



Pennsylvania's Biggest Fish of 2015

*Angler Award Program Summary
Top Fish Submitted for each Category*

BASS, LARGEMOUTH

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Frank H. Bole V	Monroeville	Keystone Lake	7/20	Berkley Havoc	9 lb. 8 oz.	20.75	16
Wade Rickard	Honesdale	Lake Wallenpaupack	8/13	Fake Frog	9 lb. 3 oz.	24.5	18.5
Nathan Blackwood	Butler	Lake Arthur	6/23	Alewife	8 lb. 7 oz.	23.5	17.5
Kim Kehs	Mohrsville	Lake Ontelaunee	5/10	Trick Worm	8 lb. 7 oz.	24.5	17.5
Nathan Blackwood	Butler	Lake Arthur	6/27	Alewife	8 lb. 5 oz.	24.25	22

BASS, ROCK

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Curtis E. Silk Jr	Wrightsville	Lake Marburg	5/26	Nightcrawler	1 lb. 3 oz.	12	-
John E. Rotto Sr	North Apollo	Pymatuning Reservoir	6/21	Shiner	15 oz.	9.25	10.5
Raymond Fortuna III	Glenshaw	Allegheny River	8/23	Spinner	12 oz.	6	-
Chad M. Umbaugh	New Kensington	Yellow Creek Lake	5/3	Minnow	8 oz.	9.25	7.5
Julie Umbaugh	New Kensington	Raystown Lake	6/16	Shiner	6 oz.	8.5	7

BASS, SMALLMOUTH

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
William Tyler	Pittsburgh	Keystone Lake	12/13	Creek Chub	7 lb. 10 oz.	23.5	18.25
William Tyler	Pittsburgh	Keystone Lake	12/14	Creek Chub	7 lb. 9 oz.	23	17
Austin Saville	Oil City	Justus Lake	6/29	Bluegill	6 lb. 15 oz.	24.75	17.5
Barry Buchecker	Neffs	Lake Wallenpaupack	6/29	Cotton Cordell Big O	6 lb. 5 oz.	22	-
Jeffrey J. Trimber	Moon Twp	Tionesta Reservoir	8/14	Jig	6 lb. 2 oz.	22.25	-

BASS, STRIPED—LAKE

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
John H. Muir	Kunkletown	Beltzville Lake	7/4	Trout	29 lb.	40.5	-
Tom Williams	Bethlehem	Lake Wallenpaupack	4/26	Thunderstick	23 lb.	38	20
Ben Gervinski	Holidaysburg	Lake Arthur	8/22	Nightcrawler	7 lb. 1 oz.	23.5	-
Ron Aglio	West Newton	Lake Arthur	7/3	Shiner	6 lb. 10 oz.	23.5	-
Fred Exley	Belle Vernon	Lake Arthur	7/3	Shiner	6 lb. 10 oz.	23	-

BASS, STRIPED—MARINE

No submissions							
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BASS, WHITE

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Barry Fink	Venetia	Lake Erie	8/16	Storm	2 lb. 2 oz.	15	13
John Rotto Jr	North Apollo	Lake Erie	6/20	Shiner	1 lb. 13 oz.	16	11.5

Landon Sysock	New Albany	Lake Erie	8/23	Storm	1 lb. 10 oz.	15	11
John E. Rotto Sr	North Apollo	Pymatuning Reservoir	7/11	Shiner	1 lb. 3 oz.	14.5	9.5
Nathan Sosinski	Bridgeville	Ohio River	8/20	Minnow	-	14.5	-

BLUEGILL

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
John Rotto Sr	North Apollo	Crooked Creek Lake	5/31	Nightcrawler	1 lb. 7 oz.	11.5	12.5
Chad Umbaugh	New Kensington	Crooked Creek Lake	5/31	Nightcrawler	1 lb. 4 oz.	11.25	11.5
John Rotto Sr	North Apollo	Crooked Creek Lake	5/31	Nightcrawler	1 lb. 2 oz.	11	11.5
Chad Umbaugh	New Kensington	Crooked Creek Lake	5/31	Nightcrawler	1 lb. 1 oz.	11	11
David K Miller	Loganton	Hills Creek Lake	6/19	Grub	14 oz.	10.25	10.5

