



# Spring has arrived at Chestnut Ridge!



Thank you to the 600+ guests that came out for the annual Easter Egg Hunt in March. We hope you had a good time, and would like for you to know that we are already taking notes of how to improve the event next year. We appreciate everyone who stopped to speak with us and give suggestions on organization. Thanks also to Mountaineer Challenge Academy for their volunteerism!

## Annual Fishing Rodeo



Apr. 30

10a-2p

Pre-Registration available at <http://goo.gl/forms/FgQz6YKubB>

Chestnut Ridge Park would like to thank March Westin for their generosity in sponsoring this annual event so we can offer it to the public for free. Parking will be limited, and carpooling is advised. Children will be split into three age groups: 3-6, 7-10, and 11-15. Three prizes will be awarded in each age category: largest fish caught, smallest fish caught, and most fish caught. We will have "My First Fish" certificates available for those who have never caught a fish before and would like to have a photo with said fish, certificate, and grinning angler.

We encourage all guests to focus on the goals of the rodeo which are to:

- Provide fishing opportunities in a safe, controlled, environment.
- Teach basic angling skills.
- Help children to develop a stewardship ethic.
- Offer a positive fishing experience which fosters future interest in fishing.
- Highlight fishing as one of many potential outdoor family activities.

Agenda:

- 10:00a - 10:30a: Angler registration/check-in at Feather Pavilion
- 10:30a - 11:45a: Fishing Rodeo, Catch and Release
- 11:45a - 1:00p: Fishing Rodeo, Catch and Keep (Trout ONLY)
- 1:00p - 2:00p: Awards Ceremony and Lunch at Feather Pavilion

Anglers do not need a fishing license to participate. Nightcrawlers and mealworms will be available for purchase, but participants are encouraged to also bring their own bait/tackle. Participants should bring their own fishing rod. A small handful will be available for purchase/rental on a first-come-first-served basis. All fish must be measured and recorded by our volunteers to count towards potential prizes. We ask that for the first half of the rodeo that all fishes be returned to the water so others may also have an opportunity to capture them as well. Exceptions will only be made for gut-hooked fish. For the second half of the rodeo, participants will be allowed to keep any TROUT that they catch if they would like to do so. Anglers deciding to keep their catch should bring coolers to take them home in. We ask that you take home only your own catch. If a participant should choose to not keep his/her fish, it should be returned to the water. Thank you for your cooperation.



We are excited to welcome Hash Browns and New Grounds to the park as the food vendor for the Fishing Rodeo. Described as "New American Fare with a delectable twist," and known for sourcing most or all of their ingredients from local producers, they will have menu options available at ~\$10 and under. If that doesn't sound like your cup of tea, pack a picnic basket and bring it along. Additional snacks will be available for sale within the office.



Thank you for your patience as we modified and updated the seasonal RV/Camper contract. It is finalized and available for any party that might be interested in going over it. For additional information, please email the office and we will get a copy to you. Our email address is: [mail@chestnutridgepark.com](mailto:mail@chestnutridgepark.com).



### First Wave Announcement!

*(Additional contracts in the works and will be announced soon).*

All concerts are scheduled for 6p-8:30p. Bands will be taking an intermission between sets. Tickets are \$5/person. Children 6 and under get in free. In the occurrence of unfavorable weather, the show will go on, but in the Dining Hall instead of on the stage. So go ahead make your plans and we hope to see you this summer!

♪ **The Hillbilly Gypsies - May 28**

♪ **Square Thirteen - June 4**

♪ **Circa Blue - June 11**

♪ **Stewed Mulligan - June 18**

♪ **Rachel Burge and Blue Dawning - June 25**

♪ **Halftime String Band - July 2**