



## CALL OF THE LOON SPRING 2020

### Something's Fishy!

What can we do, when everything seems to be going wrong, and nothing seems to help? What is the universal solution---no, not beer! Though, technically alcohol is a solution.

GO FISH! Get out there where water and the possibility of fish meet to soothe the agitated soul, focus the brain, and fill the heart with hopeful anticipation. Whether pursuing the "big one" or just "any one", like me, time spent fishing is time you do so little, yet accomplish so much! On the water, no can hear you curse, count your beers before 10 am, notice a little odd smell or two, and everyone will admire your fish cleaning skills—since they do not want to clean the fish.

## COLD STREAM CAMP OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

*Our Mission: "Protecting and improving the water quality of Cold Stream Pond."*

Welcome to the first Fish Issue of the Newsletter. Since the world of fish is large, boundless, and full of lies, you can anticipate another one in the future to hold your tall tale, if you send it in!



Please renew your membership at [coldstreampond.com](http://coldstreampond.com), because only together we can protect and enjoy a clean, clear future for Cold Stream Pond. And of course, good fishing!

Laurie Fenwood, Editor

## President's Message

Tom Quirk

I hope that you and your families have stayed safe and healthy throughout the winter! It was a great winter for ice fishing and spring fishing is going to be even better. Trying to cope with the threats of the corona virus and the many restrictions on our daily routines has challenged everyone. CSCOA Board even had a phone "conference" meeting with the board a few weeks ago. We can do anything if we put our minds to it.

Thanks to our web master Alex Fenwood Hughes, we now can do even more CSCOA business "virtually." Alex recently has done a lot of work, much of it donated time, to fix glitches and make our web site cheaper to maintain and update. It is now possible to join, renew, become a sponsor, register for the boat parade, or apply for a watershed protection grant online.

The purpose of the Cold Stream Camp Owners Association is to keep this beautiful lake clear and unpolluted for us and for our families for generations to come. The cooperation of all members is so important. It will take all of us to accomplish this task, so please help or volunteer if you can. We all have strengths that can be called on to help with our lake and I want to thank everyone who is currently involved.

It saddens me and the entire Board of Directors to cancel some of our favorite events this year. We all will miss the comradeship of the Annual Meeting and Bake Sale. Please reach out (safely, of course!) to someone you think can help continue the growth of this group of people who understand what we do "For the Love of the Lake".

Our Clean Water Act Grant has wrapped up and we have a new process for cost shares for water quality improvement projects for land owners and Road Associations. The process is included in this newsletter and will be posted on the new

redesigned website. We just need you to help build on our progress!

I also would like to a moment and thank all the doctors, nurses and first responders who help keep our State safe. We can look forward to summer with the knowledge that Cold Stream Pond remains a place of calm, beauty and peace for us. It will be a summer of boating, swimming, fishing, and fun with family and friends. Being on the water or just hanging around camp is a miracle cure for whatever worries may be nagging at us.



Virtual Board Meeting

## Summer Events

### Bake Sale

The Bake/Food Sale will not be held this year due to concerns about COVID 19/corona virus transmission. The gathering of people to share home baked goodies, renew membership, and visit with friends, will be sorely missed. The CSCOA board of directors, after much discussion, wants to make every effort to reduce exposure to the disease by following guidelines set by the State of Maine as well as exhibiting ample caution aimed at protecting our neighbors and friends. It will still be possible to purchase CSCOA items this summer. Contact Tom Quirk at 207-299-1850 or [tquirk@quirkauto.com](mailto:tquirk@quirkauto.com).

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual CSCOA Boat Parade

Let's give it another try! Where is the "Happiest Place on Earth"? Right here! On Sunday, July 5, 2020 the Annual Boat Parade fleet will set sail with a Disney Theme. Come one, come all: Mickey and Minnie, Goofy and Pluto, Belle and Beast, Chip 'n Dale, Jasmine and Woody, Buzz and Cinderella, Nemo and Ariel, Simba and Sully, Peter Pan and Wendy, Captain Hook and Smee, Han and Leia, Luke and Darth Vader (a tribute to Father's Day), Wall-E and R2D2, Elsa and Hopper, Spider and Ant (Man), or any other of the many beloved Disney movie characters and stories.

