



Tri-County Trout Derby: April 13-14, 2024  
**Participant Registration**  
 Online Registration: [www.arcadareachamber.org](http://www.arcadareachamber.org)



<b>Name:</b>			
<b>Age:</b>			
<b>Address:</b>	_____		
	City: _____	State: _____	Zip: _____
<b>Email Address:</b>			
<b>Phone #:</b>	(     )     -		
<b>Follow our Facebook page</b> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/tricountytroutderby">https://www.facebook.com/tricountytroutderby</a>			
<b>Emergency Contact:</b>	Name:		
	Relationship:		
	Phone Number:	(     )     -	

Participant Information:  
 How did you hear about the Tri-County Trout Derby?  
 Returning Fisherman  
 Facebook  
 Family or Friends  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and agree to the Tri-County Trout Derby Official Rules & Assumption of Risk Agreement:

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Participants under 18 years of age require Parent/Guardian Signature:  
 Parent/Guardian Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Fee (please choose one): _____ Adult Registration.....\$ 30.00 _____ Child Registration(12 & under).....\$ 30.00 (The first 20 children registered will receive a FREE GIFT)	\$ _____
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<b>Optional items to purchase along with your registration:</b>	
<b>Pre-Sale 50/50 Tickets-</b> _____ \$1 for 1 ticket    _____ \$2 for 3 tickets    _____ \$5 for 15 tickets	\$ _____
<b>Community Fish Ticket-</b> \$1 each    Number of Tickets: _____	\$ _____
<b>Memorial/ In Honor Fish Sponsor- \$25.00/each</b> Purchase a fish that will be In Memory of or In Honor of a loved one: <input type="checkbox"/> In Memory of: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> In Honor of: _____	\$ _____
<b>Official '24 Tri-County Trout Derby Apparel - Pre Sale Orders Only!</b> <i>New design by Pioneer High School Students</i> T-Shirt: \$22.00 (sm-xl) \$24.00 (2xl-4xl) Qty: _____ Size: _____ Long Sleeve T-Shirt: \$27.00 (sm-xl) \$29.00 (2xl-3xl) Qty: _____ Size: _____ Hooded Sweatshirt: \$40.00 (sm-xl) \$42.00 (2xl-3xl) Qty: _____ Size: _____	\$ _____
<b>Total Due : CASH PRICE</b> (Cash, Check and Credit Card** Accepted)	

\*\*Due to the new NY State Credit Card law (NYS GBS § 518), Cash Price is by invoice, check, and cash received in the office. Credit Card Payments will be accepted online at [www.arcadareachamber.org](http://www.arcadareachamber.org) or in the Chamber Office during regular business hours: Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays - 9:00am-3:00pm.

## 2024 Tri-County Trout Derby Official Rules

In order to qualify for the Derby, please read and sign these rules:

1. **Period:** The Tri-County Trout Derby is Saturday, April 13th and Sunday, April 14th, 2024. Fishing will be from 6:30am-7:00pm on Saturday and 6:30am-2:00pm on Sunday.
2. **Eligibility:** All men, women, and children are eligible regardless of age. All entrants aged 16 and older must be the holder of a valid New York State fishing license. Derby registration must be completed, and fees paid prior to fishing in this derby. Derby Button visible.
3. **Eligible Fish Species:** Tagged Rainbow Trout
4. **Registration and Entry Fees:** All registrations are to be completed and signed by participants. Adult Entry fee is \$30. Child registration fee is \$30 no matter the date of registration.
5. **Fishing Locations and Techniques:** Eligible fish must be caught in the nine-mile area between the corner of Rt 98 and East Arcade Road (Old Cattaraugus Road) in Arcade, and 200 yards south of the bridge on Savage Road in Chaffee. The starting and ending points will be marked by signs. All fish must be caught using a fishing rod and reel. Live bait or artificial bait is eligible. Only tagged fish will be eligible and all fish must be turned in alive.
6. **Safety, Sportsmanship, Courtesy and Conservation** are expected from each entrant and participant at all times. Any infractions of these fundamental sporting principals may be deemed cause for disqualifications. All local, state and federal laws apply.
7. **Waiver of Liability:** All entrants must sign an assumption of risk agreement to participate in this event.
8. **The official Tri-County Trout Derby rules and the official Tri-County Trout Derby registration form are to be considered to be one document and by signing the Official Tri-County Trout Derby registration form you are agreeing to honor and abide by all Official Derby Rules.**

The Tri-County Trout Derby is presented by the Arcade Area Chamber of Commerce.

