

The River News

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President's Message

Has the price of gas gotten you down? Can't afford that fishing trip to the river? Anymore, the cost to fill the gas tank on the truck and the boat is an arm, a leg...and a couple of fishing lures.

Well, I have a suggestion to keep the cost down and still allow you to go fishing. Go on the DRFA web site forum and find a fishing partner.

You can split your gas costs in half, right there. The other night when I checked, there were a couple of people looking to partner up with someone.

The web site can also help you with getting the most out of your hard-earned dollars in the gas tank in other ways, too. When folks post their fishing results in the forums section, everyone benefits. Those looking to go at the best possible times with the best baits/lures can plan their trip to maximize their results. Guys can also post any

other gas-saving tips there as well. It might only save five bucks, but at prices like these, any help is appreciated.

Personally, I have fished with several other members so far this year and it has helped my fishing immensely. I pre-fished for the shad tournament and I owe Rick Mawson a big "Thank you." Rick showed me a new shad spoon that worked on my big shad. Also a "Thank you" for John Pflugfelder for fishing that tournament with me. Both are guys I've never fished with before.

In addition, Ed Evans called me and asked if I would be his partner in the Gloucester City Catfish Tournament. Not only did Ed put us in the Winners' Circle for second place, but we also won the Lunker prize. Ed was gracious and said that the spots we fished that day were available to me during our club tournament. Very generous. I certainly would like to thank Ed again. Ed's knowledge of catfishing has expanded my understanding of how and where to look for the big cats.

I've also fished numerous times with Pete Antoniewicz over the years, for smallmouth and largemouth bass. Pete has helped me refine my approach to these species as well.

Granted I did not partner up with these guys from our web site, but I did as a result of going to our DRFA meetings, and listening to everyone intently. There is a lot of fishing experience to be learned

from these folks, which is one of the best things that I like about the club -- almost everyone is willing to give someone help about all the facets of fishing. Take advantage of all this accumulated experience and get the maximum out of your next fishing trip. It's worth the investment. Also, check out the May 2008 issue of "New Jersey Angler" Magazine, page #37.

Check out the hat!

Remember, wear your PFD, check your drag, and set the hook!

Steve Raulfs

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Important Dates

Thursday, June 26, 7 PM, Monthly Meeting:

Dick's Sporting Goods, Franklin Mills Blvd, Philadelphia, Pa in the seminar room, rear of the store on the right hand side.

Saturday, June 21, 6 AM, Smallmouth Tournament: Byram Access Ramp, NJ

Saturday, July 12, 8 AM, Youth Tournament:

Snug Harbor Marina, Croydon, Pa (see page 6 for details).

Saturday, July 26, 6 AM, Largemouth Tournament: Mercer County Ramp, Trenton, NJ (see page 7 for details)

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Minutes from the May Meeting

The May 29 meeting of the DRFA was called to order by club president Steve Raulfs at 7:05 pm with 37 members in attendance.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Matt Kicinski reported a balance of \$7,312.31 in the club treasury.

Environmental Report:

There were no environmental reports.

Fishing Reports:

Some of the club members reported that the herring are still around but some others say they are not. Several club members gave fishing reports and it sounds like the fishing is really picking up.

Old Business:

The club's catfish tournament is on Saturday, May 31 at the West Deptford Ramp, from 7am to 1pm. The club's smallmouth tournament is on Saturday, June 21 from 6am to 12 noon at Byram, NJ Access Ramp.

Ed Evans read off the results from the Big Cat Shootout. "Congrats" to all the winners.

Ed Evans also thanked everyone who helped at the Big Cat Shootout especially for the great job done by the cooks Phil Kameinicki and Dick Schroeder.

Ed Evans asked members to volunteer to be weighmaster for the club's catfish tournament on May 31. Dave Wermuth volunteered to be the weighmaster for this tournament.

Treasurer Matt Kicinski read a report on how much the club made from the Big Cat Shootout tournament. The club made \$988.00

The club also made \$232.13 from the Catfish Round-up.

Rick Mawson reported that the deadline to register for the youth tournament is Wednesday, June 4. The youth tournament is on Saturday, July 12 from 8am to 1pm at Snug Harbor Marina. The rain date is Saturday, July 19.

New Business:

Ed Evans purchased a new scale for the Big Cat Shootout tournament. Now we should not have a problem weighing in the bigger fish.