Boats will gather in Webb Cove at 12:45. At 1:00 pm, the flotilla will head along the shoreline, past the Enfield Town Boat Ramp, and end near Gray's Beach. The boats normally only include close family groups and friends. Boats will also keep good distances between them for water safety reasons. To keep folks safer, no ice cream will be served this year. In the event of severe weather, the event will be cancelled (like last year) with no rain date.

A registration form is included in this newsletter and additional participant information and registration is on the website. You can also register online at [coldstreampond.com](http://coldstreampond.com). Please contact Anne Hall if you have questions or for additional details and registration at [amhjeg@roadrunner.com](mailto:amhjeg@roadrunner.com) or 207-745-9317.



## Annual Meeting

The Cold Stream Camp Owners' Association Annual Meeting of the Membership will not be held this year. In normal times, the annual get-together is a great time to catch up with neighbors, learn a bit about what CSCOA is doing

to protect lake water quality, enjoy a presentation, and vote on items needing decisions. We will miss seeing our friends and neighbors, road association reps, as well as all members and non-members. Please help keep our outreach efforts going by helping someone you know visit our website to become a member—for the love of the lake!

## Road Association News and Annual Meetings

### Enfield Roads

Tom Quirk

We have endured another Maine winter/spring and I am happy to announce, with very few road issues. We have replaced two culverts with a new process called a rock sandwich. This process replaces the culvert with rocks wrapped with landscape fabric and topped with gravel. We will monitor the rock sandwiches throughout the seasons for their dependability. I would like to remind everyone that the Enfield camp roads should have a road contact. If your road does not have a contact person please consider being one for your road.

Our annual meeting is tentatively scheduled for July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 6:00pm at Enfield Town Office. Check [coldstreampond.com](http://coldstreampond.com) or call 207-299-1850 for updates.

### Lower Webb Cove Road Association

Brian Libby

Annual Road Meeting will be held in **September** (date TBD). We are very fortunate that the Gardner companies allow me to use their rock rake whenever available.

### Upper Webb Cove Road Association

Robert Murray

The Board is currently working to determine an appropriate way to conduct the Annual Meeting to keep their members safe while following their by-laws (initially set for July 11).

### **Webb Cove Owners Association**

Dave Smith

Our Association meeting is scheduled at 0900 Aug 1, 2020. Our road survived the winter with the help of Blaine King and will hopefully be regraded within the next week or 2. We do have 2 culverts to repair, one on Warp Drive and larger one on Shore Lane (between Warp Drive). The latter will require that portion of the road to be closed and detoured through Warp Drive. We plan on posting notice a few days before the project begins for local traffic planning purposes. The Shore Lane project will start approx. 0730 and last until 1pm. Of course, these projects support our efforts to properly manage runoff for the health of the lake

### **Millett-Mallet Road Association**

Joel Deckler

The annual meeting is scheduled for July 11 at 6:30 at Paul and Terry LeMay's home on Dudley Rd. If needed, there will be a call or a Gmail video meeting.

### **New Septic System Law Enacted**

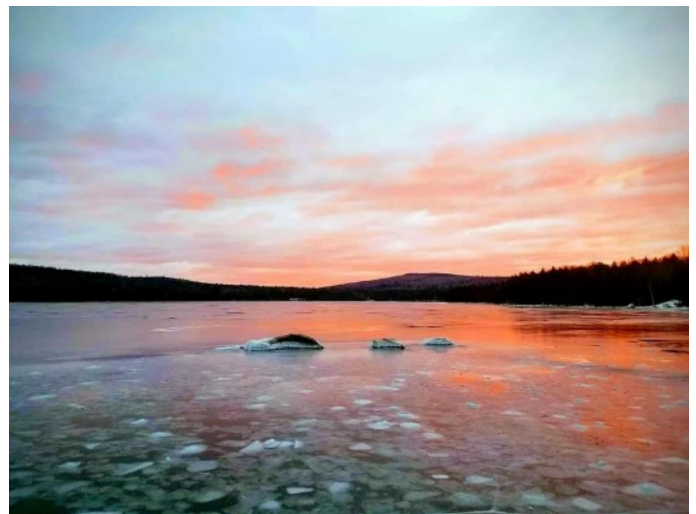
Worth mentioning again! Governor Mills has signed into law **H.P. 179 - L.D. 216 An Act To Protect Water Quality by Standardizing the Law Concerning Septic Inspection in the Shoreland Zone**. Effective January 1, 2020, septic systems in the shoreland zone around lakes must be inspected prior to sale of the property and repaired or replaced if found to be malfunctioning. This is a great step forward towards protecting water quality in Maine Lakes. While most septic systems around Cold Stream Pond meet modern standards, there are still a few old systems that have the potential to pollute our lake. Sometimes even new systems are not adequate or may fail. This law will require that

