



WEEKLY FISHING REPORTS



WATER Spring Lake South

FISHING REPORT DATE: 10-21-05

No fishing reports until spring

FISHING REPORT DATE: 10-14-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Not much change from last week. Water levels are o.k. and near normal level for this time of year. Anglers are successful especially during later evening hours. Catfish are receiving most of the attention.

FISH: catfish ... good in the evenings with just about any variety of baits doing well and best success with stinkbaits.

FISH: bass ... good in the evenings using topwater lures and plastic lizards

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Hunting Bait & Tackle and Galvin's Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 10-01-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Not much change from last week. Water levels are o.k. and near normal level for this time of year. Anglers are successful especially during later evening hours. Catfish are receiving most of the attention.

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FISH: bass ... good in the evenings using topwater lures and plastic lizards

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Hunting Bait & Tackle and Galvin's Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 9-09-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Not much change from last week. Water levels are o.k. and near normal level for this time of year. Anglers are successful especially during later evening hours. Catfish are receiving most of the attention.

FISH: catfish ... good in the evenings with just about any variety of baits doing well and best success with stinkbaits.

FISH: bass ... good in the evenings using topwater lures and plastic lizards

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Hunting Bait & Tackle and Galvin's Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 9-02-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Not much change from last week. Water levels are o.k. and near normal level for this time of year. Anglers are successful especially during later evening hours. Catfish are receiving most of the attention.

FISH: crappie ... rated fair to good, crankbaits are hard to beat, with the rain creating a little run off that bring nutrients into the water, it encourages the bas to move shallow and feed. Pick a good spot and fire.

FISH: bluegill ... rated fair to good, anglers are having good luck presenting most baits to the fish and are reeling in 1 to 10 pounders. Their favorite bait is night crawlers, chicken livers, crawdads, stinkbait and cut shad. Fishing is most rewarding during the later evening hours.

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Hunting Bait & Tackle and Galvin's Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 8-26-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Not much change from last week. Water levels are o.k. and near normal level for this time of year. Anglers are successful expecially during later evening hours. Catfish are receiving most of the attention.

FISH: Largemouth bass ... rated fair to good, crankbaits are hard to beat, with the rain creating a little run off that bring nutrients into the water, it encourages the bas to move shallow and feed. Pick a good spot and fire.

FISH: Channel catfish ... rated good, anglers are having good luck presenting most baits to the fish and are reeling in 1 to 10 pounders. Their favorite bait is night crawlers, chicken livers, crawdads, stinkbait and cut shad. Fishing is most rewarding during the later evening hours.

NOTES: Catfish feed more during late evening and night time hours or on overcast days making it prime time to fish.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 8-19-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Lake levels are fairly normal, rain has been received recently in this area. Cooler temperatures have been welcomes and fishing is picking up. Bank lines and boat fishing is rewarding.

FISH: crappie and bluegill ... rated slow, try fishing deeper water with minnows and wax worms.

FISH: largemouth bass ... rated good, evening hours are producing the best results, put your hook in 4 to 6 feet of water and bait it with buzz baits, white, gray mouse, or scum frogs in white or green are favored. Nice sized fish are being reeled in.

FISH: catfish ... rated good, stink bait and dew worms are working well this week. Stink bait sure does stink, but it works. The water carries the smell to the fish and it looks for the hook.

NOTES: Reports provided by Galvin's Springlake Market. A fishing tournament is held on Tuesday nights, this past week the anglers were successful catching fish with the winner weighing in at 4.11 pounds.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 8-12-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Weather too hot and water too low for much fishing activity and a report for this week.

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Hunting Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin and Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 8-05-05

WATER CONDITIONS: The was has warmed up some with the warm we had, but should be a great weekend to fish!

FISH: bass ... the tournament on Tuesday brought in quite afew with their limits using weedless baits - 3 pound average - saw a 4 pounder with the tournament.

FISH: catfish ... fair using dead baits and dew worms - a 6 pounder caught using dew worms this week.

FISH: bluegill ... still poor due to the weather.

NOTES: Report provided by Troy at Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 7-29-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Water has cooled somewhat - fishing should be great for the weekend!

