and Jeff Trauger. The sky was sunny and the water up a foot, green stained and 55 degrees . We caught 50 fish with 4 walleyes and 1 fall fish in the mix.

Oct 20th: Went fishing with Bill and Mary Salerno. The sky was partly cloudy and the water was green stained and 56 degrees. We caught 45 bass and 10 walleye!

Oct 19th: Went fishing with Tim Miller and Jeff Crouse. The sky started off foggy but cleared off by 10:00AM. The water was green stained and 57 degrees. We caught 57 fish with 3 walleye, 1 northern pike, and 2 bluegill in the mix.

Oct 18th: Went fishing with Jeff and Kelly Williams. The sky was cloudy in the AM then the front went through. The water was green stained and 59 degrees. We started off with some nice top water action and caught some big fish. We caught 37 fish with 2 walleye and 1 rock bass in the mix.

Oct 17th: Just a short 4hr trip with Gary Creig and his son Jason. We caught 41 fish with 3 walleye in the mix.

Oct 16th: Went fishing with Rick and Jay again. The sky was sunny AM and we caught 67 fish today with 7 walleye in the mix.....all released.

Oct 15th: Went fishing with Rick Porter and Jay Murphy. The sky was overcast to start and the water stained and 59 degrees. We started out with a good top water bite and ended up with 63 fish for the day with 6 walleye in the mix...all released.

Oct 14th: Had a fun day with Joe Stevko and Ken. The day started off great with another flurry of top water fun using the Hubs Chubs lures on an overcast day. The the cold front went through and it was tough fishing. But we caught 49 fish with 2 walleye and 1 white sucker in the mix.

Oct 13th: Went fishing with Kevin Readinger and Andy Doyle. The sky was overcast and the water green stained and 60 degrees. The river gods were smiling at us today. We started out with a big flurry of big smallies on top water lures. I was using a Hubs Chub

and they were using a no name brand, (really)! For the day we caught 63 fish with 1 walleye in the mix and 47 of them were caught on top water lures.....a great day!!!

Oct 12th: Had a 4hr evening trip with Doug and Jackie mantz. We caught 16 fish with 2 walleye in the mix.

Oct 12th: Fished with Shamus and John again on a 6hr trip. The sky was sunny and the water 60 degrees and stained. We caught 45 fish with 1 Northern pike and 4 walleyes in the mix.

Oct 11th: 4hr evening trip with Shamus and John Smith. The sky was sunny and the water 59 degrees and stained. We caught 37 fish with 5 walleyes in the mix.

Oct 11th: Went fishing with Todd Fetterolf and Gary Sidler. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 59 degrees. We caught 52 fish with 1 walleye in the mix.

Oct 10th: 3hr evening trip with Kevin Hertzog and his 7yr old son Tanner. We caught 28 fish with 3 walleye in the mix. Tanner did great!

Oct 10th: Fished with Dan West and Wayne George from Delaware today. The sky was partly cloudy and the water stained and 60 degrees. We caught 60 fish with 1 walleye and 1 fall fish in the mix.

Oct 9th: Fished with Ed Nestor and Mr C. The sky was mostly cloudy and the water 62 degrees, dirty dark stained and it was up another foot. We caught 68 fish with many big quality smallies C&R.Jigs and Cranks caught the fish.

Oct 8th: Fished with Marion, Rich, and Barry again. The sky was sunny and the water dark stained and 64 degrees. The river came up a foot overnight and rose another foot while we fished for 6hrs. We caught 52 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix on an assortment of jigs.

Oct 7th: Chartered with Marion Nunan , Rich Bealer, and Barry Stark. The sky was overcast. I did not fish.....fighting a cold. Water was stained and 69 degrees. We got in 4 hrs before one heck of a downpour hit us. Too heavy to see, couldn't run the boat so we hunkered down and waited it out . We left asap. The guys caught 31 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix.

Oct 6th: Just too hot! Fished with Frank and Jeff again. Went to a new place, sky was mostly sunny and the water stained and 70 degrees.We caught 57 fish, too many small ones, and lost another 30! LOL.

Oct 5th: Fished with Frank and Jeff again today. Heavy boating traffic at the access. The sky was partly cloudy and the water med stained and 69 degrees! We caught 77 fish with 5 walleyes and 1 bluegill in the mix.

Oct 4th: Had the morning off but had a 4hr trip in the evening with Frank Izzi and Jeff Roney. The sky was partly cloudy and the water stained. We caught 25 fish with 4 walleyes in the mix.

Oct 3rd: Went fishing with Will Cressman and Will Shaffer. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 65 degrees. It was slow fishing most of the day but that last 2hrs the fish went nuts over the Rage Baby Craw rigged on a Moaner weighted Stroker jig. We caught 74 fish with 9 walleyes and 2 rock bass in the mix.

Oct 2nd: Had a pleasant day with Barney Cook, Lonny Shirk, and Gary Miklus. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 63-65 degrees. We caught 73 fish with 2 walleye in the mix. Even though I was invited to fish I hardly touched my rods. They did very well.

Oct 1st: Fished 6hrs with Bill Kurz. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 62 degrees. The bite was slow but we managed 35 fish with 3 walleyes in the mix.

Sept Total: Smallmouth Bass 1269 fish, walleye 74 fish, Rock bass 9 fish, Bluegill 6 fish, Channel Cat 4 fish, Northern Pike 3 fish, = 1365 fish total

Sept 30th: Fished for 4hrs evening with MR X and MrY. Sales guys that were still "working" lol. Mr X only had time to catch 5 fish because he was really working on the phone. But Mr Y and myself caught another 25 fish.

Sept 29th: Went fishing with Dave Flannery and Bill Dombroski. The sky was sunny and the water stained. We caught 55 fish with 6 walleyes, 1 rock bass and 1 bluegill in the mix. Rage Baby Craw w/Moaner Stroker Jigs and jerk baits caught most of them.

Sept 28th: Went fishing with Kurt Prill and his wife Carrie. The sky was sunny and the water was stained and 59-61 degrees. We caught 53 fish with 5 walleyes in the mix. Carrie had the hot stick in the AM with a crankbait and also had a musky on briefly before it bit off her lure. Kurt came back in the PM with the jerk bait and jig.

Sept 27th: Went fishing with Larry and Carroll Snoke for 6hrs. It was foggy all morning and sunny in the PM. Water was med stained and 58-60 degrees. We caught 59 fish with 5 walleye in the mix.

Sept 26th: Had a short 3hr trip with Cameron Shipman and Chad Piraino . We caught 30 fish with 1 channel cat in the mix.

Sept 26th: Went fishing with John Snyder and Charlie Grasse. The sky was sunny and the water 58-61 degrees. We caught 53 fish with 2 bluegill and 4 walleye in the mix

Sept 25th: Fished with Rick and Jay again today. The sky was mostly sunny and the water was med stained and 58-61 degrees. We caught 105 fish with 10 walleyes in the mix. Jay had a musky grab his lure at the boat but it got off. A great day! Jay & I used a

Rage Baby Craw and a crank. Rick used a tube and a crank.

