

SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF GAME, FISH AND PARKS

400 WEST KEMP AVENUE | WATERTOWN, SD 57201

Outdoor Report

The week of June 4, 2018

• HuntSAFE classes are available for registration online.

Visit https://gfp.sd.gov/outdoor-learning/hunter-education/ClassList.aspx
A reminder since it is spring and we are seeing many different young animals

around – please leave them where you found them.

Aberdeen Area

Fishing Report:

James River: Anglers are catching walleye and catfish. Anglers are having better luck in the evenings fishing. **Elm River**: Anglers have been catching a few walleye and northern pike. Anglers are having better luck in the evenings fishing.

Richmond Lake: Anglers have been catching walleye, bullhead, crappie, and bluegill. Anglers are reminded that Richmond Lake has a 15 inch minimum length limit on walleye.

Elm Lake: Anglers are catching walleye, northern pike, and catfish. Anglers are catching lots of walleye in the 13-14 inch range, so bring your measuring board. Anglers are reminded that Elm Lake has a 15 inch minimum length limit on walleye.

Clark County

Fishing Report:

Dry 1: A few walleye being picked up off the NE road, but smaller in size.

Dry 2: Windy weather kept a lot of anglers off the lake this week. Boaters are finding the fish around weed beds and road beds. Leeches and worms seem to be starting to work.

Mankey's: Slow. There are still some bigger walleye being caught. Average one per group of anglers.

Bailey's: Starting to see some smaller panfish and bass being caught. Few walleye here and there, but slow

Codington County

🔈 Fishing Report:

Kampeska: A variety of fish are being caught. White bass continue to be the most consistent bite. A few walleye in the 12-15 inch range are being caught. Fishermen are starting to catch a few smallmouth bass as well. **Pelican**: Walleye bite has really slowed down. Fishermen are catching a few bullheads after dark. **Goose**: A few nice walleye are still being caught. Mornings and evenings still continue to be the best times.

Day County

Fishing Report:

Waubay: Anglers are picking up a few walleye, anglers who are targeting white bass and smallmouth bass continue to do well.

Bitter: Fishing is picking up and anglers are doing well catching nice size walleyes. The best bite has been casting into shallow water.

Blue Dog: Anglers are continuing to do well for walleye.

North Rush: Anglers from the past week found some nice walleye.

Hamlin County

Fishing Report:

Poinsett: The cool weather and wind slowed angler success this past weekend. However, anglers have still been seen picking up a few walleyes and crappie. Walleye size limit is the state wide limit of 4 fish with 1 being over 20". **Lake Albert**: Slow this past weekend. Fishermen have been seen picking up a few nice walleye.

Marshall County



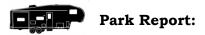


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Roy: Great bass bite in shallow bays and main lake points. Some very nice pike have also been caught. **Clear**: Good bass and panfish bite in shallow bays and main lake points near structure.

South Buffalo: The panfish and pike are really biting the anglers putting in the time are finding some good fishing **Opitz**: A few nice walleye mixed with some small ones have been caught. Timbered points and main lake structure seems to be holding the fish.



- The 2017 Park Entrance License is now *expired*. You can get your 2018 Park Entrance License from a number of different GFP licensing vendors, online, the GFP regional office in Watertown, or at any state park entrance booth.
- Be sure to check out the event calendar at <u>http://gfp.sd.gov/calendar.aspx</u> to see upcoming events in the area.
- There are still a number of campsite and cabin openings in June. Make your reservations today for a weekend vacation this summer!
- June 9 is the first day to make campsite and cabin reservations for a Friday, September 7th arrival.

