

FROM THE EDITOR

What a Month!

January has been an exciting and fun-filled month, and as I write this it's not over yet. Our major seminar **January 20th and 21st** featuring **Dave Hughes and Jim Schollmeyer** was a smashing success. We had over 80 attendees who enjoyed two days of informative and fun filled presentations. Many club members got a bonus presentation on the Friday before the big event. Dave and Jim were a pleasure to meet and get to know. We even made some money (along with TU), thanks largely to book sales and raffle and auction proceeds.

We were also entertained by Phil Rowley and this week we'll see Marc Petitjean. We got to meet and listen to four outstanding anglers in the space of a month. My heartfelt thanks, and those of the Executive, go out to all those volunteer members (way too many to mention) who helped make all these events a success. What a great club to be a member of eh?

We also managed to hold our Annual General Meeting. We not only elected a new executive for 2007 (see the list to the right), but we also enacted our first Club Charter. The Charter passed is the basic one that was mailed out to all 2006 members. We now have a mechanism to protect the (now considerable) Club assets. We also now have an amendment process.

Recognizing that the new charter is not perfect, the executive is planning a special meeting to deal with early amendments. The process requires proposed amendments to be presented and announced to members one month in advance of a special general meeting to be held in early April to address them. So if you have any amendments to propose, they must be given to any Executive member, in writing, by February 23rd so that they can be published in the newsletter and otherwise circulated to members prior to the April meeting.

This February is also a busy month. February 2nd to 4th we'll be at the Calgary Fly Fishing Expo. We need to staff the Children's Tying Area and Beginner Seminars. Contact Brain Bleakley if you can help out. You'll even get to meet some more famous anglers there.

At our first weekly meeting on **February 7th**, **Rick Lang** demonstrates an **Eevil Weevil**. We complement Rick's action with the **Beginners Tying a Pheasant Tail Nymph**. The second week, **February 14th**, **Dave Robinson** (your editor) and **Dennis Southwick** present the **Howtos of Hopper Dropper**. Week 3 on **February 21st**, has **Dave Murray** demonstrating a **Flashback Nymph**. We continue **Beginner Tying with an Elk Hair Caddis**. The final week, on **February 28th** **Dennis Southwick** will discuss **Mayflies**.

We also are now gearing up for the Sportsman's Show (March 15th to 18th) and the Fishin' Hole Outdoor Show (March 29th to April 1st). We'll be looking for volunteers to man the kids tying and other booths for both events. These are fun events where you get to meet the public and promote your sport, so even if you're a beginner, don't be bashful, just volunteer.

Don't forget that **Queen Mary Park Community League** is our new home at **10844 - 117th Street**, located just across from Rosario's Restaurant.

Are we ready for another busy month??

Dave Robinson

CLUB MEETINGS

Regular Meetings and Tying Sessions:
Queen Mary Park Community League

Equipment and Materials:
The format is Informal Drop In

Every Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.
10844 - 117th Street

Bring your own or use the Club loaners
Coffee served, plus a weekly 50/50 draw

TROUT UNLIMITED NOTICES

Trout Unlimited Events: February 26th @ - 7:30 pm, Northgate Lions Seniors Center @ 7524 - 139 Ave. - Kerri O'Shaughnessy - "Can Cows and Fish Coexist?"

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MEMBERSHIP

Only \$20.00

January 1st to December 31st

Benefits Include:

- Fishing Presentations & Fly Tying Sessions
- Monthly newsletter
- Club event discounts
- Selected retailer discounts (with card)
- Access to large club library
- Fellowship of fellow fishers
- Tying and fishing "secrets"

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MEETINGS

FEBRUARY 7TH

Pattern: *Evil Weevil*
Tyer: *Rick Lang*
 Hook Wet fly # 10 - # 18
 Thread: 8/0 or 6/0 black
 Bead: Brass or Tungsten to suit
 Flashback: Pearlescent mylar strips
 Rib: Fine copper wire
 Abdomen: Peacock Arizona dubbing
 Thorax: Dark peacock Arizona dubbing
 Wing White or tan goose biots

Comment: *The Evil Weevil is a go-to fly on certain streams where grayling and rockies lurk. Its effectiveness fished under an indicator can't be understated. Rick will clue you in.*

BEGINNERS FLY TYING

Pattern: *Bead Head Pheasant Tail Nymph*
 Hook Wet fly - 2xl - # 12 to # 16
 Thread 6/0 to 8/0 black
 Bead: Brass or Tungsten to suit
 Tail & Body: Pheasant tail fibres
 Rib: Medium to fine copper wire
 Body: Pheasant Tail
 Abdomen: Peacock herl
 Wing Case & Legs: Pheasant tail fibres

Comment: *The fifth session of the year will cover a very basic but productive nymph with a "secret" variation. If you have a vise and tools, bring them along. If not we can provide club loaners for the evening.*

FEBRUARY 14TH

THE "HOWTOS" OF HOPPER DROPPER

Presenters: *Sparkie and Dennis S*

Comment: *Sparkie and Dennis will explore how to set up to fish using the "Hopper Dropper" technique. They'll discuss various dropper methods and why, how and when to fish the deadly combination.*

FEBRUARY 21ST

Pattern: *Flashback Nymph*
Tyer: *Dave Murray*
 Hook Wet fly - 2xl - # 12 to # 16
 Thread 6/0 to 8/0 black
 Bead: Brass or Tungsten to suit
 Flashback: Mylar strip
 Rib: Medium to fine copper wire
 Tail & Body: Pheasant tail fibres
 Body: Pheasant Tail
 Abdomen: Peacock herl
 Wing Case & Legs: Pheasant tail fibres

Comment: *Wooley's baaaack! He'll demonstrate this productive variation of the beginner fly tied previously this month. Expect a few stories to accompany the demo.*

FEBRUARY 21ST CONTINUED

BEGINNERS FLY TYING

Pattern: *Elk Hair Caddis*
 Hook Dry fly - # 12 to # 16
 Thread 6/0 to 8/0 tan
 Rib: Medium to fine copper wire
 Hackle Grizzly - clipped
 Body: Tan Dubbing
 Wing: Deer Hair

Comment: *The sixth session of the year features Al Troth's famous & versatile pattern & will cure your deer hair phobia.*

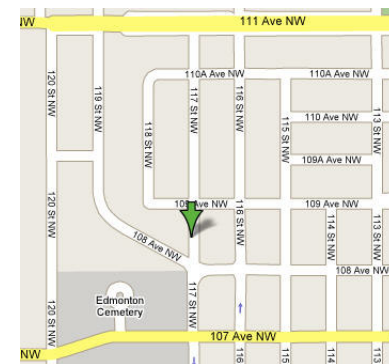
FEBRUARY 28TH

MAYFLIES

Presenter: *Dennis Southwick*

Comment: *"Entomology for Dummies - One" Dennis will discuss the genera of mayflies. What they are, what their life cycle is and what we use to imitate them.*

MAP TO NLFT&F HOME



NLFT&F Meeting Location

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 2 nd 3 rd & 4 th	Calgary Fly Fishing Expo	Calgary
February 23 rd	Charter Amendment Deadline	Executive
March 15 th - 18 th	Sportsman's Show	Agricom
March 29 th - April 1 st	Outdoor Show	Mayfield Convention Center

PHOTO TO FEED CABIN FEVER

