

# Anglers of the Year, 2023

Species	Size	Angler's Name	Home	Body of Water	Date
Black Crappie	2 lb, 13 oz: 17.50"	Derek Merricks	Henrico, VA	All Other Waters	10/28/2023
Blue Catfish	61 lb, 0 oz: 49.50"	Derek Merricks	Henrico, VA	Buggs Island Lake	10/15/2023
Bluegill	2 lb, 0 oz	Stephen Miklandric	Asheboro, NC	Western Branch Reservoir	9/4/2023
Bowfin	10 lb, 3 oz: 32"	Tracy Christopher, Jr.	Carson, VA	Nottoway River	9/8/2023
Brook Trout	5 lb, 0 oz: 20.50"	Jerry Hall	Lexington, VA	Jennings Creek	5/18/2023
Brown Trout	12 lb, 2 oz: 29"	Michael Carbaugh	Bel spring, VA	All Other Waters	4/19/2023
Carp	23 lb, 12 oz: 35"	Derek Merricks	Henrico, VA	SF Shenandoah River	6/17/2023
Chain Pickerel	4 lb, 8 oz	Charles Turner	Sedley, VA	Blackwater River	5/17/2023
Channel Catfish	18 lb, 1 oz	Christian Garrison	Bluefield, VA	New River	7/17/2023
Fallfish	3 lb, 7 oz	Joseph Martin, Jr.	Covington, VA	Potts Creek	2/7/2023
Flathead Catfish	32 lb, 11 oz	Anthony Francis	Buena Vista, VA	Lake Chesdin	12/30/2023
Freshwater Drum	18 lb, 8 oz: 34"	John Robertson	Chester, VA	Buggs Island Lake	4/24/2023
Gar	15 lb, 10 oz: 49.50"	Tracy Christopher, Jr.	Carson, VA	Nottoway River	8/16/2023
Hybrid Striped Bass	14 lb, 0 oz: 29.50"	Todd Lewis	Stephens City, VA	Lake Anna	4/21/2023
Largemouth Bass	10 lb, 10 oz	Jake Quintero	Virginia Beach, VA	Private Pond	2/26/2023
Muskellunge	19 lbs, 2 oz: 47"	Bryan Callahan	Roanoke, VA	James River	6/8/2023
Northern Pike	No Entry				
Other Sunfish	No Entry				
Rainbow Trout	11 lb, 8 oz: 27.25"	Joseph Martin, Jr.	Covington, VA	Cedar Springs	9/8/2023
Redear Sunfish	2 lb, 11 oz: 14.25"	Thomas Salmon	Zuni, VA	Lake Prince	9/15/2023
Rock Bass	2 lb, 3 oz: 14"	Derek Merricks	Henrico, VA	Dan River	5/7/2023
Sauger	No Entry				
Saugeye	6 lb, 8 oz: 25.25"	Brittany Watkins	Henderson, NC	Lake Gaston	5/29/2023
Smallmouth Bass	5 lb, 2 oz: 21.25"	Charles Kinzer, Jr.	Woodlawn, VA	New River	5/17/2023
Striped Bass	28 lb, 0 oz: 42"	Derek Merricks	Henrico, VA	Little Creek Reservoir	12/9/2023
Walleye	12 lb, 8 oz: 30"	Loren Robinson	Hillsville, VA	New River	1/6/2023
White Bass	2 lb, 8 oz: 17.50"	William Gallimore	Hillsville, VA	Staunton River	4/12/2023
White Crappie	3 lb, 4 oz: 17.25"	Anne Williams	Bullock, NC	Buggs Island Lake	5/2/2023
White Perch	No Entry				
Yellow Perch	1 lb, 10 oz: 13.50"	Gerald Sams	Staunton, VA	All Other Waters	1/16/2023