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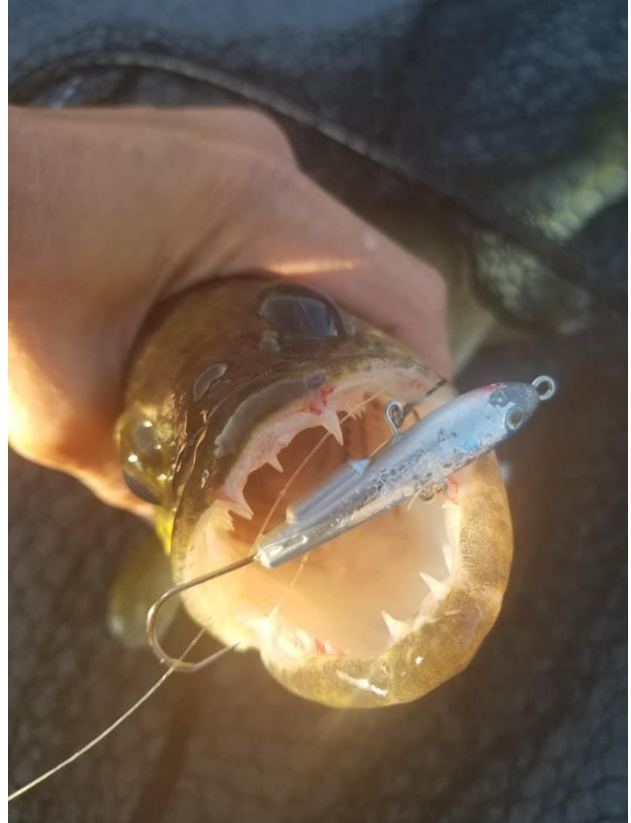
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**Next Meeting Wednesday, January 8, 2020 @6:30pm**

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Kerry Schaible  
Fishing Local Waters  
Winter/Summer**

**Officer Elections!**



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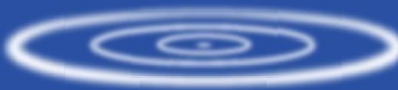
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## **Upcoming RVA Meeting**

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 8 @ 6:30pm

Meeting Location: Hoffman House Banquet Room, 7550 E State St, Rockford, IL

Meeting Details: Elections! Speakers: Leonard Doubleday, Kerry Schaible - Local Waters Winter/Summer

**Member Raffle:** Quantum Smoke Spinning Reel, Cabelas \$100 Gift Certificate

## **News/Announcements**

- RVA hats available—\$10 each!
- Leaders and Lures— For anyone interested in hair jigs, Gene can make jigs, 14 hair colors, your jig heads or his. Willing to negotiate on price. Give him a call at 812-654-0902!

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## **Upcoming Events**

### **Meetings**

RVA	Wednesday, 01/08/20, 6:30pm
Cap City Muskies Inc	01/13/20, 7:00pm Speaker: Phil Schweik – Wisconsin Seasonal Muskie Tactics Coliseum Bar, 232 E. Olin Ave, Madison, WI.
Yahara	01/08/20, 7:00pm Speaker: Brian Hansas – Pursuing Pressured Panfish VFW Hall, 301 Cottage Grove Rd, Madison, WI

### **Outings**

February 22 Ice Fishing Outing. Details TBD. See Chris Olson

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## Fishing for Humor



"Oh, good- I thought I'd lost that plug."

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## **Fishing Contests**

Check the RVA Closed Facebook Group for the most up to date pictures and reports.

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## **December 2019 Fish of The Month Kerry Scheible – 22" Walleye**



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## Fishing Reports

## Wisconsin Waters





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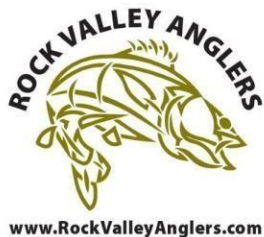
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## **Fishing Reports**

### **David Hall**





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### Fish Contest

Standings as of 1/2/2020

#### Fisherman of the Year

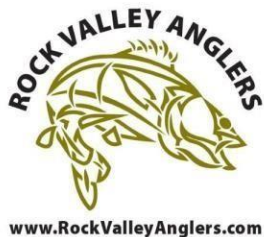
Angler	Smallmouth	Largemouth	Walleye	Bluegill	Crappie	Total Length
Kerry Schaible	21.00	21.00	22.50	8.50	14.00	87.00
Tom Wessein	19.00	19.00	25.00	9.00	15.25	87.25
Chris Olson	17.00	18.25	28.50	11.00	13.25	88.00
Brian Rockwell	21.00		28.50	8.50	12.50	70.50
Pat Abrahamson					12.00	12.00
Nate Bergman	20.25	20.00				40.25
Brian Hansas	20.25		23.00	10.00	12.00	65.25
Chad Riesen			29.50			29.50
Dave McCoy			25.00			25.00
Jerry Fisher		21.00				21.00
John Rasmussen			28.50			28.50
Greg Sterwald	22.25					22.25
Kevin Swan		21.50				

