

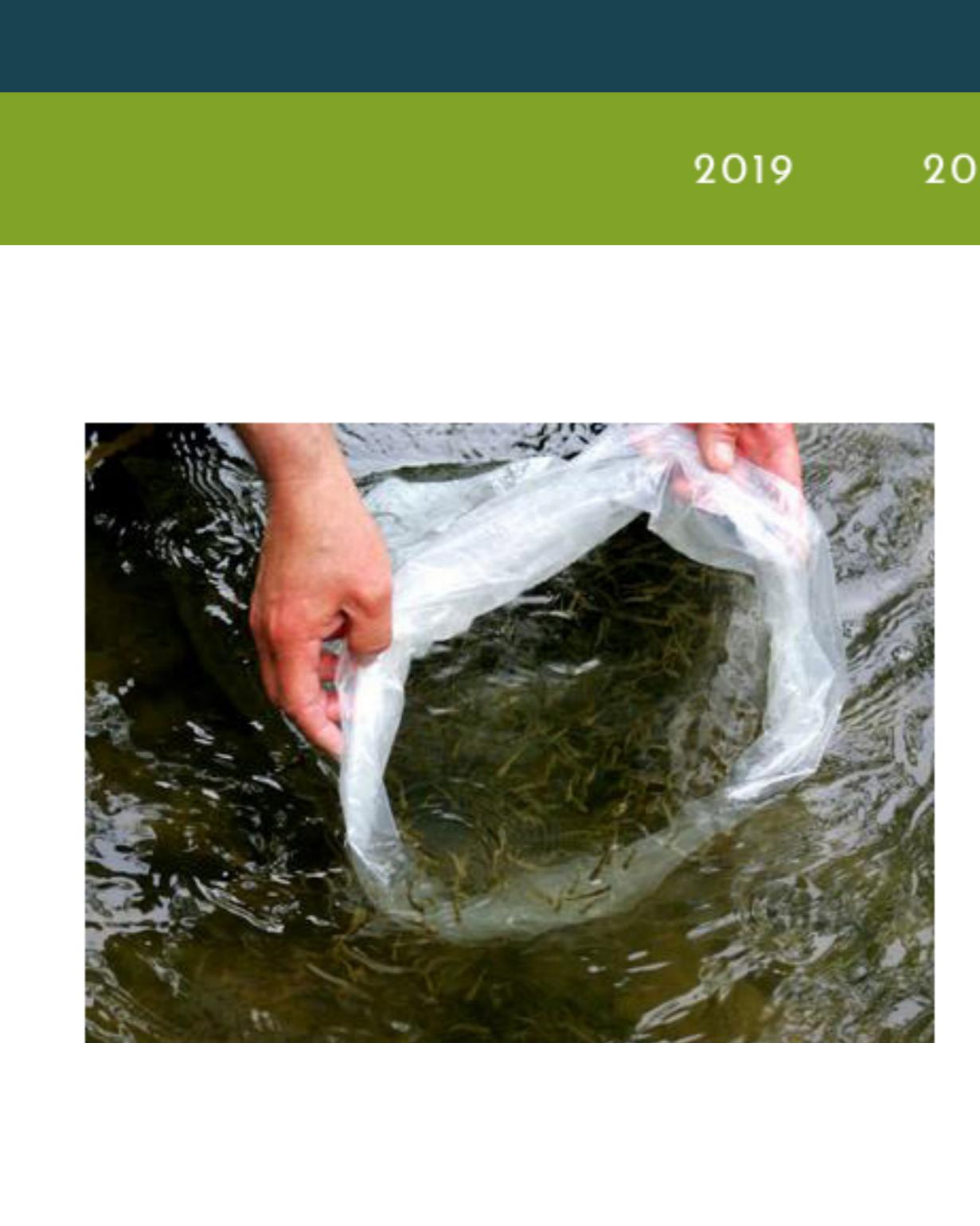


UPCOMING TRAA EVENTS

Participate, Help Out, Have Fun

Events & activities are what the TRAA's all about! With frequent events suitable for all ages, the TRAA hosts hands-on educational experiences dedicated to the preservation of the aquatic ecosystems of London & the surrounding area. Support our efforts in our next event and become part of the solution, and part of the TRAA family.