Sept 24th: Went fishing with Rick Porter and Jay Murphy today. The sky was sunny and the water med stained 58-62 degrees. We caught 103 fish with 6 walleyes in the mix. I used Rage Baby Craw on a Moaner Predator Jig and a crank. They used a tube and a crank.

Sept 23rd: This AM was a scheduled morning off. Washed the truck and boat . Had a PM trip with Josh and Trudy Hillman. We caught 45 fish with 4 walleye and 1 rock bass in the mix.

Sept 22nd: Had a no show. He sure missed some good fishing!

Sept 21stWent fishing with John Madden and Jim. The sky was cloudy and the water dark stained and 64 degrees. We caught 52 fish with 5 walleyes and 1 bluegill in the mix

Sept 20th: Went for my last 3hr trip with my oldest client/friend Dick Rivers. We talked and caught a few fish but after 33 straight years of fishing with me it was time for him to hang up his rod. I will miss you friend.

Sept 19th: Fished with Steve and Norbert for the 3rd day. The river gods smiled on us today. The water was still dark stained but visible to 10". We caught 76 fish with 3 walleyes in the mix and Norbert caught a BUNCH of fish today!

Sept 18th: Fished with Steve and Norbert again . The day was sunny and the water dark stained and 60-62 degrees. We caught 39 fish with 2 walleyes and a channel cat in the mix. Norbert may be trying to find some dynamite for tomorrow . lol

Sept 17th: 3hr evening trip with Tom Davis. The fish turned on and we caught 25 fish with 3 walleye in the mix on Rage Twin Tail Menace, Moaner Stroker jigs and small cranks.

Sept 17th: Fished with Steve and his dad Norbert today. I gave them their new LD Team jackets today for fishing with me over 10 straight years. The sky turned sunny and the water was dark stained and 59-62 degrees. We caught 38 fish with 2 walleyes and a rock bass in the mix. I think Norbert was ready to toss some dynamite for a fish. lol

Sept 16th: Went gun shopping in the morning and bought a 450 Marlin carbine with a 2-7 Leopold scope for bear in the North country. Then went fishing with John and Rick Letchman for a 4hr evening trip. We caught 42 fish with 2 walleye in the mix.

Sept 15th: Fished with Victor and Kevin Yannes today. The sky was mostly sunny and the water was mud to dark stain. We caught 19 fish today with Kevin catching a big channel cat.

Sept 14th: Fished with long time clients Greg and Ray today. The sky was mostly sunny

but the river was heavy MUD. We fished hard for the 10 fish we caught. I gave the guys their green LD Team jackets today for fishing with me over 10 straight years..

Sept 13th: Yes Friday the 13th, Came to the river to find it came up 2ft and was solid MUD! We tried for 4hrs and I caught 3 fish including a big Northern Pike and my buddies zip so we called it a day.

Sept 12th: Evening charter with Cory Sickler, Eve, and Yavone for photos. We just got started with 4 fish in the boat and a nasty thunder lightning storm chased us off. There was flash flooding in NY and here. Talk about a wet year!

Sept 12th: Went fishing with John Snyder and Ray Donis. The sky was overcast looking like rain any moment. The water was dark stained and 71 degrees. We caught 78 fish with 5 walleye and 2 bluegill in the mix

Sept 11th: Evening trip with Ron Devan Water was dark stained and 70 degrees. We caught 53 fish with 2 walleye in the mix.

Sept 11th: Scheduled day off to get the truck serviced and to get caught up on "Honey Do List" lol

Sept 10th: Went fishing with Ron Smith and Ivan Yoder. The sky turned sunny and the water, dark stained and 70 degrees. We caught 69 fish with 2 walleye and 1 rocky in the mix.

Sept 9th: Had a 6hr trip with Tom Olsen and Chris Staples. It was cold in the morning but turned sunny. The water was 65 degrees and dark stained. We caught 35 fish and 1 walleye in the mix.

Sept 8th: Evening trip with Patrick Judge, Chris Beichler, and Matt Molinaro. The front had gone through and slowed the fish down. we caught 20 fish tonight.

Sept 8th: Went fishing with Bill Salerno and his wife Mary. The sky was overcast in the morning and sunny in the PM. River was dark stained and 65 degrees. We caught 64 fish with 5 walleyes in the mix.

Sept 7th: evening trip with Allan Swantek and Doc Dui. We caught 22 fish with 1 walleye in the mix.

Sept 7th: Went fishing with brothers Tim and Brett Berkheimer, the sky was mostly cloudy and the water dark stain. and 65 degrees. We caught 42 fish with 2 northern pike, 1 channel cat and 1 rockie in the mix.

Sept 6th: A 6hr trip with Bob Anderson and Lew . The sky was sunny but the water was a muddy brown and 69 degrees. We caught 25 fish with 1 rockie in the mix.

Sept 5th: Went fishing with Will Cressman and Bob Bleam. The sky was sunny and the water muddy brown. We caught 20 fish with 1 rock bass in the mix.

Sept 4th: It was a muddy river that faced John Franks and Jeff Watson. The sky was mostly overcast. We caught 43 fish with 2 rockies in the mix.

Sept 3rd. The river had come up a foot during the night and another foot while we fished and the water turned muddy and 76 degrees. We caught 36 fish all on jigs using Moaner Stroker hooks weedless and Black tubes and Rage Menace Tails.

Aug Sept 1st and 2nd. Traveled back to Pa 710 miles and got ready for charters on the 3rd.

Aug Total: Smallmouth Bass 1001 fish, Walleye 15 fish, Rock Bass 15 fish, Bluegill 6 fish, Channel cats 2 fish, Total Fish = 1,039

Aug 26th to Aug 31st. Had a great time with Randy Flannery hunting bear but with the heat and lots of food in the forest no bear came to my site during shooting hours. I'll try again next year.

Aug 24 & 25: On route to Danforth Maine to film a bear hunt.

Aug 23rd: Had a morning trip with Wes Hector and his son Jason. We caught 37 fish with jigs and cranks.

Aug 22nd: Came back and fished with Jerry Johnson and Dave Corson. water didn't clean up and we caught 27 fish.

Aug 22nd: Went fishing with Rob and Bob Gunther. This has not been a typical august. We caught 20 fish in the dirty water.

Aug 21st: Had a scheduled day off so I did the voice over for the new DVD. "Extreme Summer Fishing" How to catch fish in the mud with jigs. This is a good one folks and will be on sale on my website by Oct.

Aug 20th: Glad that medicine kicked in and took the ear pressure off. Went for an evening trip with Jack and Kay Wentworth who were up for vacation. After some breif instruction on casting, we went on to catch 27 fish with 1 walleye in the mix.

