



Guadalupe River Rainbow Trout Next Luncheon Topic

Chris Jackson, the January 8 AWWC luncheon speaker at the Ben Hur Center has fishing experience from the Pacific to the Atlantic, as well as in Belize. He's appeared on the Gruene episode of the Emmy award winning Bronco Roads tv show.

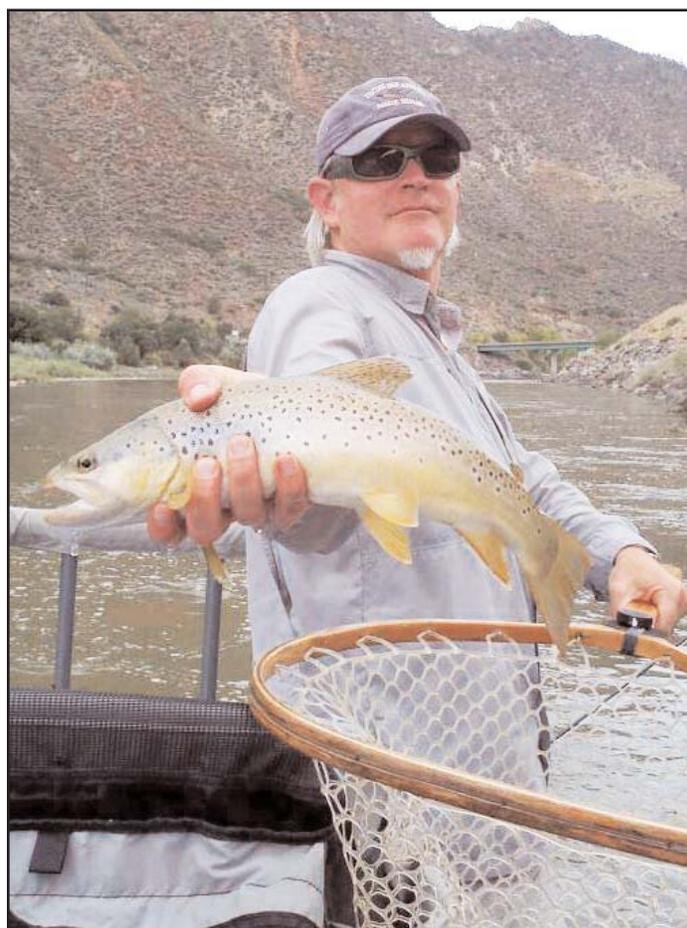
Jackson is a full-time fishing guide and owner of Action Angler & Outdoor Center on the Guadalupe River. His fly shop opened in May 2002. He's had over 30 years of fly-fishing experience, beginning on stock ponds in northeast Texas and finally lighting on the Guadalupe.

Chris caught his first trout on a fly in Colorado at age 12 while hiking the headwaters of the Rio Grande. [Ed. Note: I made my first fly-catch at about the same age ... a kitty cat! If life ever gets boring, try that catch and release!]

Chris began to fish and guide in Colorado through the summers and has fishing experience in numerous waters stretching from California to Maine and all the way down to Key West and Belize. He always looks for opportunities to share his experience with anglers looking to fish the Hill Country. He learns from other anglers as well.

Chris is a TPW licensed fishing guide, a certified Colorado float guide and a certified Swift Water Rescue guide. He's also available for guided trips on the Guadalupe.

With the Guadalupe River trout season entering its most productive time of the year, this will be a timely program.



Chris Jackson

Monthly Luncheon
Wed., Jan. 8th • 11:30 a.m.
Ben Hur Shrine Center
7811 Rockwood Lane
Speaker: Chris Jackson on
Rainbow Trout Fishing

AWWC officer and director elections will take place at the Jan. 8 luncheon with installations at the February evening meeting at County Line on the Lake on Feb. 5. See Page 4.

President's Message

ON DOGS

Most of you know that I love dogs and that for years I had 2 gorgeous Black Labs, Ryley and Atticus. Ryley left us in August 2018. Atticus and I have been sort of "lost" since we buried Ryley in the Colorado mountains. Enter Roy and Mary Jo, good friends and an island of loving dogs. They already had 5 dog children when their son deployed to Afghanistan. So, they got a sixth dog-child, Sage, a pure-bred German short haired pointer. The problem for their dog children was that 4 of the 5 did not need, want or accept a sixth dog. Much less one that ran constantly, barked at the wind and was always wanting to play. So, MJ and Roy decided that for their sanity, if a good owner could be had, Sage would move out.

