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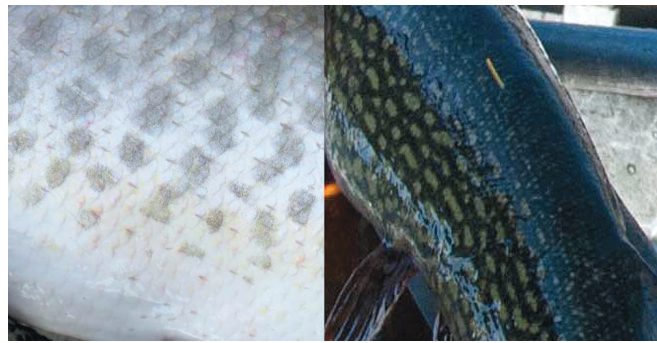
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Thursday, June 22 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Friday, June 23 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

## Muskellunge season begins June 3 — here are the basics



How can you tell the difference between muskellunge and northern pike? One way is to look at the coloration of the fish. A muskie has a light background with dark markings (the appearance of these markings varies). A pike has a dark background with light markings.

Anglers can begin fishing for muskellunge on Saturday, June 3, in Minnesota — a state well known as a muskie fishing destination, according to the Department of Natural Resources.

While committed muskie anglers might cast large lures all season and be happy with a small number of encounters with trophy fish, casual anglers may not be in-the-know about muskies in Minnesota.

To help set the stage, Chris Kavanaugh, northeast region fisheries manager, discussed some muskie basics.

**Q: Where did muskies come from?**

A: Muskies are native to Minnesota waters, and they

were present historically in many lakes and rivers, mainly in the north-central and northeast part of the state in waters connected to each other in the Mississippi River watershed. They were actually found in all the major watersheds in the state.

**Q: What different kinds of muskies are present in Minnesota?**

A: Presently, the fish we consider pure-strain muskies are descended from the fish that lived here historically, and are referred to as the Mississippi River or Leech Lake strain. We also have a small number of waters with smaller-growing native muskie from Shoepack Lake in what's now Voyageurs

National Park, although this strain has not been stocked since the 1980s. Finally, tiger muskies are hybrids of northern pike and muskie.

**Q: Where in Minnesota can you fish for muskie now?**

A: Some well-known muskie lakes include Leech, Cass, Winnibigoshish, Vermilion and Mille Lacs, and the St. Louis River estuary. Muskies are also found on many smaller lakes. Contact a local area fisheries office to ask about local muskie fishing opportunities, and learn about lakes to fish on the DNR LakeFinder at [www.mndnr.gov/lakefind](http://www.mndnr.gov/lakefind).

In all, there are 99 waters managed for muskie and they've also been found in small numbers in another 50 waters. The 99 waters make up 21 percent of the total surface area of all the waters managed for fishing in the state — which means they're here in very low density considering we have 5,500 fishing lakes and several large rivers.

**Q: Does the DNR stock muskies?**

A: Yes, of the 99 waters where we manage for muskie fishing, we stock pure-strain muskie in 50 waters, and

tiger muskie in 11 waters in the Twin Cities metro area. Some waters are stocked every year. Others may be stocked every other year or less frequently. The number stocked in any given water varies from as few as 63 fingerlings to 4,000 fingerlings. In any given year, about 30,000 fingerlings are stocked across the state.

In this area, the DNR muskellunge stocking reports by county and body of water are:

**Aitkin County** In 2016, the DNR last stocked 405 muskellunge fingerlings weighing 100.4 lbs. in Cedar Lake.

**Cass County** In 2016, the DNR last stocked 2,000 muskellunge fingerlings weighing 567.6 lbs. in Gull Lake and 390 muskellunge fingerlings weighing 107.1 lbs. in Roosevelt Lake.

**Crow Wing County** In 2016, the DNR last stocked 30 muskellunge yearlings weighing 30 lbs. in the Mississippi River above Brainerd Dam.

**Itasca County** In 2016, the DNR last stocked 90 muskellunge adults weighing 219.5 lbs. in Blandin; and they last stocked - 185 muskellunge adults weighing 451.2 lbs.

and 207 yearlings weighing 165.6 lbs. in Spider Lake.