FISH: bass ... the tournament on Tuesday brought in quite a few with a 4 pounder caught using weedless and buzz baits.

FISH: catfish ... good using dew worms and stink baits

FISH: bluegill are poor

NOTES: Report provided by Troy at Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 7-22-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Weather too hot and water too low for much fishing activity and a report for this week.

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Hunting Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin and Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 7-15-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Water is very warm and low!

FISH: channel catfish ... good using cut bluegill, Sonny's baits, crawdads, stinkbaits and shrimp - A 5 pounder caught this week.

FISH: bluegill ... excellent using wax worms.

FISH: bass ... good using topwater weedless lures

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Hunting Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin and Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 7-08-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Water is very warm and low!

FISH: channel catfish ... good using cut bluegill, Sonny's baits, crawdads, stinkbaits and shrimp - A 5 pounder caught this week.

FISH: bluegill ... excellent using wax worms.

FISH: bass ... good using topwater weedless lures

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Hunting Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin and Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 6-30-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Water is very warm and low!

FISH: channel catfish ... excellent using shrimp, stink baits, and leeches

FISH: bluegill ... good using crickets and wax worms.

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Hunting Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin and Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 6-24-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Water is very warm and low - not much fishing going on.

FISH: catfish ... excellent using shrimp, stinks baits, and cut bluegill - sizes are big and running anywhere between 15-20 pounds.

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Hunting Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin and Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 6-17-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Great weekend to fish! Nice weather!

FISH: bluegill ... excellent and starting to bed up - best bait are wax worms and red worms.

FISH: channel catfish ... fair using cut baits and shad guts

FISH: bass ... excellent using plastics, lizards and top water baits due to the lily pads

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin and Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 6-10-05

WATER CONDITIONS: The water is warming up with the heat!

FISH: catfish ... good using cut baits and stink baits

FISH: bluegill ... still good but small in sizes in the morning hours.

FISH: crappie ... good in the evening hours

FISH: largemouth bass ... done recovering from the spawn and are beginning to bite in the morning hours or later in the evening using topwater baits or crankbaits.

NOTES: Catfish tournament coming up on June 18th - Reports provided by Riverside Bait & Tackle in Pekin, The Bait Place in Pekin and Galvins Springlake Market on the lake.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 6-03-05

WATER CONDITIONS: There is no change in the fishing report for this week.

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin and Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 5-27-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Great weekend to fish! Nice weather!

FISH: bluegill ... excellent and starting to bed up - best bait are wax worms and red worms.

FISH: channel catfish ... fair using cut baits and shad guts

FISH: bass ... excellent using plastics, lizards and top water baits due to the lily pads

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin and Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 5-20-05

WATER CONDITIONS: The cooler weather has slowed the fishing somewhat.

FISH: crappie ... good

FISH: bass ... excellent using lizzards, crankbaits and jig n pig

FISH: channel catfish ... excellent using dew worms, cut baits and stink baits - best fishing is in the south end.

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin and Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 5-13-05

WATER CONDITIONS: The cooler weather has slowed the fishing somewhat.

FISH: crappie ... good

FISH: bass ... good - the tournament on the 11th brought in some nice 3-4 pounders!

FISH: channel catfish ... excellent using dew worms, cut baits and stink baits - best fishing is in the south end.

NOTES: Reports provided by Riverside Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin and Galvins Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 5-06-05

WATER CONDITIONS: The water temperature should start raising with the warmer temperatures!

FISH: crappie ... good

FISH: bass ... excellent using crankbaits and spinner baits

NOTES: With the warming of the water the bluegill and any panfish should be great fishing! Reports provided by Riverside Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 04-29-05

WATER CONDITIONS: The fishing has slowed due to the cooler weather.

FISH: crappie ... fair using waxies and minnows

FISH: bluegill ... fair using waxies and minnows

NOTES: Report provided by Riverside Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin, Galvin's Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 04-22-05

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: crappie ... excellent using minnows and tube jigs

FISH: bass ... excellent using lizzards, crankbaits and jig n pig

NOTES: Report provided by Riverside Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin, Galvin's Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 04-15-05

WATER CONDITIONS: clear and Water is warming up!

