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## Osprey snatches prized golden rainbow trout

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An osprey carried its catch to a tree branch in West Kingston Thursday. (Ryan Lezette)

**SOUTH KINGSTOWN, R.I. (WJAR)** — An osprey carried its catch to a tree branch in West Kingston Thursday.

The bird rested for about 10 minutes with the fish carefully balanced on the limb next to it, then flew off with the trout in its talons.

Anglers will note, possibly with sadness, that the fish appears to be one of the sought-after golden rainbows the Department of Environmental Management stocks in Rhode Island ponds.

The DEM included golden rainbows among the 60,000 trout released into state waters in spring 2023.

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One of the locations usually stocked with golden rainbows is Barbers Pond in West Kingston, a mile from the location of this photo.

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The DEM awards golden trout pins to anglers who catch one of these prized fish.

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However, the osprey is not eligible as it went fishing before the opening day of trout season, Saturday, April 13.

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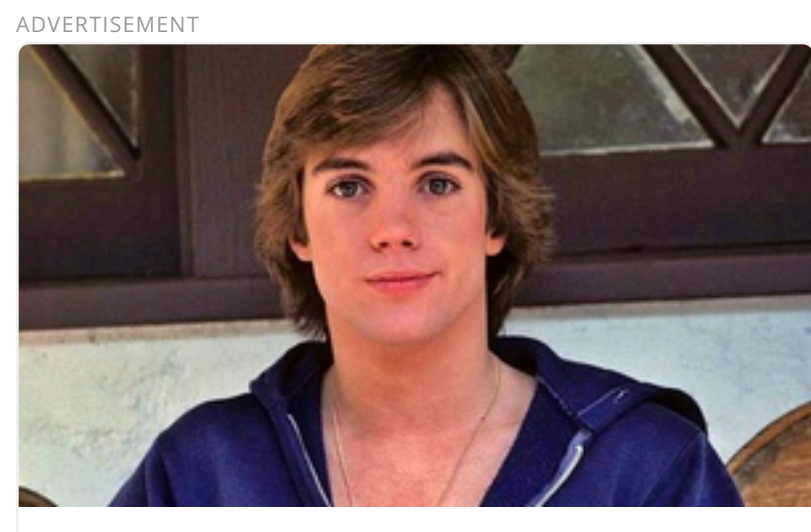
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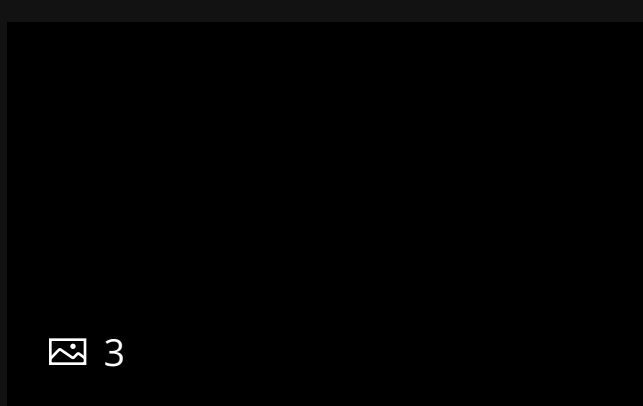
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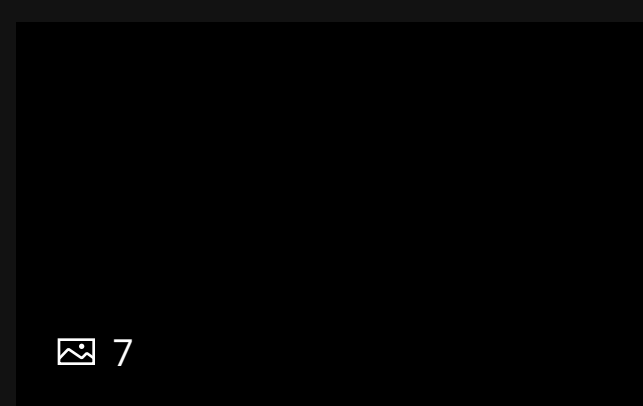
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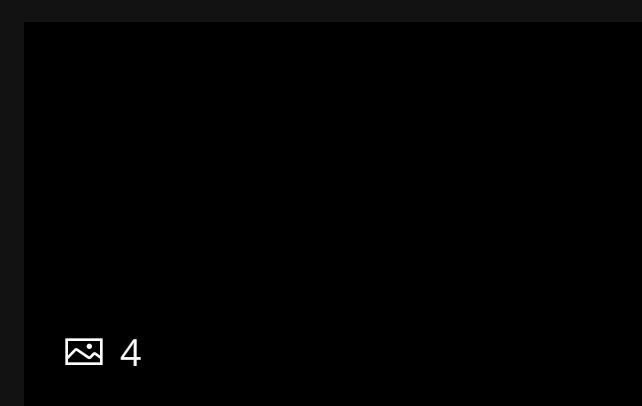
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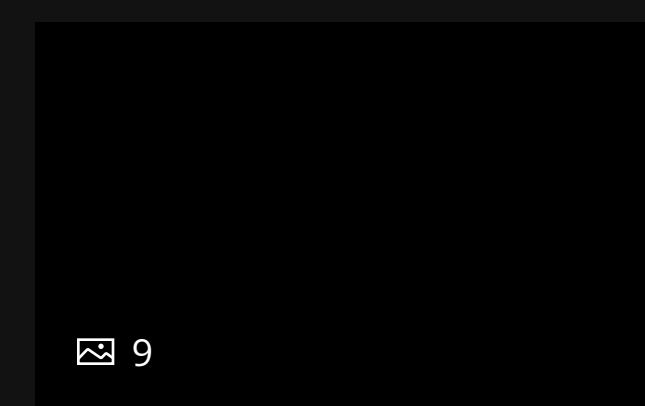
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