**Mille Lacs County** In 2016, the DNR last stocked 954 muskellunge fingerlings weighing 256.8 lbs. and 2,107 fingerlings weighing 526.4 lbs. in Mille Lacs Lake.

**Q: How many people fish for muskie?**

A: Our estimates tell us that about one in six Minnesota resident anglers fish for muskie at least once per year. The popularity and interest in muskie fishing seems to continue to grow.

**Q: Can people eat muskies?**

A: Yes, although the minimum size to keep a muskie on inland waters is 54 inches. On specific lakes in the metro area, the minimum size is 40 inches for tiger muskies. There is a strong catch-and-release ethic among muskie anglers, so fewer anglers choose to harvest these large fish compared with some other species. That's one reason we included muskie in the catch-and-release length category of our state record fish program. The record length for a caught-and-released muskie is 56-7/8 inches from Pelican Lake in Otter Tail County.

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# Fairy garden talk sessions at The Crossing Arts Alliance in Brainerd



Fairy Garden images by Joey Halvorson

Fairy gardener Mary Boran will walk participants through the fun and whimsical world of creating miniature gardens. Two sessions are available: Saturday, June 10, 10 a.m. to noon or Tuesday, June 13, 10 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$10 for The Crossing Arts Alliance members and \$15 for non-members. For more information contact The Crossing Arts Alliance at 218-833-0416 or visit

[www.crossingarts.org](http://www.crossingarts.org). Participants will gather at Mary's home, approximately 6 blocks from the Franklin Arts Center. Address will be given after registration. This is an interactive talk

about how to make miniature gardens, participants will not make gardens at this event. Participants are encouraged to bring their cameras, notebooks, and questions as they tour Mary's garden. In this discussion, Mary will cover choosing a site, mate-



rials, plants, local resources and references.

## Kicking off summer



Memorial Day Weekend was a mixed bag for weather, but it was chock full of sales and others events to kick off summer. Here, Erin Wagner and the Aitkin Women of Today have a cookie sale in downtown Aitkin. Ann Schwartz photo



## Brat sale fund raiser

Marta Swanson, right, dishes up a brat on the lawn of the Aitkin County Courthouse. Area veterans group have the annual brat sale on the line, near the memorial that is dedicated to the troops. Proceeds are used to benefit local veterans who need a helping hand through the VFW Post #1727 Veteran's Relief Fund. Ann Schwartz photo

## Vacation bible school



Hunter Brix and John Frahm are ready for the Maker Fun Factory Vacation Bible School scheduled for June 12-16 at Salem Lutheran Church in Deerwood. Area children (3 years – Grade 6) are invited to participate and learn that they are created by God and built for a purpose! VBS is from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Call Connie Lou Swanson 218-534-3309 for more info.