David Keller who is doing a study on the White Catfish gave an informative presentation at the May meeting. He had several different species of fish for the members to see and ask questions about.

The winner of \$51.00 from the 50-50 drawing was John Gustaveson.

The meeting adjourned at 9 pm.

Catfish Presentation from the May Meeting

David Keller, a staff scientist from the Academy of Natural Sciences, gave a presentation on the history of catfish in the Delaware River.

He had samples of the different species of catfish to show the members. Among the samples were the channel catfish, the white bullhead, the brown bullhead, the flathead catfish and the blue catfish.

Mr. Keller, who is doing research on the white catfish in the river,

explained that the white catfish is actually a bullhead catfish. He also stated that there are two kinds of bullhead catfish, the white bullhead (otherwise known as the white catfish) and the brown bullhead and that unlike the channel catfish, the bullhead catfish are native to the Delaware River. He stated that the channel catfish was introduced to the Delaware River sometime in the late 1800's and that there were no blue catfish in the Delaware.

The flathead catfish, which can be found in the Schuylkill River, is the largest of the catfish species in this area. The blue catfish is the next largest size.

The bullhead catfish was a main table fare during the early twentieth century due to the abundance of them in the Delaware River. Outside cafes were set up along the river to prepare and serve catfish to their customers.

Mr. Keller also showed the members samples of a snakehead fish, which looks almost like a bowfin. Most people mistake the bowfin for a snakehead. Snakeheads have been found in Roosevelt Lake in South Philly, but have yet to be found in other waters in this area.

Mr. Keller gave a very interesting, informative and educational presentation about fish in this area. He was also present at our May 31 catfish tournament at the West Deptford Ramp and he stated that he would very much like to come to our youth tournament and talk to the children about the different fish that they catch. He said that if possible, he would be there.

DRFA Contacts: * **Tournament Hotline:** (609) 466-7719; **President** - Steve Raulfs, (215) 969-1010; **Vice President** - Ed Evans (215) 399 7297; **Tournament Coordinator** – Steve Raulfs, (215) 969-1010; **Treasurer** - Matt Kicinski, (215) 426-5086; **Membership Secretary** - Karen/Hollis Laing, (215) 612-2814; **Recording Secretary** - Eileen Kicinski. (215) 426-5086; **Editor of The River News** – Rick Mawson (215) 708-1344
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Shad & Herring Hearings

States and jurisdictions from New Hampshire through South Carolina have scheduled their hearings to gather public comment on the Public Information Document (PID) for Amendment 3 to the Interstate Management Plan (FMP) for Shad and River Herring. The dates, times, and locations of the scheduled meetings for NJ and PA are listed below:

N J Division of Fish and Wildlife
 July 1, 2008; 7:00 PM
 Nacote Creek Research Station
 360 Route 9 North
 Port Republic, New Jersey
 Tom McCloy (609) 292-2083

PA Fish and Boat Commission
 July 1, 2008; 6:00 PM
 PA Fish and Boat Commission
 1601 Elmerton Avenue
 Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
 Teresa Erdman (717) 705-7801

As the first step in the development of an amendment, the PID presents a broad overview of the factors affecting American shad. It provides the public with the opportunity to tell the Commission about changes observed in the fishery; things that should or should not be done in terms of management, regulation, enforcement, research, development, and enhancement; and any other concerns about the resource or the fishery. The PID can be obtained via the Commission's website at www.asnfc.org under Breaking News.

The PID and subsequent amendment are being developed in response to the findings of the 2007 benchmark stock assessment for American shad, which indicates that American shad stocks are currently at all-time lows and do not appear to be recovering.

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Catfish Tournament Results.

Forty-six members participated in this tournament and forty-six members weighed in fish. First place went to David Raulfs for his 10.94 lb, 28.75" fish. Rich Hoffman finished in second place with a 10.19 lb, 27.5" fish. In third place was Steve Raulfs with an 8.13 lb, 26.25" catfish. Forty-six members weighed in a total of 217.16 pounds of catfish



David Raulfs (c) 1st Place
 Rich Hoffman (r) 2nd Place
 Steve Raulfs (l) 3rd Place

Angler of the Year Standings

Steve Raulfs remained in first place with an impressive third place finish in the May catfish tournament. Rich Hoffman and Hazel Scholl are in a tie for second place.