Aug 20th: Got a wicked inner ear infection a couple of days back and got in to see the Doc this AM. It's really weird when you can't hear out of your Good ear!. Thanks to the guys that rescheduled their AM trip.

Aug 19th: Afternoon trip with Jim Kremer and his son Mike. Had a nice trip and Mike caught his first walleye and a huge carp with a crankbait in the mouth which was 36" long and 25lbs! We caught 35 fish total and had a great time.

Aug 19th: Went fishing with Bob Steiner and Andy Zonin in the morning. The sky was partly cloudy and the water is still dark stained and 67-70 degrees. This is not your typical August bite this year but we caught 32 fish with 1 channel cat in the mix.

Aug 18th: Went fishing with Barry and Nancy Buchecker and had a great time. It was Nancy's first trip on The Beast and there was no pressure to catch fish, just out with friends. They brought me a sub from Big Lew that took me 2 days to eat! lol. We did end up catching 35 fish with 5 nice walleyes and 2 bluegills in the mix. All released by the way. We already made a date for next year and I'll bring my wife, Eileen along.

Aug 17th: Went fishing with Patrick Judge and Steve. The sky was mostly sunny and the water was dark stained and 66-69 degrees. It was a tough bite as we threw everything we had at the fish. We caught 42 fish with 2 rockies and 1 walleye in the mix.

Aug 16th: Came back for an evening trip with Mike and Zack Henry. We caught 37 fish with 1 walleye and 1 rock bass in the mix.

Aug 16th: Fished with Keith Huffman and his two son in laws Dave and Chris for a morning charter. Always fun with this group. We caught 45 fish with 2 rock bass in the mix.

Aug 15th: Evening trip with Ed Zindell and his wife Diane. We caught 28 fish with 1 rocky in the mix.

Aug 15th: Went fishing with Frank Alleva and his two boys Danny and DJ for a 6hr trip. The sky was partly sunny and the water was dirty brown, high for this time of year and 66 degrees, the coolest I've ever seen it at this time of year. We caught 27 fish with 1 rocky in the mix.

Aug 14th: Filmed the last for the new DVD "Extreme Summer Fishing" How to fish with jigs in the mud. My wife was the camera man. The we fished for a short while and caught 27 fish!

Aug 13th: Fished with Tom Robind and Linwood Myers. The sky was overcast and we had to wait for a breat in the heavy rain before we could start. We caught 52 fish out of the muddy water.

Aug 12th: River high and dirty, fished with Rick and Ricky Leibert. We caught 22 fish out of the mud . second charter cancelled while we were out.

Aug 11th: River still high and muddy, no fishing today.

Aug 10th: Surprise and holy Crap!!! the river jumped 7ft overnight and mud! I knew something was coming, the fish didn't act right! No fishing today!

Aug 9th: Went fishing with Paul Szyszko and his son Dakota. The sky was overcast and

we fished through a couple of hard downpours. The water was 73 degrees and was turning from dark green stain to dirty water, somethings coming! The bite got tough but we managed 45 fish and as usual Dakota got a big smallie.

Aug 8th: Scheduled boat maintenance day. Went up to Snake Creek Marine and had 3 new trolling batteries installed along with hydraulic steering fluid put in. Will need to go back a a later time to have new piston seals put in so it doesn't leak.

Aug 7th: 3hr instructional trip starting with how to cast a spinning rod was with Dave Manley and his grandson Cooper. They will be back to finish the instructions soon I hope.

Aug 7th: Went fishing with Mike and John Yakubika. The sky was overcast w/rain showers. The water a dark stain, 70 degrees and rock moss now. We caught 53 smallies on an assortment of lures but the lipless crank worked best for John.

Aug 6th: Evening trip with George Robinson and Jack Tredmont. We caught 45 fish with 1 rock bass in the mix.

Aug 6th: AM trip to the Doc's for a check up. He said I'm in pretty good shape for the shape I'm in. LOL

Aug 5th: Afternoon trip with Gary Conrad. A very pleasant evening with 42 fish caught on jigs and in line spinners with 2 bluegills, 3 walleyes, and I snagged a big old snapping turtle that didn't appreciate it. LOL Lots of Black Caddis flies all over the boat just before dark.

Aug 5th: Went fishing with Dave Pecola and grandson Nathan. The sky was sunny and the water 72 degrees. We started off with a little top water but that was just so-so. then it was Rage Baby craws on a Moaner weighted Stroker hook, along with spinners and lipless cranks. We caught 42 fish with 1 rock bass in the mix.

Aug 4th Afternoon charter with Dick and Charlie Baum. The sky still partly and very windy, 15-20mph. Water 74 degrees. We caught 57 fish with 1 rock bass in the mix.

Aug 4th: Went fishing with Rick Blair and Tony Watson for 6hrs. The sky was partly cloudy and windy! The water was dark stained starting to show a little green and 74 degrees. We caught 62 fish with 2 rockies and 2 walleyes in the mix.

Aug 3rd: Went fishing with Shawn Matz and Olivia Warfel. The sky was overcast and the water was dark stained and 72 degrees. We caught 51 fish with 1 bluegill in the mix.

Aug 2nd: Came back for a 4hr evening trip with Eric Townson and grandson Mark. We caught 45 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix.

Aug 2nd: Went fishing with Larry Snoke, his son Steve, and grandson . The sky was

partly cloudy and the water was dark stained and 72 degrees. We caught 45 fish with 2 rockies in the mix.

Aug 1st: Went fishing with Rick Matz and his wife Debbie. The sky was partly cloudy and the water was dark stained. We caught 61 fish with 1 rocky and 1 bluegill in the mix.

July totals: Smallmouth bass 1534 fish, Walleye 24 fish, Musky 1 fish, Rock bass 27 fish, sucker 5 fish, channel cats 8 fish, Bluegill 11 fish, Carp 1 fish = 1611 fish

July 31st: Came back for a 4hr evening trip with Steve and Mary Pelton. We caught 43 fish with 1 walleye in the mix.

July 31st: Went fishing with Ken Lines and Mike Werst for a 6hr morning trip. The sky was mostly cloudy and the water was rusty brown. We caught 68 fish with 3 Bluegills and 4 rockies in the mix. Rage Baby Craws rigged on a weedless weighted Moaner Stroker hook and spinner baits caught most of the fish.

July 30th: Evening trip with Tom Davis and Chuck C. we caught 18 fish with 2 rockies in the mix.

July 30th: Went fishing with Jim and Jeff Hawley. Jim was already rigged with Rage Baby Craw and Moaner hooks. The sky was partly cloudy and the water was a dark stain and 74 degrees. We caught 49 fish with 1 channel cat, 2 rockies, 1 walleye, and 3 suckers in the mix.

July 29th: evening trip with Mike Abbott .We caught 53 fish with 1 walleye and 1 rocky in the mix.