Standings as of 1/2/2020

#### Best of Breed

Species	Angler	Length	Species	Angler	Length
Smallmouth	Greg Sterwald	22.25	Bluegill	Chris Olson	11.00
Largemouth	Kevin Swan	21.50	Crappie	Tom Wessein	15.25
Northern Pike	Gordy Spriggs	43.50	Perch	Brian Rockwell	14.00
Muskie	John Rasmussen	50.00	White Bass	Brian Hansas	15.13
Walleye	Chad Riesen	29.50	Catfish	Chris Olson	34.00
Sauger	Roger Sands	19.50			





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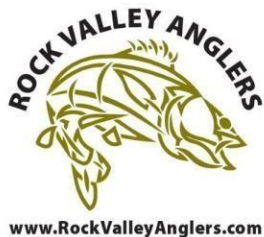
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Standings as of 1/2/2020

### Battle for the Rusty Propeller Trophy - RVA Entries.

	<u>Fish #1</u>	<u>Fish #2</u>	<u>Fish #3</u>
<u>Largemouth</u>			
Chris Olson	18.25		
Kerry Schaible	21.00	20.25	20.00
Tom Wessein	19.00		
Nate Bergman	20.00		
Kevin Swan	21.50		
<u>Pike</u>			
Kerry Schaible	37.00	31.50	31.00
Tom Wessein	32.00		
Brian Vogrinc	33.50		
<u>Blue Gill</u>			
Chris Olson	11.00	10.25	10.25
Brian Hansas	10.00	10.00	9.75
Brian Rockwell	8.50		
Tom Wessein	9.00		
<u>Crappie</u>			
Pat Abrahamson	12.00		
Chris Olson	13.25		
Brian Hansas	12.00	11.25	11.00
Kerry Schaible	14.00	13.50	
Tom Wessein	15.25		
Brian Rockwell	12.50	11.50	11.5



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Standings as of 1/2/2020

	<u>Fish #1</u>	<u>Fish #2</u>	<u>Fish #3</u>
<u>Yellow Perch</u>			
<u>Brian Rockwell</u>	14.00		

<u>White Bass</u>			
Kerry Schaible	14.50	13.50	
Brian Hansas	15.13		

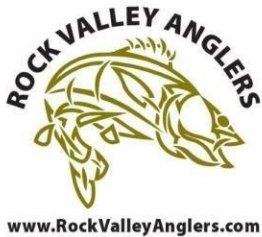
<u>Catfish</u>			
<u>Chris Olson</u>	34.00		
<u>Kerry Schaible</u>	22.00		

<u>Inland Walleye</u>			
Brian Rockwell	28.50	27.50	24.00
Chris Olson	23.75		
Kerry Schaible	22.50	22.00	21.50
Dave McCoy	25.00	24.00	23.00
Brian Hansas	23.00	23.00	22.00
Tom Wessein	25.00		

<u>Great Lakes Smallmouth</u>			
Greg Sterwald	22.25		
	<u>Fish #1</u>	<u>Fish #2</u>	<u>Fish #3</u>

<u>Great Lakes Walleye</u>			
Chad Riesen	29.50		
John Rasmussen	28.50	26.50	
Chris Olson	28.50		

<u>Inland Smallmouth</u>			
Kerry Schaible	21.00	20.50	20.00
Tom Wessein	19.00	15.00	
Chris Olson	17.00		
Brian Rockwell	21.00	19.50	19.50
Nate Bergman	20.25		
Brian Hansas	19.75	19.50	19.25
Chris Olson	17.50		



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### **Contest Rules**

**General:** Only fish caught from waters accessible by the general public are eligible.

#### **Contest #1: Fish of the Month**

For the 1st time, panfish will be considered in this contest. All entries caught during a calendar month will be evaluated by the Board of Directors to determine a winner. Entries must be received by the 3rd Wednesday of the month following the catch to be considered. A \$10 gift card will be awarded to members catching the winning fish. Each member can win only once per year. Species considered—Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass, Northern Pike, Muskie, Walleye, Sauger, Blue gill, Crappie, Perch, White Bass, and Catfish.