Angler of the Year Top Ten Standings

The following standings are current as of June 16, 2008.

#	Name	Points
1.	Steve Raulfs	198
2.	Rich Hoffman	187
3.	Hazel Scholl	187
4.	George Hoffman	185
5.	Craig Schneiderwind	177
6.	Lawrence Webre	175
7.	Dan Wermuth	173
8.	Anthony Scholl, Sr	172
9.	Rick Mawson Sr	164
10.	John Pflugfelder	161

2008 DRFA Tournament Schedule

All of these tournaments (except for the Big Cat Shootout) are free and open to dues paying DRFA members only. Members accrue points for the Angler of the Year competition based on their finish in the eight regular club events. New members may register on the morning of an event, before the check-in time (except for the Shad Tournament). Weigh-in is at the time specified. Late entries will not be weighed. Always check the DRFA Web site or the Tournament Hotline the night before the event to learn about any possible rescheduling or relocation due to water or weather conditions.

Date	Event	Location	Time
6/21	Smallmouth	Byram, NJ Access Ramp	6 am to 12 noon
7/12	Youth Tournament	Snug Harbor Marina (Rain date is Saturday, July 19)	8 am to 1 pm
7/26	Largemouth	Mercer County Ramp	6 am to 12 noon
8/24	Smallmouth	Bulls Island, NJ Ramp	6 am to 12 noon
9/14	Largemouth	Frankford Arsenal Ramp	7 am to 1 pm
9/27	Big Cat II	Lightning Jack's Marina	7 am to 3 pm
10/12	Catfish	Frankford Arsenal Ramp	7 am to 1 pm
10/26	Smallmouth	Byram, NJ Access Ramp	7 am to 1 pm

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Specific issues addressed in the PID are (1) incorporating the biological reference points and stock restoration goals identified in the 2007 benchmark stock assessment; (2) not increasing directed fisheries for American shad; and (3) restricting fisheries operating on stocks where total mortality is increasing and relative abundance is decreasing.

The PID has been developed to address these issues by seeking public comment on the restoration of American shad fisheries and American shad fisheries management.

Fishermen and other interested groups are encouraged to provide input on the PID, either through attending public hearings or providing written comments. Copies can be obtained by contacting the Commission at (202) 289-6400 or via the Commission's website at www.asafc.org under Breaking News. Public comment will be accepted until 5:00 PM on July 25, 2008 and should be forwarded to Erika Robbins, Fisheries Management Plan Coordinator, 1444 'Eye' Street, NW, Sixth Floor, Washington, DC 20005; (202) 289-6051 (FAX) or at comments@asafc.org (Subject line: American Shad). For more information, please contact Erika Robbins at (202) 289-6400.

Following the initial phase of information-gathering and public comment, the Commission will evaluate potential management alternatives and develop a draft amendment for public review.

Following that review and public comment, the Commission will specify the management measures to be included in the final amendment.

Fishing Reports

*This listing is abridged from a report posted on Friday June 13, on the Web site of **Brinkman's Bait and Tackle in Northeast Phila. (215-632-0674)**, for a complete report log on to Brinkman's Web site:*

<http://members.aol.com/wormpeople/>

Tidal River

I talked to a couple of people that were out bass fishing back in Dredge Harbor Wednesday night. We were passing them coming into the ramp and they said they had a pretty good afternoon. They were fishing back along the pipes at low tide with 4-inch power worms fished Carolina rigged. He said a lot of the fish were on the smaller side but they did have a couple of fish over 14 inches. They also picked up several big catfish on the outside area of the pipes on the higher tide using the same method. A couple of anglers have been throwing spinner baits off the rocks at Linden Avenue picking up a few largemouth bass 1 to 3 pounds.

Non-tidal river

JR was up fishing with minnows, tubes and grubs out of the Bryan ramp. He only caught the two catfish on the minnows. He said the river was really off color but not running hard. Now over the weekend before the rain on Sunday several guys had really good trips up river. The river then was clear and low. One guy wading at Treasure Island picked up over 40 fish all on minnows. He said most of his fish came in the stretch where the hot dog guy sets up. He saw several canoes drifting down river some catching a few fish. Now Charlie this week caught a few catfish, small stripers and 6 walleyes at the mouth of the Tohickon. He was fishing with countdown rapalas number 9 in black and silver. He said he was going to try up in the creek but then

the rains came and the creek got to high. One report from Yardley, this customer was down wading the islands below the railroad bridge. He was fishing with live minnows, grubs and spinners picking up nine bass, one striper and several big river bluegills. The bass were hitting the minnows and he did best with the spinners catching big bluegills. He said he landed close to a dozen. Now a little further up river at Upper Black Eddy John drifted the entire day on Saturday with every lure in his box only to catch 11 smallmouth bass all under 14 inches. He does not use bait and found the fish he caught wanting 4-inch Senko worms fished in a wacky worm style.

