

2007 Letter

As you read through my newsletter remember that all smallmouth bass , northern pike, and musky are catch and release only. I do allow my customers to keep walleye, rock bass, and channel cats if they wish.

Jan 2: The air got up to 40 and partly sunny today so I took the rod and went to the river without the boat. Don't know the water temp, but it was light stained. The wind was up around 15MPH which made fishing a bit difficult but I managed to land 5 nice smallies and a walleye. Case Magic Sticks and my own hair jigs caught the fish.

Jan 4th: Went fishing with Moe and Larry today. You see I was supposed to be Curly as in The Three Stooges because Moe and Larry were supposed to be somewhere else than fishing with me. It was a great day for January, the sky was sunny, the air temp got up to 49 degrees. The water was light stained and 36 to 38 degrees. We caught 18 fish today, 13 walleye and 5 smallies, most all on hair jigs. Moe had the hot stick as he caught most of the fish on a hair jig he had made. There were 2 trophy smallies and 1 trophy walleye caught. We had fun!

April 3rd: Went fishing today with JigerJim for about four hours. The sky was partly sunny and the water was high, dark stained, and fast. My temp gauge didn't work so I can't tell you the temp. The access had about three inches of mud on it. We caught 23 fish, with 2 white suckers, and a small carp in the mix. There were 3 trophy smallies caught with Jim getting a nice 18 1/2" smallie, the first fish of the day ended up being the biggest fish also. Tube jigs were the main lure of the day. It's great to be back on the water again.

April 5th: Got up, took a broom and removed the snow from the boat. Fished with Bob and Fran Enck today. The sky was overcast with snow flurries and a air temp of 34 degrees along with a 15 to 20 MPH wind. You bet that's some tough conditions. We fished about 3 hours, caught 19 fish with 2 nice walleye in the mix and 4 trophy bass, a 17"er being the biggest. Fran caught a nice walleye about 24" long. Good thing they're not in season or that would have been a couple of meals. It was indeed cold, but we had fun.

April 6th: Went fishing today with Pat Giombetti and Val Larioni. I had to take the shovel to get the snow out of the boat this morning. The sky was overcast and flurries, the air temp never got above 38 degrees. The water was dark stained and 39 degrees. We fished for 6hrs and caught 25 fish with two walleye in the mix. There were six trophy smallies, the biggest was a little over 17". The good thing was the deep mud at the access was frozen this morning, but not when we left this afternoon.

April 7th: Ya know, this is the first spring that I can remember that the water got colder each day instead of warmer. Went fishing today with Ed Nestor and Barry Buchecker. The sky was overcast with flurries (we had a whiteout at one time) and the water was stained and 36 DEGREES! Needless to say that the fish were sluggish! We caught 20

smallies today, but 16 of them were over 15"! Ed got the big fish of the day with a nice 18 3/4" smallie. Tube jigs caught the majority of the fish. We also found a boat that the last high water left on an island. I called the boat numbers in to the local WCO and they will track down the owner.

April 8th: Went fishing with Kevin Readinger and Paul and Kurt Bornmann. Another cold and windy day with snow flurries. We caught 15 fish with 6 trophy smallies in the mix. The water was stained and 36 degrees. Tube jigs caught the fish.

April 9th: Went fishing with John Snyder and Evan Gill. Can the water get any colder without turning to ice! The sky was overcast with flurries and the water stained and 35 degrees! The bite was extremely light. We caught seven fish with a nice 24" walleye that John caught. Evan had a muskie about 38" long on for about ten minutes, got it close to the boat a couple of times before it bit off the line. Tubes and stick worms caught the fish today. COME ON WARM WATER!

April 11th: Went fishing today for 4 hours with Joe Stevko and Ken Braren. This is the first time I've seen the sun out in a week. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 36 degrees. We caught 14 fish with one walleye in the mix. Tube jigs and stick worms caught the fish.

April 13th: Went fishing today with Gary and Scott Taylor. The sky was overcast with a little rain and alot of wind. The water was stained and 38 degrees. We caught 28 fish today with one walleye in the mix. There were 16 trophy smallies caught with Scott getting the biggest one at 19". He will receive a catch and release angler award for it. Tube jigs and stick worms caught the fish today.

April 14th: Went fishing with Ed Nestor and Joe Getz today. The sky was mostly sunny and the water was stained and 39 degrees. The water had come up a foot the night before so we concentrated on the slack water and current edges. We caught 59 fish with one walleye in the mix. We got 20 trophy smallies with Ed getting the biggest at 18 1/4". Tube jigs and stick worms caught the fish today. We saw my first eagle of the season. The air was still chillie, but it was a very pleasant day.

April 15th through the 23rd. Had that freak Noreaster with heavy rain then snow and a slow melt off. Water went up to 11ft . I'll be back on the water tomorrow.

April 24th: Went fishing with Ron Grambo today. The sky was partly sunny and the water, high, stained and 50 degrees. We caught 44 fish today with 2 walleyes in the mix. There were also 11 trophy smallies, a 18 1/2"er was the biggest. Most of the fish were caught on tube jigs.

April 25th: Went fishing with Bill Thorberg and Jim Hendy. The sky was overcast with a cold rain in the afternoon, we fished until 1:45PM. We caught 40 fish with 6 trophy bass in the mix, a 17"er was the biggest. That was a cold wet ride back to the access. I'm glad I had my ski goggles to wear.

April 26th: Went fishing today with Rick MacNeal and Mitch Franko . The sky was cloudy with a 8 to 10MPH wind. The river was up, fast, stained and 49 degrees. We caught 54 fish with 3 walleyes, and a big 31" Channel Cat that Rick caught on his medium light rod. There were also 6 trophy smallies caught. Mitch got the biggest one at 17 1/2". Tubes and stick worms caught the fish.

April 27th and 28th: Fished the two days with Dan Butt and Mike Poggio of mdfishing.org . The sky's were partly cloudy and rain showers. The water was stained and 50 degrees. These two guys are a lot of fun. They even backed me and my boat into the river and at the end of the day drove me out. We caught 106 fish in the two days with 16 trophy smallies, 7 walleyes, and 1 northern pike. Suspending jerk baits started to work, along with a crank bait, but the tube was king, catching most of the fish. Two of the smallies were very nice one was 19" and the other 20 1/2"

April 29 & 30: Went fishing with Si Belden and John Hendrickson. The skies were partly cloudy and the 30th had high winds of 25 MPH. We caught 107 fish in the two days with 4 walleyes, 1 carp, and a small Northern Pike in the mix. Tube jigs, and some jerk bait s caught the fish.

May 1st: It all came together today. Marion Nunan and Barry Stark fished with me. The sky was overcast with some light showers. The water was stained and 51 degrees. We caught 101 fish today with 4 walleyes in the mix and 11 trophy smallies. Tubes, stick baits, and jerk baits caught the fish.

May 2nd: Had Marion and Barry with me again today. We had a hard rain last night and the creeks were pouring in the muddy water. The sky was partly sunny and the river was stained to muddy. We caught 59 fish today with 10 walleyes in the mix. Barry caught a huge 26" Walleye and will receive an Angler Award from the Fish Commission for his efforts. Dark tubes and stick worms caught the fish today.

