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Topic: : Opening day angler counts

Re: Opening day angler counts

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Quote:

geebee wrote:

i would have thought a discount on the fishing licence might encourage that...

If you need a discount on what is already a bargain, to help stock, you might be into fishing for the wrong reasons... Just sayin'

McSneek - as a lifelong (except for college) Lancaster County resident, I definitely sympathize with your farm ditch comment. Growing up, my Opening Day stream was Pequea Creek in eastern Lancaster County. It is definitely an impaired farm ditch there, but it started me down the road of trout fishing (along with a small dose of "natives" in Lycoming County). I just got done walking some stretches of Big Beaver Creek, also, undoubtedly a farm ditch. I hope to put my kids on some fish and give them an enjoyable experience reeling them in. That is all. I'm not dreaming of any of the stream becoming trout meccas. Unfortunately, for most stocked streams in Lancaster County, you simply need to lower your expectations, and then your expectations will be met 😊 Nothing wrong with folks near Park City crowding a stream that hasn't supported wild trout for a very long time, and getting a meal from it..

The float stocking aspect has been hit or miss, in my experience. I was majorly bummed a number of years ago when I was with a group that offered to float stock and the offer was rejected. On the other hand, I have helped float stock sections of Conowingo and Big Beaver already. Unfortunately, my mindset of wanting to walk a two mile stretch of stream and catch one or two fish in each hole is at odds with what I perceive to be the general stocked angling public's mindset, which is one of wanting to see buckets of trout in each hole, along with some Lightnin' (TM) Trout. And that's why I'm quite content to take my kids out in search of densely stocked streams for one day, and spend the majority of the rest of my days on wild waters.