



Outdoor Report

The week of July 9, 2018

- The deer applications are available by paper application and online.
 - 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:



Anglers fishing any body of water are reminded that they can only have one walleye over 20 inches in their daily limit, this is a statewide regulation. Anglers fishing the James and Elm Rivers are reminded that there is no minimum length limit on walleye.

James River: Anglers are catching catfish and carp. The walleye bite has slowed down. Bow fishermen are also having good luck shooting carp. Bow fishermen are reminded that it is against the law to throw back shot fish or leave fish on the shoreline.

Elm River: Anglers are catching some crappie. The walleye bite has slowed down.

Richmond Lake: The fishing has been slow lately. Anglers are catching bullhead and white bass. 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 12-14 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:



Reid: has been still producing some fish but just depends on the day.

Dry 2: has slowed down and it's a hard bite.

Codington County

Fishing Report:



Kampeska: Fishing has slowed down. It has been a mixed bag when fishermen do catch fish.

Pelican: Fishermen are still catching a few walleye, pulling spinner rigs. Most of the walleye are less than 15 inches.

Goose: It still depends on the day, but fishermen are still finding a few walleye. The dock is still out, but the ramp has been marked so fishermen can find it.

Day County

Fishing Report:



Waubay: Anglers had decent success catching some nice walleye and a few perch this past weekend.

Bitter: Fishing pressure continues to be high however success was minimal. Anglers struggled to find many keeper size walleye.

Blue Dog: Anglers are reporting catching some nice northern pike along with the occasional keeper walleye.

Rush: Anglers are catching a mixed bag of walleye, perch and white bass.

Hamlin County

Fishing Report:



Poinsett: There were lots of recreation boaters on the water this past week with the 4th of July. It didn't stop fishermen trying to catch the walleye though. Somme fishermen reported decent catches of walleye, perch, and crappie. Walleye size limit is the state wide limit of four fish with one being 20 inches or over.



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Lake Albert: When the wind was right for using the ramp this lake continues to see lots of pressure. The success continues to vary. Some days the lake is on fire for larger walleyes and perch, other days the bite will be tough.

Marshall County



Fishing Report:

Opitz: A few walleye being caught in the evenings.

Clear: Anglers are catching some decent panfish along with a few walleye and pike.



Park Report:

- **Pickrel Lake Recreation Area** is hosting its 35th annual Family Fun Days this weekend. Contests, games, skits, and a whole lot more will happen throughout the weekend. Call the park office at 605-486-4753 for more information.
- The pollinator plots at **Pelican Lake Recreation Area** are blooming! Come on out to the park for a hike through these beautiful areas of native wild flowers. While you're out, you can stop at the beach or check out one of our kayaks to enjoy the lake as well.
- There are plenty of campsites and cabins open throughout the rest of the summer. Make your reservations today online at campsd.com or by calling 1-800-710-2267.