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Members of the Rockford Hawg Hunters Bass Club volunteered Saturday instructing youth attending the Madison Fishing Expo at the Alliant Energy Center 'Reel Kids' casting competition. The Wisconsin Bass Federation and its members conduct this accuracy challenge for young anglers annually across the country.

"The Reel Kids Program" is in many cases the first opportunity that many kids have to be introduced to the great sport of fishing. At events like sport and outdoor shows across the state and in many schools these programs are giving kids the chance to experience what it is really like to handle a fishing rod and reel. They test their skills in the art of Casting, Flipping, and Pitching a plastic jig to a very colorful target.

This program is organized and operated by the WBF and its clubs only. The WBF advances kids from individual events to a State Championship held during the Madison Fishing Expo. The goal of the WBF is to expose our youth from the ages of 8 to 15 to the great sport of fishing. More than 50 youngsters were assisted Saturday morning by Rockford Hawg Hunter's members with top scorers receiving Culprit Baits awards.



The Rockford Hawg Hunter Bass Club meets the second Thursday each month at Bush Gardens Bar and Grill, Belvidere, IL and is affiliated with FLW/TBF and the Wisconsin Bass Federation. The club is sponsored by D&S Marine, 95.3 The Bull, Culprit Baits and others. If you would like to share or improve your fishing skills or are looking for a chance to advance through competition to fish at the divisional, state, or even national level, contact us or attend one of our Thursday night meetings. Club Tournaments are held on Northern Illinois, South/Central Wisconsin bodies of water such as the Mississippi River, Madison Chain, Lake Geneva and Big Green to name a few. Go to: <http://www.basshawg.com/index.htm> or find us on Facebook for more information.