CARP

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
John Rotto Jr	North Apollo	Yellow Creek	7/2	Bread	47 lb. 6 oz.	49	-
John Rotto Sr	North Apollo	Pymatuning Reservoir	5/25	Bread	38 lb. 7 oz.	40	-
Duane E. Kopera	Patton	Glendale Lake	5/28	Dough Ball	38 lb. 4 oz.	44	10.5
John M. Zelko	Steelton	Swatara Creek	6/13	-	31 lb. 14 oz.	37.63	25.25
Michael Martinez	Philadelphia	Delaware River	10/8	Bread	29 lb. 4 oz.	34	26

CATFISH, BULLHEAD

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Phil Stoneback	Souderton	Lake Nockamixon	6/13	Rubber Worm	2 lb. 1 oz.	15.75	-
Joshua Zelko	Steelton	Conewago Lake	6/11	Bowfishing	1 lb. 10 oz.	14	9.25
Julie Umbaugh	New Kensington	Sinnemahoning Lake	5/24	Fathead	1 lb. 8 oz.	14	9
Chad Umbaugh	New Kensington	Yellow Creek Lake	5/20	Shiner	1 lb. 4 oz.	14	9
Ian Buday	Johnstown	Glendale Lake	6/29	Nightcrawler	-	14	-

CATFISH, CHANNEL

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Daniel Krivanek	Bridgeville	Raccoon Lake	8/12	Minnow	22 lb.	36	-
Howard H. Cool Jr	Littlestown	Long Arm Dam	10/24	Shrimp	16 lb. 10 oz.	32	20
Ruel A. Root IV	Titusville	Lake Erie	9/23	Minnow	15 lb. 8 oz.	36	19
Karyn V. Rapp	Pen Argyl	Delaware River	7/19	Cut Bait	15 lb. 8 oz.	28.5	16
Stephen Dombrowski	Girard	Lake Erie	10/5	Minnow	14 lb. 14.5 oz.	32.75	20

CATFISH, FLATHEAD

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Charise Moser	Tamaqua	Susquehanna River	10/15	Sunfish	46 lb. 8 oz.	46	27
Austin Sutliff	Warren	Susquehanna River	11/1	Rock Bass	44 lb. 8 oz.	45.5	26.5
William Terry Jr	Southwick	Susquehanna River	7/4	Sunfish	42 lb. 8 oz.	45	26.5
Andrew Publicover	Sunbury	Susquehanna River	8/25	Sunfish	40 lb. 8 oz.	45	26.5
Chuck E. Kennedy	Belle Vernon	Susquehanna River	6/6	Bluegill	40 lb. 6 oz.	43	27

CATFISH, WHITE

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Perry S. Focht	Blandon	Ontelaunee Lake	2/14	Minnow	14 lb.	31	-

John E. Rotto Sr	North Apollo	Lake Arthur	8/16	Minnow	7 lb. 6 oz.	24.75	-
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CRAPPIE

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Corinne Price	Moon Twp	Lake Wilhelm	7/3	Hot & Tot	4 lb.	17.5	14
Carl Stokes	Upper Blk Eddy	Lake Wallenpaupak	4/29	Grub	4 lb.	17	-
Jason M. Tomko	Harrisburg	Ontelaunee Lake	2/6	Minnow	3 lb. 14 oz.	18.75	15.38
Jason Tomko	Harrisburg	Ontelaunee Lake	2/4	Minnow	3 lb. 4 oz.	18	15
Darrell Lenn Jr	New Castle	Shenango Lake	6/10	Minnow	3 lb.	18	-

DRUM, FRESHWATER (SHEEPSHEAD)

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Joe Pinkle	Ellwood City	Lake Erie	7/14	Jig	14 lb. 8 oz.	24.75	-
David Murphy	Philippi, WV	Lake Erie	6/6	Crankbait	11 lb. 3 oz.	26	18
Chad Umbaugh	New Kensington	Allegheny River	6/11	Minnow	9 lb. 12 oz.	28	18
Landon Sysock	New Albany	Lake Erie	7/12	Storm	9 lb. 12 oz.	28	18.5
Kerri Ann O' Connor	Venetia	Youghiogheny River	7/3	Minnow	9 lb. 9 oz.	28.75	18.75

