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The Ramapo's Pools

A number of years ago members of East Jersey TU decided that, since the Ramapo was close to most locations within the Chapter's designated area and, as a result, was the river that received the most attention from the Chapter, locations on the river should be named.

Since EJTU is not a governmental group, a Naming Committee was not appointed; the names were bestowed as the result of a contest. And, while in today's electronic climate the various locations would be described by providing GPS coordinates, the named locations on the Ramapo were – and still are – described by reference to what is assumed to be sites that are either known to most people or are easily found.

Here is the list of pools and location from the name the pool contest:

1. **Cindy's pool** --Large pool at Glen Gray bridge
2. **Roetman's run**-- The run upstream from Glen Gray Bridge
3. **Mansion pool** -- above Roetman's run by Schwann mansion house
4. **Ranch pool** -- upstream from Mansion pool by the green fence and pasture
5. **Dead end pool**-- end of Drenth's drive.
6. **Ed's elbow** --sharp bend above Dead End pool
7. **Rooster run** -- above Ed's elbow.
8. **Parks pools**--- Three pools side by side at the reservation.

When: April 10 at 7:30 PM

Where: American Legion Hall
33 West Passaic Street
Rochelle Park, NJ

April's Speaker

George Daniel

**2012 Trout Lessons:
Nymph, dry fly and streamer fishing.**

George has been fly fishing since the age of 6 and currently logs over 200 hours on the stream each year. During the last three years he has competed in the Outdoor Life Networks Fly Fishing Masters and the ESPN Outdoor Games

In May of 2005 the USA Fly Fishing Team invited George to a try for entry. He qualified at these trials and has continued to stay in the top three at each trial over the past year. Most recently he and his team mates beat 13 other teams in the first ever North American National Fly Fishing Championships!

George works for the PA Fish and Boat Commission habitat management section and is completing his masters at Penn State while conducting fly fishing clinics/programs in the East Coast area.

My biggest worry is that my wife (when I'm dead) will sell my fishing gear for what I said I paid for it.

Koos Brandt

EJTU Calendar

If you wish to go on one of the fishing trips contact Ed Higgins at (easyedh@gmail.com) well in advance. If the trip requires reservations or other arrangements openings are often limited and the reservations must be made in advance.

Other events are sheperded by Rich Malizia. If you have questions or wish to volunteer contact Rich at 973-304-0789 or remqcp@optonline.net

Please consult EJTU's web site's "Upcoming Events" for the most up-to-date information and details.

Apr 2 [Tu] Pre-season

Ramapo River trout stocking

Apr 6 [Sat]

Opening Day trout season

Apr/May [Thursdays] Ramapo River trout stocking

Apr 10 [Wed] Members Meeting; Speaker, George Daniel

May 8 [Wed] Members Meeting; Speaker, Chris Stewart (Tenkara Bum)

May 11 [Sat] Hooked on Hudson

May 25 [Sat] Mahwah Fishing Derby

May31/Jun2 Catskill Museum sleepover fishing trip and picnic

Jun 8 [Sat] Ramapo River Day

Jun 8/15 Block Island Trip

June 12 [Wed] Members meeting; speaker Bill McKeen

June 15 [Sat] Glen Rock Fishing Derby



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Arctic Ocean Getting Warm; Seals Vanish And Icebergs Melt

(By the Associated Press.)

The Arctic ocean is warming up, icebergs are growing scarcer and in some places the seals are finding the waters too hot, according to a report to the Commerce Department yesterday from Consul Ifti, at Bergen, Norway.

Reports from fishermen, seal hunters and explorers, he declared, all point to a radical change in climatic conditions and hitherto unheard-of temperatures in the Arctic zone. Exploration expeditions report that scarcely any ice has been met with as far north as 81 degrees 29 minutes. Soundings to a depth of 3,100 meters showed the gulf stream still very warm.

Great masses of ice have been replaced by moraines of earth and stones, the report continued, while at many points well known glaciers have entirely disappeared. Very few seals and no white fish are being found in the eastern Arctic, while vast shoals of herring and smelts, which have never before ventured so far north, are being encountered in the old seal fishing grounds.

The above article was printed on Page 2 of the 2 November 1922 Washington Post



Welcome To March's New Members



Jonathan Bonesteel	Montclair
John Chiavello	Rutherford
Marcello Esposito	Woodridge
Matthew Gallo	Little Falls
Bruce Halstater	Norwood
Tim Jensen	Oakland
Charlie Maccia	Verona

**Visit the East Jersey TU
web site for
up-to-the-minute
Information:**

www.eastjerseytu.org

Monthly General Member Meeting: The East Jersey Chapter of Trout Unlimited meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM.

Location: The American Legion Hall,
33 West Passaic St, Rochelle Park, NJ. 07662.

Monthly Board Meeting: Board Members of East Jersey Trout Unlimited meet on the last Thursday of each month at 7:30PM.

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Fishing Licenses

Trout season is almost here so make sure you have your fishing license.

