

Ontario Outdoors

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This is the time of year that hatcheries often plant trout in ponds and streams, although ponds and small lakes are the prime target. Streams are usually stocked later but if conditions are right and most flooding is over, the Ministry will work the streams.

Private pond owners also stock their ponds as I well know, and this is done through the ice as long as it does not give way under you.

The ice is well melted at this time, but I have been catching trouts off the ends of docks on "Micro Jigs" and the miniature Sassy Shad that is about one inch long. These are proving to be real killers for trout. But, it seems that I started this style of fishing and it is spreading. Try this rig fished very slowly off docks, or through the ice if it is safe. Try different depths, starting off on bottom and working up slowly.

The accompanying photo with this column is of one half hour's catch on micro jigs and Sassy Shad.

The following day I took two rainbows that were three pounds each. Remember, these were out of private ponds with permission.

TROUT SEASON

The season for trout does not open in general until April 26 and you must not even try for them before this time. Ministry stocks of brook trout are larger this year in size at least. This is mainly due to modifications in their pellet diet fed the fish, and the effects of a mild winter.

When getting stocked up with tackle for the opening day of the trout season, buy only quality equipment and make sure that you do not get hooks that are too large for the fish you are after. Stocked ponds usually have 8-12 inch trout for a put-and-take fishery. Small hooks and lures are the order of the day.

Size number eight non snelled (no line attached) hooks are probably the largest you should use in this instance and size zero mepps with the possible addition of a few number one mepps in black fury. Mepps come in silver or gold, or better yet buy the trouter ket with a selection of six colours in number one and number zero.

For a catalogue of the mepps lures write, and mention my name and get it free, to Breck's Sporting Goods Co. Ltd., C.P.P.O. Box 604, Sherbrooke, Quebec, J1H 5K5. It is well worth the time and a postage stamp as the catalogue is filled with many hints and plenty knowledge.

FLY FISHERMEN

For the fly fisherman, Breck's have a wide selection of some of the best flies you have seen anywhere and the prices won't keep you broke. They are not called number one for nothing.

If stream fishing, on opening day, conditions may vary from stream to stream, and area to area. I have fished high water near Orangeville and low water near Georgetown in the same day. All waters will produce fish if you fish it right. The next two columns will try to help you with this problem.

Had a visitor recently, Dan Brown, a former resident of Georgetown and raised here in the local school system so I am sure the folks will remember him. He has bought himself a partnership in Bob Ahlins Canoes North, out of Armstrong, Ontario. This is a fishing and canoeing outfit where you can take pike up to 15 pounds regularly and Walleye, Lake Trout, and Speckled Trout in the Albany River system.

Flying is done with DC3 or Cessna 8 passenger planes, and many outdoors persons take advantage of the wide variety of trips. Write Dan at Canoes North, Armstrong, Ontario, POT 1A0 or I have several brochures, so call me.

Better get yourself in shape, spring is here and I have been seeing robins, grackles, and cowbirds as well as red winged blackbirds for the last three weeks. If you wish to get the most out of the coming season, work at it in ONTARIO OUTDOORS.

Corner Pins no. one

The Corner Pins have clinched the number one spot in the Golden Age bowling league.

Heading into the final week's play, Friday, the team which has led the 11-team league most of the way this year, will enter the two week's playoffs along with the rest of the teams but, will not be eligible to win. They accumulated 131 points over the season.

The other 10 teams will battle it out in the final week to determine whether they will be in the top or the

bottom half of the playoffs. As of this week the teams going into post season play look like this in the standings. The 747s 119, Blue Jays 111, Expos 105, Sluggers 105, Rolling Pins 103, Half and Half 101, Six Dolls 99, Slow and Easy 93, Raiders 90 and Friendly Five 76.

Kay Fryer rolled up the highest score of the week in individual play. Her 703 in the high triple with handicap put her at the top of the big scorers.

Grant Real scored well in the high single flat, high

single with handicap and high triple flat and had a second to Oliver Hunter in the high triple with handicap. Anne Nicholson did almost as well, winning the high single and triple flats.

Real outdid Del Wallace 280-204 in the high single, then overcame Hunter 280-236 in the high single with handicap play. Continuing, Real had no trouble running up a 665-584 win over George Bird in the high triple flat. Hunter blocked Real a clean sweep by beating him 676-665 in the high triple flat.

Nicholson and Kay Fryer dominated the women's section of play this week. Nicholson was 55 points better than Fryer in the high single flat play for women. She won 260-205. Fryer turned around and put herself four points in front of Nicholson to edge her out of the high single with handicap, 264-260. Nicholson had another big win over Fryer in the high triple flat. She won 604-526.

Fryer had the highest score of the week with a 703-668 win over Ethel Hardman in the high triple with handicap.

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