

Fort Drum Fish & Wildlife Management Program



Remington Pond 20th Annual Youth Fishing Derby Results

It was the perfect day for fishing—no bugs, no wind, not too hot, no sun glaring off the water, but not too cold. And, the fish were biting! Fort Drum's 20th Annual Youth Fishing Derby sponsored by the Directorate of Public Works-Natural Resources Branch was held at Remington Park on Saturday, May 21. A total of 58 youth ages 3-16 caught 301 fish in 3 hours and 45 minutes. Fishing at Remington Pond is a catch-and-release only fishery, and all fish were released back into the pond after being measured.

Prizes were awarded for the overall largest and most fish caught, as well as the top three largest and most fish caught in three age groups. Prizes were also awarded for the longest cast in one of four age groups.

Prizes were donated by AAFES Post Exchange, Maurice Sporting Goods, and Mr. Erick Bush. Worms were provided by the Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation.



(Above) Ryan Buker, age 9, caught the overall largest fish of the day—a 15.7" largemouth bass.



(Right) Landon Charcolla, age 5, receiving his prize for catching the most fish during the derby with 27.

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In the 6-year-old and under age group, winners of the largest fish category was Randy Sowby with a 9.6" brook trout followed by Breana Tyler and Avery Gallimore with pumpkinseeds. Gavin Giersdorf caught 16 fish followed Audrey Stewart.

(Left) *Randy Sowby, age 5, receiving his prize for catching the largest fish in the 6 & under age group for a 9.6" brook trout.*



(Right) *Gavin Giersdorf, age 5, receiving his prize for catching the most fish in the 6 & under age group with 16.*

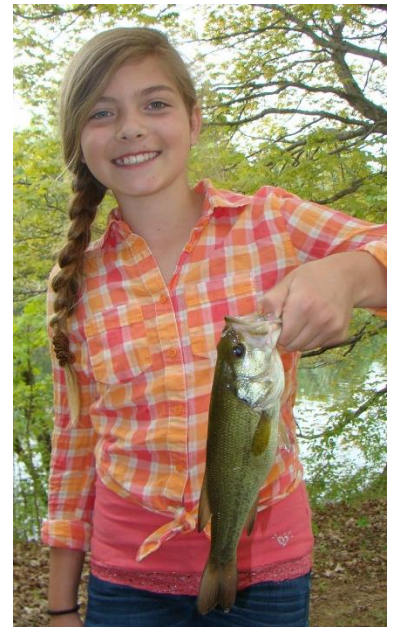
In the age 7-11 category, first place for the largest fish went to Ava Mastin with a 11.9" largemouth bass. Second place went to Zachary Cooper with a 11.2" brown bullhead. Third place was Brooke Mastin with a 10.8" largemouth bass. Anna Pasalacqua caught the most fish in this age group with 25 fish followed closely by Kimberly Gilmore with 23 fish. Gabriella Grubaugh was third with 15 fish.



Ava Mastin (age 7) with her winning 11.9" largemouth bass.



Kimberly Gilmore, age 11, with a brook trout—one of her 23 fish she caught during the day.



Brooke Mastin (age 10) with her 10.8" largemouth bass.

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Largemouth bass dominated the large fish in the age 12-18 group. Frank Downing, Lily Mastin, and Ben Starr were first through third with bass measuring 15.4”, 10.8”, and 9.4”, respectively. William Gilmore II caught the most fish in this age group with 19 followed by Tim Duncan and Owen Tyler.



Frank Downing, age 12, with his winning 15.4” largemouth bass.



Kathryn Davies, age 5, and her winning long distance cast for her age group.

Casting contest winners in the age 6 and under group was Kathryn Davies with a cast of 32.9 feet; Jeff Sowby won the longest cast in the age 7-10 category as well as overall longest cast of the contest at 101.3 feet; Owen Tyler cast 88.6 feet for first place in the age 11-14 category, and William Gilmore II had the longest cast in the age 15-18 age group at 94.1 feet.

FINAL RESULTS OF 20 th ANNUAL FISHING DERBY IN REMINGTON POND	
FISH SPECIES	# CAUGHT
Pumpkinseed	195
Rock Bass	26
Yellow Perch	23
Brook Trout	21
Largemouth Bass	20
Black Crappie	12
Brown Bullhead	3
Creek Chub	1
TOTAL FISH	301