

Sports

At 8 a.m. sharp!

1984 trout season opens Saturday Harveys Lake, other areas well-stocked for opening day

Claude Neifert, waterways patrolman, Pennsylvania Fish Commission, has announced that 2,637,600 trout will be stocked throughout Pennsylvania prior to the opening of the 1984 fishing season. The season begins this Saturday, April 14, at 8 a.m.

Harveys Creek will receive a mixture of Brook, Brown and Rainbow Trout, totalling 9,900 fish. Also included in this stocking will be some trophy Palimino Trout. Harveys Lake will receive 18,600 Brook Trout during pre-season stocking while Huntington Creek will get 500 Brook Trout and Kitchen Creek (near Red Rock) will get 1,000 Brook Trout.

Pine Creek (near Benton) will get 1,650 Brook Trout and 1,650 Brown Trout for a grand total of 3,300 stocked trout while Hunlock Creek will receive 450 Brook Trout, 600 Brown Trout and 450 Rainbow Trout.

As usual, the Fish Commission expects a large turnout for the first day as well as throughout the season which extends throughout most of the year, ending at midnight the last day of February, 1985.

The Fish Commission urges the public to protect this most popular sport and to help keep the various water

areas open by being good sportsmen, to protect and to keep the property clean and to remind others whom they may see leaving litter not to do so.

A reminder! The daily creel limit of trout is eight per person. This means that if a person catches catch eight trout and gives eight trout away to others, he or she will have caught their daily limit and will not be allowed to creel any more trout for that particular day.

Once a person has caught a trout and placed it in their basket or on a stringer, etc., that trout cannot be returned to the water. Any trout which a fisherman does not intend to keep must be returned to the water immediately in the condition in which it was prior to being caught.

If the trout is injured in any manner, it must not be returned to the water. It is considered as one trout being caught by that particular individual.

Neifert urges fishermen to read their regulation book and to familiarize themselves with the rules of the sport.

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2.3 million trout stocked in Pa.

Although "Where's the beef?" is a currently popular phrase in a widely distributed television commercial, more than a few people are asking, "Where's the trout?" in anticipation of opening day. And according to Pennsylvania Fish Commission Executive Director Ralph W. Abele, "Things are looking brighter for the opening of trout season."

The Commission will have planted nearly 2.3 million trout by the time the opening gun sounds at 8 a.m. on April 14, and by mid-June, a total of over 5 million trout will have been stocked in Commonwealth waterways.

"Our hatchery personnel have done a great job, and this year's product is some of the finest I've ever seen," said Abele.

The stocked trout average 9.5 inches in length and almost a half-pound apiece. Add to that "some exceptionally nice" trophy trout

that will be stocked in waters throughout the state, and it's easy to see why Abele is optimistic.

Opening day anglers shouldn't have any problems finding water to fish. Commission figures show that this year's hatchery fish will find their way into some 765 streams and 98 lakes. In addition, as part of its Operation FUTURE, the Commission last year set aside 137 stream sections comprising 388 miles of water to be managed for wild trout. These waters offer the angler who prefers to "get away from it all" a quality experience in a natural setting.

License prices remain the same as last year's (\$12 plus 50 cents issuing agent's fee for a resident adult license), and according to Abele, a fishing license is the best buy in town.

"I personally don't think you can find a better entertainment bargain

anywhere," said Abele. "Fishing is truly a year-round sport, and if you just fish two times a month, your license would cost you only about 50 cents for every day you spend on the water."

The Commission also has just the ticket for the trout angler looking for a place to go or new waters to try. Its 16-page publication "Trout Fishing in Pennsylvania" features regional maps that show the location of all Class A wild trout waters, special regulation areas, and stocked waters. It also includes county-by-county hotspot information that details species, baits, and best times of the year for action.

Cost of the publication is \$1.50 postpaid, and it can be obtained by writing to: Publication Section, Pennsylvania Fish Commission, Dept. Trout Fishing, P.O. Box 1673, Harrisburg, PA 17105-1673.

Mazer twins and bowling

After a late start, they love the sport

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Every Monday and Friday night, the names of two members on the same team at Bonomo's Lanes, Dallas, appear among the high scorers. They are Glen and Gary Mazer, identical twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Mernard Mazer of Jackson Township. "Mirror" twins, their mother calls them since Glen is right-handed and Gary, eldest by three minutes, is left-handed.

Born in Augsburg, Germany, where their father was stationed with the U.S. Army, the twins, with their parents, spent two tours of duty in Europe for a total of seven years. Their dad, now retired, served 21 years in the army.

While overseas, Glen and Gary visited East and West Germany, France, Spain, Belgium, Norway, Sweden and Switzerland. The entire family used to tour Europe on camping expeditions visiting such historical sites as the Eiffel Tower, Berlin Wall and Hitler's tomb. Glen, a rock collector, has a piece of the Berlin Wall which he prizes.

Their dad bowled while he was stationed in Germany but Glen and Gary didn't pick up the sport until after they graduated from Lake-Lehman High School in 1974.

"We lost our brother, Bob, in a tragic accident," explained Glen and Gary. "And the family was very depressed. About a year after we graduated, our dad decided we started to do something as a family so my mother, dad and the two of us started to bowl at Bonomo's Lanes."

"At first, the four of us bowled in a mixed league, then gradually Glen and I joined the men's major league," said Gary. "This is the first year Glen is on the men's major league team on Friday night. My mother and dad still bowl in the mixed league."

