



Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife

Weekly Report

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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER CHANDLER E. WOODCOCK

Commissioner's Schedule next week:

- Meeting with the Maine Wilderness Guides Organization
- Swearing in of our seven new Wardens into the Maine Warden Service
- Attending the Waterfowl Council meeting
- Attending the Public Hearing on Migratory Birds
- Meeting with regional staffs at the Greenville and Gray Regional Headquarters
- Attending the meeting of the Maine Fish and Wildlife Advisory Council

[Click here](#) for a list of the Advisory Council members.

INFORMATION CENTER

This week the front office of the Department received and replied to:

- 937 Phone calls
- 551 Emails
- 69 Walk-ins

Missed an issue?

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MAINE WARDEN SERVICE

The Maine Warden Service this week puts out another warning about the importance of the use of pdf's – we have had too many deaths lately in the water that were preventable if people had only been wearing life jackets.

[Online Boating Regulations](#)

ENGINEERING DIVISION

Request for bids are out for improvements to the Ellis Pond boat access site in Roxbury. Bids will be open at the Bureau of General Services on August 30th at 2:00pm.

Improvements to the dam at Lower Pennamaquan in Pembroke are ongoing.

PLEASE USE CAUTION AROUND PIPING PLOVERS AND OTHER SHOREBIRDS IF YOU ARE ON A MAINE BEACH THIS WEEKEND!

Did You Know?

Fact of the Week, from the Educational Signs at the Maine Wildlife Park:

Question: What is "critical migratory shorebird habitat" for the 36 species of shorebirds that call the Maine coast home for the summer months?

Answer: These important habitats include coastal mud flats rich in invertebrates for food sources, and undisturbed roosting areas above high tide lines for resting when feeding areas are flooded by the tides.

FISHERIES DIVISION

DIF&W would like to emphasize how our fish hatcheries around the state are open to the public and we urge individual and group tours.

All of our hatcheries are open for visitors between 8AM and 3PM. Must call ahead!

Casco Fish Hatchery: (207) 627-4358

Contact Stephen Tremblay

Casco, Maine

Species Reared: Landlocked Salmon,

Brown Trout, Brook Trout and Rainbow Trout

Dry Mills Hatchery: (207) 657-4962

Contact Greg Bell

Gray, Maine

Species Reared: Brook Trout

Emden Rearing Station: (207) 566-0591

Contact Eugene Arsenault

Emden, Maine

Species Reared: Brook Trout and

Landlocked Salmon

Enfield Fish Hatchery: (207) 732-3676

Contact Henry Hartley

Enfield, Maine

Species Reared: Brook Trout,

Landlocked Salmon, Splake, and Lake Trout

Governor Hill Fish Hatchery: (207) 287-5228

Contact Tom McLaughlin

Augusta, Maine

Species Reared: Brook Trout, Landlocked

Salmon, Splake, and Lake Trout

FISHERIES DIVISION(Cont.)

Grand Lake Stream Hatchery: (207) 796-5580

Contact David Marsanskis

Grand Lake Stream, Maine

Species Reared: Landlocked Salmon

New Gloucester Hatchery: (207) 657-3423

Contact Tim Knedler

New Gloucester, Maine

Species Reared: Brown Trout

Palermo Rearing Station: (207) 993-2361

Contact Jamie Bray

Palermo, Maine

Species Reared: Brown Trout and Brook Trout

Fish Health Lab: (207) 287-2813

Contact Russell Danner

Augusta, Maine

WILDLIFE DIVISION

The deadline for Any-Deer Permits is coming right up on Monday (August 15) at midnight! [Click here](#) for the press release sent out this week, with the details of the lottery.

The drawing will be held on September 9.

INFORMATION & EDUCATION

**The I&E Division and all of DIF&W wish Deb Turcotte best of luck as she begins a new job on Monday at the Maine State Housing Authority. Good luck and thank you for your years of service at DIF&W, Deb!

**Two sources of funding for DIF&W that do not get enough publicity are the Loon Plate and Chickadee Checkoff. Information on these important programs can be found in our Dept Annual Bulletins: [Wildlife Division Research and Management Reports](#)

There is also more information on the DIF&W website: [Maine Endangered and Nongame Wildlife Fund](#)

PHOTOS OF THE WEEK



▲ The Windham/Gorham Rod and Gun Club and the Sebago Lake Anglers Assn hosted a Sportsmans Forum Wednesday evening at the Gorham Clubhouse. L to R: Scott Lindsay-IFW Wildlife Biologist; Major Greg Sanborn; Andrea Erskine- Deputy Commissioner; Bob Chapin-President Windham/Gorham Rod and Gun Club; Dave Garcia-President Sebago Lake Anglers Assn; Warden Mike Pierre; Chandler Woodcock-Commissioner; Francis Brautigam-IFW Fisheries Biologist; Corporal John MacDonald.



▲ Commissioner Woodcock visited with staff and campers at the UMaine/4H Camp and Learning Center in Bryant Pond on Thursday, observing and participating in their programs such as archery, range shooting, and survival skills.

◀ Anne the Moose at the Maine Wildlife Park decided this week to pose for visitors in front of the moose interpretive sign!