

400 WEST KEMP AVENUE | WATERTOWN, SD 57201

Outdoor Report

The week of August 7, 2017

- HuntSAFE classes are still available for registration online. Visit <u>http://gfp.sd.gov/outdoor-learning/hunter-education/ClassList.aspx</u>
- > Deer applications are now available. East River Deer need to be postmarked by September 1.
- Glacial Lakes Youth Sportsfest will be held Saturday, September 9. Please contact the Watertown Office at 882-5200 for more information and registration.

Aberdeen Area

Fishing Report:

Richmond: Fishing was slow over the weekend. Anglers have been catching white bass. Anglers fishing by the North Bridge have been having the best success. Anglers are reminded that there is a 15 inch minimum on walleye. **Elm:** Fishing has been slow. Anglers are reminded that there is a 15 inch minimum on walleye.

Mina: Anglers have been catching a few perch but overall the bite is slow.

James River: The walleye bite has been inconsistent lately. Anglers are having best success in the evenings. The bow fishermen have been having good luck shooting carp and gar. Anglers are reminded that they need to pick up shot fish and cannot release fish that have been shot. Anglers are reminded that only one walleye 20 inches or longer can be kept in their daily limit.

Elm River: The fishing has been slow. The water levels have dropped lately and there is not much flow on the river at this time. Anglers are reminded that only one walleye 20 inches or longer can be kept in their daily limit. **Twin Lakes:** The walleye bite has been inconsistent lately.

Cottonwood: (Spink County) Anglers have been catching an occasional walleye, but the bite has been slow.

Clark County



Fishing Report:

Indian Springs: Fishing continues to be slow, but fishermen are finding a few fish. Most walleye are 14 to 16 inches. Fishermen are occasionally catching walleye over 20 inches as well.

Bailey's Lake: Fishermen are still catching perch and bluegill. Both are on the smaller side, less than 9 inches. **Reid/Round Lake:** Fishing has been hit or miss, with some days being really good and others a struggle. **Dry Lake #2:** Fishing continues to be slow, mornings and evenings continue to be the most productive.

Codington County

Kampeska: The walleye bite picked up a little bit this weekend on Kampeska with the cooler weather. Most of the walleye remain smaller but most anglers are going home with a couple keepers. The white bass bite is slowing down. **Pelican**: Still a pretty slow bite at Pelican. Other than a few bullheads being caught from shore around the lake we are not seeing much for fish being caught.

Dry: There was a carp fishing tournament over the weekend that had the parking lot full. Participants were able to bag some big carp. Anglers reported good access conditions even though the water levels are low. Anglers also reported a few walleye being caught with most of them being in the 14 inch range.

Goose: The weekend was a little better with the cooler temperatures. We saw a few more keeper walleye in the boats. Anglers are reporting catching some smaller fish in the 10 inch range that they need to sort through in order to catch some keepers.

Long: We saw a few boats on Long over the weekend. Anglers reported good catch rates on walleye in the 13-15 inch range or over 20 inches.

Day County

🔈 Fishing Report:

Bitter: Fishing pressure remains high, but angler success has decreased over the week due to extremely warm temperatures.





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Waubay: Angler success increased slightly this week; catching a few walleye, a few northern pike and plenty of white bass.

Enemy Swim: Fishing pressure was moderate this past week with anglers catching a few bluegill, crappie and the occasional walleye.

Hamlin County

Poinsett: Weather was in the favor of the fishermen this last week. We saw plenty of fishermen on the lake trying their chances for some perch and walleye. Results for over 15 inch walleye continue to be poor. Perch on the other hand continue to be a mystery on where they are hiding out. For anglers that had found some perch proved the fish were of good quality. Anglers are reminded that there is a 15 inch minimum on walleye.

Lake Albert: This Lake showed minimal fishing pressure this past week. Most reports showed poor results in the walleye bite.

Marshall County

🔈 Fishing Report:

Roy: Anglers have caught walleye and northern pike. The bass bite is good near mid lake sunken islands. A few small perch have been caught as well.

Clear: Great panfish and bass bite close to main lake structure. Anglers fishing with a bobber and a worm are having the best luck with panfish. Great lake to take a kid fishing.

Opitz: The walleye bite has picked up a bit. Anglers found walleye near timbered points close to deep water.