So, the stars aligned. Atticus and I needed a new playmate, although Atticus tells me we were/are doing just fine. We first met Sadie in mid-June, before Atticus and I launched for our summer sojourn to the mountains. Before leaving I asked Roy if Sage was still available upon our return in September, would he let us have her; thankfully he said yes. I did not want to take her on my trip for fear that it would take some time for her to understand my rules and she might go out for a potty break in the national forest and never be seen again.

Short cut to today: Sage is now Sadie and now a part of my clan. Did I mention she has boundless energy??? When we go to a park or open field, she morphs into a race car, zooming here, there, really everywhere. She can stop on a dime and give you 2 nickels change. Ground birds, grasshoppers, and squirrels beware! Sadie finds everything and everyone a mystery to unravel. If you assumed that Sadie, being of German lineage, would be obedient and follow rules, then you, like me, would be in for a very, very rude awakening! Sadie is intimately acquainted with trouble and is unnaturally comfortable with it! She barks for no apparent reason, begs for food and then won't eat it, will get between your legs as if to trip you (and has had success with me) and is in a constant state of excitement. And she is 110 percent adorable doing all of this, and more.

Atticus, my soon to be 13-year-old grey-bearded Lab, is NOT IMPRESSED. After some of Sadie's foolishness, I swear he looks at me with those big brown eyes as if to say,

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"We can take her back, can't we, Dad." Atticus still doesn't see the need or attraction. And sometimes he is right on point about her. When I got Sadie, she was not leash-trained and I sometimes thought she would pull my shoulder right out of its socket as she tried to take off like a rocket when a bird flew low or she saw a squirrel. Thankfully, Sadie is now more comfortable on a leash and I am convinced I will not need shoulder surgery after all.

What is it they say, no bad dogs, just misdirected owners? Well; maybe we are all just a work in progress. And some of us, like Sadie, just need more direction.

It is a fine time to be afield, be it with family, friends or dog children like Atticus and Sadie. I hope you make time to be outside. And I hope you all have a blessed New Year. See you soon.

Stephen Fenoglio
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Anglers Reel in Hundreds of Record-Setting Fish

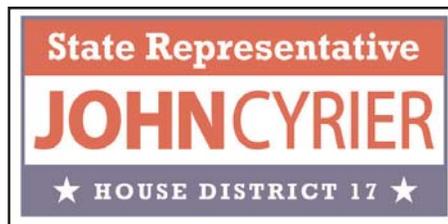
"With 47 new state fishing records and 434 new waterbody records set at lakes, rivers and bays across the state, it's clear that 2019 was a great year for fishing in Texas," said Ron Smith, TPWD Angler Recognition Program director. "In addition to providing bragging rights and a lifetime of memories for anglers, these achievements showcase the world-class fishing opportunities that can be found in every part of Texas."

Anglers can submit their water body or state record-setting fish in a variety of categories, including freshwater and saltwater; all ages and junior; weight and length; and the method of catch, including rod and reel, fly rod, bow fishing, other methods, and catch and release.

All-ages anglers set 33 state records and 326 water body records in 2019. Some notable all-ages records set in 2019 include the state freshwater fly fishing record Alabama bass caught by Smith Swinburn at Lake Alan Henry Apr. 5; the state freshwater fly fishing record bowfin caught by Stavros Cotsoradis at Lake Conroe Jun. 1; the state saltwater fly fishing record red drum caught by Candace Kern in Matagorda Bay on Aug. 14; the state saltwater rod and reel record silk snapper caught by Tyler Young in the Gulf of Mexico July 6; and the state saltwater rod and reel record scamp caught by Brice Sanchez in the Gulf of Mexico Jan. 6.

What's in YOUR Livewell?

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SPECIAL AWWC MEETING TO ELECT OFFICERS

AWWC President Steve Fenoglio has called a Special Meeting of the membership for Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at noon during our monthly meeting for the election of our Club's Officers and Board of Directors. Terms will begin following installation on Feb. 5. The officer nominees are as follows: President, Spence Collins; Executive VP: Joe Hello; Secretary, Jimmy Cain; Chief Warden/Hunting, Larry Najvar; Chief Warden/Fishing, TBA; Chief Huntmaster, Doug DuBois; Membership V.P., Richard Hallum; Treasurer, Tommy Ward. The director nominees for a term expiring January 2023 include these members: Jon Dayton, Robert Hearne, Tommy Ward, Ted McKnight and Kim Ray. Other nominations may be made from the floor.