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**Ongoing Events:**

AA- Aitkin - Meeting closed Wednesday 3 pm Aitkin Alano Club  
 AA - Aitkin - 322 1st Ave. NE 218-927-6240 Sun. Women's Meeting 5:30 pm, Tue. Open Meeting 8 pm, Wed. Women's Meeting 6 pm, Thu. Sober Sailors Open 9 am, Friday Night Grape Vine 6:30 pm.  
 AA Garrison: Monday Night AA (open) 7:30 PM and Wednesday 7:30 PM at Community Alliance Church, 9475 Jefferson St.  
 ALANON - 322 1st Ave NE, Aitkin 6:30 pm Thursday evenings.  
 ALANON Garrison: Wednesday 7:30 PM at Community Alliance Church, 9475 Jefferson St.  
 Aitkin Friends of the Library meet 4th Tue. each month, 1 pm, Aitkin Public Library.  
 Aitkin Women of Today meet 2nd Mon. of month, 6:30 pm, Mille Lacs Energy Coop, info call 218-927-4558. Evening care is available and free. All are welcome!  
 American Legion Aitkin Lee #86 & Unit 86, meets the 2nd Thurs. of each month at 7 p.m.  
 Art Club meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays at the Jaques Art Center in Aitkin, 1-3 pm "Ask an Attorney," Aitkin Co. Sheriff's conference room, 4th Tues. of month at noon.  
 Blow-Hards, a lung disease support group, meets the 4th Thu. of each month, Kanabec Hospital in Mora. Contact Carol, 320-225-3646.  
 Care N Share Community Cafe Community Meal, Wednesdays Located in the fellowship hall in the Wesleyan Church on Highway #6 in Emily. Please call Sharon - 612 669-3295  
 Caregiver/Memory Loss Support Group. Meets the first Wed., 1-2 p.m. at Birchstreet Center, downtown Aitkin. 218-927-1383.  
 Circles of Support meets every Tue., 6-8 pm If you are living paycheck to paycheck and are ready for a change, Circles may be right for you, call Brandi, 800-997-5723.  
 Clear Lake Grange meets second Tue. each month, 6 pm potluck, 7 pm meeting. Meet in member's homes. Info call Vern 320-684-2244 or Roxy 218-927-4558.  
 Clothes Closet offers free clothing to men and women in need, open the fourth Saturdays of each month from 8 a.m. - noon. Located at 6297 Woods Bay Drive NE, just north of the Hwy. 6 bridge in Outing. For more information call 320-857-0182. Donations of clean, repair free clothing accepted that time also.  
 Cooks Night Out - 3rd Wed of month, McGregor Comm. Ctr., 5:30 p.m., no restrictions, donations welcome.  
 Cuyuna Rock Gem & Mineral Club, meet 2nd Sat. each month, 2:30 at Cuyuna Range Community Center, lower level.  
 Deerwood Lakes Lions meet the 2nd Monday of every month, 5:30pm social, 6:00 pm dinner/meeting, at the Heartwood Senior Living. Call 218-831-5683, if you need more information or would like to join our club. Lions affordable hearings aids available to those who qualify. For more information, call Diann Bates 218-546-5237 or 218-838-4768 cell.  
 FASD Caregiver Support Group - For caregivers of individuals with a diagnosed or suspected Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD). Meet with other caregivers (adults only please) for support, understanding, and networking. Meetings are 9 am the second Saturday of each month at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 418 8th Ave. NE, Brainerd. For

more information, please contact Sheila York at 218-820-5903 or syork@mfos.org  
 Friends of Rice Lake National Wildlife Refuge meet 3rd Wed. each month, at 1 pm. at the Visitor Center at 36289 State Hwy. 65, McGregor 218-768-2402  
 Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous Meeting Tuesday evenings, 6:30 pm small conference room at Aitkin Library. No dues, fees or weigh ins. For more information call: 217-248-6434. www.foodaddicts.org  
 Food Shelf (Aitkin) Open every Wednesday, 10:30 am - 3 pm. 102 4th St. NW, Aitkin  
 Food Shelf (Aitkin) at First Lutheran Church open on 2nd and 4th Thurs, 9:30 am-5 pm, at 107 2nd St SE, Aitkin. Must register by 4:45 pm to be served.  
 Food Shelf (Aitkin) Emergency Food Shelf at St. James Catholic Church, Aitkin. Hours are Tuesday from 12 to 3 pm. To enter the food shelf go to the South side of the building, go to the 4th door and look for signs.  
 Food Shelf (Garrison) Open Tue. & Thu. 1-5 pm, at 9541 Madison Street; Garrison. For emergency Food Shelf, call 320-692-5399 and leave a message.  
 Food Shelf (Hill City) Trinity Lutheran Church 3rd Saturday 8 am - Noon or by Appt.  
 Food Shelf (Jacobson) Carmel Lutheran Church 60346 240th Ave, 1st and 3rd Thursday, 4 - 6 pm  
 Food Shelf (McGregor) 45898 Hwy 65 2nd and 4th Wednesday of Month 9 am - Noon  
 Garrison Fire Auxiliary meets 2nd Thu. 7:30 pm, Garrison Fire Hall.  
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 Heart to Heart Support Group, 4th Tue. of month, 2 pm, Kanabec Hospital, int. of Hwy. 65 & 23, Mora.  
 Jacobson Seniors meets every Thu., 10-2 pm at Jacobson Comm. Ctr. Potluck at noon. Beverage provided. All are welcome. For more info., 752-1515.  
 Lymphedema Support Group, 3rd Mon. of month, 6:30 pm, Kanabec Hospital, int. of Hwy. 65 & 23, Mora.  
 Marsh and Meadows Hunting Retriever Club, Mon. 5:30 pm in Pequot Lakes, for more info call Brett 651-270-5648 or facebook/Marsh and Meadows Hunting Retriever Club  
 McGrath City Council, first Thu. of the month, 6:30 pm at fire station hall.  
 McGrath Senior Center meets every Mon. 1-4 pm, cards & games, all are welcome.  
 McGregor Community Meal served at the Community Center on Highway 65 on the Third Wednesday of each month serving from 5:30 - 6:00 pm.  
 McGregor TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) meets Thu., 4 pm weigh in, 4:30 meeting, Minnewawa Sportsman's Club, Goshawk St. (Co. Rd. 6). 218-768-2340 for more info.  
 MS Support Group, meets the 1st Thu. of the month at 7 pm, 606 NW 5th St, Brainerd, 218-824-5228.  
 Mystic Masonic Lodge meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm except June, July & August meet only 1st Tuesday

