The DeBruce Fly Fishing Club property is rich in history. At the junctions of Mongaup Creek and the Willowemoc (now known to us asour Junction Pool) George LaBranche, author of "The Dry Fly and Fast Water," cast his first dry fly in 1904. The club today, as always, brings joy to avid anglers seeking the peace, beauty, and superb fishing that the Willowemoc provides. Over the course of time, the membership roster has included respected fishing writers Sparse Grey Hackle, Dick Salmon, Nick Lyons, Howard Walden, and Ed Zern, as well as renown wildlife artist Milton Weiler.

From excerpts of a club history written by James "Bucky" Sterns, with additions and adaptations by Andrew Tow, with the assistance of Walter W. Kocher.





## GETTING HERE



The DeBruce Fly Fishing Club is about a two-hour drive from New York City. Heading west on Highway 17, take the Livingston Manor exit (Exit 96) and turn left (north) on DeBruce Road. Drive approximately five miles to the DeBruce Fly Fishing Club clubhouse, about 1/4 mile after you pass The DeBruce Inn on your right.

Look for rising fish!

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# THE DEBRUCE F LY FISHING CLUB



Over two miles of private water fly fishing in the heart of The Catskills.





Prime Catskills fly fishing without the crowds

People often speak of the "zen-like" aspects of fly fishing. Fly fishing anglers will tell you there is no activity better to relax and unwind than casting to a rising trout. Now imagine being able to enjoy your favorite activity without the worry of a dozen other anglers camped in your favorite fishing spot.

Welcome to The Debruce Fly Fishing Club!

With limited membership and a strictly enforced code of fishing etiquette, you will always be able to fish prime Catskills water without fighting a crowd of other anglers.

If this sounds appealing to you, please log on to our website, <a href="www.debruceffc.com">www.debruceffc.com</a>, and fill out the contact form on our home page. Someone from our membership committee will contact you to provide more information and arrange for a tour of the property.

## ABOUT THE CLUB

Since 1959, The Debruce Fly Fishing Club today, as always, brings joy to over 50 avid anglers seeking the peace, beauty, and superb fly fishing the Willowemoc provides.



#### THE RIVER:

Over two miles of pools, riffles, and runs. Cast to rising brown trout on one of the multiple pools on the property, or swing a wet fly through faster water. Whatever style of fishing you prefer—dry fly, wet fly, nymphs, or streamers—it's all available at The Debruce Club. The river is stocked with brown trout three time a year, but wild rainbow and brook trout are often caught throughout the year.



Rhododendron Pool



One of the many riffles

#### THE CLUBHOUSE:

A fully furnished and heated clubhouse is available for use by the members. The clubhouse has four bedrooms with single beds, a well equipped kitchen, a full bathroom, and wifi to stay connected. The living room features a large stone fireplace where members can relax by the fire and swap fish stories. We even have a fully stocked fly tying desk so you can test your skills at matching the hatch!



The Debruce Fly Fishing Club clubhouse



The perfect spot to relax between hatches

### OTHER AMENITIES:

Our focus is fly fishing, but non-fishing friends and family will enjoy the club too. There are miles of hiking trails, both on club property and within a short drive of Livingston Manor. Bring the family for a picnic at "The Falls" (on our property) then teach the kids and folks new to the sport how to cast on our stocked pond. The whole family will have fun, fishing or not.



The Falls



The Pond