\* There are 400 fish valued up to \$10,000 in cash prizes. Cash prizes are only given out for fish caught during the Derby, following Derby rules and by a registered fisherman.



## 2024 Tri-County Trout Derby Assumption of Risk Agreement

Please read carefully, this may affect your legal rights:

1. **Express Assumption of Risk:** I understand that participation in the Tri-County Trout Derby involves significant risks of serious injury or death from, including but not limited to, falling or slipping, impacting man made or natural elements objects or being impacted by such objects, equipment malfunction, adverse weather conditions, natural elements, including but not limited to, creeks, rivers, trees, rocks, stumps, and uneven terrain, dizziness, fatigue, encounter with insects or animals, contact with other participants, physical exertion, and falls. I acknowledge that I have sufficient skills and am in adequate physical condition to participate in these activities.
2. **Participation of Minors:** I am the parent or guardian, of the minor on whose behalf I have signed this agreement. I have explained the risks inherent in the Tri-County Trout Derby to my child in an age-appropriate manner and he/she has acknowledged that he/she understands and accepts those risks.
3. **Right of Privacy Release:** I agree to the photographing, filming or videotaping of my appearance while participating in the Tri-County Trout Derby and the reproduction of such materials by the Arcade Area Chamber of Commerce and its corporate affiliates. I agree that the Arcade Area Chamber of Commerce is, and will be, the sole owner of all rights in and to the Materials and the reproductions thereof. The Arcade Area Chamber of Commerce shall have the right, among other things to reproduce the Materials one or more times for any and all lawful purposes, including the promotion of the Arcade Area Chamber of Commerce. The Arcade Area Chamber of Commerce shall also have the right to use my name, portrait, picture and biographical material for such purposes.
4. **Effect on Legal Rights:** I have read this agreement carefully and understand its contents. I have read this agreement to my child and he/she has acknowledged that he/she understands its contents. I am aware that the agreement includes an express assumption of risk. I understand that this agreement may affect legal claims for damages in the event of death or any injury to me or my child. I acknowledge that any questions I or my child has about this agreement or the risks inherent in participating in the Tri-County Trout Derby have been answered to me and my child's satisfaction. I have signed this document of my own free will.
5. **Controlling Law/Venue:** I agree that the terms of this agreement are binding on me and my child and shall be governed by the Laws of the State of New York. I also agree that any legal action relating to me or my child's participation in the Tri-County Trout Derby will be brought in the New York State Supreme Court, County of Cattaraugus or the United States District Court for the Western District of New York.

**Mail registration & cash payment to:**  
Arcade Area Chamber of Commerce  
228 Main Street Arcade, NY 14009

- Make sure you include:**
- Payment
  - Completed Registration Form
  - Signed Copy of Official Rules & Assumption of Risk

## TO RECEIVE PAYOUT...

- Must be a registered fisherman wearing official Tri- County Trout Derby Button 2024.
- Bring your LIVE fish with a 2024 tag (Color TBD) to an official checkpoint for verification and to receive an Official Verified Ticket from Derby Official. *(Every fisherman packet includes a plastic bag for keeping fish alive to transport to checkpoints)*
- At Derby Headquarters you receive your money by turning in:
  - o Official 2024 Tag (Color TBD) clipped off the fish
  - o Official Verified Ticket- received at a checkpoint

## OFFICIAL CHECKPOINT LOCATIONS:

- 1. Derby Headquarters - Sponsored by Machias Outdoors:**  
Arcade VFW: 550 W Main St, Arcade, NY 14009
- 2. The Fishing Access Point - Sponsored by Pioneer Motorsports:**  
At the Route 16 Bridge
- 3. The Fishing Access Point - Sponsored by Maple Grove Enterprises:**  
Arcade Center Farm, Rt 98 N, Arcade