May 4th: Had a good day with John Yaswinski and John Jason. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 55 degrees. We caught 76 fish with 9 walleyes, 2 channel cats (John J. caught one 27" long and 13lbs), 1 white sucker, and 1, 22" Palimino trout caught by John J. the first one of those we ever got out of the river. No doubt it came from the stocked creeks up stream. All the fish were caught on tubes, stick worms, and jerk baits.

May 5th: Went fishing with Dave Borkowski (Of Borkowski Custom Rods), and Tim Miller (Of Killer Miller Spinners). The sky was sunny but cool on the first morning of Walleye season as we jetted 11 miles up river. The water was stained and 57 degrees. We caught 82 fish with 25 walleyes and 8 trophy smallies in the mix. We put Tim in the mid section of the boat and constantly, purposely, asked him for various items (food, jigs, clothing) that would slow most anglers down, but not him. He still caught the most fish at 38 total. A fun day with a couple of great guys.

May 5th: Also had an evening charter with Leonard Wamdold and Marvin Gehman. We

caught 26 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix. The strong wind slowed us down or we would have caught more.

May 7th: Went and filmed a TV show with Alan Probst. The sky was sunny, and the water was light stained and 58 degrees. We caught 98 fish today with 1 walleye in the mix. Tubes and stick worms in the morning and jerk baits in the afternoon.

May 8th: Went fishing with Van Patton and Fred Piper. The sky was sunny and the water light stained and 59 degrees. We caught 61 fish with 4 walleyes in the mix. Tubes, stick worms, and jerk baits caught the fish.

May 9th: Went fishing today with Jake Cole. The sky was sunny and the water light stained and 61 degrees. The two of us caught 86 fish with 11 walleyes in the mix. Tubes, stick worms, and jerk baits caught the fish. I would have had photo's of Jake with some trophy fish but my camera ran out of battery, sorry Jake.

May 10th: Went fishing today with Jerry Premuto and Bill O'Reilly. The sky was cloudy and the water light stained and 64 degrees. We caught 65 fish today with 8 walleye and 1- 31" Northern Pike which I caught on my light rod. Tubes, stick worms, and jerk baits caught the fish.

May 11th: Went fishing with Dick Rivers today. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 64 degrees. We caught 57 fish today with 4 walleyes in the mix. Tubes, stick worms and jerk baits caught the fish. We also saw a big snapping turtle with about a 20" shell sunning itself on the shore.

May 11th: Had an evening charter with Joe Gallagher and his son Brady. We caught 26 fish with Brady catching several trophy smallies. All fish were caught on jerk baits.

May 12th: Went fishing with Barry Buchecker and Ed Nestor today. The sky was cloudy with a few showers and the water stained and 64 degrees. We caught 75 fish today with 10 walleyes in the mix. Stick worms and jerk baits caught the fish today.

May 13th: Went fishing with Si Belden today. The sky was sunny with a 15mph wind. The water was up a little, stained and 61 degrees. We caught 62 fish today with 2 walleyes and 5 rock bass in the mix. Tube jigs caught most of the fish today, and I got a few on jerk baits.

May 14th: Fished with Si Belden and young Suede Reed today. The sky was partly sunny and the water was stained and 63 degrees. We caught 39 fish today with 9 trophy smallies and 4 walleyes in the mix. Suede caught the biggest smallie at 17 1/2" and he also caught 4 other trophy bass. He did great for his first time on the river. All the fish were caught on tube jigs.

May 16th: Went fishing with Dale Moyer and Don Lechner. The sky was overcast with a heavy rain in the afternoon. The water was stained and 61 degrees. We caught 54 fish

with 4 walleyes in the mix. Dale caught a big 25" Walleye which he released for a "Catch and Release Angler Award. Tube jigs caught most of the fish

May 17th: Went fishing with Earl and Dan West. The sky was cloudy and the water stained and 61 degrees. We caught 55 fish with 5 walleye, 2, northern pike and 1 rockie in the mix. I had a Muskie on for awhile in the 38 " range, but when it came to land him we couldn't get him in the net. He finally broke off on the trolling motor. Tubes and stick worms caught the fish today.

May 18th: Went fishing with Kevin Readinger and Kurt and Paul Bornman. The sky was overcast and the water a cool 60 degrees. We caught 81 fish today with 1 walleye and 5 rockies in the mix. There were also 10 trophy smallies caught the biggest was 17 1/2" caught by Kurt. Kurt brought his topwater plugs and caught many bass with them. It wasn't long before Paul and Kevin got into the topwater game also. It was a fun day and it went quickly. Tubes, stick worms, and top water plugs caught the fish today.

May 19th: Went fishing with Ed Nestor and his son Adam. It was clear in the morning and overcast in the afternoon. The river was light stained and 60 degrees. We caught 77 fish with 2 rockies and 12 trophy smallies in the mix. The afternoon top water bite was great! Tubes and top water plugs caught the fish.

May 20th: Went fishing with Ed Moses and his son Jerremy. The sky was partly sunny to overcast and showers. The water light stained and 60 degrees. We caught 60 fish with 2 walleye and 2 rockies in the mix along with some trophy smallies. Top water plugs, tubes and stick worms caught the fish.

May 20th: Fished an evening charter with George Ward and Jim Smigie. We caught 24 fish with 8 trophy smallies in the mix. Most were caught with top water lures and some on spinner baits.

May 21st: Fished again with George and Jim. Today the sky was clear and sunny with a 10 to 15mph wind. The water was light stained and 60 degrees. We caught 63 fish with 3 walleyes and 2 rock bass in the mix. This was a tough bite and these guys finessed the fish with tubes.

May 22nd: Fished today with Scott Goughenour and Jason Stewart. The sky was sunny and the water light stained and 61 degrees. We caught 67 fish today with 12 walleyes and 3 rockies in the mix. The guys brought some secret crank baits and they did well with them. Also tubes and stick worms caught the fish. We did get a few on top water lures also.

I'll be going on vacation to the State Championship Cowboy Action Shoot at the North Mountain Sportsman Club at Muncy Valley Pa. tomorrow, and I'll be back on the water the 29th of May. I'll see you then. Good Fishing.

Went fishing with Jim Stank and Paul Marshal. The sky was sunny and hot. The water

73 degrees and stained with snotgrass. We boated 51 fish today with 2 walleye, 2 rockies, and 1 northern pike. Tubes and stick worms caught the fish.

May 30th & 31st: Went fishing with Frank Corcione and Joe Lamarca. Both days it was sunny and hot. The water was 75 degrees, stained, with lots of snotgrass making fishing difficult. We caught 67 fish in the two days with 6 walleye, and 5 rockies in the mix. We used top water in the morning, spinner baits, tubes and stick worms. The second day it was very tough to catch fish. The first morning the rope broke on the boat while I was unloading it and it was on it's way down the river without us. I had to swim out and bring it back.

June 1st: Went fishing today with Tom and Mary Lou Austin. The sky was semi cloudy and the water stained and 76 degrees. We caught 32 fish with 2 walleye and 2 rock bass in the mix. Just for the record, Mary Lou caught the first bass and then she caught the biggest bass of the day. Tube jigs and stick worms caught the fish.

June 2nd: Went fishing with Joe and Rich Gavanis. The sky was sunny and the water green algae stained with snotgrass and 78 degrees. We caught 47 fish today with 6 nice walleyes in the mix. Tubes and stick worms caught the fish.

