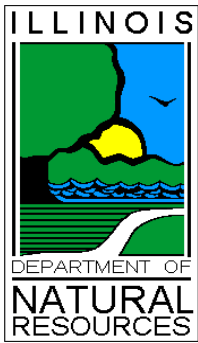


# PYRAMID STATE PARK – GALUM AREA - GOLDENEYE LAKE



## 2020 FISHERIES FACT SHEET

**LOCATION:** Pyramid State Park is located south of Pinckneyville in Perry County. Goldeneye Lake is a strip cut lake located on the Galum Section of Pyramid State Park. The Galum Section is accessed off Panda Bear Road. From State Route 127 head west on Pyatt-Cutler Road. About 6 miles west of Pyramid State Park turn north onto Panda Bear Road.

**DESCRIPTION:** Facilities at this 125 acre lake include a boat launch, docks, and bathrooms.

**STATUS OF THE SPORT FISHERY** – The following is a brief summary of the major sport fish species based on annual fish population surveys conducted by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. As a result of high water conductivity, electrofishing is not an effective sampling tool at this lake. All information is based on spring trap netting surveys.

**Muskellunge (MUE)** - Goldeneye Lake is stocked annually with MUE. No MUE were collected during 2019 spring trap netting. If you catch a tagged MUE from Goldeneye Lake **DO NOT REMOVE THE TAG**. Please contact Nick Abell, IDNR Fish Biologist by email at [Nicholas.Abell@illinois.gov](mailto:Nicholas.Abell@illinois.gov) or by phone at 618-967-0952 with the following information: date of catch, length of MUE, and 5-digit tag number.

**Largemouth Bass (LMB)** – An electrofishing survey is the best way to analyze the LMB population in a lake. Because electrofishing is not an option at Goldeneye Lake, very little is known about the LMB population. No LMB were collected during 2019 spring trap netting.

**Crappie** – Goldeneye Lake has an excellent black crappie population. Most of the black crappie collected in this lake are over 10 inches in length. No white crappie have ever been collected in trap netting surveys at this lake.

**Bluegill** – The bluegill population is average. Bluegill over 7 inches are present.

**Redear** – The redear population is good. Redear over 8 inches are present.

**Channel Catfish (CCF)** – No CCF were collected in the 2019 survey. CCF have been collected in 6 of the last 11 surveys.

### **Fishing regulations:**

<b>Species</b>	<b>Creel Limit</b>	<b>Minimum Length Limit</b>
Largemouth Bass	5 under 14” and 1 over 18”	14-18 inch protected slot (no possession)
Bluegill or Redear Sunfish	25	None
Crappie	25	None
Channel Catfish	6	None
All Fish	2 Pole and Line Fishing Only	
Live Bait - All live bait in excess of 8” must be rigged with a quick set rig.		

**RECREATIONAL USE RESTRICTIONS** – From November 1 through February 28/29 fishing is allowed in designated areas only, and fishing hours are from ½ hour before sunrise to 2 PM. There are no HP boat motor restrictions at this lake but the entire lake is a “NO WAKE ZONE” and all sizes of boat motors must operate at no-wake speed.

**MAPS/CONTACT INFO** – A map of the 23 lakes located on the Arch Portion of Pyramid State Park can be obtained via email by sending a request to [Nicholas.Abell@illinois.gov](mailto:Nicholas.Abell@illinois.gov). IDNR Fish Biologist – Nick Abell 618-967-0952. Pyramid State Park 618-357-2574.