



Providing a friendly atmosphere for the novice and expert to learn and share the fly tying and fishing experience

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From the Editor

Egad! Winter is coming!!

Fall fishing is fast coming to a close. We've had frost the last couple of days, so you can expect water temperatures to be dropping rapidly. It's time to keep your eyes open for Backswimmers. I've heard some local lakes have already seen heavy falls. All the east slope streams close at the end of the month, so there's not much time left to go hunting grayling. Our September program consisted of only three meetings. The first meeting was a Tie and Lie where stories of our summer exploits were swapped. The second was a free tye and beginner session. Attendance was sparse, but those who came had a good time anyway. The last meeting was entitled Favorite Flys of Summer. Michael showed us his modified Black Variant and Dennis demonstrated a simplified hopper and a parachute CFF.

The Grayling Study in the Pembina to the end of the month. If you wish to participate, contact Ken Monk. He will arrange training, assignments and equipment.

Some Club members recently competed in the National Fly Fishing Championships in Calgary. It sounds like it was a challenge, but also fun and a great learning experience.

October has five meetings this year. We start **October 2nd** with a **Free Tye** following a short business meeting. The second week on **October 9th** we will have **Florin Sabac** demonstrating **Weaving Techniques**. Week three on **October 16th** we will have a **Free Tye**. Week four on **October 23rd** will be **Buy, Sell and Trade** (swap meet). Week five on **October 30th** will be **Halloween Fly Night**. Our **Fly of the Month** for October is the **Elk Hair Caddis**. Why not use the free tye sessions to tie some up for the Club's donation to the annual TU Dinner?

Our **Fall Fund Raiser** is **November 9th** at the **St Albert Curling Club**. Tickets for the dinner this year are \$30.00 and are now available. Donations at this time are very sparse. We need members to solicit auction donations (the heart of the fundraiser) as soon as possible. Supporting letters are available at the club. Contact Rick or any executive member. We suggest you take the letter to any business you frequent regularly and ask for a donation. Note that we will issue tax receipts for the value sold. The worst they can say is no.

We are still working on a structured beginner's tying program for this fall. Let us know if you want to participate and what you want it to cover. Talk to Dennis Southwick or Rick Le Blanc and we will try to get regular sessions organized to suit your needs.

For those who want go plan far ahead, the following is a list of events upcoming in the New Year. Our **Annual General Meeting** will be on **January 22nd, 2014**. If you think you can help plan and operate club activities, we'd be pleased to hear from you. Our major January event is the **January Seminar** with **Todd Oishi** and **April Volkey** on **January 18th and 19th, 2014**, at the **Grant MacEwan University Main Campus**. It's looking to be a great event, so mark your calendar now. We'll have tickets available in November at \$65.00 both days and \$40.00 for one day. We've renewed our participation in the **Edmonton Boat and Sportsman's Show** that runs **March 13th to 16th, 2014** at **Edmonton Northlands**. Once again we'll need lots of volunteers to man our booth, the Lloyd Shea Raffle and help out in the Fishin' Hole booth. With this much lead time you should be able to find time in your calendar to help.

As noted last month Jim Trewin our Program Person has resigned due to health reasons. We are still looking for a replacement. Our weekly programs are the heart of our winter activity, so we need someone to step up to the plate. If you think you can help out, let any Executive member know.

Time to get in that last trip before the #&% flies!!*

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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Membership

Now \$40.00

January 1st to December 31st
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

October 2nd

Free Tye and Beginner Session

Comment: We will have a short business meeting followed by a tie. It's not too late to tie up those proven fall pattern. If any novices or beginners are present we will be prepared to teach you the following pattern

Pattern: **Foam Water Boatman**

Hook: #12 to #18 Nymph hook
Thread: 8/0 – Black
Body: Pearl Chenille
Back: Black 3mm foam
Legs: Black rubber legs

October 9th

Weaving Techniques

Pattern: **Woven Stonefly**

Hook: #8 Mustad 9672 - 2x1
Thread: #6/0 – yellow
Bead: 1/8" color to suit
Tail: Goose Biots
Underbody: Non toxic wire
Body: Floss – brown and golden yellow
Thorax: Seal fur – brown
Legs: Pheasant Tail
Legs: Rubber legs

Pattern: **WWF –(woven wire fly)**

Hook: #8 or #10 Mustad 9671
Thread: #6/0 – black
Tail: Goose Biots
Body: Wire – Chartreuse and Brown diameter to match hook diameter
Wing Case: Saltwater Flashabou
Legs: Pheasant tail

Comment: Florin will demonstrate some weaving techniques.

October 16th

Free Tye

Comment: Bring your vices, tools and material and join us for a coffee, kibbutz and tying session. There will be help available for any beginners or novices for help with basic techniques such as whip finishing or tying parachute wings.

October 23rd

Buy, Sell and Swap

Comment: "Bring Out Your Junk". Well, at least bring out your gently used gear, spare equipment, material etc. for a swap meet. You can buy sell or trade. I know I'm going to have a few things available as I try to downsize for our eventual move to Victoria.

October 30th

Halloween Fly Night

Presenter: Pumpkin Pete

Comment: Bring your vices and tools and materials suitable for tying some "theme" flies. Examples might be a Gray Ghost Streamer or a bloodsucker (leech) tied with black cat hair. Use your imagination to tie up something frightening. There will be some ghoulish prizes for the best three flies.

Fly of the Month

Pattern: **Elk Hair Caddis**

Hook: #8 to #16 dry fly
Thread: 8/0 color to suit natural
Rib: Brown saddle hackle - undersized
Body: Dubbing – color to suit
Wing: Tan Elk hair

Comment: The object is to provide flies to stock a box for the annual Trout Unlimited Dinner. Each member is encouraged to tie one or more of each month's pattern. Bring them to a club meeting for collection.

Upcoming Events

Nov 9th Annual Fundraiser St Albert Curling Club
January 22nd Annual General Meeting Queen Mary Park
January 18th&19th Todd Oishi & April Volkey Grant MacEwan
March 13th-16th Boat and Sportsman's Show Northlands

Photos



Gord Gonie with a Sturgeon caught in May.
Imagine this on a 7 weight

Map to the home of



Northern Lights Fly Tyers
Trout Unlimited Edmonton