## RULE REMINDERS:

- 1. Period:** The Tri-County Trout Derby is Saturday - April 13th, 6:30am - 7:00pm, and Sunday - April 14th, 6:30am - 2:00pm.
- 2. Eligibility:** All men, women, and children are eligible regardless of age. All entrants aged 16 and older must be the holder of a valid New York State fishing license. Derby registration must be completed and fees paid prior to fishing in this derby.
- 3. Eligible Fish Species:** Tagged Rainbow Trout
- 4. Registration and Entry Fees:** All registrations are to be completed and signed by participants. Adult Entry fee is \$30. Child registration fee is \$30.
- 5. Fishing Locations and Techniques:** Eligible fish must be caught in the nine mile area between the corner of Rt. 98 and East Arcade Road (Old Cattaraugus Road) in Arcade, and 200 yards south of the bridge on Savage Road in Chaffee. The starting and ending points will be marked by signs. All fish must be caught using a fishing rod and reel. Live bait or artificial bait is eligible. Only tagged fish will be eligible and all fish must be turned in alive.
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## Tri-County Trout Derby

# FAQs

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Q: What is a Trout Derby?**

A: The Tri-County Trout Derby is a two-day event where entrants have an opportunity to catch tagged rainbow trout that are released into the Cattaraugus Creek for cash prizes.

### **Q: When can I fish in the Derby?**

A: Saturday - April 13th, 6:30am - 7:00pm, and Sunday - April 14th, 6:30am - final check in 2pm. You are welcome to fish all or part of the Derby. \*Important Note: Anyone caught fishing the Creek outside of these hours will be removed from the Derby\*

### **Q: Who can fish in the tournament?**

A: EVERYONE! In fact, this is a family friendly event where we encourage all ages to participate. **The first 20** children 12 and under that register will receive a free gift at the tournament. All registrants aged 16 and older must have a valid NY fishing license.

### **Q: How much does it cost and how do I register?**

A: Cost: Adults: \$30 Children 12 and under: \$30

Register Online: [www.arcadeareachamber.org](http://www.arcadeareachamber.org), or fill out and send in a completed application to the Arcade Area Chamber of Commerce: 228 Main St. Arcade, NY. (Registration forms are available at the Arcade Area Chamber of Commerce)

### **Q: Do I have to pre-register to participate in the derby?**

A: No! You can register the day of the event at the Official Derby Headquarters at the Arcade VFW.

### **Q: Once registered, when do I get my registration packet?**

A: Pre-Registered package pickup at Pioneer Motorsports Friday, April 12th, 2:00pm-7:00pm.

Registration in person - Friday, April 12th at Machias Outdoors 2:00pm-7:00pm - Holland location, or Saturday morning, April 13th starting at 6:00am, Derby Headquarters.

Registration Packet includes: Official Fisherman Button, Derby Map, FAQs, Rules, anything you registered early for (Community Fish, 50/50 tickets, etc.) (If you can't arrange to pick up on this day, registration packets will be available at the Derby Headquarters which open at 6:00am)

### **Q: What are the boundaries of the Derby?**

A: Our Derby covers a 9-mile stretch of the Cattaraugus Creek. It begins at the public access point to the Creek right on the corner of Route 98 and East Arcade Rd. (Old Cattaraugus Road), and goes 200 yards past the Bridge on Savage Road in Chaffee. Boundaries are clearly marked during the Derby.

### **Q: Where are the fish released?**

A: The fish are released at 14-20 different locations on the Cattaraugus Creek within the boundaries of the Derby. No tagged fish will be stocked outside of these boundaries, and absolutely no tagged fish will be stocked into any feeder streams (tributaries) of the Cattaraugus Creek.

**Q: How many tagged fish are there and how much are they worth?**

A: We release 400 tagged fish, and the prizes vary based on the ID number on the tag. The amounts range from \$25-\$1,000.

**Q: What is the “Community Fish”?**

A: The “Community Fish” is like a 50/50 fish, with the potential for a 100% payout to contestants. Every dollar collected from the tickets sold will be put into a “pot”. Whatever the total is, the person that catches the fish with the proper ID number on it gets ½ of that total pot. At the end of the Derby we will draw one ticket from all the tickets purchased, and another person will win the other half of the total amount. Starting in 2018, if the Community Fish is not caught, the money will go into a progressive jackpot until the fish is caught.

**Q: What do I do if I catch a tagged fish?**

A: You bring the ALIVE fish to a check point, where Derby officials will validate the fish and present you with a coupon to redeem at the Derby Headquarters with the fish’s tag to receive your cash. There will also be Derby officials walking the Creek that can validate the fish as well.

**Q: Where is the Derby Headquarters?**

A: Located at: Arcade VFW Pavilion - 550 W Main St, Arcade, NY (Opening at: 6:00am both days of Derby)  
Headquarters offers: Derby information, registration packets not picked up early, 1 of 2 official check points, prize money for fish, bait, 50/50 tickets, Community Fish tickets, apparel, raffles, and more!

