



Outdoor Report

The week of September 9, 2019

- 4th deadline for deer applications is September 13 for paper, September 18 by 8am online.

Aberdeen Area

Fishing Report



Richmond: Anglers are catching some bluegill, catfish, perch, crappie, and white bass. Anglers fishing from the docks are having the best luck, and fishing the early mornings or into the evening is better.

Elm: Anglers have been catching a few walleye and crappie. The bite has been pretty inconsistent lately.

James River: Anglers have been catching walleye. The bite has been better in the evenings.



Hunting Report

Dove: Dove hunters hunting in harvested wheat fields had the best success. There are good numbers of doves throughout Brown County.

Archery Deer: With the warm weather and lots of mosquitos there was very low participation. The deer have not been moving much with the warm weather.

Clark County

Fishing Report



Dry 2: Anglers are seeing limited success on walleye with the poor weather conditions we have had. Perch bite is very sporadic with just a few being caught.

Fishing activity has been slow on area lakes over the last week.



Hunting Report

Dove: Hunting has been sporadic right now and not a lot bunched up.

Goose: I have been seeing a few Canada geese flying. Hunting pressure was sparse with the wet weather. Scouting has been paying off for those that have been out.

Deer: Very few early season deer hunters out. Deer movement has been limited with wet weather.

Codington County

Fishing Report



Kampeska: Fishermen are still catching walleye and a few perch. With the high water, boaters are asked to keep the speeds at slow no wake when boating close to shore.

Goose: Boat fishermen are still picking up a few walleye. The boat dock is still not in, due to high water. Anglers are reminded not to park in the no parking zones.

Long Lake: The north end is now open to boating; anglers continue to pick up a few nice walleye.

Blythe Slough: There are no boating restrictions on Blythe from Sept. 1st, 2019 to Feb. 31st, 2020.



Hunting Report

Dove: Hunters found a few birds this weekend. It could be a short season with the cold nights that are predicted in the extended forecast.

Deer: Not many archery hunters out this weekend due to the weather. Patterning deer is a must at this time in the season.



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Geese: There are quite a few fields around that are holding geese. Hunters that braved the wet weather had fair success for the Canada goose opener.

Day County

Fishing Report

Bluedog: Boaters and anglers are reminded that there is a temporary no wake zone 300 feet from the shoreline due to high water.

Antelope: Anglers are having some success catching walleye. Most are less than 14 inches.

Waubay: Anglers are catching a few walleye, northern pike and white bass.

Bitter: Fishing pressure has been minimal this past week.



Hunting Report

Dove: With cool wet weather a large portion of doves have moved out of the area.

Deer: A few deer are being harvested.

Geese: Some geese shot this past weekend in harvested wheat fields.

Hamlin County

Fishing Report

Poinsett: Fishermen are catching a mixed bag of walleye, perch and crappie. **There is a 300ft NO-WAKE zone restriction around the entire lake.**



Hunting Report

Dove: There are a fair amount of doves around. Wheat fields continue to be good places to see them.

Geese: The hunters that went out in the wet weather had some success but overall quality of hunting was poor.

Marshall County

Fishing Report

Roy: A few walleye have been caught along with pike and bass, overall slow.

Clear: Anglers targeting walleye and bass had decent success near main lake points.

Opitz: The walleye bite has picked up a bit. Sounds like lots of small fish under 15 inches. This would be a great lake to take a kid fishing and introduce them to fishing from a boat. Please check the 2019 fishing handbook for lake specific regulations. Good luck and be safe.



Hunting Report

Dove: Good numbers of doves can be found near harvested wheat and oat fields.

Deer: The deer are really moving in the morning and evenings.

Geese: Geese are scattered around the county. Scouting seems to be the key for success. Harvested wheat and oat fields seem to be holding some geese.



Park Report:



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- **Pelican Lake/Sandy Shore/Lake Cochrane Recreation Areas:** Plenty of sites open for the weekend and a great time to get out and enjoy the hiking trails at Pelican with the cooler temperatures.