they be brought up to code before lakefront property can be transferred to a new owner.

### **The Great Ice-out Controversy**

What date did the ice on Cold Stream Pond actually go out this year? Was it April 13 as predicted by Brian McDormand who claimed that his end of the lake was pretty much ice-free? Was it April 14 as predicated by Kayla Hart when Lynn Greenleaf and Beverly Pearson King reported seeing boats? Or was on April 15, as predicted by Susan Cyr Phelps and Jessica Williams, when the only ice still left was small bits near the shore?

The State of Maine website says that "'Ice Out" is defined . . . as when you can navigate unimpeded from one end of the water body to the other. There may still be ice in coves or along the shoreline in some areas, but when a person can traverse the entire waterbody without being stopped by ice floes we will consider the ice to be out." That website reports April 15 as the day that definition was met on Cold Stream Pond, so I guess we can declare Sue and Jessica as the winners. Maybe next month we can debate something less polarizing, such as "Is Cold Stream a pond or a lake?"



Facebook photo by Brian McDormand

## CSCOA Water Quality Grants Now Available

Now that our EPA grant has been implemented, federal matching funds are no longer available for watershed protection projects. However, camp owners and camp road associations can still apply for cost share funding by the CSCOA. As before, the grants will be available to help fund the implementation of best management practices (BMPs) designed to protect or improve the water quality of Cold Stream Pond (CSP).

Here's how the program will work:

### Category 1. Shorefront Property Owner Assistance

Funding will be provided for the implementation of approved BMPs on private shorefront properties as follows:

- Only properties that have been evaluated by the CSP LakeSmart program are eligible.
- Proposed BMP projects must have been recommended to the land owner in a LakeSmart report following the evaluation. Eligible BMPs include:
  - Erosion control mulching
  - Buffer plantings
  - Seeding
  - Dripline trenches
  - Gravel or mulched pathways
  - Rip-rap for shoreline stabilization
  - Infiltration steps
  - Rain gardens
  - Rubber razors
  - Other practices recommended by LakeSmart
- Total CSCOA Category 1 grant funding per calendar year is limited to \$3,000. Additional grants may be approved by the CSCOA Board of Directors.
- Grantee is responsible for a minimum of 40% of the cost of the approved projects through cash, labor, purchases or other in-kind contribution. CSCOA will provide up to 60% of the cost of the projects, not to exceed \$600 per grant. Funds are provided to the Grantee upon satisfactory completion of the project.
- Grantees may apply anytime through the CSCOA website (fillable online form).
- Applications will be reviewed and approved by the Water Quality Grant Committee chair on an on-going basis. A LakeSmart evaluator may make additional site visits if necessary, prior to approval.
- Grants will be approved and funding allocated in the order that the applications are received until the annual maximum is reached. Projects recommended by the LakeSmart program are assumed to be beneficial to lake water quality and so are not subject to additional review or ranking. (Except that Grantee is responsible for any necessary approvals by the DEP or town Code Enforcement Officer.)
- Water Quality Grant Committee Chair will notify grantee of selection, work with grantee to prepare a signed cost-share agreement, review implementation, and certify satisfactory completion and documentation of expenses before requesting reimbursement to Grantee.