Here are the license rules:

If you've lived in New Jersey for at least six months you may buy a resident license. However, if you are in one of the following categories you benefit from special rules:

- A person who is on active duty in the armed services of the United States is entitled to fish with a resident license.
- Eligible NJ National Guard personnel are entitled to free licenses, permits and stamps.
- Resident NJ veterans with a service-connected disability are eligible for free licenses.

- Residents afflicted with total blindness may obtain a free fishing license.

In addition to your license, if you are over age 16, you will also need a Trout Stamp.

However, people under 16 and over 70 years of age need neither a fishing license nor a trout stamp. Just make sure that you have something with you that gives your age.

For full information about New Jersey fishing license rules go to the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife's information page at:

<http://www.state.nj.us/dep/fgw/fishneed.htm>

Trout Stocking

This year EJTU's first stocking on the Ramapo River will be a pre-season stocking on Tuesday, April 2. The truck is scheduled to reach Glen Gray Road at 10 AM



“Capt” Ray Adam loads the float box before heading downstream with Bruce Seiden’s boat

The season opens on the following Saturday, April 6. The Ramapo will then be stocked on the next seven Thursdays: April 11, 18, 25 and May 2, 9, 16, 23

The total number of trout schedule to be stocked in the Ramapo, directly by the stocking trucks and with EJTU assistance will be:

Pre-season	5,220	Week 4	1,740
Week 1	1,960	Week 5	1,740
Week 2	1,740	Week 6	1,090
Week 3	1,740	Week 7	1,090

April Fly of the Month



After a long snowy winter opening day has finally arrived. The first hatch of the year will usually be the early black stonefly. These tiny (size 18) stones can frequently be seen crawling out of the water onto a snow bank to hatch.

The first mayfly of the year will usually be the tiny (size 22 or 24) blue winged olives, and of course we cannot overlook the midges. But don't worry; the larger flies are only a few weeks away.



GRAND AVENUE

Steve Breen



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- 9. **College pool**-- Pool by parking area off Halifax Road
- 10. **Mason's pool**-- across from the Mason Jar.
- 11. **Pool 17**-- pool by Route 17.
- 12. **Doc's pool** -- by office building north of Route 17
- 13. **Minks pool**-- across from Wells soccer field at the stone wall
- 14. **Fish trap run**--- Half way between Minks pool and Patriots way
- 15. **Patriots pool** -- at Patriots Way bridge
- 16. **Drenth's run** -- run north of 287 bridge by 287 soccer field
- 17. **Cal's pool**-- across from Britt's tackle shop.

Of course, Britt's tackle shop is no longer with us and, as a result of the scouring action caused by those memorable, recent floods that the Ramapo has experienced, some of the pools may have filled in or moved. However, the Ramapo is still there, running shallow and warm in the summer months but full and cool after the winter snow melt and early rains.

March Steel Head Trip



Chris Henrickson with a steelhead that he caught.

The Economics of Sportfishing: ASA Releases Report

Southwick Associates was recently busy working with the American Sportfishing Association (ASA) to highlight a financial pillar of conservation, fishing, as described in the report, "Sportfishing in America: An Economic Force for Conservation." With the USFWS reporting that 33 million Americans age 16 or older went fishing in 2011, and ASA estimating there are potentially as many as 60 million Americans of all ages who consider themselves anglers in the country fishing at least once every five years, the sportfishing community is undoubtedly vital to the economy and conservation.

In fact, it is estimated that anglers spend approximately \$48 billion annually on equipment, licenses, trips, and other fishing-related items or events with an economic multiplier effect of \$115 billion impacting our nation's economy. Each angler spends roughly \$1,441 per year supporting 828,000 jobs that account for as much as \$35 billion in salaries and wages. Plus, through excise taxes on fishing tackle, fishing licenses and personal donations, anglers contributed nearly \$1.5 billion in dedicated funding to fisheries conservation in 2011. And these numbers promise to grow with the population of anglers growing 11 percent between 2006 and 2011.

# New Jersey Resident Anglers:	766,085	Top 10 States: Non-Resident Fishing Destinations
Retail sales:	\$1,146,551,669	Ranked by Number of Visiting Anglers
Multiplier:	\$1,866,013,788	# 9: New Jersey
Salaries & Wages:	\$583,147,807	# Non-resident anglers 256,950
Jobs:	15,386	Total non-resident expenditures \$106,323,764
Federal Tax Revenues:	\$158,769,630	
State Tax Revenues:	\$137,228,333	

More Americans fish than play golf (21 million) and tennis (13 million) combined.

If fishing were a company, the amount spent by anglers to support fishing-related retail sales would rank number 51 on the Fortune 500 list.

Fishing generated more revenue (\$48 billion) than Lockheed Martin (\$47 billion), Intel (\$44 billion), Chrysler (\$42 billion) or Google (\$38 billion).

The economic activity generated by sportfishing is greater than the economies, measured in Gross State Product, of 17 states.

From *Sportfishing in America, 2013*

[http://asafishing.org/uploads/2011_ASASportfishing_in_America_Report_January_2013.pdf]



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