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FROM THE EDITOR

Regular Meetings Resume – But We’ve Moved!

The fall season is about to start, with regular meetings of the Northern Lights Fly Tyers and Fishers starting up on September 8th. But, we have a NEW LOCATION! That’s right, after many years at the Water’s Edge, we’ve moved. We will now meet at the Central Lions Senior Citizens Center at 11113 - 113 Street, just off Kingsway near the City Center Airport.

The move was needed to accommodate our increasing numbers, provide a more user-friendly space and to deal with parking issues. We’ll have to find a convenient “post meeting” watering hole as well. That may need some experimenting. A map to the new location can be found in this newsletter or on the Club Web Page, which can be found at www.nlft.org.

While on the topic of the web page, it continues to be a valuable asset to our Club. If you haven’t registered and signed on to the discussion forums, make sure to do so. There’s lots of handy information and chit-chat to be had. Many trips have been arranged through the page and lots of fishing reports and advice made available this summer. We’re hoping to have a presentation on the web page next month by our web gurus Jeff Sieffert, Greg Scratchley and Darren McEachern.

This month we kick off with a general brag session where you get to come and regale us all with your summer exploits. The coffee will be on and the library will be open so you can take out books and videos. This would be a good time to compare schedules with other club members to get in those last few fishing trips before the snow flies.

The second session will feature Dennis Southwick and a talk on his trip this summer to the Lake of the Falls as well as a discussion on the upcoming club trip to the Little Smoky. To prepare for the latter, Dennis will demonstrate a couple of effective Grayling patterns.

The third session will feature yours truly giving a talk on my summer trip to Haa Nee Naa Lodge in search of Coho on a fly rod. I’ve got photos to make you all jealous, if I can get them organized and in a format that Greg can run on his laptop.

And lastly for September, we have Paul Fitt with a dissertation on fishing for Rockies in the Red Deer River. Paul’s adept at indicator nymphing, which is the preferred technique for the Red Deer at this time of year.

Keep your eyes and ears open for impromptu trips. This is a busy time of year for those getting their final angling fix before winter. I would expect a few outings on the North Saskatchewan to be in the offing, as well as some group trips down to the Red Deer and possibly Dolberg. The web page is the place to go if you’re thinking of going someplace and want some company.

See you at our new location!!!

Dave Robinson

CLUB MEETINGS

Regular Meetings and Tying Sessions: *Every Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.*
Lions Senior Citizens Center *11113 - 113 Street*
Equipment and Materials: Bring your own or use the Club loaners
The format is Informal Drop In Coffee served, plus a weekly 50/50 draw

TROUT UNLIMITED NOTICES

Trout Unlimited Events: Meetings Resume in October at the Lions Senior Citizens Center October 18th - 7pm - Hugh Norris of Alta. Sustainable Resources Development – Fisheries Branch

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MEMBERSHIP

Only \$20.00

January to December

Benefits Include:

- Regular meetings and tying sessions
- Monthly newsletter
- Club event discounts
- Selected retailer discounts (with card)
- Access to club library
- Fellowship of like-minded fishers
- Tying and fishing “secrets”

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MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 1ST

FISHING ON THE NORTH SASKATCHEWAN RIVER

SEPTEMBER 8TH

FIRST REGULAR FALL MEETING

Topic: *Summer Brag Session*

Presenters: *Those that bring photos and stories*

Comments: *Come on out and let us know what you've been up to this summer. Bring along any photos you have to show around and any stories of the most effective summer fly or of the ones that got away. This might be a good opportunity to arrange a couple of fall trips with other club members.*

SEPTEMBER 15TH

Topic: *Lake Of the Falls*

Presenter: *Dennis Southwick*

Comments: *It sounds like Dennis had a great time on his trip this summer to the Lake of the Falls. He's promised a few photos and description of the trip.*

Topic: *Little Smoky Trip*

Presenter: *Dennis Southwick*

Comments: *Dennis will discuss the upcoming club trip to the Little Smoky River, including directions on how to get there and what patterns and techniques might work.*

PATTERN DEMONSTRATION

Tyer: *Dennis Southwick*

Pattern: *Griffith's Gnat*

Hook: Dry Fly #12 to # 18

Thread: Black 6/0

Body: Peacock herl

Hackle: Grizzly hackle

Comments: *This is a simple to tie but effective all round attractor fly. Deadly for Arctic Grayling.*

Tyer: *Dennis Southwick*

Pattern: *Parachute Adams*

Hook: Dry Fly #12 to # 18

Thread: Tan 6/0

Tail: Moose Mane

Body: Light Grey Dubbing

Wing Post: White Antron

Hackle: Grizzly hackle

Comments: *Dennis has a new parachute technique to show us that he says makes tying them very easy.*

SEPTEMBER 22ND

Topic: *Haa Nee Naa Lodge Trip*

Presenter: *Dave Robinson*

Comments: *Dave went on one of those "trips of a lifetime" with fellow members John Bertrand and Wayne Rogers to fly fish for Coho Salmon at Haa Nee Naa Lodge north of Prince Rupert. He'll give a slide show if he can get organized in time.*

PATTERN DEMONSTRATION

Tyer: *Dave Robinson*

Pattern: *Clouser Minnow*

Hook: Stainless Saltwater Hook # 2

Thread: Clear 6/0

Eyes: Dumbell Eyes

Underbody: Pearl Braid

Lower Wing: White Polar Bear

Flash: Green Krystal Flash

Upper Wing: Chartreuse Yak Hair

Comments: *the fly that accounted for most of the salmon on Dave's trip. It's also an effective bull trout and pike fly, once you learn how to cast it.*

SEPTEMBER 29TH

Topic: *Patterns for Rockies on the Red Deer River*

Presenter: *Paul Fitt*

Pattern: *Bead Head Prince Nymph*

Hook: Mustad C49S curved Caddis #14 and #12

Thread: Black 6/0 or 8/0

Bead: 1/8 Gold Tungsten

Tail: Brown Goose Biots

Rib: Fine Gold Wire

Butt: Orange Dubbing

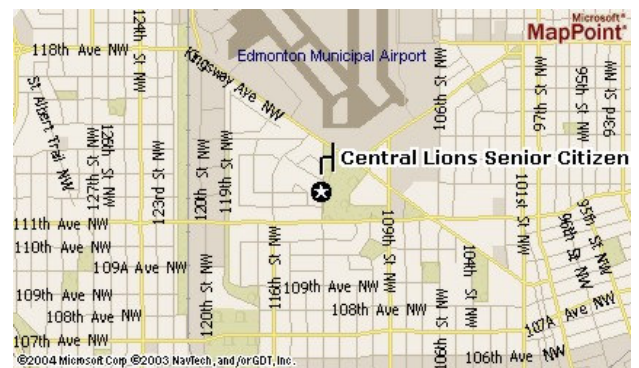
Body: Pheasant color Arizona Diamond Dub

Wing Case: White Goose Biots

Thorax: Peacock herl

Comments: *Different look to an old standby. If time permits Paul will also tie a Nutria Nymph.*

NEW LOCATION



UPCOMING EVENTS

September 11th – 1 pm

Robert Cormier Fly Fishing Equipment Auction
Hillcrest Community Hall – Hillcrest, Alberta

September 13th

Flies and Beer

Santanas - 17930 Stony Plain Rd

September 17th to 19th

Little Smoky Trip

Maps available at September meetings

October 18th

Flies and Beer – Special Guest – Phil Rowley
Santanas - 17930 Stony Plain Rd