Upcoming Events



Fanshawe Conservation Area - May 16 - 17, 2019

Children's Water Festival

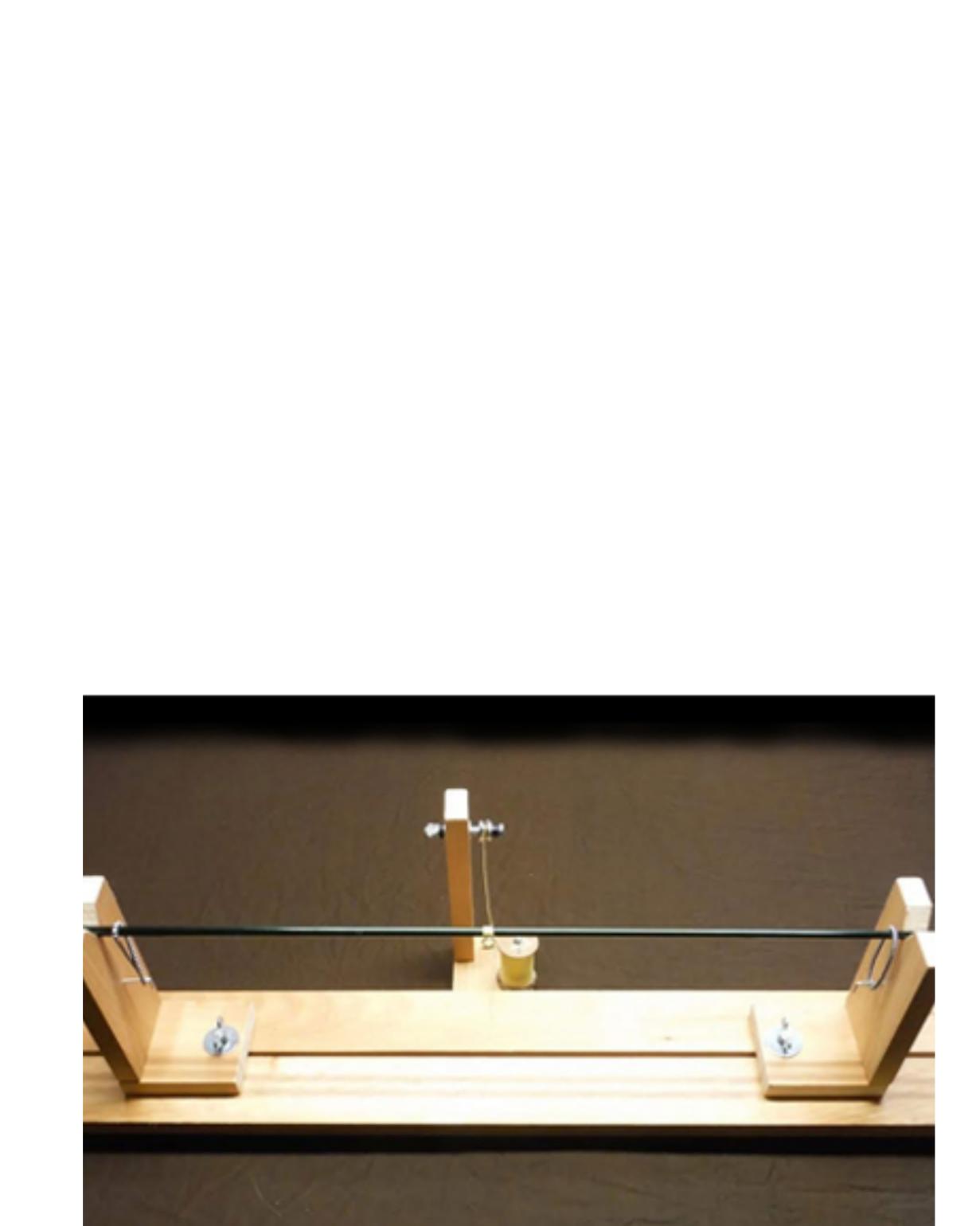
The TRAA will be taking part in the 'Public Night' portion of the event, Thursday, May 16 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. It will likely be for kids to cast at fish targets which is as much fun for us as it is for the kids! If you can come out and lend a hand please contact any of the Executive directly or [Contact Us](#) by email.



