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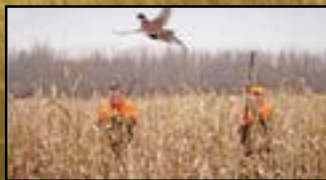
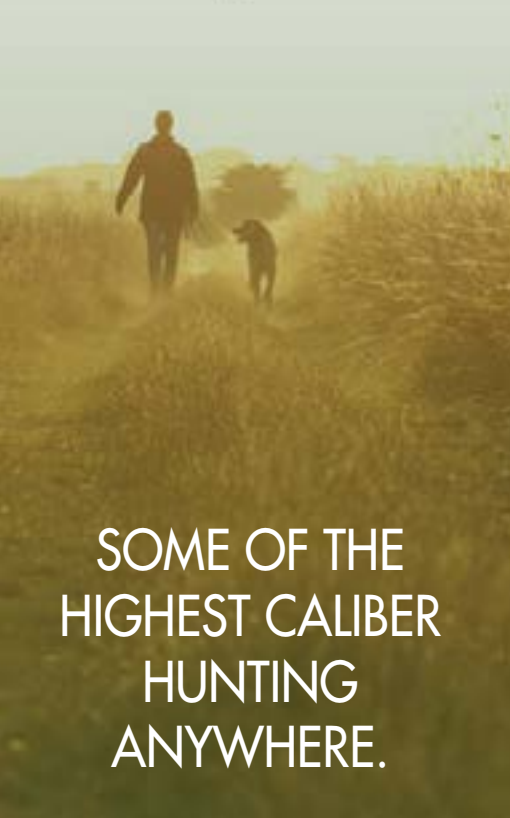
Top Photo: The Platteville Youth Trap Team at the SCTP State Championship in Rome, WI in June, 2018.
 Bottom Photo: (L-R) Andy Eggers, Lauren Wernimont, Blake Wagner, Paige Wagner, Calvin Wernimont (all of Platteville) pose for a photo while 4-wheeling near Black River Falls, WI in July 2018.



Some of the Highest Caliber Hunting Anywhere

by Tiffany Gardner, Grant, Iowa, Lafayette Shopping News

Lab Guided Pheasant Hunts



Owners Jeff Cummings and son Zach with four of their hunting labs.

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Submitted by Tonia Wagner

Blake Wagner and Todd VonGlahn of Platteville, WI take a break while snowmobiling at UP Michigan in January, 2018.



Submitted by Tabatha Wetter

Logan Wetter (right) from Platteville shot this deer last fall in 2017 between Platteville and Potosi, WI. To the left is Cole Wetter.



Submitted by Lisa Banfield

Hannah Cammack from Rewey, WI nabbed this turkey outside of Belmont weighing 22 lbs. with a 9 3/4" beard and 1 inch spurs.

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ATV/UTV Safety Applauded by Local Law Enforcement

by Jared Baker, Grant, Iowa, Lafayette Shopping News



Submitted by Melissa Salis

There will always be concerns about the safety of ATV/UTV vehicles on roads. However, according to the Local Law Enforcement, those concerns tend to be blown out of proportion.

According to Grant County Sheriff Dreckman: "The local ATV/UTV clubs have played a significant role in the implementation/development of routes and self-policing of the users of routes. Over the years we have experienced very little problems, including a limited number of crashes." Each town has its own rules, regulations and routes to be followed. For current rules and regulations, visit: www.grantwi.county.us

We also contacted Jackson County Sheriff's Department, Deputy Terry Roling who said, "We have had ATV/UTV's on our roads for almost 7 years now. We have had no major accidents, but the accidents that we have responded to were on private properties. We also haven't issued many tickets. Most of the tickets issued are for not having a registration or no insurance. The State of Iowa requires all of our riders/drivers to be 16 years of age with a valid driver's license. Soon it will be required that all drivers must take a Safety Course for ATV/UTV Driving in order to be on the trails." Deputy Roling also encouraged any visitors to view their rules and regulations at: www.jacksonia.county.us Also, they can visit the "Jackson ATV Club Page" on Facebook for any current updates or events.