June 4th & 5th: Went fishing with Marion Nunan and John Gemberling. Both days were overcast with on and off showers. The water was dark stained with some snotgrass and 73 degrees. We caught 107 fish for the two days with 7 walleye, 2 rockies, and 1 channel cat in the mix. Tubes, stick worms, top water, and crank baits caught the fish.

June 6th: Went fishing with Earl and Patric West. A cold front came through big time and just slowed the fishing way down. The sky was partly cloudy and the water was dark stained and it just hit 70 degrees in the afternoon. We caught 31 fish with 5 walleyes and 1 channel cat in the mix. Stick worms and crank baits caught the fish.

Had an evening charter with Alan and Barb Roberts. The fish just started to bite when it was time to go. We caught 12 fish with 3 walleye in the mix. Barb caught her first walleye today. Again stick worms and crank baits caught the fish.

June 7th: Fished with Paul and Peter Langenbach today. The sky was sunny and the water dark stained and 70 degrees. We caught 45 fish today with 7 walleyes and 1 pike in the mix, along with 5 trophy bass. Stick worms, tubes, and crank baits caught the fish.

June 8th: Went fishing with Jason Teets and Bill Trimble on a very hot 91 degree day. The sky was sunny and the water dark stained and went from 68 degrees in the morning to 75 degrees by 4:00PM and the fish didn't like it! We caught 42 fish with 5 walleye in the mix. Stick worms and crank baits caught the fish.

Had an evening charter with Joe Galliger and his son Brady. We caught 12 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix. Brady caught a 23" walleye on a crankbait. Way to go Brady!

June 9th: Went fishing with Harry and Mike Weigner. The sky was mostly sunny and the water was dark stained and 76 degrees with snot grass on the bottom. We caught 40 fish with 7 walleye, and 3 rock bass in the mix. The crank bait caught most of the fish.

Had an evening charter with John Reynard and George Ginder. We caught 20 smallies. Tubes and crank baits caught the fish.

June 10th: Went fishing with Andy Gegaris and his son Andy. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 75 degrees. We caught 44 fish today with 1 walleye and 4 trophy bass in the mix. Tubes, stick worms, and crank baits caught the fish. The water is getting low now and the boats with props are hitting the rocks.

June 11th: Went fishing with Bill Yingling and Greg . The sky was sunny to partly cloudy and the water stained and 75 degrees. We caught 44 fish with 3 walleye and 2 trophy bass in the mix. Tubes, stick worms, and crank baits caught the fish.

June 13th: Went fishing with Bill Domborski and Dave Flannery. The sky was partly cloudy and the water stained and 76 degrees. We caught 47 fish with 1 walleye, 1 channel cat, and 5 trophy smallies in the mix. Stick worms and crank baits caught the fish. We also saw a mature bald eagle and it's young eagle flying around.

June 14th: Went fishing with Paul Karliac and Bob Radzicki today. The sky was partly cloudy and the water dark stained and 74 degrees. We caught 51 fish today with 3 walleyes in the mix and 2 trophy smallies. Bob got the biggest at 18". Tubes, stick worms, and crank baits caught the fish.

June 15th: Went fishing with Doug Eiswerth and his dad Clem. The sky was partly cloudy and the low water was dark stained and 75 degrees. We caught 57 fish today with 4 walleyes, 1 carp, and 3 trophy smallies. Tubes, crank baits, and L.D. Spinner Baits caught the fish.

June 16th: Went fishing with Phil Kratowicz and Wayne Edwards today. The access was a zoo! The parking lot full, tempers flaired, inexperienced boaters doing all kinds of crazy things. The first thing we did when we got on the water was to jet far away from the pack. With the water so low only the brave or dumb went past the first islands. The sky was partly cloudy and the water dark stained and 77 degrees. We caught 84 fish today with 8 walleye, and 4 rock bass in the mix. Stick worms, and crank baits and LD spinners caught the fish. The young eagles were out in force today. Just in one spot there were 5 young eagles together. Kind of like checking out the new kids on the block. Quite a sight to see.

June 17th: Went fishing with Bill Thorborg and his son Bill. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 79 degrees. We caught 51 fish with 2 rock bass in the mix. Tubes and stick worms caught the fish.

June 18th: Went fishing with Bill Dombrowski and his son Bill. The sky was sunny and

the water stained and 79 degrees. We caught 58 fish with 1 rock bass in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish. Young Bill had the hot stick by landing 21 fish by himself.

June 19th: Went fishing with Frank Stitely and his son Grant. The sky was sunny and the water low, stained, and 80 degrees. We caught 64 fish with 4 walleye, 1 rock bass, and 1 channel cat in the mix. The guys were using their ultra light rods and they did very well with them. Stick worms caught the fish.

June 20th: Went fishing with Mark Bactle and his daughter Alli. Mark has been fishing with me since the late 80's and Alli since she was 8yrs.old. She's 12 now and a good angler she is! We caught 60 fish today, all smallies. Stick worms caught the fish.

Had an evening charter with R.J. Kauffman and Glen Matthews. We caught 25 fish with 1 rock bass and one walleye in the mix.

June 21st: Went fishing with R.J.Kauffman and Glen Matthews. The sky was partly cloudy with a shower in the afternoon. The water was low, stained, and 77 degrees. We caught 75 fish today with 2 rock bass in the mix. I'll bet another 40 never made it to the boat. RJ is a gentleman and a pleasure to fish with. Glen, well Glen is another story. Stick worms caught the fish today.

June 22nd: Went fishing with John Yaswinski and John James today. The sky was partly sunny with winds 15mph to 25mph. The water was stained and 76 degrees. We caught 55 fish with 1 rockie in the mix in those high winds which made fishing difficult. John J. had a good time with the new 6 1/2ft light rod I built for him that was a gift from John Y. Stick worms caught the fish.

June 25th: Went fishing with Si Belden and John Storz. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 80 degrees. We caught 44 fish with 1 walleye and 1 white sucker in the mix. Stick worms and crank baits caught the fish.

Had an evening charter with Carl and Becky Squier. The sky was still partly sunny and the water 80 degrees. We caught 50 smallmouth bass on stick worms.

June 26th: Went fishing with John Yaswinski and Bill Geist. The sky was sunny and hot 94 degrees. The water was stained and 80 degrees. We caught 78 fish with newcomer Bill having the hot rod. There were also 2 walleye, 1 rock bass, 1 channel cat, and 4 trophy bass in the mix. Bill also got a huge citation rockie. Stick worms caught the fish.

Had an evening charter with Doug De Nure and his grandson Dan. We caught 19 smallmouth and Dan did excellent for his first timeriver fishing on the North Branch.

June 27th: Went fishing with John Satteson and Bob Zellers today. The sky was partly cloudy, 90 degrees with high humidity. It felt hotter than yesterday! The water was stained and 81 degrees! We caught 63 fish with one walleye in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish.

Had an evening charter with Carl and Becky Squire again tonight. We only got to fish a half an hour before a thunder/lightning storm chased us off the water. We made it off just in time! We caught 10 smallies before we had to quit. The river is very low and we need water bad!

