

Free State Fly Fishers

Adirondacks Outing

When: July 1-5, 2023

Where: Newcomb, New York (Adirondack Park)

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

Overnight accommodations:

- Camping in Lake Harris Campground in Newcomb, New York (Gary is camping here in site #14)
- Renting the cabin ("The Pilot's house") from the local Outfitter in Newcomb ("Cloudsplitter Outfitters")

Length of Stay: Gary plans to camp in Lake Harris Campground for the entire stay. Club members are welcome to come for one night or all or any other combination that works for them.

Meeting Time/Location and Directions: This will be discussed and decided upon before the trip by the attendees. Google Maps claims it is a 7.5-hour trip (449 miles), but that is without stops. It takes me around 9 hours—I stop a good bit.

- Note: This is a trip where you may want to consider having your own vehicle (instead of carpooling) because there are multiple fishing locations. Without multiple vehicles, you may not get to where you want to go.
- If you plan to go, but are going on a different schedule, please let Gary know.

Communication:

- Verizon cell phone coverage is fine in the campground. I only have Verizon, so can't say about other carriers.
- Gary is camping in Lake Harris Campground in site #14.

Fishing Locations: There are many places to fish. Some are Lake Harris, Rich Lake, Long Lake, Bog River, and many more (see the presentation I gave the club at the November 4, 2020 club meeting. It is posted on our website under "Library/past meetings).

Fishing Style: Fishing is almost entirely from a kayak or canoe. Shore fishing is extremely limited. Kayaks and canoes can be rented from Cloudsplitter Outfitters in Newcomb (www.cloudsplitteroutfitters.com). If you rent a kayak/canoe, make sure you have a way to transport it!

Fish target species: Northern Pike, Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass, panfish.

Trip Logistics and Fishing Information:

- **Meals:** Meals are on your own. We will work out some ways to share meeting up for meals and telling lies about the day, for example, dinner in my campsite one night, dinner in a different campsite another night, dinner at the Pilot's House (Cloudsplitter Outfitter's cabin) another night (if some members are staying at the cabin), etc..
- **Weather:** Always be prepared for cold weather. On a camping trip to the Adirondacks in mid-August one year, the morning temperature hit 33 degrees. Bring warm clothes!

Equipment Needed: Fly Rods, 4wt-8wt, depending on flies and species pursued.

Recommended Flies: Bass, Pike, and panfish flies.

License Required: New York fishing license. I'm not sure about a trout stamp, I've never fished for trout up there, so never pursued it.

Sign-up: The trip will be discussed at the May regular club meeting, and I will stay after the close of that meeting to answer any detailed questions anyone may have. Please email or call Gary if you want to go before June 15.

Directions to Lake Harris Campground and Cloudsplitter Outfitters: Lake Harris Campground in Newcomb, NY is searchable in Google Maps. Google Maps lists it as a 7.5-hour trip; it takes me about 8.5 hours.

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. It is mandatory that anyone coming on this trip, or any club sponsored trip, sign the FSFF Liability waiver form. 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!