

# 2008 National Fishing and Boating Week Events

## Fisheries Program

### Alaska

[Region 7](#)

**Region 7 Kid's Fishing Day, Saturday, June 7, 2008 at Moose Flats in Portage Valley, Chugach National Forest.** From 10 am to 2 pm, this annual event coincides with National Fishing Week and is designed to increase public awareness of the joys of recreational fishing and conservation of our fisheries and water resources. The event is free and is a collaborative effort among the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service Glacier Ranger District, Alaska Department of Fish and Game, and Anchorage Municipality Watershed Management Division.

**Kids Get Fishing Rods at the Library on Kenai Peninsula, Alaska.** Miranda Plumb, a biologist with the USFWS Kenai Fish and Wildlife Field Office, has championed a partnership with the Kenai Community Library and local retailer Trustworthy Fishing and Hardware to make trout and salmon fishing rods available for checkout at the library to children 15 years of age or younger. All children who use the library program will also receive instruction on knot tying and copies of the appropriate 2008 Alaska Sport Fishing Regulations Summary. The program is intended to give more children the opportunity to get out and enjoy fishing and nature and will also encourage participants to utilize some of the library's other resources related to fishing, knot tying and outdoor recreation.

### Arkansas

[Region 4](#)

#### **Greers Ferry National Fish Hatchery Kids Fishing Derby**

Saturday, June 7, 2008

Description: kids' fish for stocked trout; great prizes

<http://www.fws.gov/greersferry>

501/3623615

#### **Norfolk National Fish Hatchery Kids Fishing Day**

Saturday, June 7, 2008

Description: kids 15 and under fish in Dry Run Creek and Norfolk River for stocked trout; great

prizes; sponsored by Friends of Norfolk National Fish Hatchery

<http://www.fws.gov/norfolk>

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## Colorado

[Region 6](#)

05/16/2008 [Hotchkiss NFH, CO](#)

05/27/2008 [Leadville NFH, CO](#)

06/07/2008 [Hotchkiss NFH, CO 2](#)

06/07/2008 [Regional Office, CO](#)

## Georgia

[Region 4](#)

### **Chattahoochee Forest National Fish Hatchery Seniors Fishing Rodeo**

Friday, June 13, 2008

Description: open to adults ages 55 and older; great fishing, tshirts, food, prizes; participants

must bring their own fishing gear and bait

<http://www.fws.gov/chattahoocheeforest>

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### **Chattahoochee Forest National Fish Hatchery Family Fishing Festival**

Saturday, September 27, 2008

Description: open to youth ages 16 and under; great fishing, tshirts, food, exhibit booths,

scavenger hunt; participants must bring their own fishing gear and bait

<http://www.fws.gov/chattahoocheeforest>

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### **Warm Springs National Fish Hatchery Kids Fish for Fun**

Saturday, June 7, 2008

Description: Children age 3-12

years fish in hatchery pond. Giveaways and instruction.

<http://www.fws.gov/warmsprings>

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## Kentucky

[Region 4](#)

### **Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Catch a Rainbow Kids Fishing Derby**

Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 8am – 4pm CST

Description: The largest event of its kind in the country; kids fish for trout in hatchery creek for

terrific prizes; sponsored by the Friends of Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery

<http://www.fws.gov/wolfcreek>

<http://www.kidscatcharainbow.org/>

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### **Terrific Trout Trek at Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery**

Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup>; 9:30 am 3:

30 pm CST

Description: Enjoy a behind the scenes tour of Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery, including the new Visitor/Environmental Education Center followed by a homemade picnic luncheon with the hatchery manager. Cap off your day with some fantastic, hands on trout fishing along the Cumberland River. Instruction will be provided by members of the Louisville based chapter of Trout Unlimited. The cost is \$35.00 per KAEE member and \$50.00 per KAEE nonmember registrant.

<http://www.fws.gov/wolfcreek>

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### **Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery Introduction to Fly Tying**

Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup>; 9:00 am – 12noon CST

Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>; 9:00am – 12noon CST

Description: Have you ever wanted to learn the basics of fly tying? Are you a beginner with no previous experience? If so, here is an event for you! Join members from the Louisville, KY chapter of Trout Unlimited for a great morning of introductory fly tying! You'll enjoy a funfilled morning of learning all the basics of fly tying from some great instructors. There is no fee for the workshop. Registration is limited to 15, preregistration is required.

