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Fly Tyers & Fishers

Broken Threads

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FROM THE EDITOR

Fall Season of Northern Lights Starts September 6th!

The summer fishing season is now winding down. We probably only have a few more weeks before the fall season sets in, so make those last minute trip arrangements before Jack Frost puts in an appearance. It's also time to reminisce about the summer that was.

I gather the Trip to Brazeau Canyon Lodge in June was a fine time. From the posts on the Forum, it seems there were some fish caught, stories told and 5 alive drunk. Once again I missed it due to other commitments. I'll have to do something about that next year.

Free tie nights during summer went OK with a few folks showing up to shoot the breeze and tie a replacement fly or two. Summer Wednesday fishing events were a bit more sparsely attended than last year. On one outing each to the NSR and Muir in early July, there was only me and one other fisherman. That didn't deter us though, as we did manage at least one fish. I missed all of August due to vacation, so have no idea of how the remainder of the summer program or various fishing trips went. Maybe I'll find out on the 6th when we all get together.

Yes, that's right; our first fall meeting is on September 6th. It's **Flies & Lies** time. Bring photos and enjoy pop and chips with the gang. The second week, September 13th, featuring Dennis Southwick, is **Little Smoky Flies**. It's time to stock the boxes for the best trip of the year. The third week on September 20th is the **Bind Bugger Ball**, where blindfolded tiers are tested on their ability to tie a wooly bugger, sight unseen. Should be a hoot! The last week in September, the 27th will be a chance to **Clean Out Your Basement**. What that means is a swap meet for fly tying and fishing gear and supplies.

The club executive has met to start planning out the fall season. In addition to drafting the September Program, we have a great start on October and some ideas for November already. If you want to contribute with volunteer effort or ideas, just talk to any executive member.

We also have planning for our major seminar in January well in hand. I won't steal anyone's thunder by saying who's coming, but rest assured it will be a blockbuster. We have some final decisions to make and will consult members on that once we have a handle on costs. The goal is to have tickets and advertising ready to go by November to hit the Christmas gift season.

I must extend Kudos to Jerry Palstow, our librarian. He's been working his * off getting the library organized. There's more info on that on page 2. He will need some volunteers for a minor task outlined there. We also will be making changes to cabinets and storage to improve security and accommodate our increased volume of library materials. We will need some volunteer work for that task. The library is there for all, so lets all pitch in.

Little Smoky Trips Coming!

Dave Robinson

CLUB MEETINGS

Regular Meetings and Tying Sessions:

Lions Senior Citizens Center

Equipment and Materials:

The format is Informal Drop In

Every Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.

11113 - 113 Steet

Bring your own or use the Club loaners

Coffee served, plus a weekly 50/50 draw

TROUT UNLIMITED NOTICES

Trout Unlimited Events: Programs resume in October @ Lions Seniors Center - 11113 - 113 Street - (Arts & Crafts Room 3) - 7:30 pm

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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 6TH FLIES AND LIES

Comment: As the indoor season starter we're providing pop and chips. You provide the entertainment with photos and stories of the summer's fishing. If you're feeling energetic you and need some fall fishing flies, you could even bring your vices and tie as you gab.

SEPTEMBER 13TH LITTLE SMOKY FLIES

Presenter: Dennis Southwick

Pattern: Orange Butt Evil Weevil

Hook Mustad 9672 /9671 #12 to #18
 Bead: Gold Tungsten sized to suit hook
 Thread Black # 8/0
 Butt Orange dubbing
 Back: Pearlescent Saltwater Flashabou
 Rib: Copper Wire
 Abdomen: Light Peacock Arizona Dubbing
 Thorax: Dark Peacock Arizona Dubbing
 Wings: Brown Goose Biots

Pattern: White Bunny Bug

Hook Mustad 9672 #6 to #12
 Thread: Black #6/0
 Tail: White Rabbit Strip
 Body White Crystal Chenille
 Collar Optional Claret Emu for Gills

Comment: With the annual club trip to the Little Smoky River in the offing, you will need to stock up on the patterns that have proven successful in the past. Dennis will show you how to tie a couple of the favorites.

SEPTEMBER 20TH BLIND BUGGER BALL

Master Of Ceremonies: Wooly Murray

Participants: Various Club Volunteers

Comment: Join the gang for a repeat of last year's fun filled event. The idea is to tie a Wooly Bugger while blindfolded. Contestants will be selected from "volunteers" on the night. Flies will be judged on originality, speed and whether or not the finished product resembles the intended pattern

SEPTEMBER 27TH CLEAN OUT YOUR BASEMENT (AKA SWAP MEET)

Participants: Various Club Volunteers

Comment: Jerry Plastow pushed for this one as a means of emptying his basement of tying material. This is a chance for you to get rid of all the junk (Oops, I mean really useful fishing stuff) that you've got stashed in your basement or storage closet. Come prepared to give good prices or take something interesting in trade. Club material will be on sale for bargain basement prices.

PHOTO



Yes, I'm trying to make you jealous. This is a Tongariro River Rainbow caught near Taurangi New Zealand. Come out on the 6th and I'll bore you with the details of Taupo fishing.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 16th & 17th Little Smoky Trip Near Fox Creek

LIBRARY NOTICE

Over the last few months there has been a large increase in the number on books, publications, VHS and DVD's relating to fishing. To ensure that the borrowing of these items is easy for us all, but also to ensure that a record is kept of where the items have gone, a change is being introduced.

The sign-out sheet in the 3 ring blue binder will no longer be used. The sign-out sheet has been replaced with an individual sign-out card for each item. Each completed card will be placed in a small box and replaced back in into the book, etc upon its return.

The sign-out cards for books are located inside the front cover. For the VHS tapes and DVD cases the cards are inside the covers. See Sample of the sign out card.

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NAME	DATE OUT	DATE IN

To date the library consists of the following:

Hard Cover books - 215
 Soft Cover Books - 316
 VHS – Videos - 146
 DVD - 86
 Magazines (binders) - 53

There is more than enough resource material for us all .to use the Library. Jerry Plastow has done yeoman's work in getting the library organized but will need some volunteers to help in gluing the envelopes into the books.