Hunt Possibilities

AWWC members: Let me know which hunts you are interested in. If we have enough hunters, I will line up dates, prices and deposit info. Most of these hunts run about \$275 per day with some \$250 and \$300 per day quotes, depending on the outfitter.



1. Duck hunts in East Texas just like the last few years. We have already reserved Jan. 4 & 5 as well as the following weekend, Jan. 11 & 12.

2. Duck hunts in Port Lavaca. This is an inland hunt with varied species. (not just redheads like in Rockport.) I hunted snow geese with this outfitter and was impressed.

3. Ducks and geese in Jennings, LA with Doug's outfitters. I want to hunt them the first period as they have ducks sooner than Texas.

4. Sandhill cranes. We have used Panhandles Best but I'm impressed with Muddy Waters out of Wichita Falls. They had 3 guides for a group of 11 hunters. Dates will probably range from mid-November thru January, around Lubbock or the Panhandle.

5. Snow goose conservation hunt around Port Lavaca around February 1. Bag limit is 20/ day, with unlimited possession limit!



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6. Hidden lakes European style pheasant hunt. They release 500 birds, one at a time. You shoot from one station and rotate after each 50 birds. I shot 6 boxes of shells last hunt. The birds are high, fast, very challenging. Price is \$540 (including tip). Last hunt of the season is Saturday, March 16. Let me know if you are interested as they tend to book up quickly.



Any suggestions for hunts or outfitters that you would like to investigate?? We want to do this early, so we get the best availability. Also, do you want to hunt only on weekends or are you available during the week? larry.najvar@gmail.com office 512-241-0049 cell 512 699-3093

Larry Najvar, Chief Warden for Hunting



MORE 2019-20 HUNTS

By Larry Najvar, Chief Hunting Warden

No actual bookings until we see how many people are interested. Let us know if interested. Plan on about \$250 per day for a hunt.

Hidden Lakes, Yantis, Tx. (See photo, previous page, bottom right.) Great European style pheasant hunts. Birds are released from a central tower with 10 stations in a circle, about 60 yards apart. The birds are flying about 30 mph and high. A challenging hunt. 500 released birds are about \$500 which includes lunch. (I leave at 7am, arrive 11:30, lunch at noon and hunting starts 1 pm. Home about 9 pm. (Did you know a Beretta A 391 with the plug removed can hold 6 shots? Ask me how many times I wound up with an empty gun.)

Contact Larry Najvar at the email and cell below and give me your email and cell. Any questions? Contact me at larry.najvar@gmail.com. Cell 512-699-3093

STILL SHOTGUN TIME

Since winter dove season is still open in the Central Dove Zone until January 14 (23rd in South Zone), duck and East Zone goose seasons are open until Jan. 26 (West Zone goose till Feb. 2) and quail season until Feb. 3 statewide, there's plenty of shotgunning time left. And skeet bird season never ends as former AWWC Sportsman of the Year Joe Colbert illustrates in his bathing suit (pictured on right) with a skeet trophy he proudly received that summer day, oblivious that his daughter, Alex, is throwing water on him from the left of the image as he poses. POOSH! Oh, and snipe and chachalaca seasons are open until February 9 and 23, respectively.

Where are the Pictures??

Is Larry Najvar the only one who's been hunting and taken any pictures? Or the only one who carries a cell phone?

Send the *Game Bag* your hunting or fishing success photos at jj@johnjefferson.com.

Please send them "Actual Size" and ask the subjects to remove sunglasses so we can see who they are.