MUSKELLUNGE

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Lauren Corba	Exton	Marsh Creek	8/15	Bucktail	48 lb.	50	30
Paul L W. Manners	Brookville	Allegheny River	6/27	Creek Chub	35 lb.	51.75	22
Carole R. Semonik	Ambridge	Pymatuning Lake	8/29	Rapala	29 lb. 14 oz.	48	22.25
John M. Zelko	Steelton	Swatara Creek	4/25	Bluegill	17 lb. 5 oz.	40	18
Nicholas Colangelo	Pittsburgh	Allegheny Watershed	2/9	Shiner	-	53	29

MUSKELLUNGE, TIGER

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Matt Klein	Lebanon	Conawago Creek	4/19	Minnow	-	42	-
Michael Yannick	Hummelstown	Susquehanna River	9/27	Jerkbait	-	52	22
Charles Way	Front Royal, VA	Curwensville Lake	7/5	Hot Tail	-	40	-
Andrew Way	Dallastown	Curwensville Dam	7/5	Electric Bunny	-	43	-

PERCH, WHITE

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Alyssa Camarata	Glen Mills	Octoraro Reservoir	5/9	Nightcrawler	1 lb.	13	8.5
Freedom Mimmall	Wrightsville	Lake Williams	6/10	Nightcrawler	-	10	-

PERCH, YELLOW

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Evan Esper	Altoona	Glendale Lake	12/12	Nightcrawler	2 lb. 8 oz.	14.75	7.25
Robert Herman	Wattsburg	Lake Erie	6/30	Minnow	1 lb. 15 oz.	14	10.25
Rob Mizikowski	Erie	Presque Isle Bay	3/26	Minnow	1 lb. 12 oz.	15	11.25
David Moore	Renovo	Lake Erie	8/24	Minnow	1 lb. 12 oz.	14.5	11.75
Scott J. Hayes	Erie	Presque Isle Bay	3/28	Shiner	1 lb. 9 oz.	14.5	9

PICKEREL, CHAIN

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Joseph A. Phillips	Canonsburg	High Point Lake	10/26	Jig & Minnow	5 lb.	25	9.5
Ronald Nederostek	Slatington	Lake Wallenpaupack	12/27	Trout	5 lb.	26.5	-
Garry Shook	Hawley	Lake Wallenpaupack	3/25	Minnow	4 lb. 14 oz.	26	13
Dennis M. Lubas	Reading	Lake Ontelaunee	1/17	Shiner	4 lb. 12 oz.	25.5	10.75
Alex Richner	Houtzdale	Curwensville Dam	7/5	Rebel Fatrap	3 lb. 2 oz.	25.5	8.75

PIKE, NORTHERN

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Raymond J. Labertew	Pittsburgh	Lake Erie	5/2	Minnow	20 lb.	40	-
Edward R. Kickler	Verona	High Point Lake	2/11	Shiner	19 lb. 4 oz.	41	20.25
Mark Emanuele	Oakmont	High Point Lake	1/20	Shiner	16 lb. 1 oz.	40.25	18
Stanley Fischli	Farmington	Youghiogheny River	5/2	Shiner	13 lb. 8 oz.	39	-
Ashley F. Dressler	McClure	Walker Lake	8/23	Cut Bait	13 lb. 1 oz.	39	14.5

SALMON, CHINOOK

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Edward T. Prihode	McKeesport	Lake Erie	8/8	Reef Runner	8 lb. 12 oz.	27	14.5

SAUGER

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
No submissions							

SHAD, AMERICAN

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Dave Bausch	Mohrsville	Delaware River	5/2	Spoon	4 lb. 11 oz.	22	-

STEELHEAD

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Mike Felix	Danville	20 Mile Creek	4/5	Minnow	11 lb. 8 oz.	31	19
Matthew Umbrell	Dry Run	Lake Erie	8/13	Storm	11 lb. 2 oz.	33	19
Thomas Hudock	Latrobe	Elk Creek	11/1	Sucker Spawn	10 lb. 10 oz.	30	16.25
John P Peckman	Reading	12 Mile Creek	11/12	Egg Sack	10 lb. 6 oz.	29	17.25
Bradley Porter	Jefferson Hills	Elk Creek	10/11	Little Cleo	8 lb. 8 oz.	29	14.5

SUCKERS

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
John B. Zelko	Steeltown	Swatara Creek	6/10	-	5 lb. 8 oz.	22.5	13
Chad Umbaugh	New Kensington	Crooked Creek Spillway	6/5	Nightcrawler	3 lb. 14 oz.	21.5	12
Keagan Zelko	Steeltown	Elk Creek	5/1	Nightcrawler	3 lb. 5 oz.	24	14.5
John M. Zelko	Steeltown	Swatara Creek	4/25	-	2 lb. 6 oz.	17	9.25