7:00PM - Wednesday, June 12, 2019

TRAA General Meeting

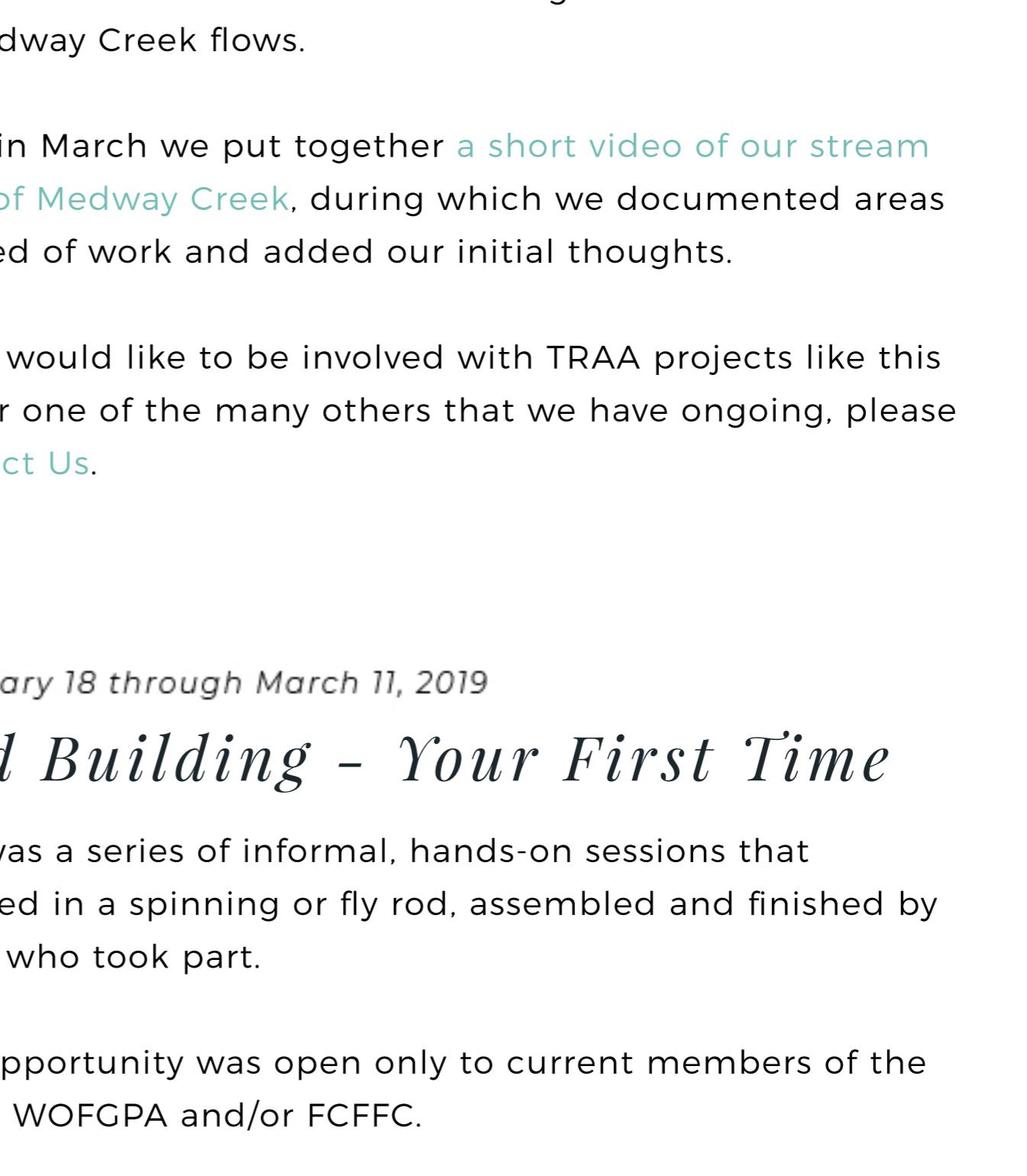
There will be a lot going on over the summer so come on out to the June 12th General Meeting so you know all about upcoming events, projects and other neat stuff. We meet at the Western Ontario Fish & Game Protective Association clubhouse at 790 Southdale Road. As always, guests are always welcome.