June 28th: Went fishing with Lenny Confer and his son Tim. The sky was cloudy and the water stained and 80 degrees. We caught 65 fish with 2 walleye and one rock bass in the mix. Tim had the hot stick because he landed the most fish of the day. We had to stop a little early because a thunder storm was right on our tail. We just made it back to the access. Stick worms and grubs caught the fish

Had an evening charter with Chuck Dieterle and his daughter Kim Price. We caught 42 fish with 1 channel cat, 1 Carp, and 4 walleye in the mix. Kim caught an Angler Award fish for both the carp and the channel cat. Way to go! Stick worms, grubs, and jerk baits caught the fish.

June 29th: Went fishing with Lew Lose and BJ Kopcha. The sky was cloudy and the water stained and 79 degrees. The morning was slow but we caught up in the afternoon. We caught 58 fish today . Stick worms, tubes, and jerk baits caught the fish.

Had an evening charter with Phil Parry and his son Philip. We caught 36 fish with 1 walleye and 1 white sucker in the mix. The skies turned clear and jerk baits caught the majority of the fish.

June 30th: Went fishing with Chuck West and Don Allen. The morning was clear and sunny, and the afternoon partly cloudy. The water was stained and 77 degrees. We caught 63 fish today with 1 walleye, and 2 white suckers in the mix. Jerk baits and stick worms caught most of the fish. There were many boats out today making fishing a challenge. Oh Yeah, the TT ramp still sucks! And who was the ding wap that put the board with the nails at the bottom of the ramp!

July 1st: Had a 6hr rescheduled trip with Ron Contrady and his dad, Ron. The sky was cloudy with 10 to 15mph all day. We caught 48 fish with 3 walleye and 1 Angler Award rock bass that the older Ron caught. With the colder change in the weather and the boat traffic, the fish were deep. We used deep crank baits to get most of the fish along with jerk baits in the shallows. At one point I got two smallies on one lure. See photo page.

Had an evening charter with Charlie Cavanaugh and his two boys, Chuck and Mike. We caught 17 fish on cranks and jerks.

July 2nd: Went fishing with Charlie Cavanaugh and his sons, Chuck and Mike. The sky was partly sunny and the water stained and 74 degrees. We caught 48 fish with one walleye in the mix. Jerk and crank baits caught the fish.

Had an evening charter with Gene Lolly and his son, Matt. We caught 25 fish with 1 rockbass in the mix. Jerk and crank baits caught the fish.

July 3rd. Went fishing with Dick Rivers and his son Matt. The sky was mostly sunny and the water stained and very, very low. We caught 50 fish today with 6 trophy smallies in the mix. Jerk baits caught most of the fish.

July 4th: Went fishing with Kevin Readinger and Dave Hess. The sky was overcast with showers and the water was stained and 72 degrees. We caught 72 fish with 2 rock bass and 1 channel cat in the mix. Dave had his fly rod while Kevin and myself used the spin rods. While most of the day we used jerk baits with some stick worms and top water, it was the last two hours after the hard rain we had great top water action with good sized quality fish against a dark overcast sky! At one point we saw a young ground hog swimming in the water

July 7th: Went fishing with Jerry Sampson and his wife, Karen. The sky was partly cloudy, the water stained and 76 degrees. We caught 48 smallies with Jerry catching the big one. Stick worms caught most of the fish. Saw many eagles today.

Had an evening charter with Phil Parry and his son Andrew. We caught 20 fish and Andrews first fish was the biggest. Mostly stick baits with a few on jerk baits and one on top water.

July 8th: Went fishing with Tom Gemski and Joe Sudol. The sky was sunny and hot 90 degrees. The water was stained and 77 degrees. I just got through the shallows with the jet boat today. We caught 50 fish with one hog nose sucker and a couple of trophy smallies in the mix. Most of the fish were caught on stick worms. We saw a mink, several eagles, and at least 40 Great Blue Herons today.

July 8th: Went fishing with Todd Fetterolf and Rob Schreffler today. The sky was sunny and hot,(93 degrees). The water stained and 80 degrees. We caught 60 fish today with 6 trophy smallies in the mix. Jerk Baits caught most of the fish.

July 10th: Went fishing with Lou Bollinger and his son Michael. The air was too hot at 95 degrees with a high humidity. We caught 45 fish with three trophy smallies in the mix. It was tough fishing in anyones book but the guys came through.

July 11th: Went fishing with Frank Fritzinger and his son Joe. The sky was overcast with light rain. The water was stained and 80 degrees. We caught 79 fish today with 3 rock bass and 1 white sucker in the mix. A little bit of everything worked today. Top water, jigs, spinners, and jerk baits. I wish all summer was like this.

July 12th: Went fishing with Paul Karliak today. The sky was partly cloudy and the water was stained and 79 degrees. We caught 52 fish today with 2 rock bass and one walleye in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish.

July 13th: Went fishing with Dick Rivers and Rick Ross. The sky was partly cloudy with a cinstant 15mph wind making the fishing difficult. The river also was more dark stained. Don't know where this came from, certainly not from rain as the river is still very low. I

saw a guy get his jet boat stuck today. We ended early and caught only 42 fish with two trophies in the mix. Stick worms and Arkie crayfish caught the fish.

July 14th: Went fishing with Thom Kollar and Paul Haarmann today. The sky was partly cloudy and the water stained. We did fine first couple of hours then the wind picked up to a steady 15mph and there went the bite. We moved to another area to pick up the last 10 fish of the day. We caught 50 fish with 1 walleye and 1 white sucker in the mix along with four trophy smallies, the biggest being 18". Arkie crawfish caught most of the fish.

July 15th: Went fishing today with John Gemberling and Ryan Danner today. The sky was partly cloudy with high afternoon winds and the water stained and 77 degrees. We caught 42 fish today with one walleye in the mix. Jigs and small spinners caught the fish.

July 16th: cancelled, things happen.

July 17th: Went fishing with John and Pete Frigano. The sky was sunny with clouds in the afternoon. The water stained and 79 degrees. We caught 45 fish today with one rockie in the mix. The morning saw the Arkie crawfish working and the tube worked best in the afternoon.

July 18th: Went fishing with Mike and Richard Browning. The sky was overcast to partly cloudy, and the water was stained and 78 degrees. We caught 60 fish today with 2 rockies and 1 hog nose sucker in the mix. Tube jigs caught the fish.

July 19th: Went fishing with Jerry Premuto and Tom Olsen. The sky was overcast with light rain. The water was stained and 76 degrees. We caught 37 fish today with 1 rockie in the mix. There were three white egrets along the shoreline today, a rare sight up here.

July 20th: Went fishing with Dick Rivers and Stan Davies today. The sky was cloudy and the water stained and 75 degrees. We caught 52 fish with 1 rockie and 1 bluegill in the mix. Stick worms and jerk baits caught the fish.

July 23rd: Went fishing with Shamus Smith and his dad, John. Honest, the gentlemans name is John Smith. The sky was overcast with on and off rain all day. The water was 72 degrees and stained. We caught 70 fish with 1 white sucker and 10 trophy smallies in the mix. The fish were turned on with the dark day and cooler water. This was the guys first trip with me and they did very well. With a friendly competition going on between father and son, son caught the most, but dad caught the most weight. A good time with some good guys.

July 24th: Had to take the day off fishing for my annual check up. Guess I'll make it another year. The BP was 83/123, cholestral was 198, doctor didn't like my weight, but heck, who does. All those other things checked for in guys over 50 was good. And the

best thing was my doctor lost a good deal of weight which made his hands smaller if you get my drift.