at 7 pm over the Eye Care Center in Aitkin.  
 Order of Eastern Star, Woodland Chapter 122 in Aitkin meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays September through May and 2nd Tuesday in June and 4th Tuesday in August at 7:30 p.m. above the Eye Care Center in Aitkin; dark July, January & February.

Recovery Worship Service, Cascade United Methodist Church, Crosby/Deerwood, 1st Sat., 5 pm. Everyone is welcome.  
 Rosary is ongoing the fourth Tuesday of each month at 1 pm at the Big Fish, Garrison, contact Jean at 218-764-2665 for more info.  
 RSVP Bone Builders (Osteoporosis exercise program) Mon.: 10 Glory Baptist Church; Tue & Thu: 10-11 First Lutheran Church, Aitkin; 11:30-12:30 Blackrock Terrace, Aitkin; 12:45-1:45 Journey North Church, Aitkin; Wed: 10-11 Malmo Evangelical Free Church, Malmo & Fri: 10-11 Bethesda Lutheran Church, Malmo. Free of charge. Info call 218-927-1383.  
 Second Tuesday Card Party, Deerwood American Legion. Open to public, 1 pm social, card playing 1:30-3:30 pm. Cost \$3 per person. Refreshments.  
 Senior Dance at Deerwood Legion, 1-4 pm, 1st and 3rd Fri. each month.  
 TOPS Aitkin (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Every Tues at East Entrance, First Lutheran Church, 101 2nd St SE, Aitkin Weigh in at 4:30pm and meeting at 5pm  
 TOPS Deerwood (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Mondays 6:30 - 7:30 pm, Deerwood Legion, 23659 Forest Rd, Deerwood. For more information, please contact Lucy Bartz 218-839-2218 or Gwenn Smith 218-246-2180.  
 TOPS Ironton (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meet Monday, 4 pm weigh-in, 4:30 pm meeting at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Crosby. Call Mabel Semler 218-546-6523 for meeting location information.  
 Weight Watchers meets every Wednesday at 5:45 pm at the Deerwood VFW. Weigh in begins at 5:15 pm. For more information, call 218-820-9725.  
**June**  
 2nd - Aitkin High School Commencement, 8pm - 9pm AHS new gym  
 3rd - Garrison's 14th Annual Community Clean-Up Day, 8am - noon. Located at the VFW parking lot in Garrison. Can't find the time to make a trip to the landfill? Drop off appliances, mattresses, batteries, old computers, scrap metal, tires, bikes, couches,

