

Museum Construction

Ground breaking took place during the summer on an addition to the existing Craig Brook Atlantic Salmon Museum. The Friends of Craig Brook National Fish Hatchery started its museum, dedicated to Atlantic Salmon history and memorabilia, in the original Ice House on the grounds of the fish hatchery in East Orland, Maine.

The Ice House, built around 1896, is the oldest building remaining at the Craig Brook Fish Hatchery. It served in its original capacity for ice cut from Alamoosook Lake which was used during the summer to moderate the temperature of the water that fish lived in within the hatchery's facility. In the years following the advent of electricity and refrigeration, the building was an Atlantic salmon incubation facility.

The museum currently houses a collection of memorabilia related to the Atlantic Salmon and the impact it has had on the State of Maine. The museum houses storied fishing materials including reels, tackle, rods, flies, photographs and more.

Money Request

The Friends of Craig Brook have collected over \$30,000 to date towards the museum expansion. Plans for a 32' x 24' timber-frame building with a connector hallway exiting from the Ice House will add needed space to the museum. Many items held in personal collections can then be added to the only Atlantic salmon museum in the country. This summer we completed the groundwork, foundation and the concrete floor that the timber-framed addition will be built upon.

We have targeted the building to be completed in 2008 and need additional contributions of at least \$110,000 to achieve this goal. Please review the Plank Membership Program and the Tri-Fold Flier which are both included in this mailing.



Existing Ice House Museum

Thank You for your participation.

The Friends of Craig Brook National Fish Hatchery