Saturday, July 13, 2019

TRAA Paddle & Fish

We've picked the date for this year's Paddle & Fish but have yet to decide on the route. So far, the route with the most support is the South Thames River east of London. There will be an email confirming details soon but make sure you block July 13th off on your calendar! If you have a route suggestion, please [Contact Us](#).



Thursdays, July & August, 2019

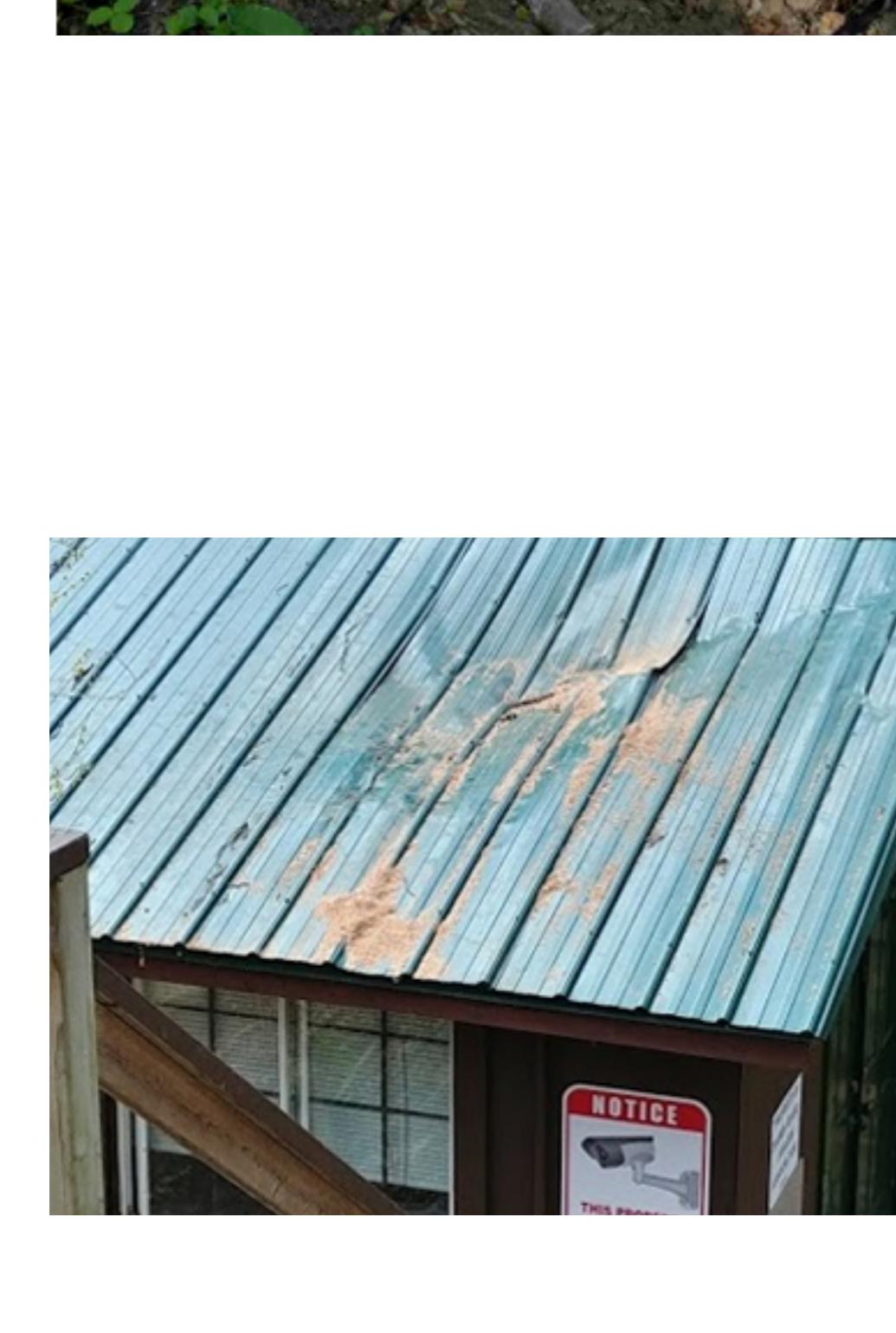
TRAA Fishing Evenings

We'll be heading out to try our luck every Thursday evening in July and August this summer. Keep an eye on your email for locations and dates as we organize them.