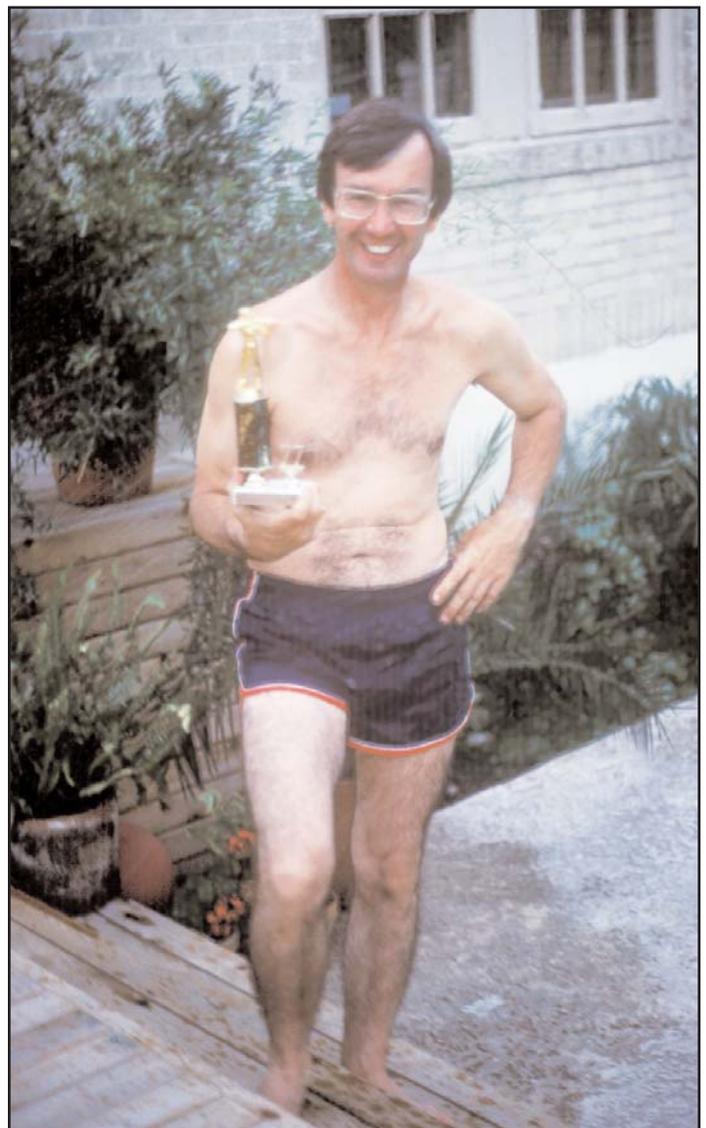
And, no blood, please.

Thanks, JJ.

Member-to-Member

Telephoto Lenses for Sale. 500 mm Nikkor ED manual focus lens. \$900.

A Sigma 120-400 mm auto-focus zoom lens (Nikon mount). \$375. Both have carrying cases and in very good condition. I'm upgrading. John Jefferson (512) 219-1199. jj@johnjefferson.com.



The grey cloud in the top left is water headed for the champ.

KRIENKE BOYS FINALLY DRAWN!

Thirteen isn't always an unlucky number, Roland and Kevin Krienke on their thirteenth year of applying for a bull elk tag in Arizona, got drawn. They immediately contacted a guide and prepared for the hunt. Their hunt was set for Nov. 28 thru Dec. 4, 2018, in the Apache National Forest near the towns of Greer and Nutrioso, AZ. Kevin harvested his elk first and was able to help retrieve his Dad's elk the next day. Perseverance pays off.



Kevin Krienke, an EMT and recent AWWC luncheon speaker on trauma care for sportsmen was the first successful elk hunter on the Krienke Boys' Arizona hunt. Contributed photo.



Roland Krienke, former AWWC president (1991-1992) and Sportsman of the Year (2003) was assisted by his son, Kevin, in tracking his bull. Contributed photo.

The Best, and Final, Deer Coup

By Steele Zinser



Steele Zinser has opened his Salado Creek Ranch for an AWWC opening day dove hunt on September 1 more times than I can remember. Popped a few caps there myself a number of those times. He's also donated deer, dove and hog hunts several times. And We've had some memorable après hunt sausage wrap brunches there after hunts where we honed or club motto skills of huntin', fishin' and talkin' about it. He was out of state this past opening day but had a friend host it for those who went so we could maintain the tradition. It, like all the others, was a rich sharing of the treasured side of hunting that the blinded antis will just never comprehend. He's selling the ranch and moving to Missouri, so this deer memorializes his last deer hunt there and marks the end of an era for AWWC. Thanks for the memories, Steele and Bev. We'll miss you two and Salado Creek Ranch, as I'm sure you will, too. Contributed Photo.

With Christmas music in the background at the end of year 2019, I am remembering with nostalgia many hunting seasons, about 25 or so, on this ranch.

Many of you AWWC members have hunted here, as well. One hunter told me, I wish that I could remember his name, that he had not missed an 'Opening Day - Dove Season here in the 20-odd years that we have sponsored it. That makes me happy. Some of you have hunted here for deer and hogs as well. This is a story about deer hunting.

