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FROM THE EDITOR

Spring NLFT-TUC Meetings Wind Down. It's Fishing Time!

Spring has finally arrived, even though the odd snow storm makes one wonder. The trip I'm looking forward to starts on May 12th when Rick Lang, Ross Chow, Keith Wyman, Tim Reid, Ed Medynski and I, take off to Cuba in search of Bonefish, Permit, Barracuda and Tarpon. The trip is run by Fish Tales with Rick acting as trip leader. We'll try to take some photos for a future club presentation. Wish us luck and weather that doesn't include 40k winds.

Last month we held a Beginner's Fly Tying Seminar on April 21st. We managed to get about a dozen attendees. Rick LeBlanc led the session with excellent assistance from Michael Dell, Bob Guidos, and Florin Sabac. Thanks to all participants for a fun event. We're seeing some students show up at regular meetings, which is great.

Our April program started on the 4th with Kristi Kinoshita demonstrating a '52 Buick. That was followed on the 11th with "Doc" Montieith showing us how to tie some of his favorite simple flies. Unfortunately, on April 18th John Acorn was double booked and had to cancel. We've rebooked him for May. In lieu of John, Florin Sabac stepped in admirably at the last minute with his Secret Weapon. The final week was a Free Tye. Thanks go to Florin filling in on short notice and to all our presenters for helping with our programs!

Our Introduction to Fly-fishing Seminar is set for May 26th & 27th. We sold out all the tickets and have added people from the waiting list. Volunteers will be needed both Saturday and Sunday. The casting instruction will need at least 8 assistants on the Sunday. If you can help out, let Dave Towers or Dennis Southwick know.

May is an extra long month, meeting wise, as we have five meetings. We start on May 2nd with a short business meeting followed by Bob Guidos demonstrating an Eevil Weevil and a Free Tye. Dennis Southwick will give Beginners some guidance on a simple fly to be named later. For the meeting on May 9th we have Dave Robinson and Rick LeBlanc presenting Parachute Flies. May 16th we will have Elton Hunter giving us his postponed talk on Being Bear Aware. On May 25th will John Acorn will present the Aquatic Entomology session he was going to do last month before finding he was double booked. May 30th we wind the month up with Pike Flies by Paul Fitt.

Since June will be a short month, I won't be producing a June Newsletter. So June's events are as follows: June 6th we'll do a long awaited reprise of the Blind Bugger Ball. And we wind up the spring season on June 13th with a Windup BBQ at Muir Lake.

Summer will find us doing our thing on lake and rivers wherever the mood and opportunity takes us. If you need a phone list of active members for arranging trips, talk to Kristi at a meeting before the end of May and if you're going somewhere and would like some company, make sure to post in the club forum. Also remember to post trip reports. Details of exactly where need not be provided, but it would be nice to see some "fish porn" photos.

We will be participating in the Graying survey again this year. Club member will be asked to fish certain sections of the Pembina River drainage and keep track of success, location weights and lengths, water temperature etc. Ken Monk will be organizing the effort so if you want to help, let him know ASAP. Also, keep your eyes on the forum for dates.

Our fall meeting season resumes on September 12th, likely with a photo and brag session. And don't forget, our annual fund raiser goes on November 3rd. It would be great if you can start soliciting donations from businesses you patronize over the summer.

Hope you have a great summer's fishing!

Dave Robinson

CLUB MEETINGS

Queen Mary Park Community League
Equipment and Materials:
The format is Informal Drop In

10844 - 117th Street, Edmonton
Bring your own or use the Club loaners.
Coffee served, plus a weekly 50/50 draw

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Or on TU renewal date

Benefits Include:

- Fishing Presentations and Fly Tying Sessions
- Monthly newsletter
- Fly Fusion Magazine
- 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

MAY 2ND

ONE FLY, BEGINNER'S & FREE TYE

Presenters Bob Guidos

Pattern: Evil Weevil

Hook: #10-#20 Pupa or scud

Bead: Gold bead

Thread: 8/0 olive thread

Tail: Pheasant tail fibres

Rib: Gold Wire

Back: Mylar flash

Abdomen: Light Arizona peacock dubbing

Wings: Brown goose biots

Thorax: Natural Arizona peacock dubbing

Comment: Michael will demonstrate Jeremy Davies invention. This is also a Beginner's Night where, for those interested, Dennis will help with a basic fly. You are encouraged to bring your vices and either tye along with us or work on filling your boxes.

MAY 9TH

PARACHUTE PATTERNS

Presenters: Dave Robinson and Rick Leblanc

Pattern: RS Quad

Hook: Partridge Klinkhammer #20

Thread: Gray 8/0

Wing: White turkey flats

Tail: Gray Zeelon

Body: Gray goose biots

Thorax: Peacock herl

Hackle: Grizzly saddle

Comment: Dave and Rick will demonstrate two different versions of how to tie a parachute pattern. The RS quad was invented by former club member Roman Scharabun and is so named for what Roman saw as its four strike triggers

MAY 16TH

BE BEAR AWARE

Presenter: Elton Hunter

Comment: This topic was postponed from last month. Elton will discuss how to avoid getting eaten by a bear while fishing. Or at least he'll tell you how to reduce your chances of a serious bear encounter. I know Vince will be there.

APRIL 25TH

AQUATIC ENTOMOLOGY

Presenter: John Acorn

Comment: Most of us know John from his TV appearances as The Nature Nut. John is a naturalist who is known for his inspiring personality and infectious love of nature. He is a local Edmonton celebrity, combining folk music with educational lyrics about the natural world. He is a lecturer at the University of Alberta, a research associate at the Royal Tyrrell Museum of Paleontology, and a research associate at the E.H. Strickland Entomology Museum.

MEETINGS CONTINUED

MAY 30TH

PIKE FLIES

Presenter: Paul Fitt

Comment: Paul will tye a couple of his favorite patterns for pike. He may even explain how he builds his poppers.

JUNE 6TH

BLIND BUGGER BALL

Comment: This is an event we haven't held for a while. Selected contestants will attempt to tie a woolly bugger while blindfolded.

JUNE 16TH

SPRING WIND UP

Comment: The wind up will be a BBQ held at Muir Lake. The club will supply hot dogs and pop. You get to bring your rod and reel and fish before, during or after

JANUARY 2013 SEMINAR

Comment: We have booked two excellent presenters for our January Seminar for next year, Brain Chan and Rick Haefele. Tell us the topics you'd like to see covered, so we can develop a program that suits your needs.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 1 st	Muir Madness	Muir Lake
May 10 th	TU National Dinner & Auction	Westin
May 26 th &27 th :	Introduction to Fly Fishing	Queen Mary Park
June 16 th	Spring Wind Up	Muir Lake
TBA	Grayling Survey	Pembina River
September 12 th	Meetings Resume	Queen Mary Park
November 3 rd	Annual Fund Raiser	St. Albert Curling Club

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