**Q: Where are the official check points?**

A: Derby Headquarters and the access point at Route 16 bridge.

**Q: Do tagged fish have to be alive to receive a cash prize?**

A: YES! If the fish is dead before presented to Derby officials, you will not be paid out for the fish.

**Q: Is there a limit on the number of tagged fish I can catch?**

A: NO, As long as you follow DEC regulations and do not keep more fish than is allowed in your daily creel limit, you are not limited in the number of tagged fish you can catch on either day. We encourage you to release everything you catch or be selective with your harvest to avoid getting to your creel limit. The check points are open all day, so validate your fish often.

**Q: Will there be other prizes given out besides cash for the tagged fish?**

A: No, all the tagged fish will have a designated cash prize associated with it. However we will have raffles, 50/50 and more at the Derby Headquarters at the Arcade VFW Pavilion.

**Q: Do I have to be present at the time of any raffle to win?**

A: No, we do not require that you are present for the drawing(s) of any raffle we have.

*If you have any additional questions, comments, or concerns please contact us.*

*(585)492-2114 - Chamber Office*

*[office@arcadeareachamber.org](mailto:office@arcadeareachamber.org)*

*Good luck and FISH ON!*



# 2024 Tri-County Trout Derby Sponsorship Opportunities

We will be hosting our 10th annual Tri-County Trout Derby, April 13-14. This event is expected to bring in over 400 fishermen to our community for the weekend. Below are the different levels of sponsorship, each offering a unique opportunity for return on investment.

	Title Sponsor \$1,000	Trophy Sponsor \$750	Rainbow Trout Sponsor \$500	Cast-Off Sponsor \$400	Bobber Sponsor \$250	Jig Sponsor \$200	Lunker Sponsor \$100	Angler Sponsor \$50	Memorial/In Honor Sponsor \$25
Business name on 2024 Logo	✓								
Complimentary Derby Sponsor Yard Sign	✓								
Complimentary Derby Registrations	✓ 5 registrations	✓ 2 registrations							
Chamber Advertising about derby applications at your business	✓	✓	✓						
Booth space during derby to have promotions, sell merchandise or donate to a non-profit.	✓ FREE Large Booth	✓ FREE Small Booth	✓ FREE Small Booth	✓ FREE Small Booth	\$10 Small Booth	\$10 Small Booth	\$10 Small Booth	\$10 Small Booth	
Opportunity to provide business information in event bags	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Sponsor Recognition on...									
- Advertising Materials	✓								
- Registration Materials	✓								
- Creek Signs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
- Chamber Website	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
- Chamber Social Media	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
- Fish Number Signs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sponsorship Deadline:	March 15	March 15	March 15	March 15	March 15	March 15	March 15	March 15	March 15

\*Each level of sponsorship has a fish associated with it which is valued at the sponsorship amount. Some sponsorship dollars may be divided amongst the fish at different values. If you prefer for this not to happen with your donation, please specify.

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## Tri-County Trout Derby

### SPONSORSHIP FORM

<i>Level</i>	<i>Deadline</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Total</i>
Title Sponsor	March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Cash \$1,000.00	SOLD	SOLD
Trophy Sponsor	March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Cash \$ 750.00		
Rainbow Trout Sponsor	March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Cash \$ 500.00		
Cast-Off Sponsor	March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Cash \$ 400.00		
Bobber Sponsor	March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Cash \$ 250.00		
Jig Sponsor	March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Cash \$ 200.00		
Lunker Sponsor	March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Cash \$ 100.00		
Angler Sponsor	March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Cash \$ 50.00		
Memorial/In Honor Sponsor	March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Cash \$ 25.00		

"We are a Tri-County Trout Derby Sponsor" Sign	Cash \$ 15.00		
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<b>Total:</b>	
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**Business Name:**

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**Mailing Address:**

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**City, State, Zip:**

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**Contact Person Name:**

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**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Listing for Memorial/ In Honor Sponsor:**

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**Please return completed form to:**  
 Arcade Area Chamber of Commerce  
 228 Main Street, Arcade, NY 14009  
 Phone: 585-492-2114  
[office@arcadeareachamber.org](mailto:office@arcadeareachamber.org)

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*If you need an invoice prior to payment, please contact the Chamber office.*

*Questions? Please feel free to call or email the Chamber at the phone number and email address listed above. '*