Like all motor vehicles, most are driven by safe and responsible adults. Be sure to research and know the rules and regulations for ATV/UTV's in your area to have fun and be safe.



Mike Skala in Alaska.

Submitted by Mark Fillback



Submitted by Dawn Riley
Frank Riley of Lancaster, WI caught this beautiful 40", 15 lb. Northern at O'Learys Lake in Grant County.



Submitted by Mark Fillback

Mike Peat in Wisconsin.



Submitted by Tiffany Gardner
David Gardner prepares to weigh in his fish at a Dubuque Bass Club tournament.



Submitted by Tonia Wagner
L-R: Lauren Wernimont and Paige Wagner (both of Platteville) take in the view while kayaking on Lake Arbutus in Hatfield, WI this past July.

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Limb-hanger Hooks Michael



Terry Terpstra smiled. The Cuba City, Wisconsin Chief of Police is a father who understands that you can't lay down the law when it comes to convincing your kids to try hunting and the shooting sports. You're handcuffed, and the kids hold the key. They have to decide that they want to join you. So, when his son, Michael, finally agreed to at least come along on his dad's next spring turkey hunt, Chief Terpstra smiled.

Michael was agreeing to leave the screens behind. The father/son team were soon building a ground blind on a friend's property.

"We just finished brushing in and getting set up in the short blind of small logs and branches," said Terpstra, "when I looked uphill and spotted a big tom. I whispered to Michael to let him know. We were both excited. It was a big bird."

The big gobbler strutted, fanned out, dragged its wings and put on a display, a sight that some hunters wait years to see up close. Michael was feeling the excitement in the first hour of his first turkey hunting trip with his dad.

"I could hear him," said Michael. "He was so close. My heart was pounding. My chest was against the ground and I was going up and down as my heart pounded and I tried not to breathe too much and spook the bird. It was so close. I could hear it, so I figured it could hear us too."

Terpstra waited for the opportunity and then brought up the gun and shot the bird. Father and son were both full of adrenaline.

"A dad couldn't ask for a better scenario for his son's first outing," said Terpstra. "I have a feeling we'll both remember this adventure for the rest of our lives."

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Submitted by Tonia Wagner
Blake Wagner of Platteville, WI had a successful turkey hunt in Dickeyville during the Spring of 2018.



Submitted by Dewey Vosberg
Dewey Vosberg of Potosi, WI caught a number of small mouth bass in May of 2018 on the Platte River.



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Submitted by Tim Blyemeyer
Tim Blyemeyer of Hazel Green, WI, 22 pound spring turkey with a 10 inch beard and 1 inch spurs. Taken in Grant County, Millville public hunting area.



Submitted by Tom Martin
Jon Martin shot this buck on November 20 while hunting near Bloomington in Grant County, WI. This 11 pointer had a spread of 26".

2018 Wisconsin Hunting and Trapping Seasons

Get your regulations faster!

Visit dnr.wi.gov to view and print regulations up to one month before they are available in hard copy. Some seasons may be subject to change. Consult the hunting regulation pamphlet(s) or dnr.wi.gov before hunting.



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DEER*

Archery & Crossbow	Sept. 15–Jan. 6, 2019
Youth Deer Hunt	Oct. 6 & 7
Gun Deer Hunt for Hunters with Disabilities [▲]	Oct. 6–14
Gun	Nov. 17–25
Muzzleloader	Nov. 26–Dec. 5
Statewide Antlerless Hunt	Dec. 6–9
Antlerless-only Holiday Hunt	Dec. 24–Jan. 1, 2019**

* Please check the *2018 Wisconsin Deer Hunting Regulations* for a complete set of dates and unit designations.
[▲] This is not a statewide season. More information is available at dnr.wi.gov, keyword: "disabled deer hunt".
 **Open only in select Farmland (Zone 2) counties; see 2018 regulations for open counties.

ELK*

Clam Lake Elk Management Zone	archery, crossbow, firearm	Oct. 13–Nov. 11; Dec. 13–21
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*Licenses awarded through a drawing. Only bull elk may be harvested. See dnr.wi.gov, keyword "elk" for details.