## Category 2. Camp Road Projects

Funding will be provided for the implementation of approved BMPs on private camp roads as follows:

- Only road-related projects which benefit the water quality of Cold Stream Pond are eligible. Types of projects include:
  - Armoring of ditches or culvert ends with rock
  - New or re-designed culverts (other than routine maintenance)
  - Plunge pools or other water retention areas
  - Storm water turn-outs
  - Broad-based road dips
  - Road shaping to promote drainage
- Work must be performed according to recommendations in the DEP “Camp Road Maintenance Manual” (available on CSCOA website.)
- Grantee must represent a road association and/or be a CSCOA member.
- Total CSCOA Category 2 grant funding per calendar year is limited to \$3,000. Additional grants (with or without cost-sharing) may be approved by the CSCOA Board of Directors.
- Grantee is responsible for a minimum of 40% of the cost of the approved projects through cash, labor, purchases or other in-kind contribution. CSCOA will provide up to 60% of the cost of the projects, not to exceed \$1,500 per grant. Funds are provided to the Grantee upon satisfactory completion of the project.
- Grantees may apply anytime through the CSCOA website (fillable online form).
- All applications received by June 1 of each year (*extended to June 15, this year only*) will be reviewed by the Committee to determine eligibility by June 15. (*extended to June 30, this year only*)
- All eligible projects will be visited by the committee along with representatives (as available) from the Penobscot County Soil and Water District (PCSWD), Maine DEP, and town code enforcement to review and rank the proposals.
- By July 15, (*extended to July 30, this year only*) grantees will be notified of award status. Water Quality Grant Committee Chair will work with grantee to prepare a signed cost-share agreement, review implementation, and certify satisfactory completion and documentation of expenses before requesting reimbursement to Grantee.

Contact Jim Fenwood, Water Quality Grant Committee Chair for more information ([jfenwood@gmail.com](mailto:jfenwood@gmail.com)).



Buffer addition



Infiltration steps

## Enfield Code Enforcement Report

Nels Kramer

With the current health advisory and physical distancing with the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic, going to camp is a popular destination. Camp owners can safely distance themselves and get something done at the same time. Lots of leaves to rake, gutters to clean and repairs to make after a rather weird winter season. When raking, please be sure to leave leaves and duff in buffer areas and under the trees to absorb runoff water before it can reach the lake. Ice went out about a week sooner than the long-term average, and boats were on the water mere hours afterwards. And while I wasn't fortunate enough to be dragging a line soon afterwards, I did hear about some very nice salmon caught!

Something to remember as you're doing your cleanup chores at camp, while there may have been some wind and ice damage to some of the trees around camp, as well as ice damage to your shore frontage, please call the Town Office before doing any work to repair that damage. Specifically, if there appears to be any damage to your trees, or if there are trees that are leaning towards camp, or appear to have been compromised, check with the Code Enforcement Office before addressing. I can come and certify under the Shoreline Zoning Ordinance what trees are a hazard and can be removed. Also, if any major damage to your shore that needs attention, that work probably needs a DEP Permit By Rule (PBR) and may also need a Town of Enfield Shoreland Zoning Permit as well before any work can be done.

Please, before starting any work in and around the lake ask this office if there is any doubt if there are permits or precautions that should be taken **BEFORE** any work is initiated.

A list of certified contractors can be found here:

<https://www.maine.gov/dep/land/training/cccec.html>

## Make 2020 Your LakeSmart Year

At the request of landowners, certified volunteer screeners will visit lakeside properties to evaluate the property's ability to prevent sediment and other pollution from entering the lake. A detailed list of recommendations and appropriate BMPs will be provided to each landowner following the visit. Properties which qualify for LakeSmart will receive 2 metal signs to post on the property. Any time after May 15, contact Jim Fenwood ([lakeSmart@fenwood.org](mailto:lakeSmart@fenwood.org) phone 207-732-4320) Cold Stream Pond LakeSmart Coordinator for more information or to schedule a LakeSmart visit. It is a great thing for the lake to have a property qualify as LakeSmart, but it is even more important to have an evaluation and commit to improving your property! Having a LakeSmart visit qualifies you to apply for CSCOA grant money to implement any recommendations.