Now on some of the creeks for smallmouth bass. The Perkiomen has still been one of the best in the area, but with the rains last weekend, the creek did get off color. A couple of guys were up fishing below Green Lane catching a few smallies on minnows. They were heading back during the week hoping the creek may have cleared up. The Neshaminy at Playwicky Park was good last Saturday for small bass, bluegills and rockbass. This customer was up with his kids looking for a trout but found the bass and bluegills hitting the best. He was drifting earthworms and mealworms with a small split shot picking up over 30 fish in a couple of hours. Now he did say everything was on the small side. Down the creek at Hulemville Road they are catching a few smallmouth and largemouth bass on minnows, worms, plastic worms, spinners, jigs and poppers.

I talked to a couple of guys that were up Nockamixon Lake over the weekend for a slow couple of days. On Saturday, they fished the upper end fishing the shallows with a lot of plastics, top water lures and even bait. By lunch, they picked up only

two largemouth bass and one pickerel. The next day they went down and fished the deeper water around the dam with spinner baits, plastics, jigs and spoons. Now here they picked up one 5-pound smallmouth bass 19 1/2 inches.

Trenton/Yardley/Morrisville Area

Dan Leach at **H & L Bait and Tackle** in Morrisville, Pa. (215-295-1400) reports that many small stripers, up to 20", are hitting on shiners and bloodworms. He also said that anglers are catching smallmouth, catfish and perch on shiners. All of this action is taking place north of the Calhoun Street Bridge.

Washington Crossing/New Hope

Tom at **Tom's Tackle Shop** in Wrightstown, Pa (215-598-9891) reports that smallmouths are being caught with minnows, Flukes and imitation lures such as shad raps. Early morning is producing walleye on jigs. The Neshaminy Creek is producing smallies and rock bass.

Easton/Phillipsburg Area

Bill Pierce at **Bill's Bait and Tackle** in Phillipsburg, NJ (908-859-5729) reports that smallmouth fishing is spotty and the striper fishing has been slow; however, anglers are still catching catfish.

The water levels in the river are good and visibility is about three feet. Water temperatures in the tidal section are in the low 70's on both the incoming and outgoing tides. Temperatures in the non-tidal river are in the mid 70's

All launch ramps are serviceable as of this report.

July Tide Predictions, NOAA National Ocean Service

Readings taken at Municipal Pier 11, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
All listings are Eastern Standard Time. **Weekends are indicated by bold.**

