

January Anglers of the Month, 2026

Species	Size	Angler's Name	Home	Body of Water	Date
Black Crappie	No Entry				
Blue Catfish	45 lb, 9 oz: 44.75"	Jarrod Sowell	Monroen, VA	Buggs Island Lake	1/1/2026
Bluegill	No Entry				
Bowfin	No Entry				
Brook Trout	No Entry				
Brown Trout	No Entry				
Carp	No Entry				
Chain Pickerel	No Entry				
Channel Catfish	No Entry				
Fallfish	1 lb, 15 oz: 16.50"	Michael Minnick	Lynchburg, VA	Jackson River	1/13/2026
Flathead Catfish	32 lb, 2 oz: 40.25"	Michael Walta, III	Chester, VA	James River	1/2/2026
Freshwater Drum	9 lb, 1 oz	Anthony Francis	Lynchburg, VA	Buggs Island Lake	1/6/2026
Gar	No Entry				
Hybrid Striped Bass	No Entry				
Largemouth Bass	8 lb, 1 oz: 22"	Grant Alvis	Mechanicsville, VA	All Other Waters	1/11/2026
Muskellunge	21 lb, 2 oz: 42.75"	Edmund Lesko	Lynchburg, VA	James River	1/22/2026
Northern Pike	No Entry				
Other Sunfish	No Entry				
Rainbow Trout	7 lb, 9 oz	Joseph Martin, Jr.	Covington, VA	Cedar Springs	1/14/2026
Redear Sunfish	No Entry				
Rock Bass	No Entry				
Sauger	No Entry				
Saugeye	5 lb, 0 oz: 23.50"	Michael Eggleston	North Chesterfield, VA	Appomattox River	1/22/2026
Smallmouth Bass	No Entry				
Striped Bass	No Entry				
Walleye	No Entry				
White Bass	No Entry				
White Crappie	2 lb, 0 oz: 15.50"	Derek Merricks	Henrico, VA	Buggs Island Lake	1/18/2026
White Perch	No Entry				
Yellow Perch	No Entry				