

FROM THE EDITOR

Another Great Month for NLFT&F!

February once again was a fantastic and busy month. We got to meet and get to know Marc Petitjean from Switzerland both at a club meeting and at the Calgary Fly Fishing Expo. Marc dazzled the members with his new vice, tools, feathers and tying techniques.

At the Calgary show, we found fewer kids this year, but lots of interested anglers. We made friends with Bob Clouser. Somehow, Pauline and Frank managed to capture him, inviting him to dinner in compensation for his travel issues. There was some talk about a roll of dimes, but you'll have to ask Pauline about that.

Our regular meetings were well attended although for various reasons we had substitutes for most of the presentations. Rick was covered off by Dave Murray for the Eevil Weevil; I handled the Hopper Dropper presentation alone (while Dennis kept his wife happy on Valentine's day) and Dennis covered for Woolly (traveling in the U-alls with Fern). Dennis promises he WILL give us the Dummies Introduction to Mayflies at the Last February meeting. Beginners learned how to tie Pheasant Tails and Elk Hair Caddis. Thanks to all the stand-ins for keeping things rolling along.

This March is once again a busy month. March 15th to 19th we'll be at the Edmonton Boat and Sportsman's Show and March 30th to April 1st we'll be at the Fishin' Hole Outdoor Show. We need to staff the Children's Tying and other booths. This takes a fair number of volunteers, so think about pitching in. These two shows are our best opportunity to promote the club and recruit new members. Member's volunteer help is essential in keeping the NLFT&F vibrant. Contact Dennis Southwick with time and date information if you can help.

At our first weekly meeting on March 7th, Michael Dell demonstrates the Bow River Bugger and the Wool-a-bou Bugger. While Michael does his thing, Beginners will be tying a Royal Wulff. The second week, March 14th, Paul ??? demonstrates how to tie Marty's Stonefly. Week 3 on March 21st, has Stephen Spencer from Fish and Wildlife in. His topic for the evening is "To Be Announced". We continue Beginner Tying with the Carey Special. The final week, on Peter Morrison will be in to talk about Fly Lines.

Proposed amendments to the Club charter are included in this newsletter, appended on page three. A special general meeting will be held in early April to address them.

We're now also gearing up to run our one-day Public Beginner Tying Seminar and our spring Casting Seminars (Beginner and Intermediate). We'll be asking about preferred dates and looking for volunteer assistants during March. We typically try to publicize these during the two Edmonton shows.

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

Dang, winter is getting wearing. When do we get to fish?

Dave Robinson

CLUB MEETINGS

Regular Meetings and Tying Sessions:
Queen Mary Park Community League

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

Equipment and Materials:
The format is Informal Drop In

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. - March 19, 2007: Bruce Dancik on "Fishing in Argentina".

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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

MARCH 7TH

Tyer: Michael Dell
Pattern: Bow River Bugger
 Hook: streamer size 2-8
 Thread: 3/0 black
 Weight: lead substitute (optional)
 Tail: marabou, your choice of colour
 Hackle: your choice of palmered hackle
 Body: chenille, your choice of colour
 Collar: deer hair
 Head: deer hair, spun and clipped

Variation: Wool-a-Bou Bugger

Hook: streamer size 2-8
 Thread: 3/0 black
 Weight: lead substitute (optional)
 Tail: marabou, your choice of colour
 Hackle: your choice of palmered hackle
 Body: chenille, your choice of colour
 Head: sculpin wool spun in dubbing loop and clipped

Comment: The Bow River Bugger combines the attributes of the wooly bugger and the muddler. The originator of the fly was Peter Chenier, a Bow River outfitter.

BEGINNERS FLY TYING

Pattern: Royal Wulff
 Hook: Dry fly - # 10 to # 16
 Thread: 6/0 to 8/0 black
 Tail: Elk hair
 Body: Peacock Herl and Red Floss
 Wing: Calf Tail (original) or Antron (easier)
 Hackle: Brown Neck

Comment: The seventh session will cover a traditional dry fly pattern. It doesn't really look like anything natural, but for some reason, is very productive.