Date	Time	Hgt	Time	Hgt	Time	Hgt	Time	Hgt
07/01	12:08AM	7.7 H	07:27AM	0.7 L	12:40PM	6.1 H	07:26PM	0.7 L
07/02	01:03AM	7.8 H	08:24AM	0.6 L	01:36PM	6.1 H	08:23PM	0.6 L
07/03	01:58AM	7.8 H	09:18AM	0.4 L	02:32PM	6.2 H	09:18PM	0.6 L
07/04	02:52AM	7.7 H	10:10AM	0.3 L	03:26PM	6.3 H	10:11PM	0.6 L
07/05	03:45AM	7.6 H	10:59AM	0.3 L	04:20PM	6.3 H	11:04PM	0.6 L
07/06	04:38AM	7.4 H	11:47AM	0.2 L	05:14PM	6.4 H	11:56PM	0.6 L
07/07	05:30AM	7.1 H	12:34PM	0.2 L	06:07PM	6.6 H		
07/08	12:48AM	0.7 L	06:23AM	6.9 H	01:20PM	0.2 L	07:00PM	6.7 H
07/09	01:40AM	0.7 L	07:16AM	6.7 H	02:06PM	0.3 L	07:52PM	6.8 H
07/10	02:33AM	0.8 L	08:10AM	6.3 H	02:53PM	0.3 L	08:44PM	6.9 H
07/11	03:27AM	0.8 L	09:05AM	6.2 H	03:41PM	0.4 L	09:36PM	7.0 H
07/12	04:22AM	0.8 L	09:59AM	6.1 H	04:30PM	0.5 L	10:26PM	7.1 H
07/13	05:17AM	0.7 L	10:52AM	6.0 H	05:19PM	0.6 L	11:16PM	7.2 H
07/14	06:10AM	0.7 L	11:43AM	6.0 H	06:08PM	0.6 L		
07/15	12:04AM	7.2 H	07:00AM	0.6 L	12:32PM	6.0 H	06:56PM	0.7 L
07/16	12:50AM	7.3 H	07:48AM	0.6 L	01:19PM	6.0 H	07:43PM	0.7 L
07/17	01:33AM	7.3 H	08:33AM	0.6 L	02:03PM	5.9 H	08:27PM	0.7 L
07/18	02:14AM	7.3 H	09:16AM	0.6 L	02:44PM	5.9 H	09:11PM	0.7 L
07/19	02:53AM	7.2 H	09:57AM	0.6 L	03:24PM	6.0 H	09:54PM	0.7 L
07/20	03:31AM	7.2 H	10:38AM	0.5 L	04:02PM	6.1 H	10:38PM	0.7 L
07/21	04:08AM	7.2 H	11:17AM	0.5 L	04:41PM	6.2 H	11:22PM	0.7 L
07/22	04:46AM	7.1 H	11:56AM	0.4 L	05:20PM	6.4 H		
07/23	12:10AM	0.8 L	05:29AM	6.9 H	12:37PM	0.4 L	06:04PM	6.7 H
07/24	01:01AM	0.8 L	06:17AM	6.7 H	01:21PM	0.4 L	06:53PM	6.8 H
07/25	01:58AM	0.9 L	07:14AM	6.4 H	02:10PM	0.5 L	07:49PM	7.0 H
07/26	03:00AM	0.9 L	08:17AM	6.1 H	03:05PM	0.5 L	08:49PM	7.1 H
07/27	04:04AM	0.9 L	09:21AM	6.0 H	04:06PM	0.6 L	09:51PM	7.2 H
07/28	05:09AM	0.9 L	10:25AM	5.9 H	05:09PM	0.7 L	10:53PM	7.3 H
07/29	06:11AM	0.8 L	11:26AM	5.9 H	06:11PM	0.6 L	11:53PM	7.4 H
07/30	07:10AM	0.7 L	12:25PM	6.0 H	07:10PM	0.6 L		
07/31	12:50AM	7.5 H	08:05AM	0.5 L	01:21PM	6.2 H	08:07PM	0.5 L

All times are listed in Local Standard Time (LST) or, Local Daylight Time (LDT) (when applicable). All heights are in feet referenced to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

Station	Time Differential		Height Differential	
	High	Low	High	Low
Marcus Hook, Pa. -1 29	-129	-1 16	*0.90	*0.90
Bridgeport, Raccoon Creek, NJ.	-1 13	-0 55	*0.87	*0.87
Darby Creek, Pennsylvania				
Tinicum National Wildlife Refuge	-0 26	+0 18	*0.71	*0.71
Paulsboro, Mantua Creek, NJ.	-0 25	-0 28	*0.90	*0.90
Woodbury Creek, NJ.	-0 19	-0 23	*0.93	*0.93
Schuylkill River, Market St Bridge	-0 26	-0 09	*0.97	*0.97
Westville Rt 47 bridge Big Timber Creek NJ.	-0 04	-0 06	*0.94	*0.94
PHILADELPHIA, Municipal Pier 11	+0 00	+0 00	*0.00	*0.00
Bridesburg, Philadelphia, Pa.	+0 11	+0 13	*1.04	*1.04
Palmyra Pennsauken Cr. Rt73 Bridge, NJ.	+0 49	+0 57	*0.84	*0.84
Pompeston Creek, NJ.	+0 19	+0 37	*1.02	*1.02
Bridgeboro, Rancocas Creek, NJ.	+1 09	+1 09	*1.03	*1.03
Cornwells Heights, Pa.	+0 40	+0 49	*1.14	*1.14
Burlington, NJ.	+0 41	+0 58	*1.17	*1.17
Edgely, Pa.	+1 02	+1 19	*1.24	*1.24
Fieldsboro, NJ.	+1 01	+1 30	*1.26	*1.16
Trenton, NJ.	+1 12	+1 48	*1.30	*1.05

