



Nice 9 Point! Kally Murray, now age 10, of Miles brought down the 9 point buck at left on November 16, 2014, while hunting at her grandparents' ranch (Doc and Sally Holladay) between Robert Lee and San Angelo. She is shown with her little brother Noah (at right) and cousin, Stockton. On June 7, 2015, Kally switched her hobbies to fishing and caught this nice sized catfish, also at her grandparents. Bartley and Jennifer Murray are the parents of Kally and Noah. Stockton is the son of Shawn and Dana Felts.

Zebra Mussels

By Johnny Kirby

I realize this is a Hunting Guide, but please indulge me in straying from the hunting scene to the fishing and boating scene. Zebra Mussels are showing up in lakes in our areas of Texas. They are now found in Lake Texoma, Ray Roberts, Bridgeport, Lavon, Lewisville, Belton and Waco. If you visit any of these lakes, you are at high risk of transporting these mussels to other lakes by way of your boat, motor or trailer. Once these invasive mussels get into a lake, there is virtually no way to control them.

Since Lake Ivie is a water supply lake for many communities in West Texas, the infestation of Zebra mussels would be extremely detrimental

to the lake. These mussels reproduce at a rapid rate and will damage your boat motors by clogging up the cooling systems and damage the pumping stations on the lake by choking up the intakes. They are also filter feeders and compete with bait fish for food.

You are required to drain all water and wash your boat and trailer if you visit any of these infested lakes. Failure to follow the state mandated procedures can result in a fine of up to \$500 and be charged with a Class C misdemeanor.

Don't Overlook Proper Eye Protection

[Editor's Note: The following bit of very good advice was written by Kevin Kelly, a staff writer for Kentucky Afield]

magazine, the official publication of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. Follow Kevin and Kentucky Afield's entire staff on twitter: @kyafield.]

Every angler has at one time or another forgotten something in their rush to leave for a fishing trip.

It's disheartening when that something is sunglasses. Squinting and shielding your eyes for hours takes some of the fun out of the experience.

"More than just the damage or discomfort from the bright light, you start getting eye strain

because you're squinting to make your pupil even smaller because your pupil doesn't get small enough naturally," said Dr. Seema Capoor, an associate professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Kentucky. "The squinting causes brow ache and tension headaches. It's much more comfortable and safer with sunglasses."

However, not all sunglasses are created equal. The best cut glare and make it easier to see into the water but also block the sun's harmful rays.

Whatever the color, style or price, there are a few basics that

you shouldn't compromise on when it comes to eye protection. UV filtration and composite (polycarbonate) lenses are only two, but they give your glasses the ability to be used for more than one outdoor activity. OWDN photo.

Amid a sea of brands and styles and lens types and colors at a wide range of prices, it's easy to become overwhelmed by the choices, so stick to some basic criteria when selecting a pair.

"For something like fishing where you've got a lot of reflection off the surface of the

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