#### **Contest #2: Fisherman of the Year**

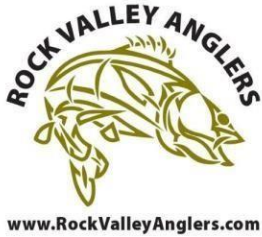
For the 1st time, panfish will be part of this contest. Fish will be judged on length accurate to 1/4 inch. The lengths of each member's best individual fish of 5 different species will be added to determine a total length. A \$100 gift card will be awarded to the longest total length. A \$50 gift card will be awarded to the second longest total length. A \$25 gift card will be awarded to the third longest total length. In the event of ties, the winnings will be split evenly. Contest Species—Small Bass, Largemouth Bass, Walleye, Bluegill, Crappie.

#### **Contest #3: Best of Breed**

Fish will be judged on length accurate to 1/4 inch. A \$20 gift card will be awarded to members catching the longest fish of each species. In the event of ties, a \$40 gift card will be awarded to members catching the longest fish of each species. Each member can win only once per species. Contest Species—Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass, Northern Pike, Muskie, Walleye, Sauger, Bluegill, Crappie, Perch, White Bass, and Catfish

#### **Contest #4: Battle for the Rusty Propeller Trophy**

The Rock Valley Anglers® square off against the Yahara Fishing Club for southern Wisconsin and Northern Illinois angling supremacy in this interclub contest. Entries must be caught in WI or IL. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each category will be awarded 3, 2, and 1 point respectively. In the case of ties, entries will receive equal points. Each member can receive points for only 1 fish in each category. The club with the highest point total will win the Rusty Propeller Trophy! Contest Categories—Great Lakes Smallmouth Bass, Great Lakes Walleye, Inland Smallmouth Bass, Inland Walleye, Largemouth Bass, Northern Pike, Muskie, Bluegill, Crappie, Yellow Perch, White Bass, and Catfish.



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Submitting fish for the contests is very easy. Just use the copy/paste email template. Paste the template into an email, complete the questions, attach picture(s) of the catch, and send to:

rockvalleyanglers@gmail.com

### **Copy/Paste Email Template for Electronic Fish Entries:**

- 1) Name:
  - 2) Date Caught:
  - 3) Species:
  - 4) Length (inches to 1/4 inch):
  - 5) Lake/River:
  - 6) State:
  - 7) Picture: [Yes or No] 8) Date Entered:
  - 9) Witness:
- \*Remember to attach picture(s) to email prior to sending.  
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### **Rock Valley Anglers® - Fishing Contests:**

Contest #1: Fish of the Month

Contest #2: Fisherman of the Year

Contest #3: Best of Breed

Contest #4: Battle for the Rusty Propeller Trophy

See the CONTESTS page of our website, [www.rockvalleyanglers.com/contests](http://www.rockvalleyanglers.com/contests), for additional details.



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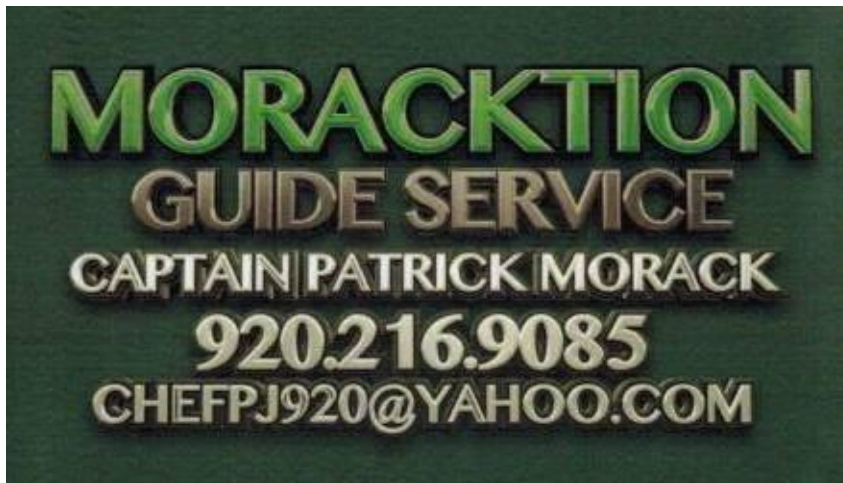
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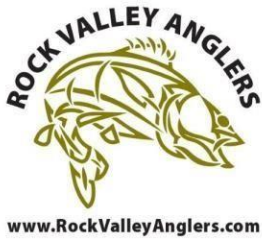
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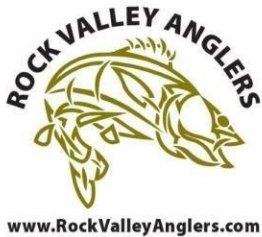
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