Height Differences: for most stations, use of predicted height difference would give unsatisfactory predictions. In such cases they have been omitted and one or two ratios, indicated by an asterisk (*), are given. To obtain the height of tide at the subordinate station in these cases, multiply the height of tide at the reference station by the ratio listed. The result is normally rounded to the nearest .1 foot

2008 DRFA Youth Tournament

Saturday, July 12, 2008 - 8:00 am until 1:00 pm
Snug Harbor Marina, 400 Main Avenue, Croydon, PA

- There is no entry fee; however, all participants must register in advance of the tournament.
- Youth anglers 15-years old and younger *who* are guests of any dues-paying DRFA member are eligible.
- All participants must check in between 7:00 AM & 8:00 AM at the Snug Harbor Marina Ramp before fishing.
- Youth anglers are allowed to weigh in one fish of any species.
- The heaviest fish in each age group will determine the winner. In the event of a tie in weight, the longest fish will be the tie-breaker.
- The fish must have been caught on that day, during the hours of the tournament. Fishing can be done from a boat or the shoreline in any part of the Delaware River and its tributaries that can be reached by boat from the Snug Harbor Marina Ramp.
- ***All youth contestants and their adult sponsors must wear Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Devices at all times that they are in a boat during this tournament.***
- Sponsoring adults may aid the youth contestants in terms of baiting hooks, netting, and unhooking fish, but they may not hook, play, reel, or land fish for the youth contestants.
- Only legal fishing methods of the States of New Jersey and Pennsylvania may be used. Live bait is permitted.
- Weigh-in is at 1:00 pm sharp. Those arriving after 1:00 pm will not be permitted to weigh-in fish for prizes.
- All fish must be of legal size and alive at weigh-in. All fish will be released after weigh-in.
- The tournament judge will have final say in all disputes.
- All youth participants will receive awards. Prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in each age division.
- Refreshments and awards will be distributed at the weigh-in location at the end of the tournament.

Directions to Sign-In and Weigh-in:

By boat: Go up Neshaminy Creek past the first bridge (at State Road). Snug Harbor Marina is around the bend on the right hand side.

By car: Exit from I-95 North or South at the Street Road exit (PA Route 132) and follow Street Road east to the traffic light at State Road. Turn left on State Road and follow it north Cross the State Road Bridge over the Neshaminy Creek, and turn left at the next traffic light, onto Cedar Avenue. Take Cedar Avenue to the second street on the left and turn left onto Main Avenue there (at sign for Snug Harbor Marina). Follow to end of road, into marina.



DRFA Summer Largemouth Bass Tournament

Saturday, July 26, 2008

6 am to 12 noon

Mercer County Ramp, Trenton, NJ

Rte 29 South thru tunnel to Lambertson Road Exit, go 0.5 miles to ramp on right

The DRFA STRONGLY SUGGEST that all participants wear a PFD while their boat is under power.

RULES:

- All participants must check in between 5:00 am & 6:00 am before fishing.
- There is no entry fee.
- Only paid members of the D.R.F.A., and qualifying family members *, may participate and weigh-in fish. (The most recent membership list will be present at weigh-in.)
- Only one (1) legal largemouth bass (minimum 12") per person will be weighed. The heaviest fish will determine the winner.
- In the event of a tie in weight, the longest fish will determine the winner.
- The fish must have been caught on that day during the hours of the tournament.
- The fishing area will be limited to the part of the Delaware River and its tributaries that can be reached by boat from the Mercer County Access Ramp. Shore fishing is permitted.
- Weigh-in is 12 pm sharp. Those arriving after 12 pm will not be permitted to weigh-in fish.
- Only legal fishing methods of the States of New Jersey and Pennsylvania may be used.
- The tournament judge will have final say in all disputes.