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 3rd & 4th - "Hephzibeth, Woman of Iron" performance by Lauren Nickisch in the Pequot Lakes High School theater. More info at 218-568-9200.  
 4th - McGregor High School Commencement, 2pm - 3pm  
 5th - ECRL Hill City Outreach summer reading program, Reading by Design, kicks off with Professor Marvel's DIY Magic Show at the ill City Community Room at 10:30 a.m. The event is free and open to all ages.  
 5th - Registration for the 27th Annual DCCW Fun, Food & Fund Day held on Thursday, June 15 at St. Ann's Church, 514 First St. SE, Wadena starting 8:30 a.m. followed by Rosary and Mass, silent auction, lunch and door prizes are planned. The Kuhn brothers, Fr. Aaron and Fr. Matthew will entertain. Registrations should be sent to Lois Nanik, 15100 County Road 23, Verndale, MN 56481 (218-445-5395) Join the fun, wear your pearls.  
 5th - ECRL Jacobson Outreach summer reading program, Reading by Design, kicks off with Professor Marvel's DIY Magic Show at the Jacobson Community Center at 1 p.m. The event is free and open to all ages.  
 6th - Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library Author Talk with Nickloas Butler, 6:30 p.m.  
 8th - Women's Cancer Support Group, 2 p.m., CRMC, Crosby  
 8th - Music in the Park, Crosby Memorial Park Free BBQ, demonstrations, activities, giveaway 5 - 7 pm. Live music by Jacked & Cuyuna Rhythm Band 5 - 8 pm. Bring lawn chairs or blankets. For more info, call Jessica Holm-vig at 218-546-8131.  
 10th - The Crossing Arts Alliance Kids Workshops featuring artist Linda Holliday, at lower level of the Franklin Arts Center in Brainerd, 10am- noon. The class is geared towards kids 5 to 13 A \$3 per child/\$5 per family. For more information contact The Crossing Arts Alliance at 218-833-0416

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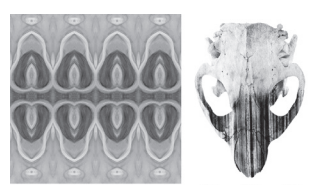
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## Great River Arts "THRESH.HOLD."



"THRESH.HOLD." will be on display until June 29 at Great River Arts in Little Fall. There will be an open, public reception on Saturday, June 3 from noon - 2 p.m.

"THRESH.HOLD." is a beautiful exhibition that features the paintings and artist designed fabrics of Tiffany Besonen, in harmonious juxtaposition to the sharp digital images and fusions of Laura Grisamore. The exhibit allows viewers to explore the process, while embracing the product of overlapping thoughts. Grisamore's work, most from her "Minnesota Artifacts" series, fuses photographs of natural landscapes among various animal skulls. Besonen's work is diverse in material from acrylic paintings on old doors to a short film and digitally created patterns on fabric and wallpaper. The themes explored in the exhibition resonate around crossing barriers- into nature,

into change, through loss and somehow accepting what cannot be controlled to find freedom and beauty. Laura Grisamore has been taking photographs since 2001, graduating with a degree in Journalism in 2003. In 2013, she relocated to Park Rapids, where she opened a portrait and art gallery business. Tiffany Besonen grew up on a sheep farm in North-Central Minnesota, left for a time, but has returned to create, work and live in a quieter, rural place. She currently instructs art for the Menagha School District.

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# Minnesota DNR sees boatload of state record fish applications



Cayden Hutmacher caught a new state record, a 5-pound 4-ounce shortnose gar.

a large fish. Someone's chances of catching aunker depend on a variety of factors including the species and location. Anglers fishing for lake sturgeon, for example, now have better chances of catching large ones because of the recovery and restrictive harvest regulations have led to their numbers increasing.

On the level of individual fish, catch-and-release fishing often means large fish returned to the water can keep growing.

"Anglers are in some cases benefiting from good fisheries management decisions and environmental cleanup of past decades, especially when it comes to long-lived fish like sturgeon," Kurre said. "In some cases, specific state record holders probably wouldn't have the record without other anglers releasing that fish in the past."

Anglers also might be taking more of an interest in identifying and trying to catch obscure species – like golden redhorse or shortnose gar – and boosting their personal life-lists for species caught. Such was the goal in the case of one recent record.