Send us your suggestions for venues!

Past Events

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Saturday, May 4, 2019

Brown Trout Release

The brown trout were transferred from the TRAA hatchery and released at the same site on Medway Creek as in previous years. The brown trout were transferred from the TRAA hatchery and released at the same site on Medway Creek as in previous years.

We were met there by two of the landowners through which this section of Medway Creek flows. They also brought out a large contingent of family and friends to lend a helping hand.

[Watch the video for a good idea on how it went.](#)

It was a beautiful day, the stream was in perfect shape and everyone was smiling and laughing. Good times.



Sunday, May 5, 2019

River Cleanup!

The TRAA helped again this year with a cleanup of the shoreline & area of river near the Komoka Road bridge.

After meeting at the NEW parking lot for Komoka Provincial Park on Gideon Drive, everyone carpooled to the usual stretch around the bridge.

Thank you to all that showed up to help out!



Sunday, March 24, 2019

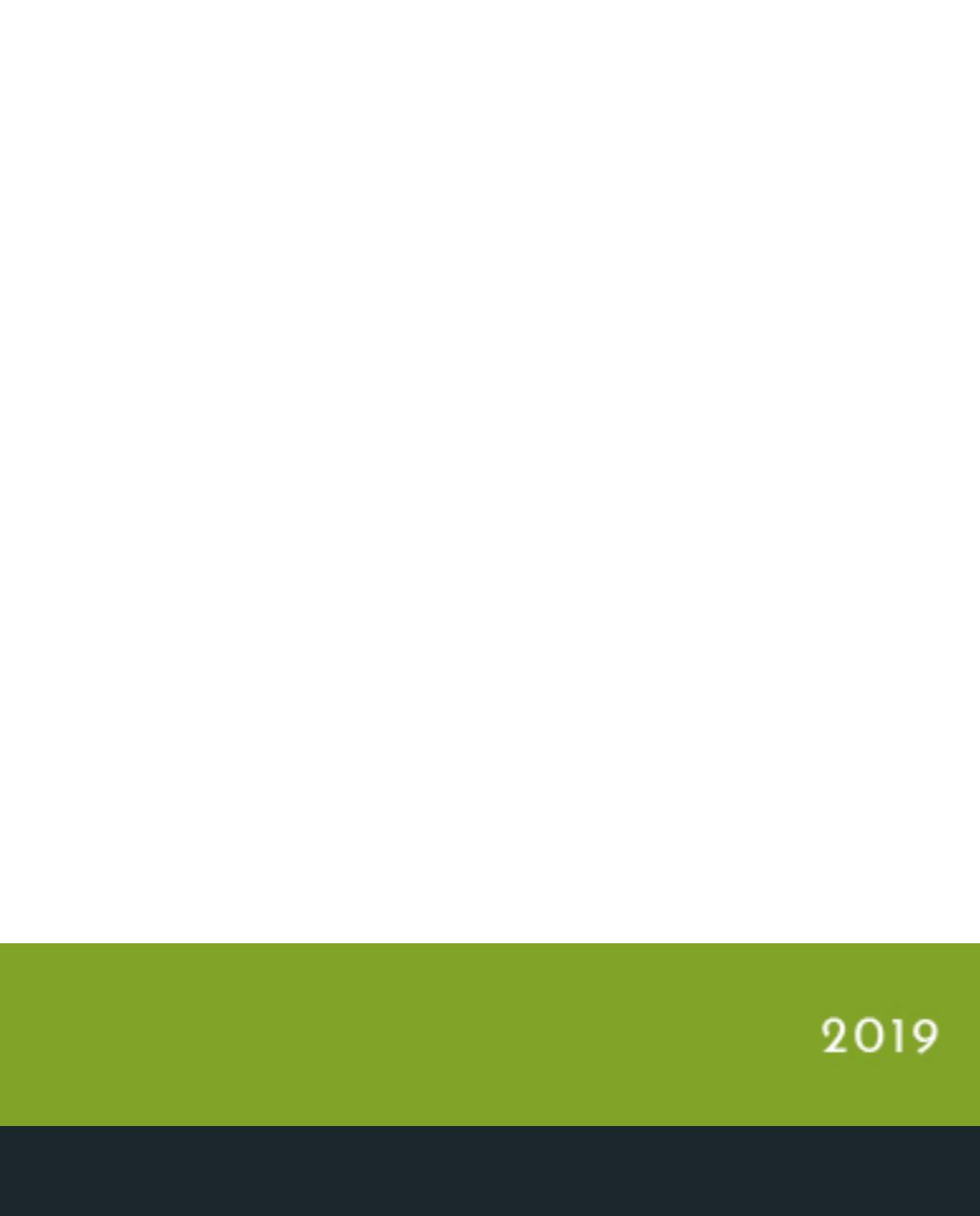
Medway Creek Habitat Project

Those of you who have been involved with the brown trout releases over the past few years may recognize this spot on Medway Creek as the release point.

Those of you who have been attending the last few General Meetings will also know that this is part of a 280-metre stretch on which we will be focusing future habitat rehabilitation efforts. We have met with and have the support of the two landowners through which this stretch of Medway Creek flows.

Back in March we put together a short video of our stream walk of Medway Creek, during which we documented areas in need of work and added our initial thoughts.

If you would like to be involved with TRAA projects like this one or one of the many others that we have ongoing, please [Contact Us](#).



February 18 through March 11, 2019

Rod Building - Your First Time

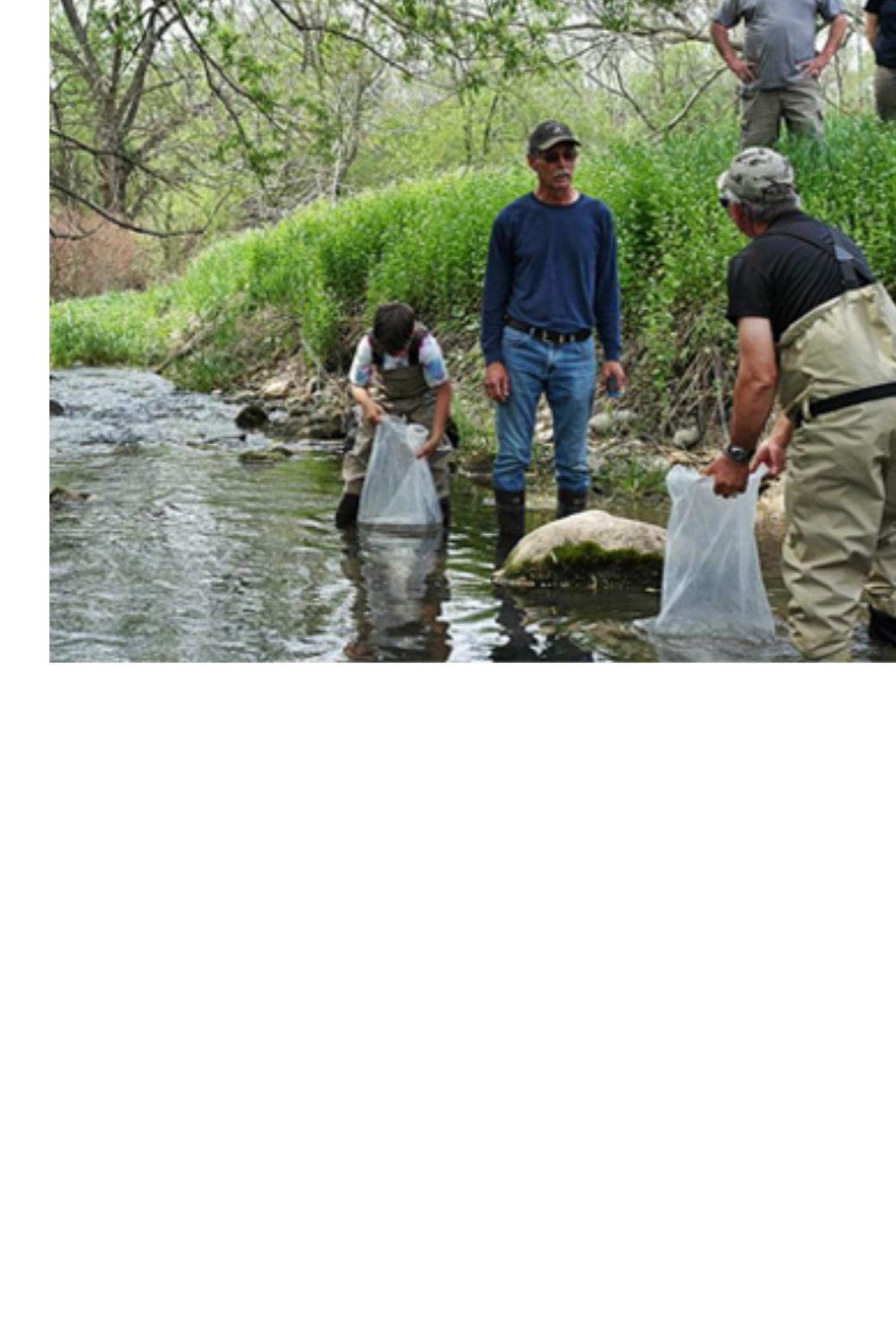
This was a series of informal, hands-on sessions that resulted in a spinning or fly rod, assembled and finished by those who took part.

