

Free State Fly Fishers Outing

When: March 11, 2025

Where: Concord Pond, Seaford, Delaware

Outing Coordinator: Joe Bruce, saltflies@comcast.net, 410-925-9530

Meeting Time/Location: Meet at the Stargate Restaurant in Seaford for breakfast around 9am. The restaurant is located at 23415 Sussex Hwy, Seaford, DE 19973 right off Route 13 in Seaford. Or meet at the Concord Pond boat ramp at 10 AM.

Directions to Concord Pond: Concord Pond is about a 1 hour 30 minute drive from Annapolis, located near Seaford, DE. There is a parking lot and boat ramp on Seipp Lane at the pond. For Google Maps, you can simply enter "Concord Pond boat ramp, Seaford, DE, and it will come up. Actual directions are: Route 50 East to Route 404 East to Route 13 South to Route 20 East to Concord Pond Rd (if you pass the Liquor store you went too far) turn left to the pond.

Species of Interest: Pickerel with possibility of largemouth bass and crappie.

Equipment Needed:

- **Fly rods** from 6-8 weight to enable you to easily cast Clousers or other large weighted flies or flies with large wind resistant bodies.
- **Fly lines:** Recommend having access to floating, intermediate fly lines and/or floating line with 10' sink tip. The Pond is shallow, but we will be fishing some deeper sections and you will need to get your flies down 3-5 feet.
- Leaders: Be sure to have a 25-30 lbs. bite tippet at the end of your leader—6-8 inches is sufficient. Pickerel have sharp teeth and will easily cut through normal leader material.

Recommended Flies: Clouser minnows, bullet head flies, large crystal buggers and your favorite pickerel flies in hook sizes 2 through 1/0 for targeting pickerel.

License Required: Delaware license.

Other Trip Logistics and Fishing Information: <u>Launch Ramp/Shore Fishing</u>: There is a place to launch kayaks and canoes, at the end of the parking lot.

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.

Liability Waiver: It is mandatory that any trip attendees of this trip sign the FSFF Liability Waiver and submit them to Frank Bowne, FSFF Membership Coordinator. Copies of the waiver can be accessed on the club's website at: <u>https://fs-ff.com/wpcontent/uploads/2022/04/Liability-Waiver-With-Printed-Name.pdf</u>.

Trash Removal: And please remember we are asking all outing participants to try and pick up five pieces of trash during each outing.