



NINE MILE CREEK CONSERVATION COUNCIL (NMCCC)

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April 19, 2024

Dear Friend,

May 8, 2024 (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 also 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.

Volunteers are needed at the Carpenter's Brook Fish Hatchery at 3:00 PM 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.)

Volunteers are also needed to transport 12 float boxes (1 pickup truck worth) from Solvay (Maude/Bill's garage at 101 Piercefield Dr., Solvay 13209) to Munro Park in Camillus. Float boxes need to be at Munro Park by 5:00 pm. Solvay to Munro Park is 15 - 20 mins.

Canoeists and other volunteers should arrive at Munro Park in Camillus at 5:00 pm.

Take out on the left bank of Nine Mile Creek immediately past the aqueduct (see map) is estimated to be around 7:30 PM. Volunteers are needed to help land canoes and kayaks, and bring canoes and kayaks and float boxes to the parking area on Thompson Road. Volunteers are needed to transport people back to their cars at Munro Park. There might also be a trailer that can bring some boats back to Munro Park

Meet at the Green Gate Inn at 2 Main Street in the Village of Camillus to eat/drink and celebrate. The food kitchen is open until 8:45 pm. The Inn closes at 10:00 pm.

VOLUNTEERS

Carpenter's Brook Hatchery and float box transport.

- 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)

- Canoeists/kayakers to pull float boxes and disperse fish (up to 12 boxes). **I need confirmation from anyone wanting a float box.**
- Other kayakers and canoeists to join the float and help out on the water.
- Help set up canoes/kayaks 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 kayaks.
- Carry canoes/kayaks 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.

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 me a call, or e-mail to let me 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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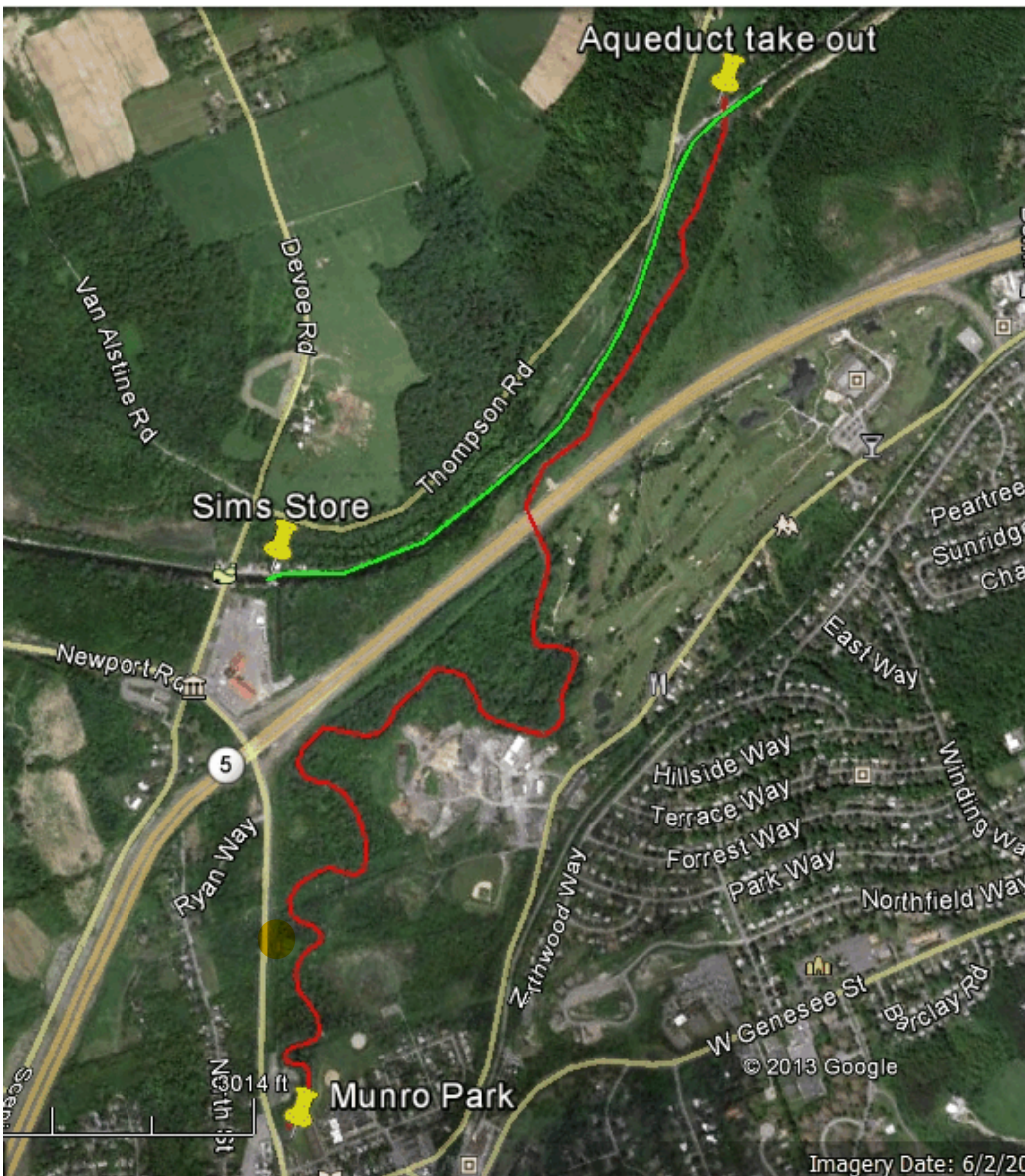


Nine Mile Creek is ready for Spring! Come join us!



**START
Munro Park**

Green Gate Inn



OFFER TO VOLUNTEER SERVICES: ASSUMPTION OF THE RISK

NINE MILE CREEK TROUT STOCKING 05/08/2024

I hereby offer to volunteer my services at my own risk to the NMCCC to assist it as I can. I agree to limit my volunteer efforts to my assignments and I agree not to perform any activity that is not specifically assigned to me. I know my own capabilities and limitations and also agree to not perform any activity that will jeopardize me or anyone else. I understand that the services may include physical activities, physical exertion, and spending time outdoors. I understand that the risks associated with my volunteer services include minor to potentially severe physical injury. Knowing the types of activities that are requested of me, and the risks associated with those activities, should I be injured during my volunteer service, I agree that I shall be personally responsible for my own medical care expenses and any other consequences of my injury. I have read the entire agreement, and knowing and understanding its contents, I agree to be bound to its terms.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

Name: _____

Optional Address: _____

Optional Emergency Phone Number: _____

I don't want any photograph of me to be published.