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Brett Lyczewski of the Falls shows off a 50-inch sturgeon he brought in during the contest.



Mike Hanson, who 21 years ago started what has grown into the North American Sturgeon Championship, navigates his way around Rainy River Saturday, visiting with anglers along the way.



An angler gets comfortable waiting for a fish to bite.



STAFF PHOTOS BY EMILY GEDDE
A pair of hopeful anglers take the opportunity to kick up their feet and relax during Saturday's sturgeon contest.



Gary Hooker of International Falls tries his luck in netting the winning sturgeon.



To block the shade, this angler fashions an umbrella canopy on his boat for the afternoon on Rainy River.

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