July 25th: Went fishing with Bill Beaver and Bob Wargo. The water was on the rise, dark stained, and 75 degrees. We caught 25 fish and called it a short day. Tubes and stick worms caught the fish.

Went fishing with Niel Kimerer and his grandson Nick Burtner. The sky was partly cloudy and the water was stained and 77 degrees. We caught 59 fish with 2 walleye, 2 rock bass, 1 northern pike, and 6 trophy smallies. Nick caught the northern pike, a Angler Award rock bass, and a couple of trophy smallies. He did very well for a 14 yr.old.

July 27th: Went fishing with Dick Rivers today. The sky was mostly overcast with thunder showers on and off durring the day. The water was stained and 77 degrees. We caught 47 fish with 6 walleye, and two rockies in the mix. Stick worms and tubes caught the fish. We were off the water by 1:00PM. Dick went home and I BS'd with the local fishermen for a couple of hours. A nice day.

Went fishing today with Greg Radosin and Ray Matejik. The sky was an overcast haze most of the day. The water was a dark stain. We caught 87 fish with 2 walleye, 1 rock bass, and one Angler Award C&R carp at 33". I think we must have lost over 30 bass keeping the action going most of the day. Tubes, grubs, and stick worms caught the fish today.

July 29th: Went fishing with Si Belden and John Storz. The sky started out cloudy and ended up hot and clear. The water was dark stained and 77 degrees. We caught 68 fish today with 1 white sucker in the mix. Tubes and stick worms caught the fish.

July 30th: Went fishing again with Si and John. The sky was semi cloudy and the water was dark stained and 78 degrees. We caught 61 fish today with 1 channel cat in the mix. Tubes and stick worms caught the fish. As a team I kept count of the times we got stuck on the bottom that I had to move the boat to get us off. That count was 60 times. So at least for today, after every time we got stuck on the bottom, we caught a fish.

July 31st: Went fishing with Mike and Jim Toon. The sky was sunny to partly cloudy and hot. The water was stained and 80 degrees. We caught 81 fish today with 2 rock bass in the mix. Tubes and stick baits caught the fish.

Aug.3rd. Went fishing with Dick Rivers on a very hot, short day. The sky was sunny and 95 degrees, the thermometer we put on the boat was at 105 degrees. The water was stained and 84 degrees. We caught 41 fish today in four hours, pretty good under the cercomstances. Tubes and stick worms caught the fish. The water is very low again, I'm just getting through with the jet boat.

Aug.5th: Went fishing today with Bob Herzog and his grandson Ty. The sky was sunny

and the water stained, low, and 83 degrees. We caught 51 fish today and Ty caught the biggest one of the day. See my photo page. There was a little contest going on but granddad beat grandson by one fish. A good day with some good guys.

Aug. 6th: Went fishing with Lew Lose and John Lodge. The sky was partly sunny and the water stained and 80 degrees. We caught 52 smallies today with a couple of trophy fish in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish.

Aug. 7th: Went fishing today with Rick and Ricky Liebert. The sky was mostly cloudy, hot and humid. The water was stained, getting green with algae, 80 degrees, and very low. We caught 65 fish today with 3 rock bass, 1 channel cat and 4 trophy smallies. Most of the fish were caught on stick worms. These guys have been fishing with me since Ricky was 8yrs old, he's 17 now and an accomplished fisherman.

Aug. 8th: Went fishing with John Satteson and his wife, Joyce today. The sky was partly cloudy and the water was stained and 82 degrees. I'm threading the needle again with the jet boat with the water being very low. We caught 71 fish today with 1 rock bass in the mix along with 6 trophy smallies. Joyce led John in the fish count all day until the last few minutes when John squeaked by with one more. Stick worms and 3" Bass Assassins caught the fish. A nice day with some good folks.

Aug. 9th: Went fishing with Bob Radzizki and Jeff Pope today. We had an afternoon cloudy sky that turned the fish on. The water was stained, 82 degrees, and low. We caught 96 fish today with 5 rockies, 2 channel cats, and 1 carp that was 33" long. It came right down to the last minute with Bob and Jeff catching the same number of fish. Good fun. Stick worms caught the fish. At one spot we saw four eagles fly out.

Aug. 10th: Went fishing with Dick Rivers and his son Steven. The sky was partly cloudy and the water was 80 degrees and stained. We caught 63 fish with 5 rock bass in the mix. Stick worms and jerk baits caught the fish.

Aug. 11th: Went fishing with Rick MacNeal and his two young sons, Christopher(9) and Stephen(7). The sky was partly cloudy and the water stained and 78 degrees. We caught 65 fish today with 2 walleye and 1- 11" Angler Award Rock Bass that Christopher caught. The boys had been practicing their casting and it showed. They did great! They caught almost all the fish themselves while dad and I assisted. Good Job boys!

Aug. 12th: Went fishing with Si Belden and Suede Reed. The sky was mostly sunny and the water stained and 79 degrees. We caught 81 fish with 1 walleye in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish.

Aug. 13th: Went fishing again with Si and 12yr. old Suede. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 80 degrees. We caught 100 fish today with 1 walleye and 1 bluegill in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish.

Aug. 14th: Went fishing with Matt Matstone and his wife, Anniss. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 78 degrees. We caught 113 fish with 1 walleye and 1-rock bass in the mix. Matt caught a nice 18" smallie while Anniss caught a slammer 19" smallie that got her a catch and release Angler Award from the Fish Commission. Way to go! Stick worms caught most of the fish.

Aug. 15th: Went fishing with Tom Robins and Lynwood Meyers. The sky was sunny and the water was stained and 79 degrees. We caught 96 fish with 1 rock bass in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish .

Aug. 16th: Went fishing with Paul Szyszko today. The sky was partly cloudy and the water was stained and 78 degrees. We caught 103 fish today with 3 rock bass and 2 walleye in the mix. This is a new 2 person record for the most fish in one day. Stick worms and tubes caught the fish.

Aug.17th: Went fishing with Dick Rivers and Jack Conyham for a short charter today. The sky was sunny and the water was 77 degrees and stained. We caught 89 fish today with 5 rock bass and 1- 26", 12lb channel cat in the mix along with 4 trophy smallies. Stick worms caught the fish.

Had an evening charter with Mike Evans. We caught 55 fish with 2 channel cats and 8 rock bass in the mix. Stayed with the stick worms.

August 18th: Fished with Jeremy Stewart and his brother Jason. The sky was cloudy and the water was stained and 76 degrees. We caught 100 fish with 6 rockies and 1 walleye in the mix. Tube jigs and stick worms along with small crank baits caught the fish.

Aug. 19th: Went fishing with Steve Gehrinder and his 15 yr old son Andrew. The sky was overcast, hardly any wind and the water was stained and 74 degrees and low. We caught 130 fish with 16 rock bass, 2 bluegills, and 1 channel cat in the mix. There were also 7 trophy smallies caught. This is a new one day record for the month of August. Tube jigs and stick worms caught the fish.

Aug. 20th: Went fishing with Steve and Andrew again today. The sky was overcast, and the water was stained, 71 degrees, and very low. We caught 102 fish today with 1 walleye and 11 rock bass in the mix. Tubes and stick worms caught the fish.