Tournament Hotline: 609-466-7894

Tournament Coordinator: Steve Raulfs: 215-969-1010

PRIZES:

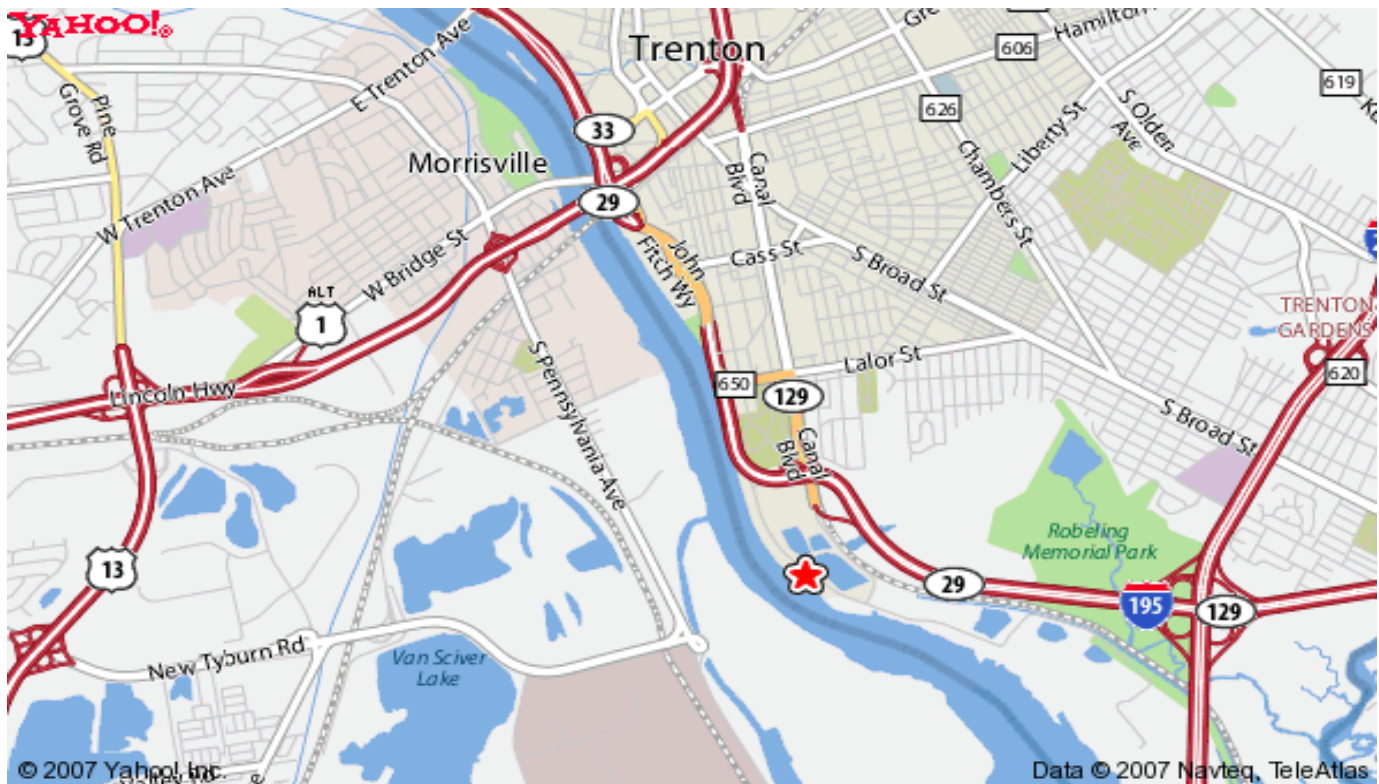
1st Place: \$125.00

2nd Place: \$75.00

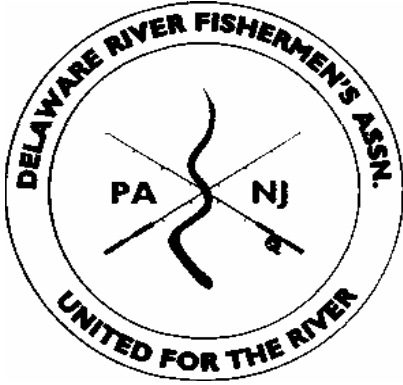
3rd Place: \$50.00

All anglers weighing in fish, no matter where they place, will accumulate points towards the
"Dave Bryant Memorial Angler of the Year Contest"

*Qualifying family members can only participate if a Family Membership has been purchased. Qualifying family members include any member of the immediate family residing at that home and any immediate children, up to the age of 16 no matter where they live. Grandchildren up to the age of 16 also qualify, no matter where they live.



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