July 29th: Fished with John Abrams and Jerry Ritchfield. the sky was partly cloudy and the water was dark stained and 75 degrees. We caught 52 fish with 1 rocky and 1 walleye in the mix.

July 28th: Went fishing with Dave Stevenson and his son Shane. The sky was overcast and we did get a very hard rain for a while . The water was dirty brown with some parts turning to mud after the downpour and 77 degrees. We caught 48 fish with 2 rock bass, 1 bluegill, 1 walleye, and 1 sucker in the mix. Used Rage Baby craws on a weighted Stroker hook from Moaner Hooks and in-line spinners in the fast shallow water.

July 27th: My scheduled day off to catch up on computer work, write my newspaper article, pour some jigs and cut the hedge. Did I say it was a day off?

July 26th: Went fishing on a 6hr trip with Ed and Kyle Zindel. The river did come down a foot but it was still high, fast, dirty brown, and 72 degrees. The sky came out sunny. We caught 26 bass on Moaner hooks and Rage Twin Tail Menace baits. The second charter never called and didn't show.

July 25th: The river came up even more but crested early in the morning. Talk about extreme conditions! Muddy river up 3ft, fast up to 19,000 cubic ft/sec, should be less than 5,000 this time of year and the river temp dropped 6 degrees to 72! Could we do it? Matt and Nissa Wilson owners of Moaner Hooks came to do a video with me. Jerome Sulkoski was our camera man for the day. We fished for 8hrs but we pulled 35 fish out of that fast, muddy river and some quality bass to boot! Nissa is like a bass magnet and is one of the best lady anglers I've ever had on board with a baitcaster rod. She had us on catch quantity but I had the better fish. My mistake was to tell her that and she caught like 4 big bass in a row. I bow to the Queen! LOL. Bottom line is we all had a great time, made a good video featuring Moaner Hooks and Rage Tail Baits, and how to catch fish in the harsh summer conditions.

July 24th: It rained hard during the night and New York got pounded! I came to the river to find the river came up 2ft and still rising while Skip Conant, Michael, and Dave came for a 4hr trip. The water cooled down to 77 degrees and muddy! We caught 14 fish and were lucky to get that. Now to go clean the boat for a film shoot tomorrow on extreme summer fishing.

July 23rd: Went fishing with Byron and Eric Mundy: We started at 5:30AM and it rained off and on in the morning sometimes hard and the fish loved it! The water was light stained and 81 degrees. We caught 152 fish with 1 bluegill, 2 channel cats, and 2 walleyes in the mix. They learned how to use a jig using Rage Baby Craws and LD Spinners in the fast water. A great day!

July 22nd: A great 8hr day with Ron Samuel Sr, Ron Samuel Jr, and son soon to be a Marine Andrew. These guys didn't need any assistance from me and I didn't pick up a rod until the last 2hrs. We caught 96 fish with 2 channel cats, 1 bluegill, and 1 carp in the mix. Rage Baby Craws on Moaner jigs did the trick!

July 21st: 4hr charter with just me and Jack Durran. Another good old southern boy that knew how to fish in the heat. We caught 52 fish with 2 walleye in the mix.

July 21st: Went fishing with Brian Leong, his wife Margrett, and son Mark. The day came out hot and sunny, the water was dark stained and 82 degrees. We caught 68 fish with 1 channel cat in the mix.

July 20th: 6hr afternoon charter with Nelson Hannes and his grandson Matthew. We caught 36 fish with 2 walleye and 1 bluegill in the mix.

July 20th: 6hr Day charter with Levi and Chad from Louisiana . These boys knew how to fish! The day was cloudy and the water 82 degrees and dirty brown. We caught 65 fish with 1 bluegill in the mix..

July 19th: Fished with John Kameen and his grandson Zack for a few hours. We ended up with 15 fish. The heat was terrible!

July 19th: Went fishing with John Snyder and his daughter Jenna Passano. This was Jenna's first trip on the river and she did great!. We ended up catching 35 smallies.

July 18th: 4hr evening trip with just me and Jim Borthick. The fish turned back on as the two of us caught 41 fish!

July 18th:Had a 6hr trip with Jim Kremer and Richard Updyke. The fish were just turned off and we struggled for the 26 fish we caught which included 2 rock bass and 1 bluegill.

July 17th: Fished with brothers Larry and Carroll Snoke. The day got hot but we started at 5:30AM . The water was dirty brown/green and 82 degrees! We caught 82 fish with 3 rockies and a bluegill in the mix. At 70 and 86 yrs old these guys were tough in that heat!

July 16th: Evening trip with John Franks. The air was hot and the the water 76 degrees. We caught 52 fish with 2 rockies in the mix.

July 16th: Went fishing with Mark Collins, Frank Decker, and George Rooks for about 5 hours. I didn't fish with them as I often don't with 3 guys. They caught 45 fish with 1 rock bass in the mix on Rage Baby Craws.

July 15th: Had a scheduled day off so I replaced my boat trailer bunks. Look good, will test out tomorrow.

July 14th: Went home to get out of the sun, came back at 4:00PM. Went fishing with Dale Abott and Rich Deill. Still hot out but the sun wasn't direct overhead. We caught 42 fish with 1 walleye in the mix. Used the same lures as morning but included the black woolybugger from JJ's Jigs.

July 14th: Had a 6hr morning charter with Drew Derstein, his son Kyle, and river newcomer, Penn State football player Kyle Baublitz. We had a bit of a learning curve to start with but we ended up with 60 fish total with 1 Blue gill,3 rockies, and 4 walleyes in the mix. All caught on Rage Baby Craws, Rage Twin Tails, and small cranks. A great morning!

July 13th: Came back for a 4hr charter with Greg Lutz and Jerry Ziggler, These guys were no strangers to the river. We caught 41 total fish with 3 walleyes in the mix. Caught on Rage Baby Craws with Moaner hooks and black Woolybuggers from JJ's Jigs.

July 13th: Did a 6hr morning charter with Marshall Scichitano and his son Scott. The sky was cloudy and the water dirty brown and 74 degrees. We caught 55 fish with 2 channel cats, 1 rocky, 1 sucker, and 1 walleye in the mix..

July 11th: First charter had to cancel because "The Baby Was Born" LOL. Went out in the evening with Rob Broshart and Jeff Smith. We did ok in the dirty brown water with

24 fish using both cranks and Rage Twin tail Menace and Baby Craws.

July 10th: Evening charter with Tim and Cherral Wapinski. We caught 38 fish with 1 walleye in the mix.

July 10th: Had a early 6hr morning charter with Tony Johnson and Ray Lanorri . The sky was partly cloudy and the water was 76 degrees and dirty brown. We caught 58 fish with 1 rockie and 1 walleye in the mix on Rage Baby Craws.

July 9th: Had an evening 4hr charter with Tom Henson and Bill Speg. Water still muddy and a little high but we caught 29 fish with 2 rockies and a 44" Musky.

