

Free Kids' Fishing Events Scheduled for Late May, Early June

The N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission, in cooperation with <u>Neuse Sport Shop</u>, <u>Trout Unlimited</u>, and the <u>U.S. Forest Service</u>, is supporting more than 35 free fishing events for kids from late May through early June.

The events, which are held throughout the state each year in celebration of National Fishing and Boating Week, are listed below.

Young anglers registered at any fishing event can enter a statewide drawing for a chance to win one of more than 150 fishing-related prizes. The grand prize is a lifetime sportsman license, which includes freshwater and saltwater fishing privileges, as well as hunting privileges, donated by Neuse Sport Shop, located in Kinston. The first prize is a lifetime freshwater fishing license, donated by the N.C. State Council of Trout Unlimited. Neuse Sport Shop is donating tackle boxes, rod-and-reel combos and fishing line, while the Wildlife Commission is donating prizes, such as fishing towels, playing cards and tackle boxes. Local sponsors for many events will provide prizes and gifts to registered participants as well.

The Wildlife Commission will conduct the drawing for prizes at the end of June and will publish a list of winners on its website in early July.

For more information about National Fishing and Boating Week 2103, visit the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation's <u>website</u>.

2013 National Fishing and Boating Week Kids' Fishing Events

COUNTY	LOCATION	NAME OF EVENT	DATE	TIME	EVENT INFO	CONTACT INFO
Alleghany	Brush Creek Road and Hwy. 21	Hunters Helping Kids Fishing Event	6/08	9 to 2	Pre-register by calling Billy Tompkins at (336) 657-8121; participants ages 16 and under. Rain or shine.	Billy Tompkins btompkins@blevinsbuilding.com 336-657-8121
Buncombe	Lake Powhatan	Kids' Fishing Day	6/01	9 to 2	Register on site the day of the event	Lorie Stroup loriestroup@fs.fed.us 828-877-3265
Burke	J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center	Catfish Round-Up for the Handi- capped	5/25	9 to 2	Event for people with disabilities. Preregistration preferred by calling Tony or Kimberly; on site registration as well. Free lunch and t-shirts; all bait and equipment provided.	Tony Robinson Kimberly Sigmon decoydoc@charter.net 828-874-1915 or 828-448-1495

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Burke	McGalliard Falls Park	Fun Fishing at the Falls	6/01	10 to 1	Registration is on site at the start of the event; open to participants from 4 to 12 years old. Rain date - June 8.	Doug Night dknight@ci.valdese.nc.us 828-879-2132
Caldwell	Boone Fork Pond	Boone Fork Spe- cial Populations Fishing Day	5/10	10 to 2	Event held for Special Population kids within the local school system.	Christopher Williams christopherwilliams@fs.fed.us 828-652-2144, ext.104
Caldwell	Boone Fork Pond	Boone Fork Kids' Fishing Day	5/11	9 to 2	Register on site day of event; for kids under 16 years old.	Christopher Williams christopherwilliams@fs.fed.us 828-652-2144, ext.104
Carteret	Cedar Swamp Pond	Kids' Fishing Day	6/08	8 to noon	Registration on site day of event; for kids ages 5 to 15.	Rachelle Powell rachellepowell@fs.fed.us 252-638-5628, ext. 4014
Cherokee	Cherokee Lake	Cherokee Lake Fishing Derby	6/01	7:30 to noon	Register on site or at the office (828-837-5152). Event is for kids 12 years old and younger.	Todd Sharkey tasharkey@fs.fed.us 828-837-5152
Chowan	Bayside Marina & Grill	Pembroke Bass Club Fish for Fun Kids' Fishing Event	6/08	8 to noon	Registration on site at the start of event. For children 15 and under; parents are encouraged to fish with their child.	Brad Gosser b.gosser@yahoo.com 252-333-7559
Chowan	Edenton National Fish Hatchery	Edenton National Fish Hatchery Fish For Fun Event	6/08	7 to noon	Registration on site at start of event. For children 15 and under; parents are encouraged to fish with their child.	Sam Pollock sam_pollock@fws.gov 252-482-4118
Cumberland	John E. Pechmann Fishing Education Center	Take A Kid Fishing	6/01	8 to 1	No age limit; Register on site the day of event.	Kristopher Smith kris.smith@ncwildlife.org 910-868-5003, ext. 14
Edgecombe	Pell's Pond	Pell's Pond Party	6/06	6 p.m.	Fishing in a private pond; hosted by Tarboro Association of Saltwater Sportsmen	Jimmy Dupree SKAangler@aol.com 252-883-9999
Graham	Santeetlah Creek	Kids' Fishing Day	6/01	9 to noon	Pre-registration at U.S. Forest Service office, Cheoah Ranger Dist., Robbinsville. Or register on site.	Gina Rogers grogers@fs.fed.us 828-479-6431
Guilford	Oak Hollow Lake	Oak Hollow Lake Kids' Fishing Derby	6/08	8 to 10	Open to the first 125 participants 15 years old and younger	Vicki Fields vicky.fields@highpointnc.gov 336-883-3494
Guilford	Lake Higgins Pond	Children's Tournament	6/08	9:30 to 11:30 a.m.	Pre-registration is required and a lottery for participants will be held on June 2; limited to 40 participants.	Derek Dunn derek.dunn@greensboro-nc.gov 336-373-3741

