

Free State Fly Fishers

Ingram Pond Outing

When: Wednesday, January 20, 2021

Where: Ingram Pond, Millsboro, Delaware

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

Meeting Time/Location and Directions for Car Pool or “Caravan”: We will meet at the Ingram Pond boat ramp at 11:00 AM. Due to Covid 19 there will be no carpooling. Directions to the fishing location/boat ramp are below.

Directions to the Fishing Location: Note that you can type “Ingram Pond, Delaware” into Google Maps 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 or intermediate line. 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, Crystal Buggers, and in particular, articulated Bullethead or Crystal buggers in hook sizes 2 through 1/0 for targeting pickerel. Small buggy type flies for bluegill and Crappie. 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 (\$20/year for Non-Residents)

Trip Logistics and Fishing Information:

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

Lunch: Lunch is problematic for two reasons: We're getting a late start at the pond (wintertime fish patterns) and Covid 19. I suggest you bring a bag lunch and eat it while on the water. Ideally we can pick a quitting time (like maybe 4 PM), and meet as a group at a nearby Royal Farms, get coffee, and meet outside, while socially distancing, to lie about our catches. The attendees will decide these details on the day of the outing.

Safety: Safety is a paramount concern on all FSFF sponsored outings. 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. We recommend you also bring some type of signaling device—a loud whistle works well or VHF radio. A VHF radio is a bonus because you can also keep in touch throughout the day on the water as to what is working (monitor channel 68).