



# The Outrigger



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***Special points of interest:***

- Save the date, September 19, 2015, for the Pike River Revival (to be confirmed).
- KSFCA Master Angler, June results listed and also, Year To Date.
- KSFCA Third Monthly Club Tourney of 2015, on Sunday August 9th.
- Jacks' Fly Tying Class suspended for summer months. Will start again in the 3rd week of October. "Have a great summer"!!!
- If you know a business owner or individual that may be interested in becoming a supporting member of the KSFCA please contact Jon FioRito at 262-220-4606 for additional information and details.

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## Racine's Salmon-A-Rama, July 11th-19th, 2015 Results



Photo on the Left, is courtesy of Jeff Hack, Jaces' dad



The Salmon-A-Rama was again a fabulous event. With a committee of 35 active participants, this 9 day event continues. Sponsored by Salmon Unlimited Racine, our neighboring fishing club, this event is for fish caught off-shore, or on-shore. Kayak divisions, youth divisions and perch are all categories for winning prize money. Each day had a different "Fish of the Day", with prize money for that species, that day.

The bands were good, the food was tasty, especially the fried cheese curds. The beer flowed and the crowd was jovial. The two in a boat contest Grand Prize was won by Storm Trooper, out of Bartlett, IL and the Phoenix out of Sturtevant, WI won Big Fish.

The super sweepstakes contest on the first day of the SAR was Grand Prize, was won by Hawg Gone from Bartlett, IL for points and the winner with Big Fish went to Blind Squirrel from Arlington Hts, IL with a Lake Trout weighing in at 19.70 lbs.

Jace Hack, age 6, of Bristol, WI took the Grand Prize with a Lake Trout weighing in at 25.58 lbs. Jace was with his dad, Jeff, on the "Let's Hook Up" and caught this big fish on the last day of the Tournament and claimed the \$20,000 purse.

All of the details are at: <http://www.salmon-a-rama.com/>

SAR Story & Photos by: Lynn Davis



## KSFCA MASTER ANGLER - MONTHLY CONTEST JUNE 2015 WINNERS

### CHINOOK

	Name	Weight	Points	\$
1st	Jerry Vigansky	19.12	3.0	\$15.00
2nd	Steve Reuter	17.4	2.0	\$10.00
3rd	Bill Weber	13.14	1.0	\$5.00

### COHO

	Name	Weight	Points	\$
1st	Jerry Vigansky	11.8	3.0	\$15.00
2nd	Steve Reuter	6.2	2.0	\$10.00
3rd	Steve Reuter	5.10	1.0	\$5.00

### RAINBOW TROUT

	Name	Weight	Points	\$
1st	Steve Reuter	13.4	3.0	\$15.00
2nd	Steve Reuter	8.10	2.0	\$10.00
3rd	Jerry Vigansky	7.4	1.0	\$5.00

### BROWN TROUT

	Name	Weight	Points	\$
1st	Jim Nordstrom	7.14	3.0	\$15.00
2nd	Jerry Vigansky	4.0	2.0	\$10.00
3rd	Mark Hasenberg	3.10	1.0	\$5.00

### LAKE TROUT

	Name	Weight	Points	\$
1st	Steve Reuter	19.2	3.0	\$15.00
2nd	Steve Reuter	13.4	2.0	\$10.00
3rd	Steve Reuter	12.11	1.0	\$5.00

## Rare Good News on Zebra and Quagga Mussels

Conservation: By Jeff Erickson

In the event of environmental apocalypse, dark humor holds the last critters crawling will be cockroaches. Given their adaptability, zebra and quagga mussels might be survivors too. Fortunately, new scientific research suggests these invasive pests have a biological Achilles heel.

Zebra quagga mussels are native to Eurasia. They moved up the Volga River into Western Europe 200 years ago and likely crossed the Atlantic in freighter ballast tanks. Zebras were first detected in North America in Michigan's Lake Saint Clair in 1988; quagga, the following year in Lake Erie. Both dispersed through the Great Lakes and rapid-

ly populated major basins in 34 states.

Zebra mussels were discovered in 1989 in Lake Superior's Duluth-Superior harbor (Minnesota), long a target for discharged ballast water containing exotics from halfway around the world. They spread through the Mississippi River watershed and northern Minnesota, and are now within 10 miles of the galaxy of pristine lakes in the fishery-rich Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness on the Ontario border.