August 21st: Went fishing with John Hendrickson and Keith Grimes. The sky was overcast and we sat in the rain until 2:00PM. The water was stained, 67 degrees, and low, very low. We caught 70 fish with 6 rock bass, 1 bluegil, 1 channel cat, and 1 Northern Pike caught by Keith. The rain must have all fallen on us and not upstream because the river only rose 1/10th of a foot by the next day. Tube jigs caught the fish today.

August 25th: Had a screw up in dates today so I had a cancelation. I took my boat to

Snake Creek Marine in Montrose Pa to get the starter fixed and my trailer axel repaired. They told me I start my boat more times in one year than most folks do in seven. I guess they're right. I was in and out of there in an hour, that included BS-ing with the owner Allen Coy.

Aug. 24th: Went fishing with Dick Rivers today. The sky was overcast in the morning and hot and sunny in the afternoon. The river was stained, 74 degrees, and low. The two of us caught 71 fish in the 5 hrs we were there with 5 rock bass and 2 walleye in the mix. Tubes, stick worms, and crank baits caught the fish.

August 28th: Went fishing with Dale Moyer and Don Lechner today. The sky was sunny and the water was stained, 77 degrees, and low. We caught 88 fish with 1 rock bass and 1 channel cat in the mix. Don caught the most fish today, must have been that new custom rod I made for him. Tube jigs caught most of the fish today. There were young eagles everywhere.

August 29th: Went fishing with Dave Shaw and Jim Young today. The sky was foggy in the morning and sunny for the day. The water was stained, low, and 77 degrees. We caught 87 fish today with 1 walleye, 2 rock bass, and 1 hog nose sucker in the mix. Tube jigs and jerk baits caught the fish.

Had an evening charter with Jeff Price and his children, Lucas and Sofia. They caught many fish with Lucas catching a trophy smallmouth and Sofia catching a "Catch and Release Angler Award Rock Bass. Way to go kids!

Went fishing today with John Bracy. The sky was foggy in the morning and clear, hot and humid in the afternoon. The river was stained, very low, and 78 degrees. We caught 61 fish with 6 trophy smallies in the mix.

August 31st: Went fishing with Dick Rivers and his guest, Nick today for four hours. The sky was clear and the water was stained, very low, and 77 degrees. We caught 45 fish with two trophies in the mix. Jerk baits and tubes caught the fish.

Sept. 1st: Went fishing with Walt Harvey today. The sky was partly cloudy and the water was stained, very, very, low, and 77 degrees. We caught 66 fish with 2 rock bass and 7 trophy smallies in the mix. Walt got one that was just shy of 20". See photo page. Jerk baits and tubes caught most of the fish.

Sept. 2nd: Went fishing with Dave Lehman and John McLaughlin today. The sky was clear blue, not a cloud anywhere. The water was stained, 74 degrees, and very, very low. We caught 62 fish with 2 walleye and 2 rock bass in the mix, along with 3 trophy smallies. Tube jigs and jerk baits caught most of the fish.

Had an evening charter with John Snyder and "Duff" Duffield. We caught 25 smallies. A very pleasant evening.

Sept 3rd: went fishing with Joe Fallard and Josh McDermitt today. The sky was sunny and the river was stained and 76 degrees. We caught 92 fish with 4 walleye and 6 rockies, and 8 trophy smallies, the biggest being 19", in the mix. Tube jigs and jerk baits caught the fish.

Was supposed to have an evening charter but they didn't show. I stayed until 5:00PM and left. Thanks for the phone call.

Sept. 4th: Went fishing with Dan Serven and Dennis Nyce today. The sky was sunny and the water was stained, extremely low, and 77 degrees. We caught 76 fish with 1 walleye and 1 rockie in the mix along with 5 trophy smallies. Tube jigs and jerk baits caught the fish.

Sept.5th.Went fishing with Jerry Premuto and Tom Baldini today. The sky was sunny and the water, what's left was stained, extremely low, and 76 degrees. We caught 77 fish with two rockies in the mix. The fish were caught on jerk baits and tube jigs. I saw a guy with a jet boat dragging his boat over the riffs.

Sept. 6th: Went fishing with Todd Fetterolf and Gary Sivwell today. The sky was partly cloudy and the water stained, very low, and 77 degrees. We caught 71 fish today with 1 rock bass in the mix. Tubes and jerk baits caught the fish.

Sept. 7th: Went for a short day of fishing with Dick Rivers and Mark Clewett. The sky was sunny with winds in the 8 to 12mph range. The river was stained very low, and 79 degrees. We caught 57 fish today with 2 rock bass in the mix. Tubes, stick worms, and jerk baits caught the fish. We watched a young eagle swoop down and take a fish from the river.

Had an evening charter with Harry Schigner and Paul Lobecker. We caught 32 fish with Harry getting a nice trophy smallie. Jerk baits and tubes caught most of the fish.

Sept. 8th: Started out fishing with Bill and Mike Janiczek. The sky was overcast and the water was stained and 78 degrees. The water was extremely low at minus .14ft on the flood gauge. There was alot of boat traffic with the Sulvannia all kill float going on.(Not a very good image for a company that big to promote killing all fish caught in a contest.) We fished for about 4 hours and caught AND RELEASED 50 fish. Then I went fishing with Paul Szyszko and his 7 yr old son Dakota for about 3 hours. (Isn't that a cool name) I put the boat in about 3ft of water and we told Dakota to just cast and reel. I took the moss off his tube almost every cast that he didn't have a fish on. Dakota caught 8 fish with his Zebco 33, entirely by himself along with a 16" smallie that was about all he could handle. Both Paul and I were very proud of him.(see photo page). Tubes, stick baits, and jerk baits caught the fish. The lastly I was supposed to have an evening charter but nobody showed. Not very cool at all.

Sept. 9th: Went fishing with Val Larioni and Dee Dee Ferrario for about 6 hours. The sky was overcast and the water stained and 78 degrees. We caught 72 fish with 4 trophy

smallies in the mix. Dee Dee caught the biggest trophy of the day with a fat 18" smallie. (see photo page). Tubes and jerk baits caught most of the fish.

Sept. 10th: Fished with David Weiss and Ralph Nocella today. The sky was overcast and the water was stained, 77 degrees, and on the rise. We caught 81 fish today with 4 trophy smallies in the mix.

Sept. 11th: Rescheduled- Storm & Mud

Sept. 13th: Went fishing with Jerry premuto and Harold Transue today. The sky was sunny and the water was dark stained and 69 degrees. We caught 87 fish today with 1 rock bass and 1 bluegill in the mix. The fish were caught on tubes, stick worms and L.D. Spinner baits.

Sept. 14th: Went fishing with Dick Rivers and Jack Conyngham today. The sky was overcast and the water was dark stained and 69 degrees. We caught 54 fish today with three trophy smallies in the mix. Stick worms and L.D. Spinner Baits caught the fish.

Had an evening charter with Joe and Brady Gallagher. We caught 45 fish with 1 walleye and 1 bluegill in the mix. Stick worms and L.D. Spinner baits caught the fish.

Sept. 15th & 16th: Went fishing with Dan and Doug Ingram. The sky was overcast and the water was stained and 67 degrees. We caught 100 fish for the two days with 1 hybrid striper that was 25" in the mix. Tubes, stick worms, and LD Spinner Baits caught the fish. We also saw a mink, a river otter, and many turkey's.