<http://www.fws.gov/wolfcreek>

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## **Louisiana**

[Region 4](#)

### **Natchitoches National Fish Hatchery Annual Open House**

Saturday, June 7, 2008

Description: hatchery tours and kids fishing derby

<http://www.fws.gov/natchitoches>

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## **Mississippi**

[Region 4](#)

### **Private John Allen National Fish Hatchery Annual Fishing Rodeo**

Saturday, June 7, 2008

Description: Children 6 and under will fish from 810am  
and children 712  
will fish from 11am1pm.

There will be a 3 fish limit and participants will take home what they catch. Trophies will be given out to the top three anglers in each division for most pounds caught.

<http://www.fws.gov/privatejohnallen>

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## Missouri

### [Region 3](#)

Numerous events fishing events for kids and disabled vets are scheduled prior to and after National Fishing and Boating Week. The following events are going on during National Fishing and Boating Week.

#### June 6 - **Neosho NFH – Neosho, MO**

- Kids Fishing Derby at the Neosho NFH
- Friday,
- Partners include MO Dept. of Conservation, National Park Service, Quapaw Nation, Friends of the Neosho NFH, City of Neosho, Neosho Public Schools, MAKO Fly Fishing Organization, Neosho Lions Club, Neosho Daily, Neosho Post, KBTN Radio, Walmart, McDonalds Restaurant, WXY Sporting Goods, Academy Sports, Neosho Graphics, Family Market, Frito Lay

#### June 7 – **Iron River NFH and Ashland FRO – Ashland, WI**

- Kids Fishing Event at the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center
- Saturday, from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Partners include the Whittlesey Creek NWR, National Forest Service, WI Dept. of Natural Resources, Trout Unlimited, various local outdoor vendors
- event includes a fishing pond stocked by the WI DNR, a casting clinic, fly tying clinic, water safety clinic, plus numerous informational booths and aquarium displays.

## Montana

### [Region 6](#)

05/17/2008 [Fish Technology Center, MT](#)

06/07/2008 [MT FWMAO / FCO](#)

06/07/2008 [Fish Technology Center, MT](#)

06/15/2008 [Ennis NFH, MT](#)

## Nevada

### [Region 8](#)

June 1 - [Lanhontan NFH](#) – **Gardnerville, NV**



This annual event is produced by the local community on the first weekend in June during National Fishing and Boating Week. The hatchery provides 1,000 large Lahontan cutthroat trout, set up an

aquarium, and provides several volunteers. About 4,000 people attended. The hatchery has participated since 1992.

## New Mexico

### [Region 2](#)

June 6 - **Mora NFH&TC** is transporting a living stream to display native Gila trout at the State of New Mexico's Glenwood Hatchery in Glenwood, NM during NFBW celebrations at the State hatchery.

June 6 – **Tishomingo NFH – Tishomingo, NM** - The NFBW event emphasize a healthy lifestyle, healthy recreation, and a healthy environment. The Chickasaw Nation is donating juice, water, cheese sticks, granola bars, and fresh fruit. The Friends of Tishomingo NFH is donating bait and some prizes. The local Masonic Lodge is providing volunteers to help along the ponds with hooks and fish, as needed. And the Tishomingo National Wildlife Refuge is providing law enforcement and manpower from their staff. Each child will receive a goody bag upon registering, and then we'll have drawings for prizes throughout the Derby.

## North Dakota

### [Region 6](#)

05/09/2008 [Garrison NFH, ND kids](#)

09/20/2008 [Garrison NFH, ND kids](#)

09/22/2008 [Garrison NFH, ND older Sr citizens](#)

## South Carolina

### [Region 4](#)

#### **Bears Bluff National Fish Hatchery Kids Fishing Day**

Saturday, June 7, 2008

Description: children ages 5-13  
fish for bass, bream and catfish for prizes

<http://www.fws.gov/bearsbluff>

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#### **Orangeburg National Fish Hatchery Kids Fishing Day**

Saturday, June 7, 2008

Description: kids fishing; prizes; education and instruction

<http://www.fws.gov/orangeburg>

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#### **Orangeburg National Fish Hatchery Senior Citizen Fishing Day**

Saturday, June 7, 2008

Description: senior adults fish in stocked hatchery pond for great prizes

<http://www.fws.gov/orangeburg>

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## South Dakota

### [Region 6](#)

05/03/2008 [Gavins NFHS, SD](#)