GAME BIRDS

Pheasant	
Statewide	Oct. 20 (9 AM)–Jan. 6, 2019
Bobwhite Quail	
Statewide	Oct. 20 (9 AM)–Dec. 12
Hungarian Partridge	
Statewide*	Oct. 20 (9 AM)–Jan. 6, 2019

* Closed in Clark, Marathon and Taylor counties

Ruffed Grouse

Zone A	Sept. 15–Jan. 31, 2019
Zone B	Oct. 20–Dec. 8

Sharp-tailed Grouse

Season is under review. Visit dnr.wi.gov for updates.

Crow

Statewide	Sept. 15–Nov. 15 & Jan 18–March 20, 2019
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SMALL GAME

Cottontail Rabbit

Northern Zone	Sept. 15–Feb. 28, 2019
Southern Zone	Oct. 20 (9 AM)–Feb. 28, 2019

Squirrels (Gray and Fox)

Statewide	Sept. 15–Jan. 31, 2019
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PROTECTED SPECIES

Hunting protected species—such as badger, jackrabbit, moose and flying squirrel—is prohibited. See the *2018 Small Game Regulations* for more details.

TURKEY

Youth Turkey Hunt	Apr. 14 & 15
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Open Zones

Spring	Period A	Apr. 18–24
	Period B	Apr. 25–May 1
	Period C	May 2–8
	Period D	May 9–15
	Period E	May 16–22
	Period F	May 23–29

Fall	Zones 1-5	Sept. 15–Jan. 6, 2019
	Zones 6 & 7	Sept. 15–Nov. 16

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Zone C where dogs are **not** permitted:
 Sept. 5–Oct. 9
 • with aid of bait
 • with all other legal methods **not** using dogs

All other zones where dogs are permitted:
 Sept. 5–11
 • with aid of bait
 • with all other legal methods not using dogs
 Sept. 12–Oct. 2
 • with aid of dogs
 • with aid of bait
 • with all other legal methods
 Oct. 3–9
 • with aid of dogs only

MIGRATORY BIRDS

Early Canada Goose

Statewide	Sept. 1–15
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Early Teal Season

Statewide	Sept. 1–7
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Duck Season

Youth	Sept. 15 & 16
Northern Zone	Sept. 29–Nov. 27
Southern Zone	Sept. 29–Oct. 7; Oct. 13–Dec. 2
Mississippi Zone	Sept. 29–Oct. 5; Oct. 13–Dec. 4

Regular Goose Season

Exterior Zone–North	Sept. 16–Dec. 16
Exterior Zone–South	Sept. 16–Oct. 7; Oct. 13–Dec. 2; Dec. 16 - Jan. 3, 2019
Mississippi Zone	Sept. 29–Oct. 5; Oct. 13–Jan. 3, 2019

Woodcock

Statewide	Sept. 22–Nov. 5
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Mourning Dove

Statewide	Sept. 1–Nov. 29
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TRAPBEARERS

Coyote

Hunting	Continuous open season.
Trapping	Oct. 20–Feb. 15, 2019

Beaver

Trapping Only	
Zone A (Northwest)	Nov. 3–Apr. 30, 2019
Zone B (Northeast)	Nov. 3–Apr. 30, 2019
Zone C (South)	Nov. 3–Mar. 31, 2019
Zone D (Mississippi River)	Day after duck season closes to Mar. 15, 2019

Mink and Muskrat

Trapping Only	
Statewide	Oct. 27–Mar. 10, 2019
Mississippi River Zone	Nov. 12**–Mar. 10, 2019

**Zone opens either the day after the duck season closes or Nov. 12, whichever occurs first.

Fox (Red and Gray)

Hunting and Trapping	Oct. 20–Feb. 15, 2019
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Bobcat

Hunting and Trapping - Permits required	
Period 1	Oct. 20–Dec. 25
Period 2	Dec. 26–Jan. 31, 2019

Fisher

Trapping Only - Permits required	
Various zones	Oct. 20–Jan. 6, 2019

Otter

Trapping Only - Permits required	
North Zone	Nov. 3–Apr. 30, 2019
South Zone	Nov. 3–Mar. 31, 2019

Raccoon

Hunting and Trapping	
Resident	Oct. 20–Feb. 15, 2019
Non-resident	Nov. 3–Feb. 15, 2019

Woodchuck, Opossum, Skunk, Weasel and Snowshoe Hare

No season limits, bag limits, size limits or possession limits, but a license is required.