On the East Coast, billions of both zebras and quaggas infested the Hudson River by the early 1990s, with a biomass that greatly exceeded that of all the fish in the river. And in 2014 the National Park Service confirmed what biologists had dreaded: quaggas were discovered in Lake Powell, the Colorado River's recreational mecca straddling the Utah-Arizona border, upstream from Grand Canyon National Park.

Why so much concern about the spread of these pistachio-size creatures? First, they are extremely prolific, lacking New World predators to effectively control them. A female zebra mussel can provide 500,000 eggs annually, and their microscopic larvae ride currents to colonize new areas. They are hardy too, able to survive out of the water for up to two weeks. Fish and wildlife agencies are desperately trying to prevent further spreading.

Zebra and quagga mussels feed by filtering massive amounts of plankton from the water, often leaving it clearer but with less food remaining for young fish and other aquatic life. Because they are capable of filtering all the water in a lake in several days or less, the water's chemical and biological composition can quickly change, shifting energy flows to the benthic (bottom) zone with unpredictable effects on fisheries.

The mussels' fecundity is compounded by their habit of densely attaching themselves to boats, docks, ramps, and water intakes, creating multimillion-dollar maintenance nightmares. They also affix to native freshwater clams, becoming so thick that the animals are unable to open their shells, which often leads to precipitous population declines. The same encrustations accumulate on bottom substrates— with up to 700,000 in a square yard—damaging habitat for aquatic insects.

If zebras and quaggas were poker sharks they would be running the table. But their luck may be ebbing, thanks to

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# Fishing Report

Courtesy of: Lake Michigan Angler

Northpoint fishermen are reporting mixed bag catches of trout and salmon. Early in the morning fish are being caught in 80 feet of water and moving out to 160 to 200 feet of water later in the day. Eleven inch white Hot Spot Flashers with Spin-n-Glos are catching lakers and occasional kings. Steelhead and cohos are being caught on Stinger Spoons on leadcore. Perch fishing remains slow but there have been some nice small mouth catches.



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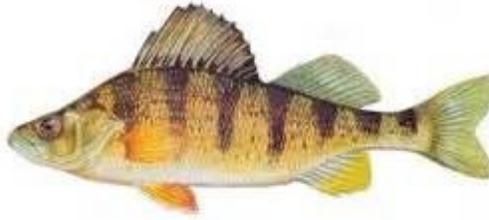


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YELLOW PERCH- (Perca flavescens)

Common Names: Yellow perch, perch, lake perch, river perch, stripped perch, ringed perch, American perch, and common perch.

As a sports fish, yellow perch are prized more for flavor than for fight. Their small size—adults average 7 to 10 inches—precludes them from being much of a challenge for the seasoned angler. Perch persistently nibbling at bait may even irritate anglers pursuing other fish.

Persistent nibbling, though, is a yellow perch trait upon which anglers can usually depend. These hungry fish feed on a diverse diet throughout the day, allowing anglers to coax them to the hook with a variety of baits. Add the tendency for yellow perch to congregate in large schools, and casual and veteran anglers alike stand a good chance of filling a stringer with these colorful fish.

If yellow perch are so easy to catch, why would veteran anglers want to fill a stringer with them? The answer is found in another intrinsic quality: White, flaky yellow perch fillets are a true delicacy.

So the next time you are outwitted by wily walleyes or bomb out bring in a bass, try pinpointing a school of yellow perch. Find one, and there's a good chance the yellow perch's persistent nibbling will help you fill your stringer. Then head back to treat your palate to one of the sweetest and most delicious meals Wisconsin's waters have to offer.

Identification: Yellow perch are easily identified by the golden-yellow coloration on their sides from which they get their most familiar common name as well as their scientific name, flavescens (yellow). The intensity of color may vary with age and with water clarity. (Con't in DNR publica-  
tion PUBL-FM-710 08)

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		Points		\$	
	Name	YTD	Month	Month	YTD
1st	Steve Reuter	16.0	16.0	\$80.00	\$80.00
2nd	Jerry Vigansky	9.0	9.0	\$45.00	\$45.00
3rd	Jim Nordstrom	3.0	3.0	\$15.00	\$15.00
4th	Mark Hasenberg	1.0	1.0	\$5.00	\$5.00
4th	Bill Webber	1.0	1.0	\$5.00	\$5.00