## EROSION CONTROL MULCH

Available at Northland Bark Mulch—minimum 1 yard, 29 Champion Lane, Milford through June 28 (or so) 207-827-4837.



Mulched paths protect the lake.



## Plant Profile: Bunches of Bunchberry

Laurie Fenwood

Cornus canadensis is the smallest plant of a genus

that includes mostly trees and shrubs. Native to Maine, and most of the northern world from Greenland to northeast Asia, it makes an excellent ground cover. Ground covers make up part of an effective buffer---the best buffers have 5 layers of protection that break the force of rainfall, filter and slow the flow of runoff, and help the soil absorb water before it can carry pollutants into the lake. The 5 layers are duff or mulch, ground cover (short plants), shrubs, midstory trees and overstory trees. Buffers around Cold Stream Pond form the last line of resistance to prevent runoff carrying phosphorus from getting into our clean, clear water and causing nasty algae blooms.

Blowing the trumpet for bunchberry, whose genus name cornus, means horn in Latin, I have had good luck planting this perennial in partial shade where the soil stays moist and cool. Humus or compost is needed as well as slightly acid soil, which naturally occurs with mixed conifer and hardwood tree cover. I have only planted nursery grown plants, though possibly it can be propagated with root cuttings. The low growth form and the characteristic that it spreads through underground runners generates its other name, creeping dogwood. Naturally occurring in our local woodland areas, it has a cheerful spring presence with tiny green flowers surrounded by four large white bracts which resemble a single flower. Fall brings bright red berries, in a bunch, of course. The leaves also turn red, echoing the tree canopy's fall color show. Birds feed on these berries during fall migration, dispersing seeds.

One cool attribute that I found about this species: it has explosive pollination. That is how it gets pollen to female flower parts (pistols) via insect

pollinators. The plants are self-sterile, so they have to go some distance to another, separate plant to reproduce. You can view this by watching a Science News video on YouTube.

The flowers may be tiny, but they pack a powerful stored energy punch in the stamens which are folded over like specialized catapults, with the pollen containing sac on the end of their filaments. asknature.org describes them as the fastest flower on earth! They bloom in under .5 milliseconds---propelling pollen that accelerates at 2400 times the acceleration of gravity. For comparison, that is 800 times the rate of acceleration experienced by the astronauts during liftoff! Pollen exits the bloom at 4 meters/second, rising 2.5 centimeters into the air, over ten times the length of the flower.

This explosive spray helps disperse the pollen on the insect's body so that less is eaten, sort of like that



commercial that gets the Cheeto dust all over the guys face. Less eaten means more pollen to fertilize the next flower visited by the insect. The explosion is also only triggered by heavier insects, like bumble bees and large flies, which travel rapidly from plant to plant. Small insects don't move around as much and won't help the bunchberry reach out touch a receptive pistol. No bees, no problem, they can also get out in the wind. Bunchberry ain't no wallflower—they get out on that reproduction dance floor.





## One Fish, Two Fish, Old Fish, New Fish



Fishing has long been popular on the lakes, rivers, and coastal waters of Maine—Boosters of Tourism have promoted the wonders of fishing and hunting here for over a hundred years. This quote from the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad's "In the Maine Woods" 1904 Publication leaves no doubt about the wondrous quality of our fishing. All of it served by the railroad

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*ANGLING, according to the learned dictionary builders, means "the act or art of fishing with rod and line." But it means far more than that to the fisherman who has thrown his line before the finny habitants of northern Maine waters. Then it is that angling takes on its most delightful aspects. If angling in "the states" is sport, angling in northern Maine is incalculably more so; in fact, the many thousands of fishermen who make annual pilgrimages to this world-famed fishing-ground will tell you that here among the intermingling lakes,*



Fishing in Maine Waters is a Favorite Pastime of Thousands of Women.

## Enfield (Cobb) Fish Hatchery—Then and Now

### Report of the Inland Fisheries and Game Commission 1908

Enfield Hatchery, Penobscot County

Chas. E. Darling, Supe.



