

Fall in love with Winter Fishing on the Gunpowder with TPFRR for the Close Enough to Valentine's Day on the water Meetup

When: Sunday February 20
8am-ish until whenever

Where: Gunpowder Falls - **Masemore Rd** access point

Gunpowder Falls is a tailwater fishery of the Prettyboy Reservoir just north of Baltimore with 10 miles of fishable water. The river is a restoration success story and sustains a wild population of trout with approximately 2,500 trout per mile - that equates to missing 1 trout for each step. Access and wading is easy. For more information about Gunpowder Falls see this [MD site](#).

So what is the Plan?

The TPFRR Gunpowder Fishing Day will be free form.
Bring your own rod, waders, flies, and food. But don't forget your aspirational net.

If you arrive before 10 am, some of other usual suspects will be on hand to help. And, hopefully we can help some while on the water ...

Aside from that, the plan is simple - show up, meet folks, chew the fat, go fish, and relax amidst the beautiful surroundings of the Gunpowder.

The Masemore Rd is probably the easiest access on the river and the start of the Lefty Krey Fishing Trail with plenty of places to fish close to the parking. The river holds mostly browns, but you may meet Mr Bow, and if really lucky - Mr Brookie. The water may be warm enough to wet wade but bring your waders. Finding a spot to fish dries, streamers, or a team of nymphs will be easy.

For family members or friends that don't fish, the Park has nice hiking trails that follow the river.
Due to Park restrictions, we won't have access to picnic tables or a reserved space, and alcohol is prohibited.

This gathering will follow the same guidelines for health and safety that we use for the Casting Churches and Beer Ties. Relative to COVID-19, please adhere to national and State guidelines. Use your best judgment for the safety of you and others, if you are ill or suspect you might be, please respect the health of others and rest up at home.

Directions to Masemore Rd Access:

The Masemore Rd access point is 50 feet from the river. See directions and map.

1. From the DC area - head up to the Baltimore loop (695) and either:
 - a. follow it through the 895 tunnel through Baltimore if you're ok with a toll, OR
 - b. follow 695 as it bends west to Towson and take the northbound exit for I-83.
(Depending on traffic, take I-95, BW Pkwy, 29, or any other convenient route north and check the maps to **ultimately connect with I-83 northbound above Baltimore.**)
2. Take **83 north** to the **Mt Carmel Rd exit** in Hereford.
3. Turn **left from the exit onto Mt Carmel Rd**, heading west.
4. Continue about **1/2 mile to Masemore Road** (no stop sign or light) and **turn right**, heading north.
5. Continue about 3/4 mile along the 2 lane road.
6. Just before the parking the road goes downhill with a **very sharp hairpin curve around an old brick house (GO SLOW and BE CAREFUL)**
7. Once past the curve, you will see the river and parking on the right. The water is five steps from the gravel parking and grassy field.

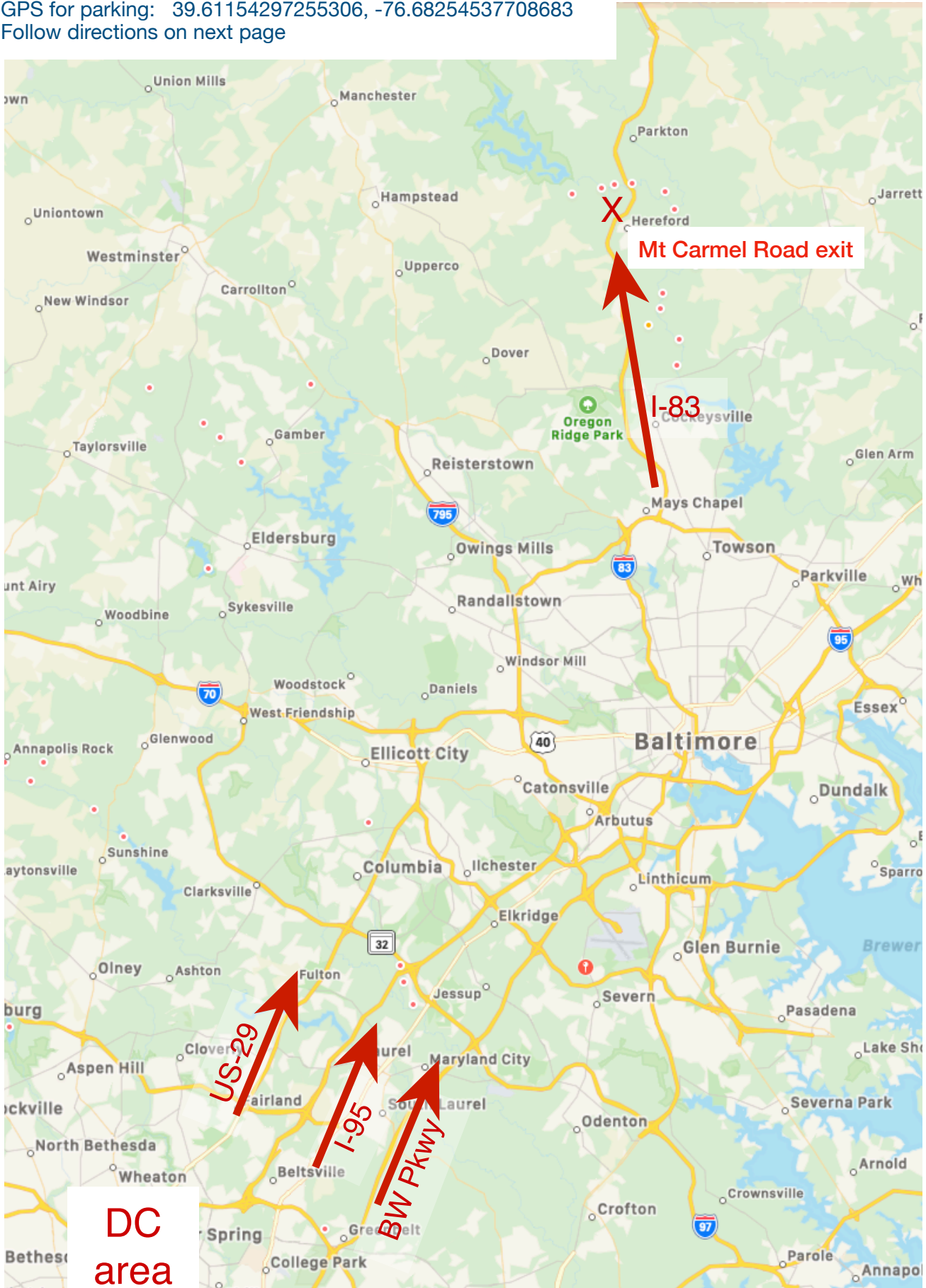
Parking:

- Use the gravel lot at the water. There are also few roadside places after crossing the iron bridge.
- Room for about 15 - 18 cars.

Bathroom: Use the Exxon gas station at the Mt Carmel Rd exit.

OVERVIEW MAP

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Detail from Mt Carmel Exit off I-83 To Masemore Rd access at river

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