

Free State Fly Fishers

Ingram Pond Outing

When: Monday, February 18, 2019

Where: Ingram Pond, Millsboro, Delaware

Outing Coordinator: Gary Grey, 301.452.8863, garygrey74@gmail.com

Meeting Time/Location and Directions for Car Pool or “Caravan”: Plan to meet at the Ingram Pond boat ramp at 10:00 AM. If you want to carpool/caravan, plan to meet at 8:00 AM at the parking lot of the Bay 50 Shopping Center, 1544 Whitehall Road Annapolis, MD 21409. The shopping center is just off eastbound Route 50 prior to the Bay Bridge and is east of Angler’s Sport Center on Whitehall Road. The caravan will leave promptly at 8:15AM. Note: If you plan to carpool, be sure to let the Outing Coordinator know so that he can plan accordingly.

Directions to the Fishing Location: Note that you can type “Ingram Pond, DE” into googlemaps and directions to the boat ramp on the lake will be shown. For those without a GPS, take Route 50/301 east across the Chesapeake Bay Bridge. Continue east on Route 50 and then take a left onto Route 404 East/Queen Anne’s Highway. Continue on Route 404 East all the way around Bridgeville, Delaware where you will turn right onto Route 13 South. Turn left onto Redden Rd and proceed to Rt. 113 South. Just before Millsboro, turn right onto Sheep Pen Rd. Turn left onto Goodwin School Rd. Proceed down Goodwin School Rd, and the pond ramp and parking lot are on the right.

Species of Interest: This outing will focus on principally on chain pickerel, with possibilities of also catching largemouth bass, bluegill, and crappie.

Equipment Needed: A kayak, canoe or Jon boat will provide maximum access to the pond. There is only limited shoreline accessible for fishing.

Rods: Fly Rods from 6-8 wt with floating line as we will be fishing in 2-5’ depths.

Leaders: Strongly recommend adding a shock/bite tippet to your leader—something in the range of 30-40 lbs test, otherwise a hooked pickerel will cut their way right through your leader.

Recommended Flies: Streamers such as Clouser Minnows, Bullethead Darters, Woolly Buggers and Crystal Buggers in hook sizes 2 through 1/0 for targeting pickerel. For anyone using Spinning gear and small spinners or spinner/fly combinations work well here as will very small minnow type lures.

License Required: Delaware.

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Trip Logistics and Fishing Information:

Launch Ramp/Shore Fishing: There is a place to launch kayaks, canoes and boats at the end of the parking lot.

Lunch: It would be nice to meet for a lunch, but due to the very late start due to a February outing, this could be difficult. We will discuss how to address this the day of the outing among the participants. It would be very unfortunate not to have an opportunity on how to meet and lie about what we caught.

Safety Equipment: Please remember that if you are planning to fish from any type of watercraft—boat, kayak, canoe, float tube—be sure you have a PFD that fits. And remember it is not a cushion for you to sit on—it's made to wear. In the Winter and Spring when water is below 60 degrees it presents an acute, rapid onset hypothermia threat if you fall in; be sure you have a plan to keep yourself safe such as immersion protection clothing or some other strategy. We recommend you also bringing some type of signaling device—a loud whistle works well or VHF radio. A first aid kit in your vehicle is always a good idea. And hand sanitizer is always useful if for nothing but to get the fish smell off your hands.

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On all FSFF sponsored outings, please do be safe out there as it is your responsibility to stay within your capabilities and practice water safety at all time. Check with the above listed outing coordinator for more information on the fishing conditions if you have any concerns or questions. Most importantly, enjoy the fellowship of your fellow members through fly fishing and tight lines!