July 8th: customer cancelled , and I can't sit indoors so I called up another buddy and me and Roger Spencer fished 4 hrs for 36 fish with 2 walleye in the mix. We used the Rage Twin Tail Menace w/ Moaner Predator Hooks.

July 7th: River too high for customers but not me and Ed Bardzel. Muddy river but we caught 32 fish on Jigs in 4hrs!

July 1st to 6th: River still too high and muddy to fish....will it ever stop with the afternoon storms?

June Totals: Smallmouth bass 1287 fish, Walleye 23 fish, Rock bass 13 fish, Channel cats 3 fish, Bluegill 2 fish, Carp 1 fish, quillback 1 fish, Northern Pike 1 fish, Total = 1331 fish

June 29th-30th: River came up too high and muddy to fish. keep your eye on the flood gauge on my home page of my website.

June 28th: It's 5:00AM, There were small stream flash floods last night and the river jumped up a foot and will continue to rise for the next couple of days! No fishing for a while!!!! Crap !!!!!!!!!!!!!

June 26th & 27th: Fished and filmed a TV show with Steve Parks, the creator of Rage Tail baits who flew up from Texas for the 2 day shoot. We had a great time filming and caught many quality smallies, a big walleye, and a very big rockie. We used the Rage Tail Baby Craw on a Moaner Predator Hook and a few with a spinner bait with a 4" Rage Grub trailer.Caught 75 fish total.

June 25th: Went fishing with Bob Herzog, his son Brent and grandson Teage. The sky was sunny and the water dark stained and 74 degrees. I didn't fish but the guys caught 29 smallies on the Rage Baby Craw.

June 24th : Fished with Dale Moyer and Don Lechner for a half day. The morning came off hot and sunny, the water was dark stained. Before the storm chased us off we caught 49 fish with 2 rockies, 1 walleye, and 2 channel cats in the mix.

June 23rd: Had a fun day with Steve Getsi, his son Steven, Carmen Degirdamo and his son Tyler. The sky was hot and sunny, the water dirty brown. This trip was for the boys and we ended up with 67 fish for the day.

June 22nd Evening: Fished with Steve Getsi, his son Steven, Carmen Degirdamo and his son Taylor. Yes there were 3 adults and 2 kids fishing from my boat. We caught 37 fish on Rage Tail Baby Craws.

June 22nd: Went fishing with David Shimp and Holly Owens again. The sky was sunny and the water was dirty brown and 72 degrees. We caught 58 fish with 3 rock bass in the mix.

June 21st: Evening trip with Woody, Eric and Tom. It was a great evening. We caught 35 fish

June 21st: Went fishing with David Shimp and Holly Owens. The sky was sunny and the water dirty brown and 71 degrees. We caught 45 fish with 1 rocky in the mix.

June 20th: fished with Hank Jergason and Willey Puttman: The sky was mostly sunny and the water was dirty brown and 71 degrees. We caught 65 fish with 3 walleyes in the mix.

June 19th: Evening trip with Jack Cravon and his wife Judy. We started early because of the mishap earlier in the day so we got to fish a couple more hours. We caught 72 fish with 3 walleyes in the mix on Rage Baby Craws and Moaner Stroker hooks.

June 19th: Client showed up without his license. I knew he had it but he didn't want to fish without it. A good honest man.

June 18th: Fished a half day with Val and Dee Dee. The sky was cloudy and the water dirty brown and 65 degrees. We caught 49 fish with 1 walleye in the mix.

June 18th: Fished with Jack and Carrol Ellis and their grandson Coedy. The sky was sunny and the water a bit high and dirty brown. We caught 34 fish with Jack and Carrol catching their first walleyes.

June 13th-17th: River came up too high and muddy to effectively fish, had to reschedule. Got a lot of misc work done. Picked up and put on the new transducer for my fish finder , along with a spare one and a spare prop for the trolling motor. I'm ready NOW!!! LOL

June 12th: Evening trip with Rick Reifsnyder and his son Richard. The water was rising quick but we still managed to catch 25 fish.

June 12th: Had a great time fishing with John Yaswinski and Chris Smith. The sky was mostly cloudy and the water dirty brown and on the rise. We caught 62 fish with 1

northern pike, 1 quillback, and 1 rockie in the mix. Most on big spinner baits

June 11th: A fun day with Jerry Premuto and his dad Al. The sky was overcast and the water was dirty stained and 65 degrees. I think we missed as much as we caught but we still landed 55 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix.

June 10th: Evening trip with Rick Reifsnyder and his son Richard. We caught 37 fish this evening.

June 10th: Went fishing with Scott Bower, Mark Hess, and Gino Blockus. The day was overcast with some very light on and off rain. The water was dirty brown and 65 degrees. We caught 47 fish today and had a good time doing it!

June 9th Had a 6hr afternoon charter with Chris Toth and Alan Lease. We caught 45 fish with 1 bluegill in the mix in the dirty water. Broke off my transducer when I went after a stuck lure. Guess I'll go by memory for a while.

June 9th: Went for a 6hr charter with Victor Yannes and his son Dave. The sky was sunny and the water was dirty brown and 65 degrees. We caught 46 fish with 1 channel cat and 1 walleye in the mix.

June 8th: Went fishing with Ray Yonker and Bruce Bergey. The sky was overcast with a mist and the water was dirty brown, 64 degrees, and rose a foot while we were out. We caught 67 fish with 1 walleye in the mix.

June 7th: Evening charter with the Baker Boys who couldn't reschedule and good thing because we had a great time! Micah Baker was high bidder for the 4hr charter I donated to the NWTF. He brought along his brother Wally and his dad Sam. We caught 41 fish on cranks. The evening went too quick.....had a great time!

June 7th: Darn weather forecast said 2-3" of rain and river going up another 3ft.....never happened! But we were concerned enough to reschedule the 1st charter. I hate bad weather forecasting!

June 6th: Evening charter with John and Mary Widdom. The sky was overcast with some light rain. Water was dirty brown and 70 degrees. We caught 38 fish on cranks and jigs.

June 5th: Went fishing with Dan Hradko and Scott Dunham. We caught 29 fish on tubes and spinner baits.

June 5th: Barry Butz and his 9yr old grandson Cayden came for a 6hr charter. The sky was sunny and the water was dirty brown and a bit high. We caught 29 fish mostly on black tubes and black Rage 4" grub with a Moaner Predator Jig head. Cayden does very well with a jig!

June 3rd and 4th: Went fishing with Darrel Owen and his wife Cindy. The river was still up and muddy and 69 degrees but it was time to catch some fish. For the 2 days we caught 102 fish with 7 walleyes, 6 rock bass, 1 carp, and 1 bluegill in the mix. Very good for the conditions faced.

June 2nd Rescheduled charter because of the mud. Another month with Mud!