A.J. Darling

This Hatchery is situated on the outlet of Cold Stream Lake, and only a few rods from the lake of that name, in Enfield, Penobscot County.

It was built and operated very early in the history of fish culture in this State. Mr. A.J.

with characteristic promptness and energy, set about to repair the injury inflicted, so far as he possibly could. This was in the early days----in the early seventies, as he remembers it.

Sea salmon were reported in the Penobscot river, He went down to the mouth of this river one season to help locate them and get eggs and salmon up the river. He got interested and talked so much about it, that his friends went to Enfield and heard his story about salmon being in the river again. He was informed that Cold Stream was a good place to hatch eggs, but there was no money. Mr. John Treat owned the land and told him to go ahead and build a hatchery any time he wanted to. He cut some small spruce and built a small hatching house. Mr. Darling, in a recent letter, says: "Mine worked well enough. The men I interested let me have some river salmon first. Later we commenced on a few trout.

We found an old spawning bed of these trout, and it has been kept up on a small scale ever since. At first I did not use the hatchery much, on account of the scarcity of fish eggs". The "trout" referred to by Mr. Darling were togue or "Lake trout" as sometimes called.

Darling, of Enfield, appears to have been the first mover to have this Hatchery established, and was its superintendent until about one year ago, when old age and failing eyesight compelled him to resign this position, much to our regret.

Mr. A.J. Darling, of Enfield, a farmer, enthusiastic angler and hunter, who had, in his earlier life, done as much or more, than anyone else to exterminate the moose and deer in the State and the fish in Cold Stream Lake, came to a realization of the folly of such a course, and action

In 1907 there were taken at this Hatchery of togue eggs.....	216,000
Of land-locked salmon eggs.....	334,000
The number of togue eggs retained at the hatchery was.....	216,000
The number hatched was.....	196,000
Showing a loss in hatching of.....	20,000
The loss in feeding through the season was.....	20,000

These were planted in Cold Stream Lake waters in Lowell and in Lincoln.

Of the land-locked salmon there were.....	334,000
Of these were hatched.....	317,638
Loss in hatching.....	16,362
There was a loss through the season after hatching of .....	30,000

This was a total loss of.....	46,362
The total number raised was.....	287,638

These were all planted in Cold Stream Lake waters in Lowell and in Lincoln.

There have been taken this year [1908, pub. date] of togue eggs.....	310,000
Land-locked salmon eggs.....	205,000



Mr. C.E. Darling, his son, is at present the efficient superintendent of this hatchery. The eggs of the land-locked salmon and lake trout(togue) are taken in this lake in large numbers, hatched in this hatchery and

liberated soon after the sac stage is passed, as

the water is too warm to feed them, and the capacity of the building too small to admit of keeping them through the summer, provided the temperature of the water would permit.



## NOW

Dedicated to former Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, Roland Cobb, the Enfield State Fish Hatchery was established in 1909 and was constructed on its current location in 1958 replacing smaller facilities located near the outlet of Cold Stream Pond.

The current facility is the second largest in the State and has 36 covered 100' x 6' concrete raceways and a gravity fed water supply. The original influent water filtration system was installed in 1976 with ultraviolet light treatment added in 1978. Both systems were replaced in 2011 with new buildings and equipment. Other major improvements include raceway covers in 1970, a bulk oxygenation system added in 2004 and effluent microscreen filtration with a clarifier and solids storage installed in 2005. Water for the facility is supplied by Cold Stream Pond through a dual intake system.



Species reared at the Enfield facility include brook trout and landlocked salmon. The facility's annual production is 200,000 catchable fish (>60,000 lbs.)

Enfield serves as a key brood stock facility holding two separate strains of brook trout brood. There is also a hatchery isolation room for special projects involving wild fish.



## Cold Stream Pond Fisheries Report

Kevin Dunham, Fisheries Biologist

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We conducted our annual trap net operations at Cold Stream Pond last fall and had great success. Trap nets were set on the 20<sup>th</sup> of October and tended until October 28<sup>th</sup>. A total of 58 landlocked salmon and 135 lake trout were handled in those eight days. The mean length and weight of all lake trout handled was 19.5" and 2.3 lbs. The largest togue handled was 23.5" and weighed 4.4 lbs. The mean length and weight of all salmon handled was 19.4" and 2.75 lbs., the largest was 23.25" and 4.4 lbs., nearly identical to the largest togue.