MARCH 14TH

Pattern: Marty's Stonefly Nymph
Tyer: Paul ??? (forgot his last name)

Hook: Wet fly - 4xl - #6
 Thread: 6/0 black
 Eyes: Nylon bead chain
 Tag: White Ostrich
 Tail: Black Goose Biots
 Body: Black Chenille
 Legs: Hen Hackle
 Abdomen: Peacock herl
 Throat: White Ostrich
 Wing Case: Pheasant Church Window
 Antennae: Black goose biots

Comment: This is Paul's first demo. He is one of our newer young members. I apologize for not remembering his last name (must be old age). It's nice when new members step up to participate though. He will tie a pattern shown to him by Marty of the North Side Fishin' Hole.

MARCH 21ST

Topic: To Be Announced
Presenter: Stephen Spencer

Comment: Stephen is the Fisheries Biologist for the North East Slopes Region (around Edson). At the time of newsletter printing we had not confirmed his topic for the evening. That said, we've had Stephen before and always found him educational and entertaining,

BEGINNERS FLY TYING

Pattern: Carey Special
 Hook: Wet fly - # 8 to # 14
 Thread: 6/0 to 8/0 black
 Body: Black Wool or Bear's Hair
 Hackle: Pheasant Rump

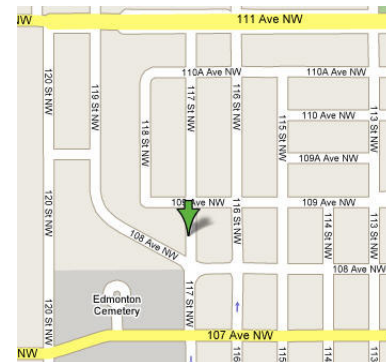
Comment: The eighth session of the year features another wet fly pattern proven to be effective for imitating dragonfly larvae. If I can find appropriate bear hair I'll show an interesting variation.

MARCH 28TH

Presenter: Peter Morrison
Topic: All You Need to Know About Fly Lines

Comment: Peter is the current Rio Lines representative. Last year he entertained us with the Sage casting analyzer. This year he'll go over the variety of fly lines on the market and how to select the ones you need.

MAP TO NLFT&F HOME



NLFT&F Meeting Location

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 15th - 18th Sportsman's Show Agricom
 March 29th - April 1st Outdoor Show Mayfield Convention Center
 April 19th Annual TU Dinner and Auction Shaw Conference Ctr

Proposed Club Charter Amendments on the following page

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS

The following proposed Charter Amendments were received by the February deadline for consideration, debate and vote at a Special General Meeting to be held in April.

Article 2 Section J – Revise - “Fisheries Tables” to read “Fisheries Consultation Groups”

Article 4 Section A - Delete - Reference to conflict of interest issues for members of the Club Executive

Article 4 Section A - Add – “Must be eligible to hold Alberta Fishing License”

Article 4 Section E - Revise Executive terms of office – “No executive member to hold same position for more than two consecutive terms and term length to be two years, with ½ executive on alternating terms.”

Article 4 Section E - Delete – “President’s term of office to be no longer than 2 years”

Article 4 Section F - Add – “Slate of candidates to be determined 10 days ahead of annual general meeting”

Article 4 Section F - Add – “Nominations shall be in writing”

Article 4 Section 4 – Add – “Duties and responsibilities for executive positions to be shall be made available to potential candidates for review prior to nominations”

Article 4 Section 4 – Add – “Nominations shall be accepted from floor only for vacant positions”

Article 5 Section A – Delete last sentence.

Article 8 Section B – Add – “The Annual General Meeting is to occur on the 3rd Wednesday of January at which time the election of club officers will take place and the club’s preceding year’s business and activities will be reported on.”

The following articles had proposals to correct spelling and grammatical errors. There is no change to change to intent function:

Article 1 Section E

Article 1 Section G

Article 2 Section G

Article 4 Section A

Article 8 Section A

The following articles had proposals presented for changes in narrative form that did not present specific wording for an amendment and were thus considered incomplete and will not be included in motions at the April meeting

Article 3 Section F – Discussion regarding clarification of method of determining fines and publication return dates

Article 5 - Discussion regarding changes to Charter

This completes the proposed Charter Amendments