Opening Day - Deer, 2019 - was pretty much as usual. Our favorite Coonass, David Charles, arrived with the usual steaks from Hamilton Meat Market and we enjoyed an evening of chatting about old times.

Knowing that this would be our last hunt here hung heavily on our minds, but we didn't talk about it then.

On opening day, I was in my blind a good half-hour before daylight and sat there for 3 1/2 hours with not a creature stirring, not even a mouse. At about 9:00 a.m., five does came trotting along the far fence, some 150-200 yards from me. I scoped them, one by one, and decided to let them walk. I still have some meat from last year.

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You deer hunters are going to love this:

After I had ejected the round from the chamber, stacked my late father-in-law's .270 in the corner and was packing up to go to the big house for breakfast, I glanced up to see one of the largest bucks that I've ever seen on this ranch casually walking towards my feeder. This was a surprise since there are few signs of animal activity around our feeders because of the abundant crops of acorns in the woods these days. I guess he wanted a change of diet. Or, he was Orion's reward for me.

He casually leaped over the small fence, which keeps the cows out around the feeder, and began munching away.

You hunters know that there is simply no way to open a bolt-action rifle, insert a round and close it silently. (Expletive omitted! This is similar to the special sound that a pump shotgun makes when the slide-action is activated. There ain't no sound like it.) The buck heard it also and looked up from his meal. He was head-on looking at me.

I feared that he would soon bolt so elected to aim at his chest and hoped for the best. I was not that lucky. He bucked up at the shot, much like a gut-shot doe (God-forbid), leaped the small fence and loped away and over the far fence.

Now folks, you need to know what exists beyond that far fence. It is vegetation that Mother Nature made when she was in a bad mood – not fit for man. Briars, brambles, vines and everything that is possessed with stickers that cling to one's skin and clothing. David and I were on all-fours at times crawling through the morass following the blood trails. Maybe an hour later, this Indian-Coonass will not give up and I won't either – David found him, but still alive! He shot it between the eyes with a little .32 caliber pistol he carries.

You've all heard the story; now the fun begins. We elected to field-dress the deer for less weight dragging it back through the jungle we had just endured. In a word, it was arduous.

After dumping the carcass off a small bank into a creek, we were at last in the clear, so to speak, but several hundred yards from the truck.

Sometimes, fortune smiles on us all, doesn't it?

I was in text communication with a neighbor, Darrel Warren about another situation and after inquiring about our whereabouts, he came with his muscular young, nephew, and dragged the deer all the way to my truck. They were Godsend. We don't mess with antler scoring around here but it was a very nice 11-point buck, the largest that I have taken off this land in 25 years, and the largest white-tailed deer that I have ever harvested. We estimated that it weighed well over 150 lbs., dressed.

Yes, it is being mounted and will be displayed along with my 342 5/8" Elk, a Caribou, 3 of the 4 turkeys needed for a Grand Slam and some ducks and pheasants in our new home in the Ozark Mountains in MO.

Y'all come, heah!

Too Frigid to Fish . . . Never!

By John Jefferson

My friend, Allen Christenson, the dean of Lake Travis fishing guides (operating out of Lakeway Marina) recently wrote in the Lake Travis View newspaper about the night years ago that he fished in the chilling cold on Lake Calaveras, south of San Antonio, catching bass until 4:00 a.m. B-r-r-r!

I'm not telling you I did that nor that you should. We've all done crazy things during our bullet-proof days. But that confirms that in Texas, you can still catch bass in the cold. Another guide, Fermin Fernandez, guides Buchanan, Inks and LBJ, and told me of catching bass and crappie in the warm water discharge channel on LBJ on very cold nights with the steam rising off the warm water.

It CAN get cold, here. I photographed my sister, Betsy Boyt, standing on the middle of Shoal Creek near 24th Street in Austin. It was cold enough to solidly freeze the flowing creek. Possibly during that same freeze, Bruce Monroe told me of fishing the Inks Dam tailrace with icicles forming on his rod tip while getting 29 straight strikes on 30 casts, catching white bass.

And, at the weigh-in of a Lake Austin bass tournament one cold, wet February day, I saw a man whose teeth were chattering so violently he was apt to break a couple. The fool didn't even have on a hat. The winner that day, however, had caught an eight-pounder.