Sept. 17th: Went fishing with Andy Anderson and Lew Bollinger today. The sky was sunny and the water stained and 65 degrees. We caught 67 fish today with 2 walleye in the mix. Stick worms and LD Spinner Baits caught the fish.

Had an evening charter with Sam Wylie and Tom McDaniel. We caught 27 fish with 2 walleyes in the mix. Both Sam and Tom caught the same amount of fish and both caught trophy fish, however you may want to ask Tom what happened to his when Sam offered assistance.

Sept. 18th: Went fishing with Steve Gehringer and his dad Norbert. Heavy fog in the morning and bright sunshine the rest of the day. The water was stained and 64 degrees. We caught 121 fish with 4 walleyes and 9 trophy smallies in the mix. L.D. Spinner Baits were king as most of the fish were caught on that. We also used stick worms and tubes.

Sept. 19th: Went fishing with Steve and Norbert again. Again heavy fog in the morning and a sunny day. We caught 101 fish with 2 walleyes and 8 trophy smallies in the mix. LD Spinner Baits, tubes, and stick worms caught the fish. There seems to be big flocks of Merganser Ducks now.

Sept. 20th: Went for the third day with Steve and Norbert. An almost identical day to

yesterday. Fog in the AM then it came off hot and sunny. The water was stained, very low, and 68 degrees. We caught 101 fish again today. L.D.Spinner baits, tubes, and stick worms caught the fish.

Sept. 21st: Went fishing for 4 hrs. with Dick and David Rivers. The sky was sunny and the water was 68 degrees and stained. We caught 58 smallies today on L.D.Spinner and 3" stick worms.

Sept.24th: Went fishing with Branden and Jeremy Lejeune. After a foggy morning the sun shone bright.The water was stained and 72 degrees. We caught 111 fish today with 3 rock bass and 1 carp in the mix. Stick worms, tubes, and creature baits caught the fish.

Sept. 25th: Went fishing again with Brandon and Jeremy. The water was 69 degrees and stained. The foggy morning brought on top water action. We had 35 fish before the fog lifted on top water baits and buzz baits. We ended up with 116 fish for the day with 1 carp and 1 sucker in the mix. Just about everything we threw worked.

Sept. 27th: Went fishing with Mike Kemmerer and Rocky Mirakovits today. The day started out overcast and ended up sunny. The water was light stained and 74 degrees. The morning for the first hour we used top water plugs and buzz baits and did well, then it was mostly stick worms, small creature baits, and LD Spinner Baits that caught the fish. We ended up with 101 fish with 3 rockies in the mix.

Sept. 28th: Went fishing with Larry and Steve Snoke. The sky was partly cloudy with a brief thunder shower in the afternoon.The water is still very low, stained and 74 degrees. We caught 103 fish today with 2 walleyes in the mix. Mostly stick worms and baits, & LD spinner Baits caught the fish.

Sept. 29th: Went fishing with Dave and Gene Borkowski. The sky was sunny and the water stained, low, and 71 degrees. We caught 89 fish today with 4 trophy smallies in the mix. Stick worms and small spinners caught most of the fish.

Sept. 30th: Went fishing with Bruce and David Christman. The sky was foggy in the AM and Sunny in the PM. The water was stained, 69 degrees and low. We caught 92 fish today with 1 sucker and 7 trophy smallies in the mix. The biggest just shy of 19" caught by David. Stick worms, tubes,small spinner baits, and chug bugs caught the fish.

Oct.1st: Went fishing with Kevin Readinger and Craig Godusky today. The sky was sunny and the water stained, 68 degrees and low. We caught 91 fish today with 2 walleyes and 1 northern pike that Kevin boated.Small spinners and stick worms caught the fish, along with a chug bug in the morning.

Oct. 2nd: Ed Nestor and Barry Buchecker came up to fish with me today. The sky was cloudy and the water stained and 66 degrees. We caught 160 fish today with 4 walleye, 2 rock bass, and 8 white suckers in the mix. Spinner baits caught most of the fish.

Oct.3rd: Went fishing with Bill Dombowski and Dave Flannery today. The sky was sunny and the water stained, 68 degrees, and low, I scuffed a rock today. We caught 112 fish with 10 walleyes and a sucker in the mix. Most of the fish were caught on stick worms and a few on spinner baits.Saw a mink along the bank.

Oct. 4th: Went fishing for four hours with Dick Rivers. The sky was sunny, the water stained and 69 degrees. We caught 62 fish . Fish were caught on stick worms, tubes, and spinners.

Oct 5th: Went fishing with Marion Newnan and Rich Bealer. The sky was sunny and the water was stained,low,and 69 degrees. We caught 70 fish today with 5 trophy smallies in the mix. Tubes, grubs, and stick worms caught the fish.

Oct. 6th: We fishing again with Marion and Rich. The sky was sunny and the water was stained,low,and 71 degrees. We caught 110 fish with 5 walleye and 1 white sucker in the mix. Grubs, tubes, stick worms and creature baits caught the fish.

Oct.7th: Went fishing with Ed and Ethan Szyszko. The sky was cloudy and the water stained and 72 degrees. We caught 118 fish today with 2 walleyes and 5 rock bass in the mix. LD spinner baits and small spinners caught most of the fish. And for the record Ethan caught 40 fish (and one in reserve)

Oct. 8th: Went fishing with Paul Szyszko and Lew Quinn today. The sky was sunny and hot, the water was stained, low, and 72 degrees. We caught 95 fish with 1 walleye and 2 rock bass in the mix. For the record Paul caught 42 fish today. Stick worms and spinner baits caught most of the fish today

Oct. 9th: Went fishing with Lew Bolinger and Joe James . The sky was partly cloudy and the water was stained and 73 degrees. We caught 62 fish today with 2 walleyes and 5 trophy smallies in the mix. Stick worms, tubes, and spinner baits caught the fish.

Oct. 10th: Went fishing with Jerry Premuto and Tom Olsen. The sky was sunny and the water was 70 degrees. We caught 52 fish with 2 rock bass and 2 walleye in the mix. Jerk baits and tubes caught t5he fish.

Oct 11th: Went fishing with John and Andrew Snyder. The sky was partly cloudy and the water stained and 68 degrees. We caught 61 fish all smallies with 4 trophy bass in the mix. Tubes, stick worms, and jerk baits caught the fish.

Oct.12th: Went fishing with Mark Clewett and his son Will. The sky was overcast and very windy, the water was stained and 63 degrees. We fished for about a half a day and caught 27 fish with 1 walleye in the mix.

Had an evening charter with Young Bonner. We caught 25 fish with 2 walleye in the mix.

Oct. 13th: Went fishing with Ed Lenox and his son Ed. The sky was partly sunny and the water was Dark stained to dirty, rising, and 60 degrees. We caught 40 fish with 1 walleye and 1 -35",Carp that weighed 26.8lbs caught by young Ed. Way to go buddy! Stick worms and tubes caught the fish.

Oct. 14th: Went fishing with John Sattson and Brett Dunkle. The sky was partly cloudy and the water was dark stained and 59 degrees. We caught 79 fish with 3 walleye, 1 rock bass, and 11 trophy smallies in the mix. Tubes, stick worms, and jerk baits caught the fish.