This opportunity was open only to current members of the TRAA, WOFGPA and/or CFFC.

"Rod Building - Your First Time" was presented by: Thames River Anglers Association, with support from the Western Ontario Fish & Game Protective Ass'n and the Forest City Fly Fishing Club.

[Click here for Session Plans, Instruction Sheets and Videos from the course.](#)

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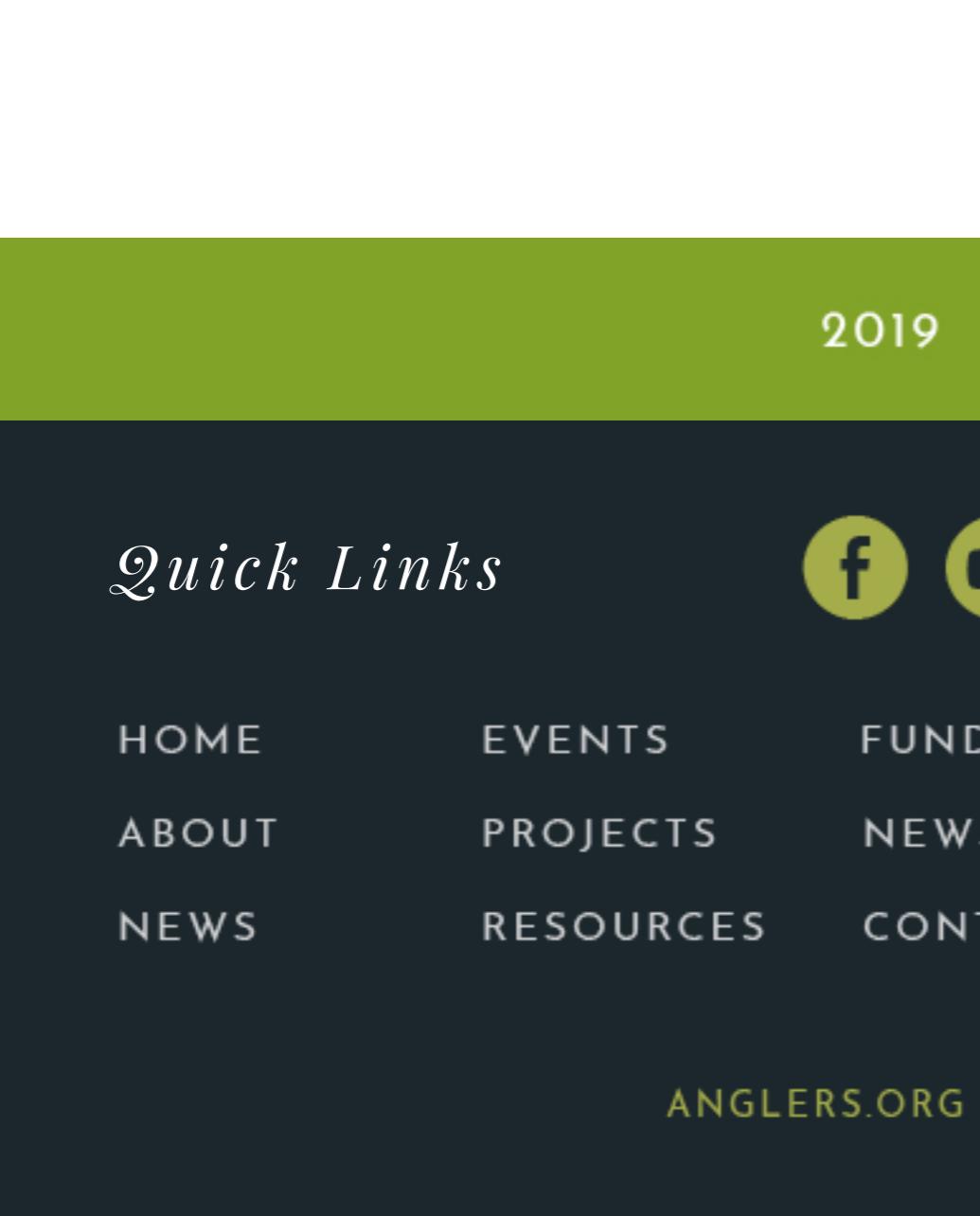
Took place on Saturday, October 13, 2018

