

Non-Meeting Wednesdays on the Water

Gallup Park on the Huron River

For our 7th stop of the ***“Non-Meeting Wednesdays on the Water, Summer Tour 2025”*** will take us back to the Huron River to Gallup Park, as 2 stops ago we were up river from here at Delhi Metropark.

The park is located on the Huron River in Arbor, Michigan and the far east end of the park is in Ann Arbor Charter Township. Gallup Park is located on Geddes Pond, created by Geddes Dam that was originally owned by Detroit Edison. They also owned Barton Dam, Argo Dam, and Superior Dam and in 1950's DTE was no longer interested in running these dams. They were sold to Ann Arbor in 1963 and from there Eli A. Gallup, who was the Superintendent of Parks in Ann Arbor helped to create what we see today, and they honored him by naming this park after him.

One thing nice about this park, it offers a lot of different things to do, from hiking, fishing, kayaking, plus other things. They do have a canoe livery that you can rent canoes and paddle boats, and the boat ramp which is located on 3310 Geddes Rd. You can park at the boat ramp and walk around the park. The park hours are 6am to midnight, so you can have plenty of time enjoying the park.

For fishing at Gallup there is a lot of structure around there, from lily pads, weed mats, trees, and cement bridge supports and if you are fishing from shore there are a lot of places to cast your fly rod at. Besides the river, on the south side of the park, there are 2 ponds that is fishable. You must either walk back there or drive back there and park in the back parking lot. I like using top water flies like poppers in all different colors and sizes. One good color to have is a green or chartreuse body with silver type of leg material for the tail. I also like Edmonds Foamy Stealth Bombers, Mice, Deer Hair Poppers, Hoppers, and various type of Frogs. I always bring some bigger flies like Feather Game Changers, Schultz's Swinging D, Schultz's Red Eye Leech, Shimmering Minnow, Clousers, Chad Johnsons Sluggo, and Crayfish. For the rods to use, 5 weight up to 9 weight depending on what you are using and fishing. If you are using frogs in weeds, a 9 weight would be best, and I like using my 6 weight or 7 weight depending on the winds. The lines, floating works great, and if you want to get down further and intermediate would be awesome. Like I mentioned you can fish from shore, use a kayak, canoe, blowup pontoon boat, or your belly boat.

For Ken and me we will be in our Kayak's putting in the boat ramp, so you can bring our watercraft to join us, or if you want to fish from shore that's awesome. We hope we will see you out there and hopefully for once Mother Nature will be nice to us, as fishing is awesome in the rain, not thunderstorms, hail, or tornadoes. Any questions please feel free to contact Todd or Ken.

Arrows show parking where we will be at