**YTD MASTER ANGLER STANDINGS - \$**

1st	Steve Reuter.....	\$80.00
2nd	Tim Daniels.....	\$55.00
2nd	Dave Slayton.....	\$55.00
3rd	Jerry Vigansky.....	\$45.00
4th	Jim Nordstrom.....	\$30.00
5th	Mark Hasenberg.....	\$5.00
5th	Bill Weber.....	\$5.00
5th	Dan Kish.....	\$5.00

Minneapolis Star-tribune article Molloy authored, he predicted, "I am convinced that there are 'natural-born killers' of zebra mussels—lethal parasites that are extremely specific to infecting, reproducing in and ultimately killing zebra mussels.... Where are these natural born killers now? They are in the native range of these mussels, in Eurasia, and my colleagues and I have been hunting them down for the last two decades.... It's like training to win the Olympic gold medal of pest control."

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**Alanna Schwartz, Congrats on your first Brown Trout and getting on the 2015 Salmon-A-Rama leaderboard!!!**

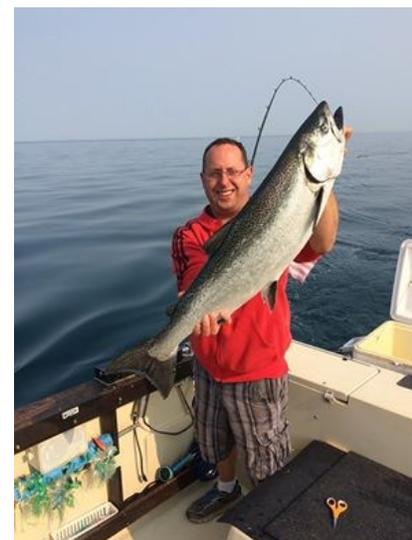
Rare Good News on Zebra and Quagga.....(Con't from page 2)

20 years of experimental research by biologist Daniel Molloy and his colleagues. After testing more than 700 bacteria strains, Molloy's team discovered a bacterium collected in river mud that kills zebra and quagga mussels, which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) concluded presents "little or no risk to non-target organisms."

In a February 24, 2014 interview in *The New York Times*, Molloy explained, "A toxin in the strain's dead cells destroys the digestive system in a mussel. Dead cells are equally lethal as live cells," reducing risks the bacterium will become permanently established. Another advantage is the absence of toxic pesticides: "The effectiveness and environmental safety of this bacterial strain have proven extraordinary," Molloy added.

Based on Molloy's discovery a commercial application application called Zequanox has been developed and tested: it killed more than 90 percent of the invasive mussels, leaving native species unaffected. The EPA has already approved Zequanox for use in cleaning mussel-clogged pipes. Pending further tests, other site-specific applications around marinas, bays, and beaches might soon be possible.

Unfortunately Molloy doesn't believe Zequanox can eradicate zebras or quaggas in entire lakes. But in a March 10, 2014,



**Nice one Jon, on the 4th of July!!!**

# AUGUST 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3 <small>KSFCA Club Meeting 7:00 pm</small>	4	5	6	7	8
9 <small>KSFCA 3rd Club Tourney 2015</small>	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 <small>KSFCA Board Meeting 7:00 pm</small>	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Important dates this month	
• 8-03-15	- KSFCA Club Meeting at the Moose @ 7:00 pm
• 8-09-15	- 3rd Club Tourney of 2015
• 8-17-15	- KSFCA Board Meeting at 7:00 pm

Due to weather related contest/fish fry cancellations, the Board will be holding the next and first of the year contest/fish fry on Sunday, August 9th. While the contest is weather dependant, the fish fry will be held regardless.

We are looking forward to the shared desserts and salads that we have all missed this season. For those who have not yet attended a KSFCA fish fry, they are held on contest day at 11:30 A.M. on the patio above the fish cleaning station, by the boat ramps at 45th Street & 5th Avenue (by Simmons Island).

See you there!!!

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<i>Sunshine</i>	* Open
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2015 Schedule of Club Events
• 01/05/15 - Board Elections
• 02/28/15 - Awards Banquet
• 05/09/15 - Kids Fish-N-Fun
• 05/17/15 - Monthly Tournament
• 06/07/15 - Monthly Tournament
• 08/09/15 - Monthly Tournament
• 09/19/15 - Pike River Revival (to be confirmed)
• 09/20/15 - Monthly Tournament
• General Club meeting are held on the first Monday of each month at the Moose Lodge 7:00pm (no meeting in July)
• Board meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at 7:00pm loca- tion T.B.D. (no meeting in June)

New Fish mapping tool available on line

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