June 1st: 1st charter was canceled, evening charter was with Travis Leister and he brought along 10yr old Keith and 6yr old Tyler for a 3hr charter. The water was high and muddy, tough conditions for any angler but we caught 9 fish and both boys brought them in. Right at the end Keith caught a nice walleye on a crank bait. The boys did good!

May Total: Smallmouth Bass 1249 fish, Walleye 38 fish, Rock bass 22 fish, Northern Pike 3 fish, bluegill 1 fish, Sucker 1 fish, Carp 1 fish, Total = 1315 fish

May 31st: Rescheduled charter . River came up another foot and muddy. Seems like we get mud EVERY month this season!

May 30th: Went fishing with Jeremy Grossman and his dad Dave for 6hrs. The sky turned hot and sunny. The river had come up some more and was dirty brown to muddy at 62 degrees. We caught 49 fish with 2 walleye and 2 rockies in the mix.

May 29th: Went fishing with Mark Baker and Sherry Chest. The river came up and was a dirty brown. Sky was semi cloudy. T storms miss us but hit NY hard. We caught 65 fish with 1 rocky and a big carp that Sherry caught. crank baits and tubes caught the fish.

May 28th: Hard rain all day, customer canceled .

May 25th through the 27th: Memorial weekend. I'd like to say a great Thank You to all of our servicemen and woman past and present for keeping our country free so we can enjoy our life pursuits.

May 24th: Fished with Leo Parker for a while today. The water had raised a foot making the it dirty, the air temp dropped over 20 degrees, it was raining and to add to that we had a constant 15mph wind with gusts up to 25mph. It was just plain crap to fish in. We met at first light and were on the water at 5:30AM. Top water was out of the question and in that wind it was clear that all that would be effective were the cranks. I used a lipless crank and Leo used a deep billed crank. The weather conditions made any exposed flesh sting from the cold and it wasn't long before we couldn't cast or set the hook correctly. We did catch 12 smallies in the 3hrs we were out but when Leo said it would be ok to bag it I couldn't have been happier, I could barley turn the key to start the motor because my hands were so stiff ! We caught fish in bad conditions, didn't get skunked, and went and had a good hot breakfast at a local diner. We both owned better foul weather gear but it wasn't on us that day!

May 23rd evening: Fished with Bill Beltz and Dan Gandy. Things were pretty slow until the sun went down some and the top water action turned on. Dan caught a beautiful 19" smallie on his Hub Chub lure. We ended up with 23 fish.

May 23rd: The river came up a foot while we were fishing when Kevin Readinger and Andy Doyle fished with me. We started out with top water before the sun hit us and 1st fish of the day was a 20" smallie that Kevin caught! As the river rose we picked off one here and there and ended up with 27 fish for the day.

May 22nd: Went fishing with Will Cressman and Will S today. The fishing was great in the AM when we had clouds then that sun came out and it became tough fishing. The water was green /brown stained and 72 degrees. We caught 52 fish with 2 walleye and 1 rocky in the mix.

May 21st: It was just me and Russel Leidy today, the sky was mostly clear and HOT. The water stained and 70 degrees. We caught 65 fish with 3 walleyes, 4 rock bass, and 1 northern pike in the mix. we started early so we could get in some fun top water action.

May 20th: day charter was cancelled but had a great evening with Mike Witney. We caught 57 fish with 3 walleyes and 2 rockies in the mix. The top water action just before dark was great!

May 19th: Had a 4hr instructional trip with Andrew Arnold and his dad Dave. He really didn't need much instruction but he got to pick my brain while we fished. We ended up with some good top water action at the end of the day and caught 25 fish total.

May 19th: Went fishing with Bill Salerno and Sal Accardi. The sky was overcast and the water was dirty stained and 62 degrees.. We caught 61 fish with 3 walleyes and 1 rockie in the mix. Bill caught a huge walleye and returned it to the river. Way to go!

May 18th: Evening trip with Charles Gindele who came with Ray and Terry. We caught 35 fish with 1 walleye, 2 rock bass, and 1 sucker in the mix.

May 18th: Went fishing with Dave Pchola and his grandson Nathan. The sky was overcast and we started early so we enjoyed about 4hours of fun surface water action with the Hubs Chubs. We caught 54 fish with 1 walleye in the mix..

May 17th: Went fishing with Doug DeNure and Randy Duncan. The sky was partly cloudy and the water stained and 64 degrees. We caught 49 fish with 1 rock bass in the mix.

May 16th: Evening trip with Bill Anderson and his grandson Nathan. We caught 18 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix. Nathan did very well.

May 16th: Went fishing with Bob Randis and Joe Seigle for a 6hr trip. Sky was partly

cloudy and the water green stained and 61 degrees. We caught 43 fish with 3 walleye in the mix. Remember that spinner bait left on my rod from the night before? Well I caught a monster 5lb, 22" long smallie on it at mid day! My second biggest smallie ever!!! Thanks Matt for leaving it with me!

May 15th evening: Fished with Matt Andrew and Chad Gorman. Beautiful evening using all kinds of lures with some top water action at the end. We caught 49 smallies. Matt used my "All Pro Cranking Rod" with a spinner and did great. He left that spin bait on my rod for good things to come!

May 15th: Had a nice 6hr fishing day with Corey Sickler, his wife Yvonne, (taking pictures) and their friend Ev. It rained but the fish didn't mind. We caught 23 fish with 3 walleye in the mix.

May 14th: evening trip with Scott Page. We caught 20 fish and Scott caught a nice northern Pike on a squirrel wooly bugger from JJ's Jigs.

May 14th: Went fishing with John Snyder and Lou Bell for a 6hr trip. The sky was partly cloudy and the water still brown/green stained and 58 degrees. We caught 21 fish with 1 rockie and 1 walleye in the mix.

May 13th: Went fishing with Ray Watkins and George Stubin. The sky was partly cloudy and the water was dirty brown and 62 degrees. It was a cranking day in the dirty water with 55 fish being caught with 2 walleye and 1 rockie in the mix.

May 12th: Went fishing with Joe and Mark Stevko. The sky was partly sunny and very windy. The river had come up again and was dirty brown at 62 degrees. We fished hard for the 45 that we caught with 1 northern pike, 2 walleye, and 2 rockies in the mix. Crank baits and moaner jigs tipped with Black Rage 4" Grubs did the trick today.

May 11th. 3hr evening trip with Doug Denure and lady friend. The river on the rise made the dirty water tough fishing but at least it didn't rain. They caught 9 fish on crank baits. I didn't fish.

May 11th: Day charter got cancelled so a quick call and Ray Johnson and Jerry Specko showed up but forgot their rain gear. The sky was overcast with on and off rain. Water was 61 degrees and dirty brown. We caught 47 fish with 3 walleyes in the mix. The guys left early because they were soaked through.