When the Mazers first started to bowl, left-handed Gary used a right handed ball belonging to his father. He bowled with it for a year before he finally purchased a left-handed one.

The two young men watch other top bowlers to discover good points. They also find that they bowl better on the same team than against one another. However, they bowled against each other at least three times in title roll-offs. One year their parents were on one team, Glen was on another and Gary on another and all three teams were in the end of the season roll-offs. Glen's team finally took the championship. In another competition, Gary's team bested Glen's team. In mixed league competition, the

Mazer twins have won a combined total of 30 trophies.

In the men's league, Glen usually takes the trophy for high average and Gary the trophy for either high game or high series. Their 80-year old grandmother watches the paper each week for their scores and tells them how well she thinks they have done.

"Glen is a good anchor man," says Gary. But Glen says, "Gary is the more consistent bowler."

During the past year Gary has missed two 700 series in the last frame.

They always bowl together in tournaments with Rex Andrasco as team captain. The first tournament they entered as a team was in Hancock, N.Y. All team members bowled well and the team won \$1400. The Mazers enter three or four tournaments annually and cash in on at least half of them.

Last year, in the Wyoming Valley Men's Association Tournament, their team was down in the standings, but when they came to Bonomo's to bowl their last series they were confident they could bowl well and they did. The team came up with a 3200 total and came in second.

Both of the boys watch Saturday's Pro Bowling and study the styles of all the bowlers. They are well versed in the basic fundamentals and help each other. They also accept criticism from one another and can read one another's thoughts.

Gary, who is married, bowls by the three L's — lift, leverage and lofting. Glen, single, follows the three C's — consistency, concentration and coordination.

They play a lot of softball and Glen manages the Mr. Donut team. He plays infield positions and Gary plays in the outfield. They are both highly competitive and push one another to get ahead.

Gary and Glen feel they had an advantage over other students when in school. They attended many schools in many countries and unlike other new students, they each had a friend. One brother always sat behind the other, they ate lunch together and played together. After seventh grade, they were split up and people usually didn't know they were twins until nearly the end of the school year.

In senior high school, they went out for soccer and played baseball during their years at Lake-Lehman, with the exception of their senior year when they lost their varsity positions to another pair of twins, Craig and Chris Yanchick.

Both young men are looking forward to this summer when they are expecting their older brother, Ber-



Mirror twins

Glen and Gary Mazur, shown here at Bonomo's Bowling Lanes in Dallas, got a late start at the sport, but have continued to improve since first picking up a bowling ball.

nard, to return from Europe to visit the family. "Bernie" is with the Department of Defense and is now in Augsburg where the twins were born. He has been in Europe for the past six years.

Meanwhile, Glen and Gary will continue to roll their high 500 and sometimes 600 series in the local leagues as they look forward to participating in this year's tournaments.



PG&W will prosecute trespassing fishermen

Trespassers on Pennsylvania Gas and Water Company (PG&W) property will be prosecuted to the fullest according to Gerald B. Taylor, vice president of operations and engineering for PG&W.

Taylor explained that the current reminder concerning trespassing is going out several weeks ahead of the opening of the 1984 fishing season in Pennsylvania, "so there is no mistake about the company's posture on the issue of trespassing on watershed lands." The policy is not new, according to Taylor, who offered copies of the company's last notice sent to 33 area newspapers,

radio and television stations in August, 1983, asking for the cooperation of area law enforcement agencies in cracking down on watershed and reservoir trespassers.

Taylor indicated that the company would continue to allow fishermen the use of Harvey's Creek waterway from Route 118 to the Susquehanna River in Luzerne County. He added that the company has had a very good relationship with the Pennsylvania Fish Commission, Lehman, Jackson, and Plymouth Township police departments and the sportsmen who regularly fish Harvey's Creek and help maintain the area.

Commission to publish county feature series

The Pennsylvania Fish Commission used the recently held Eastern Outdoor Show in Harrisburg to announce what may be one of the most ambitious projects ever undertaken by the Commission.

Beginning with the April issue of Pennsylvania Angler, the Commonwealth's official fishing and boating magazine, the Commission will begin publishing a series of county features. Utilizing information supplied by the local waterways patrolmen, each issue will provide the most detailed, specific how-to and where-to information on Pennsylvania fishing hotspots ever published.

According to Angler editor, Art Michaels, "The idea for the county series came about from the tremendous number of requests the Commission receives from both resident and nonresident anglers who simply

want to know where they can go fishing." The local waterways patrolmen were chosen as the primary contributors to the series because "they literally live on the streams and lakes in their areas," said Michaels.

Individual copies of the magazine are available from the Commission and selected bait and tackle shops who operate as over the counter outlets for the Angler. Bickler emphasized however, that yearly subscription prices represent over a 50 percent savings from newsstand prices and a three year subscription will "provide the angler with a Bible on how to fish Pennsylvania."

Subscriptions to Pennsylvania Angler may be obtained by sending \$5 (one year) or \$14 (three years) to Publications Section, Department CF, Pennsylvania Fish Commission, Harrisburg, PA 17105-1673.

New club

Students at Luzerne County Community College were given the chance to show off their pool playing expertise in the college's Billiards Tournament sponsored by the newly-formed Billiards Club. Shown in the photo at left during the awarding of the trophies are, from left, Chuck Johnston, Wilkes-Barre, first place winner; George McDaniels, Plymouth, third place winner; Paul Benedetti, Dallas, second place winner; and James Atherton, Wilkes-Barre, director of student activities.