Stream Habitat Work Party

A few TRAA members cleared a number of fallen trees and other blockages on October 13th.

Dan Shinkelshoek made a video of the proceedings.

If you have further questions about TRAA stream habitat projects and events, please come out to the TRAA General Meeting on Wednesday, November 14th or [contact us](#).



Saturday, July 14, 2018

Annual TRAA Paddle & Fish

This year we be mixed it up a bit by having the Annual TRAA Paddle & Fish on Sharon Creek Reservoir. A thunderstorm threatened but only gave us a few minutes of rain to cool us off.

Fish targeted were largemouth bass, crappie and other panfish as well as some bruiser carp. Many bass were caught with some crappies mixed in to make it interesting. Paul Holmes ended up with the largest fish, a nice smallmouth bass.

A BBQ lunch followed with Rick Ornato supplying the grill and the cooking expertise - Thanks Rick!

Thursday, July 12, 2018

Stream Habitat Work Party

We were very excited to have a group from the MNRF's Stewardship Youth Rangers Program to do some work on Komoka Creek. This program gives groups of 16 or 17 year-olds an opportunity to spend 8 weeks working outdoors on natural resource management projects in their own community.

They worked on clearing a section of Komoka Creek upstream of the TRAA trout hatchery. A major tree had fallen and a lot of the bank went with it. This created a blockage and was diverting the stream, increasing the likelihood of further bank side damage and erosion. We were also fairly certain that this was a barrier to migratory and resident fish passage.

Saturday, June 30, 2018

Work Party - Hatchery Roof

As most members already know, a large tree was blown down during high winds on May 2nd. Ironically, barely a week before this happened, we had already removed a couple of dead trees that had been identified as potential hazards to the hatchery.

At the time, we thought this tree wasn't a threat as it was well up the hill and well off to one side. It unfortunately glanced off a couple of other trees as it fell, steering it directly on to the hatchery roof!

The resulting damage, shown in this picture after the tree was removed, will require the replacement of these metal roof panels and the plywood sheathing underneath them. A couple of the roof trusses also needed to be repaired.

It was an incredibly hot morning but the job was finished in record time. There were materials left over for the tool shed roof as well but that will be another day!

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

Rainbow Trout Release

This year we were pleased to welcome visitors from Chipewas of the Thames First Nation, to tour the trout hatchery and assist us with the release of more than 40,000 rainbow trout.

Everyone was thrilled that the bald eagles with their young ones were keeping an eye on the proceedings at the release site.

This was another successful year and those volunteers on the trout hatchery rotation are to be commended. The trout hatchery will undergo roof repairs as a result of a damaging blow from a fallen tree. Otherwise, the hatchery will be idle for the summer except for routine maintenance.

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

Brook Trout Release

The brook trout fingerlings went on the annual road trip throughout rural areas northeast of London to be released into several different cold water tributaries. These were brook trout eggs that we harvested with folks from the Upper Thames Conservation Authority (UTRCA) to be raised in the TRAA trout hatchery.

Thanks to everyone that has put in their time and effort to collect the brook trout eggs, monitor them in the hatchery and participate in the release.

Members Rob and Owen Huber, Stan Gibbs, and Bill Vandewetering did most of the transfer and transportation duties with the support of the Upper Thames Conservation Authority, Ministry of Natural Resources.

Special thanks to all the landowners for being involved with the habitat improvements of these little coldwater streams into which these trout were released.

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