Salmon stocked in Cold Stream Pond are marked at the hatchery by having a fin clipped before being released. IFW uses a four-year marking rotation for landlocked salmon, brook trout, splake, rainbow trout, and brown trout. We then determine the age of a fish based on its mark. For instance, salmon released in 2016 had a right ventral (RV) fin removed prior to stocking. In 2017 the adipose fin (AD) was removed, in 2018 it was the left ventral fin (LV), and in 2019 both ventral fins were removed (BV). In 2020 the mark would have rotated back to an RV clip. However, due to CDC guidelines in the wake of the COVID-19 epidemic the decision was made to depopulate the hatcheries as quickly as possible and only mark a minimum number of fish. Cold Stream Pond salmon were not marked this year and since there is minimal natural reproduction taking place any fish captured during subsequent samplings with all its fins intact will be classified as being from the 2020 stocking cohort.

We measure how the salmon population is doing by following year class metrics, specifically how the 2-year-old and 3-year-old salmon are growing. Two-year-old salmon (36 captured) had a mean length and weight of 18.9" and 2.5 lbs., and three-year-old salmon (14 captured) were 20.0" and 2.8 lbs., respectively. These measurements are what drives our decision-

making process when we're making choices about stocking numbers and regulation options. The two-year-old cohort had a condition factor (k) of 1.00, which indicates optimal growth. The three-year-olds had a k of 0.97, not quite optimal but very good none the less.

Togue are longer lived than other salmonids, therefore we have an eleven-year marking rotation for them; using the same four marks used for other salmonids, while also utilizing the left and right pectoral fins in the rotation as well. Since togue are not stocked in Cold Stream Pond due to the robust natural population there are no fin clips to help us determine a fishes age. We could age individual togue through using their otoliths, calcium carbonate structures in the inner ear, but that requires lethal sampling. Consequently, we are unable to easily separate togue into specific year-classes and group them together for analysis.

The combined condition factor for all togue captured was 0.85, not bad but this marked the third consecutive year of a declining k factor. Also concerning was the lack of size variation in the togue we captured. It appears there may be an over-abundance of "young" togue in the fishery which can limit forage available for other fishes, and salmon growth could consequently suffer. We'll continue to closely monitor the state of Cold Stream Pond fisheries through annual trap-netting and may conduct a gill-netting operation this summer if possible.

The 2020 winter fishery at Cold Stream Pond picked up where the winter of 2019 left off; anglers reported fast action for togue, salmon, and cusk. We heard of a few large togue being taken, which was excellent news, the largest of which was greater than 19 pounds! There were also a couple lucky anglers that were able to ice hefty salmon in the same size range. Several large 24-28-inch cusk were also reported caught this winter. All signs point to a healthy fishery at Cold Stream Pond and ice-out action should be fantastic this spring so take time to get out and enjoy everything the lake has to offer.



## Catch of a Lifetime

Gail Quirk



On Saturday, January 25, 2020 Mitchell Cole and his father Tom decided to go ice fishing at their friend Herb's camp on the Davis Road located on Cold Stream Pond in Enfield. The story goes that Peter, who is one of Herb's neighbors, had been ice fishing on Friday and one of his holes had good luck. As Mitchell and his Dad were setting up their traps, they couldn't resist using Peter's hot hole from yesterday.

Once Mitchell and Tom's traps were set, the father and son team settled in for a day of fishing. Tom had fallen asleep and not long after Tom snoozed off up went a flag and guess what hole that trap was in. Yes, neighbor Peter's hot hole. Since Tom was asleep Mitchell tended to the ice fishing trap. As Mitchell pulled up the trap, he found an empty spool, all the line was out. For about twenty minutes Mitchell struggled trying to pull the line back in. Realizing he must be stuck on something he thought his only option would be to cut the line. As Mitchell was getting ready to cut the line a snowmobiler drove up to him and suggested a different option. Unfortunately, Mitchell never got the name of

the man on the snowmobiler. But his suggestion was to drill another hole in the ice in the direction of which the line was going to.

