



THE TRADITIONAL ANGLERS OF PENNSYLVANIA, INC. NEWSLETTER MARCH 2001

Since December 2000, the following has taken place.

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Benscreek and Noels Creek in Cambria County received 200 rainbow trout each from T.A.P. these fish were stocked as part of our annual winter stocking program. The trout are stocked the first Saturday after antlerless deer season.

T.A.P. sponsored a "Youth Ice Fishing Day" at Lake Rowena in late February. T.A.P. stocked 200 trout for the 150 kids and adults to catch on a cold and blustery day. Commissioner Don Anderson of the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission attended the event. We had a great time on the ice. We provided hot refreshments for the kids all day long. A photo of the event can be seen in the Pennsylvania Angler's January/February 2001 edition.

The Forest Hills Trout Co-op held its annual Raffle and Prize give-away. The event was a huge success. A big "Thank You" to all T.A.P. members who helped make this event possible. April and early May saw the Traditional Anglers stocking local streams with trout. We stocked over 1200 trout in area streams last year. T.A.P. would like to thank everyone who helped put these fish in.

Offices of the Traditional Anglers of Pennsylvania for 2000-2001:

President: Dan Pfeilstucker

Vice President: Art Noel

Secretary: Brad Stager

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Trustee: Mike Pfeilstucker

Over 250 kids turned out for T.A.P.'s annual Free Kids Fishing Derby held on May 20, 2000. Over 700 Brown, Brook, Rainbow and Palomino trout were stocked for the kids to catch. Eight trout over 18" were stocked for an added bonus. Many prizes were handed out to the kids for all the fish that were caught. The event was a great success. The Traditional Anglers of Pennsylvania would like to thank everyone who donated prizes and money to this event.

The Portage Summerfest was the scene for T.A.P.'s Casting and Fishing Demonstration held at Portage Park for kids age 16 and younger. Two rod and reel combos were given away as well as lots of other prizes. These young casting experts hit the bull's eye quite often. Thanks to the volunteers for a job well done. T.A.P. is an active member of the Portage Coalition of Sportsmen. Over 100 kids participated at the Youth Field Day held by the Coalition. They learned how to shoot shotguns, .22 rifles, and bows. The kids got first-hand experience on how to safely hunt turkeys and learned the ins-and-outs of trapping wild animals. After all that, the kids turned anglers as they tried to catch some of the trout the Coalition stocked for them.

T.A.P. has an on-going affiliation with the following organizations: PA Clean Ways, Stoneycreek Conemaugh River Improvement Project (S.C.R.I.P.), West Branch Susquehanna Rescue, Conemaugh Valley Conservancy, Pennsylvania League of Angling Youth (P.L.A.Y.), and the Portage Coalition of Sportsmen.

Late Breaking News

A "Growing Greener Grant" has been awarded to the Traditional Anglers of Pennsylvania for the implementation of a watershed group to clean up Trout Run from Martindale to the mouth at the junction of the Little Conemaugh River. The amount of the grant was over \$35,000. This will be used to create a watershed group, assess the 6.3 mile Trout Run watershed and produce a watershed restoration plan.

- T.A.P. still has hats for sale; these are a great way to show your support and involvement with T.A.P. Summer hats are available for \$7.00 and Winter for \$8.00.
- This year we are putting in an extra membership application in the hope that you would recruit a new member. We appreciate it very much.
- T.A.P. meetings are now rotating because of the President's work schedule. Meeting locations are as follows: May through September at the Wild Cherry Inn Picnic Pavilion; and, October through April at the Benscreek Social Club. Meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m.
- We continue to seek the support and co-operation of other outdoor sportsmen and environment organizations and interested individuals. Information regarding donations, contributions, and T.A.P. memberships (Adult \$5.00 annual, Junior \$2.50 annual) and other information about T.A.P. can be obtained by contacting:

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