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## Sampling Period 2, Fredtastic Mentor, Ward Championship, Hats, and DCPG on Meet the Monitors

Whew. The first day of the first sampling period was very much a thunderbolts-and-lightning-very-very-frightening sort of day. Still, the sampling period seemed to go pretty well, thanks to all of you.

**Sampling period 2 is coming up this Tuesday and Wednesday.** Please call me or Lisa if you have any problems.

I am now working a Tuesday through Saturday schedule, so feel free to contact me on Saturdays. If you call or email on Monday, I will likely not get your message until Tuesday morning.

Lastly, **please** take photos of you and your sites and send them to me. You can share via our Facebook wall or by directly emailing me photos. We'd love to see them and to share them!

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### Congrats to Fred!



A humongous congratulations to our very own **Fred Sponseller**, the recipient of Delaware Kids Connection Mentoring Program's

#### Dates to remember:

**April 16: Sussex County Volunteer Fair in Georgetown**

**April 19-20: Sampling Period**

**April 23: Earth Day at the Salisbury Zoo**

**April 29-May 1: Ward World Museum Championship Wildfowl Carving Festival in Ocean City**

**April 30: Shad Planking Event in Vienna**

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"Outstanding Mentor Award."  
Fred monitors Bethel Dock and  
Phillips Landing with **Ric  
Johansen** and often takes his  
mentee Creekwatching during the

summer months. (Fred also serves on our board as a Creekwatcher representative, and we appreciate his energy and input and just all-around awesomeness.)

Yay, Fred!

## You Choose the Hat or the Hat Chooses You

Being a Creekwatcher is so cool. **We** know you're the rock stars of the Nanticoke Watershed, and we want you to look the part with an awesome Creekwatchers-logoed hat.

Thanks to generous funding from the [Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore](#), I'll be ordering hats for Creekwatchers. Which hat style would you prefer? Please vote for Hat A or Hat B by emailing or calling.



**Hat A:** An organic twill baseball cap with velcro fabric closure in the back.



**Hat B:** A jungle bucket hat with chin cord.

## Talk the Talk at the Ward Championship

For the first time, we'll be attending the Ward. . . Championship in Ocean City the last weekend in April. Interested in wildfowl, carving, talking, or just visiting Ocean City before the big seasonal rush? We need **your** help and **your** energy on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, April 29-May 1.

You'll receive free admission to the event in exchange for at least two hours of volunteer time. (Shifts are two hours each, but you may sign up for more than one shift.) Also, you won't be flying solo, as a staff member (me, Lisa, Megan, or EB) will be present throughout the event.

If you're interested in representing the Alliance, please contact me as soon as possible.

**Ward. . . Championship Hours:**

Friday: 10-5

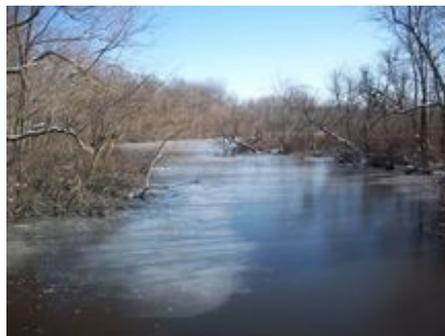
Saturday: 9-5

Sunday: 10-4

**Meet the Monitors: Richard Ball and Tom Wolfle**

Richard Ball and Tom Wolfle are two of the [DCPG](#) (Dorchester Citizens for Planned Growth) members who monitor sites in the Fishing Bay watershed. The DCPG aims to encourage city and county councils to follow smart growth development. (If you'd like to know more about the DCPG or to show some support, the organization will be hosting a "Spring Fling" this Sunday, April 17 from 4:00-6:00 PM at the Cambridge Main Street Art Gallery on Muir St. Admission is \$25.)

**How long have you been a Creekwatcher?** DCPG has been monitoring sites for three years.



**What sites do you monitor?**

Little Blackwater Headwaters (LIBL1), Little Blackwater Tributary 1 (LIBL2), Little Blackwater Tributary 4 (LIBL4), Transquaking (TRAN1), and the Chicamicomico (CHIC1).

**What's an interesting thing about one of your sites?** Some of our sites are sometimes dry. A couple of sites seems to be more impacted by agriculture and some by development.

**Where's your favorite spot on the Nanticoke or in the Nanticoke watershed, and why?** Chicone Creek and Handsell. It's a pretty stream and a good one day kayak/canoe trip. You can picnic, then

come back.

**What's your favorite Nanticoke-related activity?**

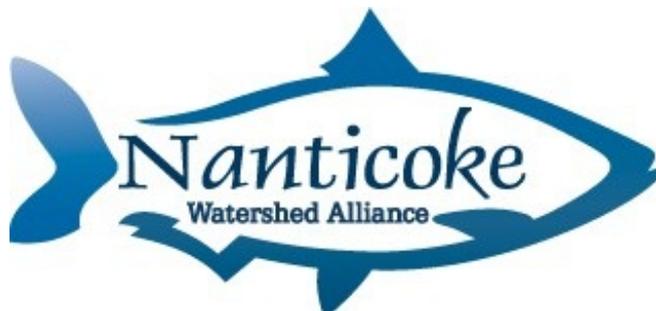
**What do you recommend that visitors do on the Nanticoke and where?** The white perch run from mid-March to mid-April. The Marshy Hope from Federalsburg down and the yellow and white perch runs.



**Anything to add?** We originally started due to rampant development and to see what affect it has on the water. We'd like to do more with the Choptank and Little Choptank.

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