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Hertford	Hare's Millpond	Roanoke Chowan Wildlife Club CATCH Day	6/08	10 to 2	Pre-register by calling Lanny Cowan; limited to first 75 kids 15 years old and younger.	Lanny Cowan eddieharrells@yahoo.com 252-332-2711
Jackson	Cullowhee Creek	Kids' Fishing Day	6/01	9 to 4	To register, call Jackson Co., Parks & Rec; limited to first 40 kids ages 7 to 12	Richard Conley poopaw3@yahoo.com Jackson Co. Parks & Rec 828-557-0618
Lenoir	Neuseway Nature Park	Kids Fishing Day	6/08	9 a.m. to noon	Register onsite day of event; loaner rods and reels available on first-come, first-serve basis	Neuseway Nature Park (252) 939-3367
Macon	Cliffside Lake	Kids' Fishing Day	6/01	9 to 1	Register on site day of event; for kids ages 15 and younger	Richard McClure rmcclure02@fs.fed.us 828-524-6441, ext. 421
Madison	Max Patch Pond	Kids' Fishing Day	6/08	9 to noon	Register on site day of the event	Brandon Jones brandonjones@fs.fed.us 828-689-8716
Mitchell	Bakersville Creek Walk Bakersville	Troutacular Fishing Event	6/01	7:30 to 3	Register on site day of event; for kids 15 and younger. Free food for kids at noon.	Patti Jensen pjensen@mitchell-county.com 828-765-9033
Mitchell	Riverside Park Spruce Pine	Troutacular Fishing Event	6/02	7:30 to 1	Register on site day of event; for kids 15 and younger. Free food for kids at noon.	Patti Jensen pjensen@mitchell-county.com 828-765-9033
Montgomery	Kings Mtn. Point Recreation Area at Badin Lake	Kids' Fishing Day	6/08	9 to noon	Register on site day of the event; for kids 13 and younger.	Deborah Walker deborahwalker@fs.fed.us 910-576-6391
Onslow	Orde Pond	Kids' Fishing Day	6/01	8 to noon	Register on site day of event at 7:30; for kids 15 and younger; bait provided	Martin Korenek martin.korenek@usmc.mil 910-451-9384
Onslow	Jacksonville Training Academy	Jacksonville Train- ing Academy Kids' Fishing Event	6/08	9 to noon	Registration will be on site at the start of the event. Prizes will be awarded for youth ages 5-13.	Carol C. Trott 910-347-5332 carol_trott@onslowcountync.gov
Orange	Strayhorn Pond off I-40 near Hillsborough	Youth Fishing Rodeo	6/01	9 to 12:30	Register on site day of the event; no age limit. Rain Date: 6/02	Julie Collins jcollins@ci.carrboro.nc.us 919-918-7392
Pasquotank	Mid-Atlantic Christian University Pond (for- merly Roanoke Bible College	Mid-Atlantic Christian Univer- sity Fish For Fun Event	6/01	9 to noon	Pre-register by calling Jeremy McCargo or reg- ister on site day of event; limited to first 50 kids 15 and younger.	Jeremy McCargo jeremy.mccargo@ncwildlife.org 252-330-4063

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Richmond	McKinney Lake Fish Hatchery	Children's Fishing Day	6/08	8 to noon	Register on site day of event.	Rick Bradford rick.bradford@ncwildlife.org 910-895-5330
Rockingham	Mayo River State Park	Mayo River State Park Community Fishing Day	5/11	9 to 2	Registration on site day of event.	Keith Martin keith.martin@ncparks.gov 336-427-2530
Rockingham	Lake Reidsville	Kids' Fishing Rodeo	6/01	8:30 to 11:30 a.m.	Register on site day of event; for kids 12 and under. Lunch provided after event.	Nick Aceves naceves@ci.reidsville.nc.us 336-349-4738
Rockingham	Farris Memorial Park in Mayodan	Kids Fishing Derby	6/01	8 to noon	Registration on site day of event. Open to several age classes up to 18 years old.	Asa Neal an@mmrecdepartment.org 336-548-2789
Stanly	City Lake Park	Albemarle Parks and Rec Fish for Fun Day	6/01	10 to 2	Register by calling 704-984-9567	Brian Hinson bhinson@ci.albemarle.nc.us 704-984-9565
Surry	Big Elkin Creek	Tri-County Ridge Runners Jakes Day	6/08	9 to 11	Rain or shine.	Lee Freeman tcridgerunner@yahoo.com 336-244-4430
Surry	Pilot Mtn. State Park (Yadkin River section)	Kids' Fishing Derby	6/08	10 to 2	Pre-registration is preferred by calling the park; for participants 16 and younger. Rain or shine	Nick Bowman nick.bowman@ncdenr.gov 336-325-2355
Surry	Shelton Vineyards	Wheelin' Sports- men Special Populations Fish- ing Day	6/08	9 to 3	Register morning of event. For special populations of any age. Rain or shine.	Manus McMillian 336-789-4986
Wake	Simpkins Pond at Lake Wheeler	Lake Wheeler Fishing Derby	6/01	9 a.m.	Register on site day of event.	Ben Coats ben.coats@ci.raleigh.nc.us
Yancey	Carolina Hemlocks Campground on South Toe River	Carolina Hem- locks Fish For Fun Event	6/01	9 to 1	Register on site day of event. Rain or shine.	Jerry Murphy jmurphy@fs.fed.us 828-682-6146