

Traditional Anglers of Pennsylvania

NEWSLETTER



The Traditional Anglers of Pennsylvania is dedicated to live bait fishing and equal access for all. We will continue to promote, protect, and preserve all waters of Pennsylvania.

Dear T.A.P. Members,

Since December 2003 the following has taken place:

Forest Hills Trout Co-Op held their annual raffle and prize give away and it was a success. T.A.P. is a member of this organization. Thanks to all who helped.

T.A.P. hosted an open house at their Kane Run Trout Nursery. The public got a first hand look at the trout we are going to release in area streams. There were many positive comments made about the nice size to the trout and to the improvements made to the nursery since last year.

Trout were stocked in Kane Run, Trout Run and the Little Conemaugh River for the first day of trout season.

T.A.P. stocked over 4400 from its Kane Run nursery, plus, over 500 trout from the Forest Hills Nursery. Streams on the stocking list include; Kane Run, Trout Run, Little Conemaugh River, Noels Creek and Benscreek.

Again, the Portage Area School students and T.A.P. members joined together on "Earth Day" to clean litter from Kane Run. After the students cleaned the creek, they stocked trout from the Kane Run Trout Nursery. It was a job well done and we appreciate the help.

Officers of the Traditional Anglers of Pennsylvania for 2204-2005:

President: Dan Pfeilstucker
Vice President: Art Noel
Secretary: Brad Stager
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Member at Large: Art Flynn
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The Traditional Anglers of Pennsylvanias annual Free Kids Fishing Derby was held on May 22, 2004. Over 1100 Brook, Rainbow and Palomino trout were stocked for the kids that registered to catch them. Many prizes were handed out and the kids had a great time. The Traditional Anglers of Pennsylvania would like to thank all the volunteers who helped, and all who donated prizes and money for this event.

On selected Saturdays beginning in May and ending in September the Traditional Anglers of Pennsylvania will be holding Chicken Bar B Ques across from the Bowling Alley on Route 53. Watch for signs on Main Street and on Route 53. We make the best chicken around.

The intake water flow at the Kane Run Trout Nursery was upgraded because of low water flow. The flow is much better now. T.A.P. would like to thank the people who made these improvements a success.

Come down to the Kane Run Trout Nursery and see the Muriel that was hand painted on the fish house by a local painter. It sure is nice.

A grant from the Community Foundation of the Alleghenies was awarded to the Traditional Anglers of Pennsylvania. This money was used for the enclosure of the Kane Run Trout Nursery. This enclosure will deter snow, ice, and leaves from entering the raceway area. Also, it has added an extra touch of professional craftsmanship to the existing building. It will be an asset for many years to come for the nursery as well as the park.

Portage Summerfest was the scene for the Traditional Anglers of Pennsylvanias Casting and Fishing Demonstration held at the Portage Park for kids 16 and under. The kids had a great time trying to hit the bulls eye. Many prizes were given away.

The annual "Youth Field Day" held by the Portage Coalition of Sportsmen on September 25, 2004 had over 75 kids participate for this event. T.A.P. is a member of this organization. They learned how to shoot a shotgun, .22 rifles, muzzleloaders and bows. The kids got first hand experience on how to safely hunt turkeys. After all that, they turned to anglers to catch some of the trout the coalition stocked for them.

The Traditional Anglers of Pennsylvania web site is: www.tap-pa.org

Watch for pre-season and in-season stocking schedules in the local newspaper.

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

T.A.P. meetings are now rotating because of the Presidents work schedule. Meetings locations are as follows: May through September at the Kane Run Trout Nursery and October through April at the Benscreek Social Club. Meetings begin at 7:00p.m.

We continue to seek the support and co-operation of other outdoor sportsmen and environmental organizations and interested individuals. Information regarding donations, contributions, and T.A.P. memberships (Adult \$5.00, Juniors \$2.50 annual) and other information about T.A.P. can be obtained by contacting:

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