



NINE MILE CREEK CONSERVATION COUNCIL (NMCCC)
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April 13, 2019

Dear Friend,

May 8, 2019 (Wednesday), is the date for this year's float box stocking to disperse brown trout into Nine Mile Creek. Only 10% of stocked fish in Onondaga County are float stocked and this event is the only float stocking on Nine Mile Creek. Float stocking is not only a fun time and a great opportunity to get on the creek, but it is also the best way to disperse the fish. There are many opportunities to participate both on the water and on shore. Also, don't hesitate to just join us and float down the creek.

Below is an outline of the event. Please let us know that you're coming and what you'd like to help out with. Canoeists to pull the float boxes are obviously crucial, but so too are extra kayakers to help on the water as well as ground crews for transferring fish, manning the put in and take out spots, removing boxes, chauffeuring boaters back to their cars, and taking pictures.

- Time: 3:00 PM Volunteers are needed at the Carpenter's Brook Fish Hatchery to help the staff load fish into the tank truck. (Note: there is a wait between this phase and the unloading at Munro Park to let the fish settle.)
- Volunteer is also needed to transport 12 float boxes (1 pickup truck) from Solvay (Maude/Bill's garage at 101 Piercefield Dr., Solvay 13209) to Munro Park in Camillus.
- Time: 5:00 PM Canoeists and other volunteers should arrive at Munro Park in Camillus.
- Time: 7:30 PM Take out on the left bank of Nine Mile Creek immediately past the aqueduct (see map). Canoes and kayaks can put in at the canal dock to continue paddling an extra mile along the canal to Sims store on Devoe Rd.
- Time: 8:15 PM Meet at Mo's Pit BBQ Camillus to celebrate; they close at 9:30.

VOLUNTEERS

Carpenter's Brook Hatchery

- Load fish into truck tanks at the hatchery (3:00 pm)
- Load and transport float boxes from Solvay (Maude's garage at 101 Piercefield Dr.) to Munro Park in Camillus.

Munro Park Camillus (put-in) (5:00 pm)

- Canoe teams to pull float boxes and disperse fish (up to 12 teams). **I need confirmation from any team wanting a float box.**
- Other kayakers and canoeists to join the float and help out on the water.
- Help set up canoes with float boxes.
- Transfer fish from the Carpenter's Brook Hatchery truck tanks to the float boxes.
- Assist with boat launching.

Aqueduct Erie Canal Park (float box take-out)

- Pull out float boxes.
- Pull out canoes and other boats.
- Carry canoes and boats to parking lot, or onto the canal dock for paddle to Sims Store.
- Carry float boxes to parking lot and transport back to Maude's garage (101 Piercefield Dr., Solvay)
- Chauffer anyone needing a ride back to Munro Park to get their vehicle.

Sims Store (paddle take-out)

- Pull out canoes and other boats.
- Chauffer anyone needing a ride back to Munro Park to get their vehicle.

The event is rain or shine, so bring dry clothes etc. Please bring life jackets. Also, please note that all volunteers will be required to sign a waiver (see attached) at time of participation.

Give us a call, or e-mail to let us know what your plans are. Also, please update any contact information such as cell phone or e-mail address so that we can update our mailing list. Bring friends and family. We look forward to hearing from you and hope you'll join us for this fun and worthwhile cause.

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Nine Mile Creek is ready for Spring! Come join us!