Duke Kinley called me one arctic day with a wind almost strong enough to be named and said he had some big catfish. I asked if he had bought them. For verification, I drove over to Lake Granger and photographed him wrapped up like Nanook the Eskimo posing with several big 'uns with Granger white-capping behind him. He fished from the bank that day.



*Although this column began by saying it was NEVER too cold to fish, the owner of this ice-bound boat probably didn't use it that White Christmas-week. Wind and weather can occasionally create conditions that compel staying off the water. Exercise caution!
Photo by John Jefferson.*

Shea Seale and I were dressed almost that snugly on December 14 on Lake Travis. A while after the sun came up, we had to start shedding layers. This IS Texas; cold weather doesn't last long. And the fishing – and CATCHING – doesn't necessarily take a day off just because there's ice around the edge of the lake shore. That's just to scare the sissies into staying home in front of the fire. Like me.

However, some species even prefer cold, blustery weather. Striped bass aren't native to Texas. They came from the cold Atlantic seaboard. Our winters probably make 'em homesick. They've been stocked in Texas waters since the '60s. Lake Texoma on the Oklahoma border was the first lake stocked, but many followed. Hybrid stripers are also popular cold weather fish, being a cross between a white bass and a striper.

Ken Milam, one of the first striper guides on Lake Buchanan, tells of a 19-degree morning when his boat was covered with ice. But they limited early, having to dip their rods in the lake to melt the icy rod tips. Kenny's son Max now runs the business. And don't overlook trout in the Guadalupe below Canyon Dam. They're also cold-water fish and thrive in wintertime.

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Marble Falls, Granger Infested with Zebra Mussels

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) has added Lake Marble Falls and Granger Lake to the statewide list of lakes infested with invasive zebra mussels after discovering established, reproducing populations in the lakes this fall.

Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) biologists confirmed the presence of zebra mussels in Lake Marble Falls after finding settled zebra mussels as well as their larvae at multiple sites in the lake. After Lake Lyndon B. Johnson was found to be infested with zebra mussels in July of this year, it was expected that they would spread downstream to Lake Marble Falls. TPWD and LCRA are reminding lake users to take the proper steps to avoid spreading this highly invasive species into lakes further upstream in the Colorado River or into other waterbodies.

"We continue to work closely with our partners at Texas Parks and Wildlife to monitor the presence of zebra mussels in the Highland Lakes," said Bryan Cook, LCRA Manager of Water Quality Protection. "It's important to do what we can to stop zebra mussels from spreading to new lakes. We encourage boaters to continue to clean, drain and dry their boats and trailers, as well as to drain all water from boats and onboard receptacles when moving from lake to lake."

Granger Lake, which was designated positive in May after repeated detections of zebra mussel larvae, has now been upgraded to infested after Brazos River Authority staff found adult mussels on settlement samplers placed throughout the lake. Granger Lake is the second lake in the San Gabriel River basin found to be infested; zebra mussels were found in Lake Georgetown in 2017.

"Although it's saddening every time we find zebra mussels in a new lake or confirm that a lake is fully infested as we have with Marble Falls and Granger, it is still encouraging that zebra mussels have not been moved into any new river basins since 2017," said Monica McGarrity, TPWD Senior Scientist for Aquatic Invasive Species Management. "Only boats can move zebra mussels upstream or into new river basins. It is important for all lake users to protect our lakes by cleaning, draining and drying their boats and equipment every time they leave the water."

Boat owners and marina staff should be diligent in ensuring decontamination procedures are followed before moving boats that have been stored in the water on a lake with zebra mussels to another lake.

"Cleaning, draining and drying is not enough to prevent zebra mussels from hitching a ride on a boat or barge that has been stored in the water on a lake with zebra mussels," McGarrity said. "These vessels pose the highest risk for moving them and causing new infestations because the mussels attach themselves in crevices and other hidden areas, often in large numbers. If you are moving a boat, call TPWD at (512) 389-4848 and we'll be happy to advise you on the proper procedures to decontaminate your boat and help you through the process."

As of November 2019, zebra mussels are found in 29 Texas lakes across five river basins. A status map and full list of these lakes can be found on the TPWD website.

The rapidly reproducing zebra mussels can have serious economic, recreational and environmental impacts on Texas reservoirs and rivers. Zebra mussels can harm aquatic species, cover rocks, beaches, hard surfaces with sharp shells, clog water intakes, damage or increase maintenance on facilities using raw surface water, and damage boats stored in lakes with zebra mussels.