May 10th: First charter was cancelled but the evening charter arrived with Scott Frances with his son Andrew. The water had come up some last night which made the water dark stained. However Andrew did well with the top water lure, Hubs Chub and he caught some very nice bass. Scott also got a big bass on a weightless worm he was using. We caught 17 fish that evening.

May 9th: Had an AM doctors appointment then worked on lure orders that came in.

Then went fishing with Jack Grason and Joy Fisher. We caught 45 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix. Top water worked great just before dark.

May 8th: It was just me and Dan West today fishing. The sky was overcast with some rain the water was dark stained green and 65 degrees. We did very well first thing on top water with Hubs Chubs catching the 1st 21 that way, then a front came through and shut them down somewhat. We ended up with 49 fish with 1 sunfish in the mix that took the Chubs!

May 7th: Went fishing with Marion and Barry again. The sky was sunny and the water was green stained and 63 degrees with AM fog. It was a fantastic day! The first 40 smallies came on a top water lure , the Hubs Chub made by the HC Bait Co and they were big! The it was misc lures including a black bear bugger hair jig by JJ's Jigs. We caught a total of 69 fish with 3 rockies in the mix.

May 6th: Went fishing with Marion Nunan and Barry Stark. The sky was sunny and the water is green stained and 62 degrees. We caught 73 fish with 4 rockies in the mix. Mostly on jerk baits and stick worms.

May 5th: a 3hr evening trip with Rick MacNeal and his boys Christopher and Stephen. We caught 7 fish and the boys each caught a big bass..

May 5th: Went fishing with Todd Fetterolf and Gary Sidler. Lots of boats on the river. The sky was sunny and the water was stained and 62 degrees. We caught 49 bass today including some quality fish on jigs and jerk baits.

May 4th: Had a 6hr charter this morning with Richard Cervantes and Tom Dudra. The sky was sunny with little wind. The water was stained and 61 degrees. We caught 59 fish with 3 walleye in the mix mostly on jerk baits and jigs. We were off the water before the heat and the boat traffic hit us. Love it!

May 3rd; Afternoon 6hr charter with Jason Millhouse and his dad Jeff. That bright sun and speed boat traffic didn't help us any. We caught 25 bass,

May 3rd: Went fishing with Dave Pchola for 6hrs. We were on the water at daybreak and caught 44 fish with 2 walleye in the mix. The day came out bright/windy and the water stained and 60 degrees.

May 2nd: Did some AM catch up chores and then did an evening TV show for Wild Pennsylvania W/Alan Probst. Alan brought along his dad Charlie who always is entertaining and we all had a relaxing time. Charlie was just starting to catch the fish one after the other when we ran out of light. We caught 21 fish.

May 1st: Went fishing with Rick MacNeal and Ron Rohde. The sky was sunny but windy. The water was stained and 56 degrees. We caught 52 fish and had a great time.

April Totals: Smallmouth Bass 858 fish, Walleye 13 fish, Sucker 3 fish, Quillback 1 fish, Musky 1 fish, Total= 876 fish

April 30th: Evening trip with Guthrie Mitchell. Beautiful calm evening. We caught 22 fish with 1 walleye in the mix. Guthrie caught a monster smallie!

April 30th: Went fishing with Ed Nestor and Barry Buchecker. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 56 degrees, but a cold front came through .We caught 27 nice smallies.

April 29th: Evening trip with Craig Ritter. We struggled for the first hour then the bite started. We caught 17 fish with 1 walleye in the mix.

April 29th: Went fishing with Chuck Laudermilch and Jim Dillon. The sky was overcast with light rain. The water was stained and 55 degrees. We caught 41 smallies. We did great until the cold front went through and we struggled the last 2 hours.

April 28th: Went fishing with Steve and Jim again. The sky was cloudy with a little wind. The water was stained and 55 degrees. We caught 71 fish with 1 walleye in the mix.

April 27th: Went fishing with Steve Getsie and Jim Utley. The sky was clear and sunny with No Wind. The water was stained and 54 degrees. It finally came together again. We caught 61 fish with 2 suckers in the mix on everything! Caught a lot of BIG Bass.

April 26th: Went fishing with Ed Yakobosky, Clyde Arbogast, and Terry Maurer. The sky was mostly cloudy with a constant wind. The water was dark stained and 52 degrees. We caught 27 fish with 2 walleye in the mix.

April 25th: The TV show filming got rescheduled so I went for an evening trip with John Wench. We caught 25 smallies on the Rage Baby Craw and JJ's Jigs squirrel Tail Buggers.

April 24th: Went fishing with John Snyder, along with Charlie Grasse and his son. The sky was mostly sunny and windy, and the water stained. We caught 21 fish with 2 walleye in the mix.

April 23rd. Went fishing with Will Crestman and Andy Nichols. The sky was cloudy with a constant wind. The water was high, dirty, and 50 degrees. We caught 20 fish with 1 walleye in the mix.

April 22nd: Went fishing with Doug Bachman and Fran Drexler. Still a poor river but we wanted a challenge. The water was high and dirty 48 degrees. The sky was cloudy with a high wind. We caught 12 bass with some big quality fish being caught.

April 21st: Water still too high and muddy to fish...Reschedule.

April 20th: Bad rain storm last evening, river rose another foot and still had high winds. I suggested we re-schedule.

April 19th: Went fishing with Brent and Billie Thomas. The sky was mostly cloudy and very windy. The water was dark stained, high, and 50 degrees. We caught 56 nice smallies on the Rage Baby Craw along with a combo of my standard jig heads and Moaner Predator hooks a deadly combination. We just got out before the bad rain storm but the high winds had already started.

April 18th. Gave the client the same option but they wanted to rescheduled.

April 17th: I called the client and said the river is boarder line fishable but they still wanted to go, (My kind of people). The day was mostly sunny and the water dirty and 47 degrees. Barney, George, Lonnie and I caught 10 smallies and Barney caught a nice musky! All on Rage Baby Craws!

April 16th: River right at the boader line to fish. Went fishing with Ed Bardzel. Water was 46 degrees and dirty. Air was overcast, showers, with high winds. We caught 10 big smallies with 1 quillback in the mix on black pumpkin grubbers from JJ's jigs and Rage Black Baby Craws on Moaner hooks.

April 12th to the 15th: River too high and fast to fish. Rescheduled charters.

April 11th: River shot up 2ft over night and is still rising quickly. Had to reschedule todays charter and I'll bet the next few days also.

April 10th: It was just me and Jerome the camera man today trying to finish up the fishing portion of my next DVD which we did with an extra hour of footage. I caught another 20 fish on camera but I noticed the water rising from all the rain that NY was getting. Besides the fishing we got some great wild life footage. In one instance a mink gave us quite a show. Only thing left to film is the segment lead ins.

April 9th: Had a no-show, no call client today, waited a long time at the river. Since I was ready, I went fishing from 8:30AM to 11:00AM . Caught 42 fish by myself in the 2 1/2hrs I was there. Jerk baits and Rage tail grubs, baby craw, with the weedless Moaner Stroker hook. Had to save my hair jigs for tomorrow.

