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### Fletchers Cove Fishing Report, October 31, 2006



It's that melancholy time of year... time to say good-bye to a season of business at Fletcher's Cove. No more tricks, no more treats. We will cease rentals as of November 1st and begin the countdown to opening again in March of 2007. As is always the case, the beautiful park that surrounds us will be open (as will the extensive parking area) from dawn to dusk every day. If you have never visited Fletcher's Cove, a trip to familiarize yourself with the area would be of great benefit. We exist in an amazing slice of natural environment so close to the heart of the city.

With the onset of cool weather and colder water, the fish are slipping into their chilly-time slumber. David Gwinn coaxed a few chunky Largemouth Bass from the canal. Catfish will continue to bite until the water freezes over. Shore fishing is possible all year around Fletcher's if you want to stretch your legs and test out some new equipment. Just be ready for March, when the fish appear in waves, often before those who should know better are prepared to act.

why we are here. To the Park Service personnel of the C&O Canal National Historical Park who strive every day to keep the area beautiful and true to its purpose. To fellow Guest Services employees, whose faces are often behind the scenes, but whose many hands make light work. To our numerous vendors, whose happy voices and smiles when supplying and servicing make for a real sense of teamwork. And of course to Mother Earth herself... who now more than ever needs to be thought of every day, no matter your spiritual or scientific convictions.

As said, Fletcher's will re-open next March. I hope to post a few times during the off-season so check back when the day is short and it seems Spring will never get here. If the dark days of January get to you, find a copy of "Spring in Washington" by Louis J. Halle. When you read it, it will get under your skin if you give it a chance, and you will be happy again to be a Washingtonian!



Thanks for your visit, see you when the crocus and forsythia bloom!

Dan

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