"The newest record for the

shortnose gar involved a cool story of a father and son who set out to fill out their life species list and were targeting some of the more obscure fish," Kurre said. "They succeeded and not only are they up to 45 out of the recognized 62 state record fish on their list, they have a new state record with a shortnose gar."

So far the record count this year stands at four: a 5-pound 4-ounce shortnose gar caught by Cayden Hutmacher; two caught and released lake sturgeon that were 70 inches long caught by Tim Deiman and Mark Minnick; and a

Minnesota River the same day on May 15, about 100 miles apart from each other. The fish may have ended up tied with the current 49-inch length record; however, one of the anglers didn't have a witness and the DNR hasn't received a record application for the other.

The largest catch-and-release record submitted for consideration this year came from the Minnesota-Canada border waters, a submission that stated it as a 72-inch lake sturgeon. Unfortunately, there was no photo of that fish on the ruler so it could not be



A 4-pound 7-ounce golden redhorse was caught by Mathew Williams.

able, since outside a cadre of top-level anglers, few go out fishing expecting to catch one of these huge fish. Or, in the other cases, solo anglers would have just needed to take someone else fishing with them."

Kurre recommends anglers become familiar with the record-fish guidelines and be ready to take the required photos and go through the correct procedures for submitting the record – especially when equipped with the fishing tackle and on waters where they might catch record fish.

The DNR will in coming weeks announce new state records in news releases and online. Find current records and guidelines for each type of state record at [mndnr.gov/recordfish](http://mndnr.gov/recordfish).



Tim Deiman caught and released this lake sturgeon that was 70 inches long.



Mark Minnick also caught and released a lake sturgeon that was 70 inches long.

Interest has ramped up this spring in the state record fish program of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, with five applications for four species including everything from shortnose gar, lake sturgeon, golden redhorse and the quillback carpsucker.

"This is by far the wildest, craziest spring we've ever had. We've never had so many record submissions and so much interest in such a short span of time," said Mike Kurre, state record fish program coordinator. "They're all impressive catches and

show interest in the program is growing and that there are some huge fish out there in Minnesota."

There are two kinds of Minnesota state records: One for catching and keeping the biggest fish in each species based on certified weight; and the other for the length of a caught and released muskellunge, lake sturgeon or flathead catfish.

A bump-up in applications for record fish shows interest in the state record fish program, but a bump in records tells little about an angler's overall chances of catching

## CLC TRIO Upward Bound students



Pictured from left to right (back): Marissa Lentz, Alex Davis, Jasmine Kramer, Madison Sam (front): Cassidy White, Xanna Pedersen, Jessica Otto, Avalon Peterson

Eight Central Lakes College TRIO Upward Bound students attended the National Girls in STEM conference hosted by the Educational Opportunity Association at Central Michigan University May 19-21. The CLC students are from Onamia, Isle, Pierz-Healy, Long Prairie-Grey Eagle, Browerville and Sta-

ples-Motley high schools.

STEM includes the fields of science, technology, engineering and math, which often lack female representation. At the conference, the CLC TRIO Upward Bound students developed leadership skills and met other girls from 10 different states, all interested in similar careers.

They also had the opportunity to listen to Marlin Williams, who shared advice for success in male dominated fields. Williams learned to code in 13 languages in seven weeks at the beginning of her career and now has worked for two fortune 500 companies and assisted with events

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## LEGAL NOTICE

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### WEALTHWOOD TOWNSHIP MEETING NOTICE

The Wealthwood Township regular meeting will be on June 6, 2017 instead of June 13, 2017 due to scheduling conflicts. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

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4-pound 7-ounce golden redhorse caught by Mathew Williams.

Social media even fueled some recent speculation that there would be two other candidates for flathead catfish records after photos surfaced of anglers who caught, photographed and released large catfish on the

certified as a record. There was also an application for a quillback carpsucker that turned out to be a bigmouth buffalo.

"Some of the potential records submitted for the catch-and-release category haven't had a photo of the complete fish on a ruler," Kurre said. "It's understand-

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