In the meantime, the gentleman went to shore to get a ten-foot stick. Once back to the new drilled hole, the gentleman inserted the stick into the hole and began to twist the stick trying to wrap the stuck fishing line around it. This was a technique Mitchell had never heard of. They were unable to get the line to release from whatever was holding it down from below. The gentleman said we need to drill more holes using the same technique, after a total of six extra holes and twenty-five minutes later, success! Mitchell pulled out a 39 ½ inch togue weighing in at 19 ¼ pounds. The biologist told Mitchell the fish was between 30 and 40 years old which is much older than Mitchell. Mitchell then went inside



## Meditations on the angling life—from fishers famous and unknown

**Ice Fishing:** One day a rather inebriated ice fisherman drilled a hole in the ice and peered into the hole and a loud voice from above said, "There are no fish down there." He walked several yards away and drilled another hole and peered into the hole and again the voice said, "There's no fish down there." He then walked about 50 yards away and drilled another hole and again the voice said, "There's no fish down there." He looked up into the sky and asked, "God, is that you?" "No, you idiot," the voice said, "it's the rink manager--- For all the ice fisherfolk that did not catch the big one!

"Do not tell fish stories where the people know you. Particularly, don't tell them where they know the fish." Mark Twain  
Nothing makes a fish bigger than almost being caught. Unknown

What you get when four men go fishing and one comes back not catching anything...  
Three Men and A Baby

**Benefits of Fishing:** "Lots of people committed crimes during the year who would not have done so if they had been fishing. The increase of crime is among those deprived of the regenerations that impregnate the mind and character of the fisherman." Herbert Hoover (if it had been J. Edgar, he would have fished in a dress)



"Why do we fish? We hook fish; they hook us." Nationally recognized fishing writer Robert U. Montgomery in pondering this, "discovered that we fish to remember, and we fish to forget. We fish when we're happy, and when we're sad. We fish to bond with friends and family, or to be alone.

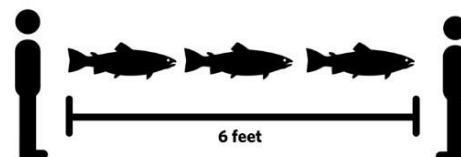
Whatever our motivation, no matter where we are on the success spectrum, fishing makes our lives better in ways we never could have imagined. It slows us down. It sets us free. It teaches us about nature, even while showing us how much we don't know. And fishing becomes the foundation for our fondest memories." In Why We Fish, a book of essays contributed by ten passionate anglers, Robert Montgomery examines the reasons we keep going back to the water and how fishing enriches us, both individually and as a society.



"Many men go fishing all of their lives without knowing that it is not fish that they are after"  
Henry David Thoreau

### Remember!

Always keep at least three Atlantic salmon of space between you and others



This Maine physical distancing reminder brought to you by  The Nature Conservancy

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# 5th Annual Boat Parade

## Cold Stream Pond

**Sunday, July 5, 2020**  
**Parade Convoy Begins at 1pm**  
**Meet at 12:45pm**

## 2019/2020 Theme: Anything Disney

The parade will begin at Webb Cove and will continue along the shoreline, past the Enfield Boat ramp, Morgan's Beach, and will end near Gray's Beach.

**Prizes:** \$50 1st Place  
\$40 2nd Place  
\$25 3rd Place



*CSCOA recommends following Maine CDC guidelines for social distancing and good hygiene. Winners will be contacted following the Boat Parade and will also be announced on our website and newsletter.*

### Two Easy Ways to Register

- Send this registration form to: CSCOA, 109 Abbott Drive, Enfield ME 04493
- Visit [Coldstreampond.com](http://Coldstreampond.com) to fill out a form

### REGISTRATION FORM

*By registering as a participant in the 2020 Cold Stream Camp Owners' Association Independence Day Boat Parade, you agree to be photographed. Photos may be used on our website and other social media outlets.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Boat: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of Boat: \_\_\_\_\_

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