06/07/2008 [DC Booth HNFH, SD](#)

## Tennessee

### [Region 4](#)

#### **Dale Hollow National Fish Hatchery Kids Fishing Rodeo**

Saturday, June 7, 2008

Description: this free event will take place at the creek below the fish hatchery and is open to

youth under the age of 15

<http://www.fws.gov/dalehollow>

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## Utah

[Region 6](#)

06/21/2008 [Jones Hole NFH, UT](#)

## Washington

[Region 1](#)

[Leavenworth NFH Complex](#)

June 14 – Entiat NFH

June 7 – Winthrop NFH

June 7 – Leavenworth NFH



The Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery Complex provides three kids' fishing events that combine fun and education. Smiles and fish stories grow each year! We appreciate the dedication given us by many volunteers and families from each of the many clubs, organizations and individuals who help us make these events wonderful. Come to Leavenworth, Entiat or Winthrop and catch the big one!

Every year we create stewards for our future fisheries while making kids aware of our natural resources by offering community fishing days. Each hatchery offers their own event to celebrate the National Fishing Week in June.

**Entiat National Fish Hatchery** will host their fishing event on Saturday, June 14th. Kids up to 13 years of age may bring their own fishing pole or borrow one from the hatchery. There is a two fish limit. Entiat Valley Community Services Food Bank will provide a concessionaire as well as volunteers to help the kids fish. Entiat's Boy Scout Pack 16 will direct parking and ensure the safety of all fishing kids. While you are at the hatchery, enjoy a walk on the Red Willow Trail. If you have questions, you may call Entiat National Fish Hatchery at (509) 784-1131.

**Winthrop National Fish Hatchery** fishing day will be hosted on Saturday, June 7th. After having a passport stamped by various learning activities, kids up to 13 years of age may head to the pond with a fishing pole to try their luck at catching a rainbow trout. Prizes are awarded for tagged fish, but the fun is in hooking a fish and bringing it ashore. Partners in this event include Methow Valley Arts Alliance, U. S. Forest Service, Bureau of Reclamation, and Methow Valley Fly Fishers. You may call Winthrop National Fish Hatchery at (509) 996-2424 with any questions.

**Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery** will host its fourth annual *Fishing Kids* event with the C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation and the Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife. Join us Saturday, June 7th for an educational fun fishing time. Kids ages 5-14 must register to get a fishing time, T-shirt and a rod & reel combo. To register, go to [Fishing Kids](#) to download a

registration form or pick one up from *Hooked on Toys* in Wenatchee. Walk-ins are welcome to join us for learning opportunities and to catch two fish after 12 o'clock. Cascade Discovery School will be selling lunch concessions.

You may become a sponsor by contacting Jim Owen, NW organizer of C.A.S.T. for Kids at (425) 251-3214/ [jim@castforkids.org](mailto:jim@castforkids.org) or Dave Graybill, local organizer at (509) 668-3474. You may become a volunteer or ask questions by contacting Lynann DeJarnett at Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery (509) 548-2921.

## Wisconsin

### [Region 4](#)

National Fishing & Boating Week, held the first full week of June each year, is a time when National Fish Hatcheries and Fisheries Resource Offices across the region participate in dozens of events that offer families the opportunity to experience and learn more about their local fisheries. National Hunting and Fishing Day, held the last Saturday in September, is also a time set aside for fishing and learning fun. Many states offer freefishing days during these times so that it is even easier for people to participate.

### There's an Event Near You

Thousands of participants have the opportunity to experience the thrill of landing a fish, touring a hatchery, and gaining valuable information and skills for helping to conserve fisheries.



Catch-a-rainbow fishing derby at Wolf Creek NFH

## Wyoming

### [Region 6](#)



### Jackson National Fish Hatchery

Every year on the first Saturday in June the fish hatchery hosts Kid's Fishing Day in conjunction with National Fishing and Boating Week. Education stations set up at the event

include boating safety, fish handling and cleaning, fish species identification, knot tying, local aquatic insects and fish anatomy. Participants fish in Sleeping Indian Pond with equipment was provided by the Wyoming Game & Fish Department. A free lunch is provided by the local Jaycees.

Participants try their luck at Sleeping Indian Pond during 2007 National Fishing and Boating week.

05/05/2008 [Jackson NFH, WY](#)

06/14/2008 [Saratoga NFH, WY](#)

06/07/2008 [Jackson NFH, WY](#)