Find more information on hunting and trapping in Wisconsin!

Visit dnr.wi.gov and search keyword "hunt" and "trap" for season dates, regulations, license and permit requirements, finding a place to hunt or trap and more.

GET IN THE GAME!

Mentored Hunting Licenses

Adults and youth who have not completed Hunter Education are eligible to hunt through the Mentored Hunting Program. Visit dnr.wi.gov, keyword: "mentored hunting" for more information.

Reduced License Fees

Youth ages 11 and younger, first-time hunters and those who have not hunted in the preceding 10 years are eligible to purchase hunting licenses at a reduced fee. Resident hunters who recruit three first-time hunters, trappers or anglers are also eligible for reduced fees.

Permit Application Deadlines

Elk	May 31
Sharp-tailed Grouse (if permits are offered)	August 1
Bobcat	August 1
Otter	August 1
Fisher	August 1
Wolf (only if removed from fed. endangered species list)	August 1
Spring Turkey	December 10
Bear	December 10

Timing of Drawings

Elk	Early June
Sharp-tailed Grouse	Mid-September
Bobcat	Mid-September
Otter	Mid-September
Fisher	Mid-September
Spring Turkey	Late January
Bear	Early February

To check your drawing status go to:
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TenMile Lodge Black Bear

by Mark LaBarbera, HUNTERS Official Magazine of SCI Chapters in Wisconsin and Illinois



Kevin Casey of Cuba City, Wisconsin, shot a black bear with his TenPoint crossbow a few weeks ago with his nephews Mike and Andy Krempges. Mike also shot a bear at TenMile Lodge. They were guided by Fred Law, an avid bowhunter.

TenMile is owned by Richard Lauzon, a master log home builder who purchased the lodge in 1992. A native to Ottawa, Ontario, he is an experienced bush pilot and outdoorsman. He is joined by his wife Patty and staff.

Kevin saw a couple of bears during his five days of hunting from about 4:30 pm until dark, about 8:30. Mike saw the bear he shot plus a big sow with two yearlings.

Spring Bear Hunt is offered during the month of June. Hunting territory is 85,000 acres. Accommodation is at the Main Lodge Camps only with fishing for walleye and lake trout included. Staff set up baiting stations with 45 gallon drums of food containing sweets as well as meat over a 50 km stretch of road. All bait stations have tree stands set up at a distance of 15-20 yards from the bait.

Ten Mile Lodge is situated on leased territory in Quebec; the lease provides exclusive rights to hunting and fishing there. Three camps are located on Ten Mile Lake. They have dorm style bedrooms, with bunk beds. The kitchens are fully equipped. The washroom facilities include a shower stall. Each camp has an outdoor gas grill and screened areas.

There are also four Outpost Camps located on the Dumoine Lake. The camps have solar lighting and wood stoves. The washroom facilities are outdoors. All these camps now provide the luxury of screened in porches. Bell Lake Camp is located on Bell Lake with the option of fishing Dumoine Lake.



Submitted by Larry Catellier
August 2018 at Lake Okechobee, Florida. Thirty-five largemouth Bass were caught one morning in 6 hours of fishing and these four were the largest!



Submitted by John Powell
Beth Powell enjoys fishing the Mississippi River near Potosi, WI.



Submitted by John Powell
Penny Koehler enjoys fishing the Mississippi River near Potosi, WI.



Submitted by Tom Gilman

Austin Loeffelholz from Dickeyville, WI was hunting in southwestern WI with his dog, Houston, who climbed a tree while going after a raccoon.



Submitted by Tim Blymeyer

Tanner Blymeyer of Hazel Green, WI caught this Channel Catfish on the Mississippi back waters.



Submitted by Mark Fillback

Mark Fillback in New Mexico.