April 8th: Went fishing with Frank Guerra and Walter Pitera. The day came out mostly sunny, low wind. The water was stained and went from 44 to 47 degrees. We caught 138 fish today with 1 sucker in the mix all on Rage Tail Baits and Moaner Hooks.

April 7th: Went fishing with Josh Hockenberry and A J McClintock. The sky was mostly cloudy with a 15 mph wind. The water was stained and 42 degrees. We caught 79 fish with 1 walleye in the mix on small tubes, jerk baits, and Rage Tails Baby Craw! I think the guys were going to stop on the way home and buy some Rage Tails Baby Crawl. A J did well with his jerk bait worked extremely very slow.

April 6th: Went fishing with my nephews John and Rob along with Jeff Porter. Cold in the AM with some good wind. We caught 64 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix . On tubes and Rage Tail Baits.

April 5th: Went fishing with Jerry Smith today. The sky was mostly cloudy and the water was stained and 41 degrees. We caught 51 fish with 1 walleye in the mix on JJ's hair jigs , Rage Tails, with moaner hooks.

April 4th: Filmed for a new DVD today with Jerome. I used only the new hair jigs made with the squirrel hair from the squirrels I harvested last fall. Caught some really nice big smallies but only 17 fish.

April 2nd: Fished with Steve Grasson and his son Tom. Water was 40 degrees. We caught 48 fish today with 1 walleye in the mix. JJ's Hair Jigs and Rage Baby Craws on Moaner jig hooks caught the fish.

March Totals: Smallmouth Bass - 184, Walleye-8, white sucker- 2, Carp-1, Northern Pike-1, Musky-1, Total = 197 fish

March 31st: Happy Easter! No charters today!

March 30th: Went fishing with Pat and Jay Peterson from DE today. The sky was overcast and the water 40 degrees. We caught 47 fish with 1 northern pike and 3 walleyes in the mix on JJ's Hair Jigs and Rage Baby Craws on Moaner Hooks Jigs. A good spring day!

March 29th. Went fishing with 3 new clients/friends from MD today. Chris Schissler, Mike Blaney, and Dave Wittle. The sky was overcast but still cold, the water now up to 40 degrees and the fish are turned on! We caught 37 smallmouth and 1 walleye. with the exception of 1 or 2 14" bass they were all BIG. Chris caught one at 19 3/4"! and everyone caught bass over 17" and many 18". The guys caught them on small tubes with a Moaner Hook. Where I used the same but also a JJ'Jigs Mrs Simpson, and at the end the Rage Baby Crawl with a Moaner Predator Hook (without the weed gaurd) was kicking fish butt! Many fish were missed or didn't quite make it to the boat but we all had a great time.

March 28th: Fished with Nick Jones and Dan Putnam today. The sky was mostly cloudy and the water 39-40 degrees. We caught 25 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix mostly on the Rage Baby Craw and Mrs Simpson hair jig.

March 27th:Went up to Snake Creek Marine to buy boat oil and to settle up because they sold my old 17ft Triton Boat with that new 115HP motor. Turns out they sold it to a local guy in Bradford County. It will be good to see the old boat on the river again instead of in my warehouse.It's a good boat and motor, it should last the new guy many years with proper maintenance.

March 25th: Fished with Jerry Rhode and Terry O'Dell We caught 43 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix on Hair Jigs by JJ's Jigs and Rage Baby Craws on Moaner Jigs. It's nice to be on the water .

March 24th:Went fishing with Pete Hanford. The sky was mostly sunny and the water was 34 to 36 degrees. We caught 10 nice smallies from 14 to 18" . Pete caught his on a tube and I caught mine on a new squirrel jig by JJ's Jigs I asked him to make and on the new Rage Baby Crawl plastic on a Predator Hook made by Moaner Hooks. We need a few 50 degree days in a row to spark up these fish.

March 23rd: Filmed the next segment for a DVD that I've been working on. Cold wind and 34 degree water didn't help. The mouth of a cove was iced over so I tried out the ice cutters I have on the Beast. They sliced through that 2" ice with ease.

March 20th: Went fishing with Ed again. Talons have been repositioned and work great, however the water was fast and too cold 34 degrees for an effective bass bite. We did catch a big carp and Ed caught a 36" Musky on a Rage Baby Crawl on a Moaner Predator Hook.

March 12th: Nobody on the river except me and Ron Truxler today. water is up and 35 degrees. We caught 15 fish today and lost a nice musky. Using jigs.

March 8: Went fishing with Ed Bardzel for 4 hrs today. The sky was overcast and windy 15-20mph. The water was light stained and 35 degrees. We caught 18 fish today with 2 white suckers in the mix. Most of the fish were in the 15"-17" range. I t was the Rage Baby Crawl on a Moaner Preditor jig that the fish wanted today. The Talons worked great holding us in the wind but still not positioned correct running. I get a 15 foot rooster tail. Need a custom bracket made.

March 5th: Adjusted the talons on the boat up high out of the water range so no more drag. Will test them out this Friday to see if they ride well. Meanwhile it's off to the wife's factory to build hundreds of wood crosses for her business. Something that should have been done much earlier.

Feb Total: 2 Carp. lol

Feb 28 to March 2nd. Had a great time at the Lehigh Valley Sportsman Show, booked a lot of charters talked with a lot of great people. A big THANK YOU to Barry Buchecker and his wife Nancy for letting me stay at their house. Barry is one heck of a good cook! Also thank you to Matt and Nisa Wilson of Moaner Hooks for helping me run the booth and break down. It's friends like all of you that make a show a great place to be. Next year, the show will run for 3 days on the same weekend.

Feb 27th: Went fishing with Chris and Jamie today on the annual pre-season boat shake down today. The sky was overcast with a cold rain all day, the water started out clear but turned to very dirty throughout the day. Water temp was 33 to 34 degrees.

very cold indeed. We caught a couple of big carp but never got another bite all day. At 4:00PM we were 8 miles from the access and I tried the new Min Kotta Talons I had installed which worked beautiful. The talons had to be installed on the outside edge of the transom because of the big float pods I had installed when the boat was built. BIG MISTAKE, I had them set too far down and no wrenches on board. When I started up the talons acted as scoops and the water flowed up and in to the boat big time. We nearly didn't make it back because I couldn't get up on plane. 3-4mph all the way back. A 12 minute ride turned in to a 2 hr ride.

Feb 22nd: No fishing yet, the ice has all the slow water covered. We will try next week just to get the boat on the river.

Feb been doing sport Expos. Have 1 left this season and that is the Lehigh Valley Sportsman Show at the Ag Hall, Fairgrounds in Allentown Pa. March 2nd and 3rd. This is a new start up for this show and I have a 20ft booth. I'm by myself so come on down and say hi!