

Free State Fly Fishers Goodhands Creek Outing

(Updated with Queen Anne's County Permit information)

When: Friday, September 11, 2020

Where: Goodhands Creek Landing, located on Kent Island.

Outing Coordinator: Gary Grey, garygrey74@gmail.com, 443.795.1953.

Meeting Time/Location and Directions for Car Pool or "Caravan": Those wishing to travel in a Caravan can meet the Outing Coordinator at 6:45 AM at Jemals Bay 50 Factory Outlet Parking Lot (1598 Whitehall Rd, Annapolis) at 6:30 AM and the caravan will depart at 6:45 AM. If you prefer to meet at the launch, we will be launching from Goodhands Creek Landing boat ramp located on Kent Island. Both Jemals Bay 50 and Goodhands Creek Landing are listed in Google Maps, so if you enter their names into Google Maps, you'll see the location. It is a 15 minute, 10 mile drive from Jemals to Goodhands Creek Landing.

Directions to the Fishing Location: It is a 15 minute, 10 mile drive from Jemals to Goodhands Creek Landing. Rt 50 to exit 39B "Old Dominion Rd", to Rt 552 South to Goodhands Creek Landing Road. The landing is at the end of Goodhands Creek Rd.

Special Conditions: A Queen Anne's County Ramp/Landing permit is required to park a vehicle at any Queen Anne's County ramp/landing. They are \$10/day or \$35/year. You can get one at Anglers in Annapolis or Chesapeake Outdoors (1707 Main St, Chester, Maryland). If you don't have one, you could easily stop at Chesapeake Outdoors and pick one up the day of the outing. They open at 5:00 AM, and we pass right by them on the route to Goodhands Creek. If you do need one, please make arrangements to get one on your own; the caravan won't be stopping for permits enroute to Goodhands.

Species of Interest: Striped Bass and White Perch are the dominant species, but other possibilities are Spotted Sea Trout and Redfish (Red Drum).

Boating: Kayak/Canoe/Boat: There is almost no shore fishing possibilities at this location.

Rods: 4wt to 8wt depending on what species you are targeting and what flies you're throwing.

Recommended Flies: Striped Bass and White Perch flies, such as blue and white clousers, poppers, deceivers, Murdich minnows, white/chartreuse clousers, crystal buggers, gurglers, etc..

Timeline: We should arrive at the landing around 7:00 AM and launch ASAP. Typically a 4 or 5 hour fishing session is about right at this location.

Lunch: Lunch in times of Covid 19 is challenging, however, I am comfortable bringing a picnic lunch and a chair and having a fellowship lunch while social distancing; we will obviously be outside. Anyone comfortable with that is welcome to join in. We will target Noon for the lunch.

Photos: As with all FSFF events, participants are encouraged to take pictures during the outing to share with other club members via our website and Facebook page.

SAFETY: Safety is a paramount concern on all FSFF sponsored outings. On all FSFF sponsored outings, please 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. If boating, always wear your PFD and if water temperatures are below 60 degrees F, have a plan to protect yourself from cold water immersion hazards should you fall in. Most importantly, enjoy the fellowship of your fellow members through fly fishing and tight lines!

COVID 19: Please observe all CDC and Maryland recommended precautions for controlling risks of transmitting Covid 19.

On all FSFF sponsored outings, we ask that our members and guests Pick up Five pieces of trash you run across wading the river or kayaking the pond—small trash bags to be provided.