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Submitted by Tiffany Gardner

Jesse Gardner of Platteville, WI. The muskellunge long has been known as the "fish of 10,000 casts" for its difficulty to catch, but anglers and fisheries managers say it shouldn't take that long in this era of thriving muskie populations.



Submitted by John Mueller, Dodgeville, WI

I harvested this buck two seasons ago during that windy, bone chilling blizzard. By 8:00 a.m. I was covered in several inches of snow and my binoculars were frozen to my coat! I sat there until 1:00 p.m. and that's when this bruiser could no longer resist my lonesome doe bleats. I was not cold anymore!

Outdoor Access for All

Action TrackChair loaners are free throughout the region and the fleet continues to grow

by Mark LaBarbera

John Rupp wheeled into the familiar Izaak Walton League club grounds, grabbed a shotgun, ear protection and box of shells, and headed to the trap range. It was the first time in a long time that he didn't need any help.

He always enjoyed the camaraderie at the Southwest Wisconsin Chapter's weekly gatherings. In the past, he could walk to the range, break clay targets, and enjoy burgers, banter and beer with his fellow chapter members and his family. That changed a few years ago when a large bale he was stacking with his tractor's front-end loader tumbled onto him, breaking his back and paralyzing him from the chest down.

John's life changed forever. The healthy, middle-aged outdoorsman had to re-learn the basic tasks of everyday life. Now, he was in a wheelchair.

He wasn't accustomed to living with limited mobility. After a while, he mastered the new routine and pushed himself to get back to hunting and target shooting, sometimes feeling like he was a burden on his wife and his adult boys who helped him do things and go places he was no longer able to enjoy independently.

It's good to be alive, surrounded by family and friends, John would say, counting his blessings.

"You never know what can happen, anytime, to change your life," he said, "so enjoy America's great outdoors and family and friends every opportunity you get."

John's life changed again recently, for the better. He finally accepted an invitation last winter to hunt rabbits with Chapter President Dennis Carpenter, Vice President Harold Peart and member Donnie Shireman. John's son drove him to another member's hunting property and transferred him to his wheelchair.

With a lot of effort and maneuvering he or his son would position John's indoor chair so he could shoot. Harold's beagle chased bunnies all day, and most of them ended up on the dinner plate, but two things from that day stuck out in John's mind. First, he was reminded of how much he enjoys being outdoors, hunting with friends and family. Second, he needed to figure out a better way to maneuver afield to increase his fun and success.

Witnessing the challenge on that hunt, one of the members contacted AccessAbility Wisconsin, a non-profit group that owns and operates an all-terrain wheelchair loaner program. AAW was expanding its fleet from three to 12 chairs, eventually hoping to put a chair in each of the state's 72 counties. The Outdoor Heritage Education Center organization near John's home agreed to host one of the chairs, the first in southwestern Wisconsin, and arranged for John to coordinate its free rental use. They offered to let him use it whenever it was not being rented for the week or weekend. He accepted.

The Action TrackChair, enclosed trailer and charger arrived at John's home in May, and he fell in love with it and the freedom it represented. Picture a five-speed wheelchair with tank-like wide rubber tracks on each side, controlled by hand-size joy stick on the chair's arm rest. On-board batteries and dual electric motors with a charger and inverter provide plenty of power. The chair plugs into a regular outlet for recharging right in its trailer.

John met Monica and Chad Hermanson, who sells the chairs. All three of them use chairs and love the outdoors. They gathered at the IWLA clubhouse near Cuba City for a round of trap, which is not an easily accessible trap field because of grassy hills and gravel parking lot.

But the three shooters navigated their Action TrackChairs easily. Local UW-Platteville Pioneer Sportsman's Club students Lexie and Tyler joined them, along with coaches Marion and Eric Lovell and Scott Sandstrom. The rest was like any other trap shooting group, with plenty of fun and frustration as each shooter tried to break more birds than their average score and more than their new buddies broke.

For more information or to donate to this program, contact ohceinfo@peoplepc.com.



Douglas D. Steinback Jr. and Dr. David E. Miller of Platteville, WI pose after a successful pheasant hunt at White Pines, a private Pheasant Habit Management Area West of Platteville.