TROUT, BROOK

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Feller Heider	Butler	Millstone Creek	4/30	Powerbait	5 lb. 4 oz.	18.5	15.25
Robert Bodnar	Sigel	West Branch Millstone Creek	4/29	Minnow	5 lb. 3 oz.	19	15

Stacey Smith	Bolivar	Kinzua Creek	4/25	Salmon Egg	4 lb. 14 oz.	19.5	16.5
John Jackson	Pleasant Gap	Blue Jay Creek	5/18	Minnow	4 lb. 12 oz.	19.5	13.5
Steven S. Barnett	East Hickory	East Hickory Creek	5/7	Minnow	4 lb. 11 oz.	22	16

TROUT, BROWN

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
James Burns	Fairview	Presque Isle Bay	4/8	Jig	13 lb.	30.5	18
John R. Descaro	Uniontown	Lake Erie	10/28	White Power	12 lb. 6 oz.	28.5	19
Billy Eash	Johnstown	Yellow Creek	12/7	Salmon Egg	12 lb.	31	17.5
William A. Runyan Jr	Rivesville, WV	Trout Run	10/28	Super Duper	10 lb. 13 oz.	29.75	16.5
John A. Emerick	Connellsville	Walnut Creek	9/30	-	10 lb. 10 oz.	29.25	16

TROUT, GOLDEN RAINBOW

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Jacob Soback	Bloomsburg	Harveys Lake	4/18	Spinner	9 lb. 8 oz.	26	16.5
Joseph J. Smith	Kutztown	Ontelaunee Creek	4/5	Powerbait	7 lb. 8 oz.	24.25	15.75
Scott Johnson	Greensburg	Chest Creek	4/19	Egg Fly	7 lb. 8 oz.	26.5	15
Steve Long	Mifflinburg	Powell Creek	3/28	Minnow Rig	7 lb. 4 oz.	24	18
Mark J. Hope	Meadville	Little Sugar Creek	4/25	Wax Worm	7 lb.	24	14.5

TROUT, LAKE

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Andrew Frantz	Monaca	Lake Erie	5/10	Spoon	26 lb. 10 oz.	37	23.5
Stanley E. Indyk	West Mifflin	Lake Erie	5/15	Spoon	25 lb.	35.75	23.5
Terry Wainwright	Hunkers	Lake Erie	5/22	Spoon	25 lb.	35	22
Vincent A. Strobel	New Stanton	Lake Erie	8/29	Spoon	20 lb. 4 oz.	34	19.25
Mark Gibson	Allison Park	Lake Erie	8/22	Spoon	18 lb. 4 oz.	35.5	22.25

TROUT, RAINBOW

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Wes Powell	Cumberland, MD	Evitts Creek	4/19	Spinner	9 lb. 2 oz.	25.5	17
Jake Davis	Indiana	Millstone Creek	4/11	Wax Worm	9 lb.	24	18
Shane Moore	Hershey	Hoegstown Run	5/15	Trout Magnet	7 lb. 8 oz.	24	17.5
John Meiszner	Philadelphia	Neshaminy Creek	4/29	Rooster Tail	7 lb. 4 oz.	23.5	15
Adrian Jerabek	McKees Rocks	Kings Creek	4/18	Nightcrawler	6 lb. 10 oz.	25	-

WALLEYE

<i>Angler</i>	<i>Hometown</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bait</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Length (inches)</i>	<i>Girth (inches)</i>
Gregory F. Klingensmith	Leechburg	Allegheny River	12/10	Rapala	14 lb. 6 oz.	32.25	20
Bobby Rogers	Prosperity	Monongahela River	9/23	Night Crawler	13 lb. 6 oz.	33	18.5
Joseph R. Deferrari Jr	North Versailles	Allegheny River	12/3	Jig	11 lb. 8 oz.	30.5	19
Justin Beam	Finleyville	Lake Erie	5/29	Worm Harness	11 lb. 8 oz.	29.5	17.5
Dean Knapp	Kennerdell	Allegheny River	6/30	Minnow	11 lb. 8 oz.	33	16.5
John A. Barron III	Canonsburg	Allegheny River	5/15	Swimbait	-	33	17