FISH: crappie ... good using jigs and wax worms with minnows in the thick brush - evenings are the best

FISH: bass ... good using lizzards and spinner baits

NOTES: Report provided by Riverside Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin, Galvin's Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 04-08-05

WATER CONDITIONS: Water is warming up!

FISH: bluegill ... fair to good using wax worms

FISH: catfish ... fair to good using shad guts, liver, shrimp and night crawlers; sizes are averaging 3 pounds.

FISH: crappie ... good using tube jigs, minnows and wax worms - North end best for catchin crappie right now!

FISH: white bass ... good using spinner baits - acouple 4 pounders caught!

FISH: muskie ... spotty while out fishing for bass

NOTES: Report provided by Riverside Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin, Galvin's Springlake Market.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 04-01-05

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: crappie ... good with big numbers being caught with minnows, tube jigs and cubby mini mites late in the day

FISH: bass ... good using spinners and baby minus crankbait

FISH: channel catfish ... good using stinkbaits, dew worms shad and liver

NOTES: Report provided by Riverside Bait & Tackle and The Bait Place in Pekin, Galvin's Springlake Market and SouthSide Worm Ranch in Peoria.

FISHING REPORT DATE: 11-05-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

NOTE: Lake closed to boat fishing as of October 23rd except in Pike Hole and North of Maple Island. Bank fishing only after 1p.m. Carry-in boats at Pike Hold. Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 10-29-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: bluegill ... spotty to fair with best fishing reported to be at the Pike Hole.

NOTE: Lake closes to boat fishing October 23rd except in Pike Hole and North of Maple Island. Bank fishing only after 1p.m. Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 10-22-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair to spotty using dip baits and nightcrawlers; best fishing is reported to be in the evenings

FISH: bluegill ... fair using wax worms near the shoreline brush and weed edges

FISH: bass ... fair using plastics, jigs and spinnerbaits

NOTE: Lake closes to boat fishing October 23rd except in Pike Hole and North of Maple Island. Bank fishing only after 1p.m. Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 10-15-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair to spotty using dip baits and nightcrawlers; best fishing is reported to be in the evenings

FISH: bluegill ... fair using wax worms near the shoreline brush and weed edges

FISH: bass ... fair using plastics, jigs and spinnerbaits

FISH: crappie ... fair using minnows; scattered

NOTE: Lake closes to boat fishing October 23rd except in Pike Hole and North of Maple Island. Bank fishing only after 1p.m.
Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 10-01-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair to spotty using dip baits and nightcrawlers; best fishing is reported to be in the evenings

FISH: bluegill ... fair using wax worms near the shoreline brush and weed edges

FISH: bass ... fair to good using plastics and most topwater weedless baits

FISH: crappie ... fair using minnows; scattered

NOTE: Lake closes to boat fishing October 23rd except in Pike Hole and North of Maple Island. Bank fishing only after 1p.m.
Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 09-17-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair using dip baits; best fishing is reported to be in the evenings

FISH: bluegill ... fair to spotty using nightcrawlers near the shoreline brush and weed edges

FISH: bass ... fair to good using topwater weedless plastic baits and jigs

FISH: northern pike ... spotty

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 09-10-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair using dip baits, liver and cut shad; best fishing is reported to be in the evenings

FISH: bluegill ... fair near the shoreline brush and weed edges

FISH: bass ... fair using weedless plastic baits or buzzbaits; best fishing is in the evenings

FISH: northern pike ... spotty

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 09-03-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair using dip baits, liver and cut shad; best fishing is reported to be in South end in the evenings

FISH: bluegill ... fair near the shoreline brush and weed edges

FISH: bass ... spotty to fair using weedless plastic baits or buzzbaits; best fishing is in the evenings

FISH: northern pike ... spotty

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 08-27-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair using shrimp and dip baits; best fishing is reported to be in South end in the evenings

FISH: bluegill ... fair near the shoreline brush and weed edges

FISH: bass ... spotty to fair using weedless plastic baits or buzzbaits; best fishing is in the evenings

FISH: northern pike ... spotty

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 08-20-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... good using shrimp and dip baits; best fishing is reported to be in South end in the evenings