Submitted by Tom Gilman
Terry Loeffelholz from Dickeyville and Tom Gilman of Belmont, WI had a successful hunt in southwestern WI with Yum, Ruby and Houston.



Submitted by Tiffany Gardner
Group of squirrel hunters.

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Submitted by Shawn Wehnke

Five year old Tanner Wehnke of Platteville, WI gets ready for a ride on a nice summer day. He is the son of Shawn Wehnke and Katrina Rooney.

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All Wisconsin recreational safety students are required to obtain a **Wisconsin DNR Customer ID Number** when registering for a safety education class and must provide that number to their instructor.

You can obtain a DNR Customer ID Number:

by using our online web site and GoWild by visiting a DNR service center during their regular scheduled hours.

The following are the Wisconsin approved courses. Any courses other than the ones listed below will not be recognized in the state of Wisconsin.

Course objectives

To reduce the potential for accidents, injuries and fatalities; to reduce the potential for conflict between participants, landowners and other resource users; and to promote safe, responsible and ethical use of the environment and our resources.

ATV course requirements

Anyone who operates an ATV on public riding areas - e.g. trails, frozen waters, routes, permitted county and/or forest lands - who is at least age 12 years of age and who was born on or after Jan. 1, 1988 must have completed a safety certification course. These ATV operators must carry their safety certification card and they must display it to law enforcement officers when requested.

Anyone is eligible to take the class and receive a safety education completion certificate. For children under 12 years of age, the certificate does not become valid until the child reaches 12. Students with special needs must contact the instructor at least two weeks in advance of the course to request special accommodations.



Submitted by Tabatha Wetter

Jamie Farrey and his grandsons, Logan and Cole Wetter enjoy a ranger ride together in Belmont, WI.

Course information

Instruction emphasizes laws and regulations, ethics, personal safety and the proper use of all-terrain vehicles.

Length of course

This course requires a minimum of six hours but may be longer depending on the instructor.

Class availability

Courses vary depending on the area of the state and time of the year. There is at least one class per county per year. Click the enroll button above to search for a recreational safety education course.

Cost of course

\$10 for traditional classroom. \$15-\$30 for Internet courses.

Internet courses

Operators of all-terrain vehicles now have a convenient online method to receive ATV safety certification through Internet web courses. The Internet courses are available at www.atvcourse.com/usa/wisconsin or www.offroad-ed.com/wisconsin

Operators of off-highway motorcycles (OHMs) can only receive safety certification through web courses. Students can take a course at any age, but the certification is not valid until they turn 12 years of age.

Previous Wisconsin ATV Safety graduates need only complete the OHM Safety certification short course which is free and offered online at ATVcourse.com or Wisconsin ATV Rider's Ed Course.

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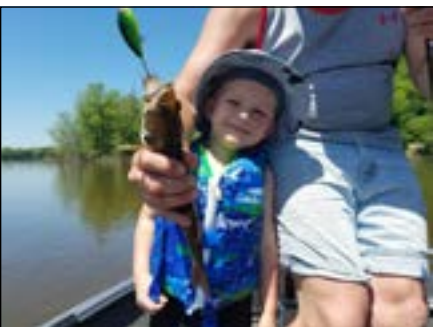
DNR Reminder

Did you miss Free Fishing Weekend this June?

Don't wait for next June to roll around before hitting the water. There is still plenty of good fishing to be had, and if you're new to the sport, you get off cheap with the "First-timer" resident license for only \$5.00. You can't see a first-run movie for that price!

Dates to remember...

Free Fishing Weekends are always held the third full weekend in January and the first full weekend in June.



Submitted by Malorie Udelhofen

The first fish I caught ALL by MYSELF was a 14 inch Sauger! Keaton U., age 4 of Potosi, WI.



Submitted by Malorie Udelhofen

Brantley U., age 2 of Potosi, WI is trying to catch the BIG one!



Submitted by Tabatha Wetter

Tabatha Wetter of Platteville with her sister Tiffany Saunders are enjoying fishing on the lake at Pardecville, WI while camping at Indian Trails.



Submitted by Tiffany Gardner

Todd Prohaska shows his son Noah how to reel in the big fish near Lancaster, WI.

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