Oct. 15th: Went fishing with Bill Kurz and Harry Reaver. The sky was partly sunny and the water was 63 degrees. We caught 85 fish with 9 trophy smallies in the mix. Bill got the biggest at 18". Tubes, stick worms and jerk baits caught the fish.

Oct. 16th-17th-18th: Went fishing with Rick Porter and Jay Murphy for three days. The average water temp was 60 degrees. We caught 300 fish with 7 walleyes, 3 rock bass, and 14 trophy smallies in the mix. Tubes, stick worms, and jerk baits caught the fish. We had a good time. And for the record, this year I caught the turtle.

Oct. 19th: Went fishing today with Rick Ross and his son Rip. We started out with a light rain and ended up with the heaviest downpour of the season. The boys call the charter at 4 hours. We caught 53 fish with 5 trophy smallies and 6 walleyes in the mix. Tubes and jerk baits caught the fish

Oct. 20th: Went fishing with Tim Miller and Dave Borkowski today. The sky was partly cloudy with a little rain. The water was dark stained and 62 degrees. We caught 100 fish today with 2 walleye, 4 rock bass and 1 Muskie in the mix. Tubes, stick baits, and jerk baits caught the fish.

Oct. 21st: Went fishing with Ed Moses today. The sky was sunny and the water dark stained and 60 degrees. The water came up a foot last night so we also had a fast current. We caught 76 fish with 5 walleye and 7 trophy bass in the mix. Stick worms and jerk baits caught the fish.

Oct. 22nd. Went fishing with Si Belden and Suede Reed. The sky was sunny and the water was 61 degrees and dark stained. We caught 100 fish today with 2 rock bass and 1 walleye. Si caught the 24" Walleye which he released. For this he will receive a catch and release Angler Award from the fish commission. Stick worms caught all the fish today.

Oct 23rd: Went fishing again with Si and Suede again today. We had high wind up to 25mph in the morning and a light rain for the rest of the day. The water was 61 degrees and dark stained. We caught 87 fish today with 1 walleye and 7 trophy smallies in the mix. the biggest being 19 1/2". All the fish were caught on stick worms.

Oct. 24th: Went fishing with Jerry Premuto and Bill Reilly today. The sky was overcast

with some light rain and the water was dark stained and 60 degrees. We caught 91 fish with 4 walleyes and 5 trophy smallies in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish.

Oct. 26th: Went fishing with Dick Rivers today. The sky was overcast with light rain. The water came up 2ft, dark stained and 56 degrees. We caught 65 fish today with 12 walleyes and 5 trophy smallies in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish.

Oct.30th: Went fishing with Bob and Joe Herzog. The sky was sunny, the water high, fast, muddy, and 52 degrees. We caught 49 fish today with 5 walleyes and 12 trophy smallies in the mix. Big stick worms caught the fish.

Oct.31st: Went fishing today with Young Bonner. The sky was sunny and the water was dark stained and 52 degrees. We caught 45 fish today with two walleyes in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish.

Nov. 1st: Shot a TV show with Alan Probst of "All Outdoor with Alan Probst" today. The sky was overcast with a cold rain. The water was dark stained and 51 degrees. We fished for 4 hrs and caught 37 fish with 1 walleye in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish.

Nov.2nd: Went fishing with Rick Liebert and Ron Kukuchka today. The sky was sunny and the water dark stained and 50 degrees. We caught 90 fish today with 12 walleyes and 10 trophy smallies in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish.

Nov. 3rd: Went fishing with Ed Nestor and Barry Buchecker today. The sky was sunny and the water dark stained and 49 degrees, We caught 104 fish today with 10 walleyes and 10 trophy smallies in the mix. Stick worms caught the fish. This was their free trip for catching the most fish in one day last year at 196 fish. Our all time high!

Nov. 4th: Went fishing with Damion Frigamo and John Bracy today. The sky was partly sunny and the water was stained and 48 degrees. We caught 70 fish today with 7 walleyes and 6 trophy smallies in the mix.

Nov. 5th: Went fishing with Dave Shaw and Al Pekasiewicz today. The sky was sunny in the AM and overcast in the PM. The water was stained and 48 degrees. We caught 80 fish today with 10 walleyes, 1 Northern Pike(28") that Al caught, and 9 trophy smallies. Another fun day.

Nov. 6th: After voting I went fishing with Dick Rivers. The sky was partly overcast with the first hint of sleet for the year. The winds were bad with up to 25mph, boat control was difficult to say the least. The air temp may have hit 47 degrees. The water was beautiful with a light stain and 47 degrees. We caught 60 fish with 5 walleyes and 10 trophy smallies, a 20" hog was the biggest. All stick worms with a heavy weight.

Nov. 10th: Went fishing with Bob and Todd Rush. I had a little snow on the boat this morning. The sky was overcast with a little rain now and then. The water was light

stained and 43 degrees. We caught 40 fish with 7 walleyes and 5 trophy smallies in the mix. All on stick worms altho I'm sure that jerk baits would have also worked.

Nov. 11th: Went fishing with Paul Szyszk and Lou Quinn today. The sky was sunny, the air cool, and the water light stained and 43 degrees. We caught 62 fish with 1 northern pike that Paul got and 12 walleye along with 15 trophy smallies in the mix. Paul had the hot stick today and showed us how it was done. Stick worms caught the fish.

Nov. 12th: Went fishing with Marion Nunan and Barry Bingaman today. The sky was overcast and the water was light stained and 43 degrees. We caught 60 fish today with 21 walleyes and 1 white sucker in the mix. We saw a pair of mature bald eagles today. Most of the fish were caught on stick worms, and a few on tubes.

Nov. 18th: Went fishing with Glenn Ophoff and Frank ? today. It snowed all day. The water was high, dirty, and 41 degrees. We caught 31 fish with 10 walleyes and 8 trophy smallies in the mix. Stick worms, creature baits, and tubes caught the fish.

Nov. 23rd: Went fishing with Ed Nestor and Barry Buchecker. The air was a high of 35 with partly cloudy skies and a wind of 15mph. The river was up with a fast current, stained and 43 degrees. We caught 17 fish with 15 smallies, 13 of which were trophies and 2 walleyes. Stick worms caught the fish.

Nov. 24th: Went fishing with Pete and Jim Giombetti. The sky was partly cloudy, air temp in the upper 30's. Water was stained and 40 degrees. Current still fast. We caught 26 fish with 8 walleyes in the mix. Stick worms and tubes caught the fish.

Nov. 25th: Went fishing with John Snyder. The air was cold, early morning 20's but sunny. The water was 39 degrees at the warmest. There was ice covering some of the eddies. We caught 10 fish with 4 trophy smallies and 2 wallyes in the mix. Stick worms and grubs caught the fish.

I went fishing several times by myself in Dec when the river would let me, however, I don't count those fish when I don't have a client with me.

The winners for the most fish caught in one day in 2007 was Ed Nestor and Barry Buchecker, when they caught 160 fish in one day. They get a free fishing trip in either April or Nov of 2008.

The total fish caught in 2007 was 11,873 . The breakdown was as follows:

Smallmouth bass-----11,086

Walleye----- 515

Rock Bass----- 194

White Sucker----- 24

Channel Catfish----- 20

Northern Pike----- 12

Carp----- 9

Bluegill-----	7
Hog Nose Sucker-----	3
Trout-----	1
Muskie-----	1
Striper-----	1
Total-----	11,873