

## May Fishing Report

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This month, I had the opportunity to fish at Lake Accotink Park a few times while I was teaching the Parent and Child fishing program. We had some great luck during the classes and managed to catch multiple species of panfish with the occasional largemouth bass mixed in.

The area between the creek and the dam near the main parking lot is a great panfishing spot if the creek is not flowing too hard. A simple setup of just a small hook, bobber and a piece of worm seems to be what is getting the most success right now. I have also seen a couple anglers catching some decent size bass using soft plastics around deeper areas of the lake.

I was also able to fish the upper part of Little Hunting Creek over the weekend. The common carp are in their spawning season right now, and you can find some giants up in the creeks swimming right along the bank. I managed to land two common carp using a Carolina rig baited with worms but no giants, unfortunately. There were plenty of snakehead attacking baitfish in the shallow waters, as well, but I could only manage to get a couple strikes on a topwater lure. The catfish were plentiful as expected, and I managed to catch all three of the main species found around here. (Blue, Channel, and Bullhead)