TPWD and partners monitor for invasive mussels in Texas lakes, but anyone who finds them in lakes where they haven't been found before or who spots them on boats, trailers or equipment that is being moved should help prevent new introductions by immediately reporting the sighting to TPWD at (512) 389-4848 or by emailing photos and location information to aquaticinvasives@tpwd.texas.gov.

In Texas, it is unlawful to possess or transport zebra mussels, dead or alive. Boaters are required to drain all water from their boat and onboard receptacles before leaving or approaching a body of fresh water to prevent the transfer of zebra mussels and other invasive species. Zebra mussel larvae are microscopic and can survive for days in residual water, and adult zebra mussels can survive even longer out of water, especially in cooler months. The requirement to drain applies to all types and sizes of boats whether powered or not – personal watercraft, sailboats, kayaks, canoes or any other vessel used on public waters.

More information about zebra mussels can be found online at tpwd.texas.gov/ZebraMussels. A short instructional video on how to properly clean, drain and dry boats and equipment can be found on the TPWD YouTube channel at <https://youtu.be/DMlEwbXmLx8>.

BEWARE OF FLYING FISH!

By Amanda Thomason, Western Journal, December 28, 2019

All sorts of things can cause your windshield to crack: Rocks kicked up by vehicles ahead of you, unsecured items flying out of truck beds, and particularly brutal hail – all fairly common culprits. But a catfish? That's a new one - and without photographic evidence, one mom from Beaufort, North Carolina, might've been accused of making up the story.

"It was one of those slow-motion moments in life," Rhesa Walston told in Charleston, South Carolina. "I saw him, and I saw him drop it."

The "him" in this case was a bird of prey flying overhead. If she hadn't noticed the bird poised above her and seen the dropped meal as it fell, she might not have believed it, herself.

"[I] just remember jumping out of my car and thinking I have got to go find the fish because it bounced when it hit my car, 'cause I am thinking, 'Who is going to believe me?'" she said.

But fall it did, and the heavy fish shattered her windshield, sending dangerous fragments all over the front inside of the car.

"There was glass all over my front seat...glass on my lap," Walston stated.

Thankfully, she and her daughter, who was in the back seat, were fine, and her daughter didn't even seem too surprised by the incident.

"She just looked up from her tablet and said, 'Your window is broke,' and went right back to her tablet," Walston said.

"Soooo. . . I hit a catfish on the way home from my mom's tonight," she posted on Facebook on Dec. 18. "Thank you to Brandi Barrow and Stuart Barrow for coming to help me and finding the fish...because, really, who would believe me if I didn't have the fish."

The windshield is being repaired, though Walston had to pay a \$250 deductible. Many have pointed out that this story looks like it would fit in perfectly with popular insurance company advertisements that show unbelievable scenarios.

"My husband tried to look up what are the odds of hitting a fish with your car," she said. "We could find only one other news story."

It's safe to say she probably won't experience a repeat incident, but the crazy tale has traveled pretty far.

"So after 98k shares and counting, I have been contacted by two TV stations that are not even local to Eastern NC," Walston posted on Dec. 20. "So, my greatest worry now is getting on National TV and sounding like a bumpkin. However, it is difficult to explain this situation and not sound like a hick."

Us hicks believe her. We've seen ospreys carrying fish over Lake Travis.



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Parting Shot



The AWWC luncheon on Jan. 8 features Chris Jackson talking about trout fishing on the Guadalupe, but if you're not into that, he also catches bass, so join us for lunch at the Ben Hur Center and hear Chris. See page 1.

AWWC CALENDAR

- Jan. 5 Deer and Rio Grande turkey seasons end in Hill Country. Late antlerless and spike season runs Jan. 6- Jan. 19
- Jan. 8 AWWC luncheon. We'll be watching bowl games and eating black-eyed peas on Jan. 1 so luncheon is a week later!
Ben Hur Shrine Center
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Speaker: Chris Jackson, Guadalupe River trout guide.
- Jan. 19 Deer and Rio Grande turkey seasons end in South Texas. Late antlerless and spike seasons run Jan. 20 - Feb. 2
- Feb. 5 Evening meeting to install officers, announce Volunteer of the Year. County Line on the Lake- Must register online
Speaker to be announced.
- Feb 21-23 TroutFest 2020
Lazy L&L Campground, 11699 River Rd.,
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