



Remington Pond 23rd Annual Youth Fishing Derby Results

It was a beautiful day on Remington Pond—plenty of sunshine, little wind, and no bugs. Fort Drum's 23rd Annual Youth Fishing Derby sponsored by the Directorate of Public Works-Natural Resources Branch was held at Remington Park on Saturday, May 18, 2019. A total of 66 youth caught 115 fish in 3 hours and 45 minutes. Catching started off slow but picked up in the afternoon. Fishing at Remington Pond is a catch-and-release only fishery so all fish were released back into the pond after being measured.

Prizes were awarded to the top three anglers in three age groups for most fish and longest fish caught. Prizes were donated by AAFES Post Exchange and Mr. Erick Bush. Worms were provided by the Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation.



(Left) Thomas Mayton, age 4, and his mom, Laura, pose with his new rod-reel-tackle set; his prize for catching the largest fish in the age 6 and under category. His fish (above) was also the largest overall fish caught of the day, an 18.4" Largemouth Bass. This was close to the record length 20.3" Largemouth Bass caught during the 2017 derby.

In the 6-year-old and under age group, winners of the largest fish category were Thomas Mayton, Alex Servin and Stephen Todd.

Most fish caught for the 6-year-old and under age group was Carter Tonlatti with 6 fish followed by Avamae Bush and Daxton Hammond.

(Right) Derby anglers prepare and monitor their lines at one of the fishing docks near the check-in station.



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Kasen Holloway, age 8, with a 9.8 inch yellow perch—winning the prize for second largest fish for the 7-11 age group.

In the age 7-11 age group, three different species of fish were caught in the largest fish category: first place for the largest fish went to Allen LaHaie with a brown bullhead that was 13.4 inches followed by Kasen Holloway with a 9.8 inch yellow perch, and Allena Bush with a 8.9 inch largemouth bass.

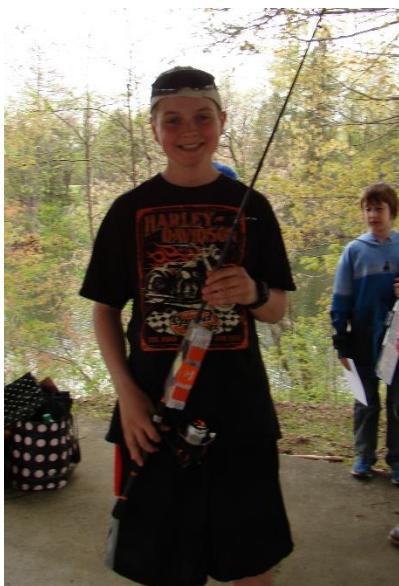
In the age 7-11 age group, Aubrey Kuhn caught the most fish with 20 followed by Payton McLean, and Isaac Kuhn.



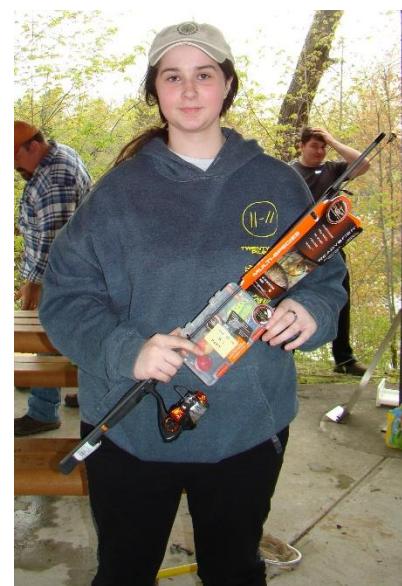
Allen LaHaie, age 10, strikes a pose with his first prize in the 7-11 age group for catching the largest fish, a 13.4" brown bullhead.

There were two winners for longest fish in the age 12-18 group with Aiden Tipton catching a 9.7" Black Crappie and Aubrey Hammond catching an 8.8" Golden Shiner.

In the age 12-18 group, Kimberly Gilmore caught the most fish, two brook trout and eleven pumpkinseeds, followed by Alex Wisecup and Kenny Espita.



Aiden Tipton, age 12, with his prize for catching the longest fish in the ages 12-18 group.



Kimberly Gilmore, age 14, with her first prize in the 12-18 age group for catching 13 fish.



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After a 2-year break, the casting contest resumed. Winners were from 4 age groups.

Carson Sommers, age 5, won his age group with a cast of 57.7 ft. Allena Bush, age 10, won her age group with a cast of 79.9 ft. Alex Wisecup, age 13, won his age group with a cast of 107.5 ft, while Cheyenne Sherlin, age 15, won her age group with a cast of 52.9 ft.



Mr. Erick Bush poses with his daughters, Avamae (left) and Allena (right). Both were winners in this year's derby.

(Right) Alex Wisecup, age 13, poses with one of his two derby prizes, a reel for furthest cast of 107.5 ft. He also caught the 2nd most fish in his age group.



(Right) Alex Servin, age 3, poses in front of the display aquarium with his dad and his prize for catching a 14.7" largemouth bass.



FINAL RESULTS OF 23rd ANNUAL FISHING DERBY IN REMINGTON POND

| FISH SPECIES | # CAUGHT |
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| Pumpkinseed | 65 |
| Yellow Perch | 15 |
| Largemouth Bass | 13 |
| Brook Trout | 12 |
| Black Crappie | 1 |
| Golden Shiner | 8 |
| Brown Bullhead | 1 |
| Rock Bass | 0 |
| White Sucker | 0 |
| TOTAL FISH | 115 |



Participants enjoyed a beautiful, calm, sunny day for fishing at Remington Park.