FISH: bluegill ... fair near the weed edges

FISH: bass ... spotty to fair

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 08-13-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair to good using nightcrawlers, shrimp, and dip baits; best fishing is reported to be in South end

FISH: bluegill ... fair to spotty using cut baits and dip baits near the shoreline brush and weeds

FISH: northern pike ... spotty to fair; best fishing is reported to be along the bluff at south end

FISH: muskie ... spotty using trolled bright colored stickbaits

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 08-06-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair using cut baits and dipbaits; best fishing is reported to be in South end

FISH: bluegill ... fair to spotty using cut baits and dip baits near the shoreline brush and weeds

FISH: northern pike ... spotty; best fishing is reported to be along the bluff at south end

FISH: muskie ... fair using trolled stickbaits

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 07-30-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair using cut baits and dipbaits; best fishing is reported to be in South end

FISH: bluegill ... fair to spotty using cut baits and dip baits near the shoreline brush and weeds

FISH: northern pike ... fair using spinners, big minnows and bluegill; best fishing is reported to be along the bluff at south end

FISH: muskie ... fair using trolled stickbaits

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 07-23-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair using cut baits and dipbaits; best fishing is reported to be along the rocks near the road and in South Lake

FISH: bluegill ... fair using wax worms near the shoreline brush and weeds

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 07-16-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair to good using cut baits and dipbaits; best fishing is reported to be along the rocks near the road and in South Lake

FISH: bluegill ... fair to good using wax worms near the shoreline brush and weeds

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 07-09-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair to good using cut baits and dipbaits; best fishing is reported to be along the rocks near the road and in South Lake

FISH: bluegill ... fair to good using wax worms near the shoreline brush and weeds

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 07-02-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair using nightcrawlers, cut baits and dipbaits; best fishing is reported near the shore in South Lake

FISH: bluegill ... fair using wax worms near the shoreline brush and weeds

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 06-25-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair using nightcrawlers and or dipbaits; best fishing is reported near the shore in South Lake

FISH: bluegill ... good using wax worms near the shoreline brush and weeds

NOTE: Report provided by Larry's Fishing Hole on the net

FISHING REPORT DATE: 06-18-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair using nightcrawlers, dip baits or cut baits; best fishing is reported in the south lake

FISH: bluegill ... good using wax worms near the shoreline brush and weeds; sizes are ranging between 6 to 8 inches

FISHING REPORT DATE: 06-11-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair using nightcrawlers, dip baits and cut baits in the South Lake

FISH: bluegill ... fair using wax worms; sizes are ranging between 6 to 8 inches; best fishing is reported in the weeds in the south end

FISHING REPORT DATE: 05-28-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair to spotty using nightcrawlers, dip baits, and cut baits

FISH: bluegill ... good using wax worms and nightcrawlers near the shoreline

NOTES: Report provided by Larry at Larry's Fishing Hole

FISHING REPORT DATE: 05-21-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair to spotty using nightcrawlers, dip baits, and cut baits

FISH: bluegill ... fair using wax worms near the shoreline

FISHING REPORT DATE: 05-14-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair using nightcrawlers and cut baits

FISH: bass ... fair using small crankbaits and plastics; reported to be near spawn

NOTES: Report provided by Larry at Larry's Fishing Hole

FISHING REPORT DATE: 05-07-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: crappie ... fair to good using jigs and minnows

FISH: bluegill ... fair using waxies; sizes are small

FISH: catfish ... fair to slow using nightcrawlers and cut baits

FISHING REPORT DATE: 4-30-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: crappie ... fair using jigs

FISH: bluegill ... fair using nightcrawlers

FISH: channel catfish ... fair using cut bait

FISH: bass ... fair using crankbaits

FISHING REPORT DATE: 4-23-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: channel catfish ... good using leeches, nightcrawlers and cut bait off the banks

FISHING REPORT DATE: 4-16-04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: catfish ... fair; using shad and nightcrawlers; best fishing is from shore

FISHING REPORT DATE: 4/6/04

WATER CONDITIONS:

FISH: crappie ... fair; using jigs and minnows; best fishing at south lake near pike hole
