



## From the Editor

### When will the Cold Weather End?

I missed the February 19<sup>th</sup> meeting as I took a break from the arctic deep freeze for a trip to Hawaii. The highlight of that trip was going swimming with manta rays. It was a spectacular experience and I have a video that I hope to show at one of the March meetings.

Thanks to Steve for getting me program info so this newsletter could be ready in time for the first of four March meetings. We start **March 5<sup>th</sup>** with a short business meeting followed by a **Beginner Session**. The second week on **March 12<sup>th</sup>** will feature a **Ruben Breiikreuz** with a presentation on **New Fly Fishing Products**. We continue on week three on **March 19<sup>th</sup>** we will have a **Free Tye and Beginner Session**. We'll do rerun of the **Open Discussion** we tried out last month based on a topics raised at the meeting. Week four on **March 26<sup>th</sup>** has **Ken Monk and Jim O'Neil** providing an update on the **Grayling Survey Results**. Our **Fly of the Month** for March is the **March Brown**. You can use Free Tye nights to add to the box of flies intended for the annual TU Dinner in March.

February meetings consisted of 4 sessions. The first meeting was the usual business meeting followed by a free tye and a round table discussion on topic of interest raised at the meeting. That seemed to go well so we'll try again this month. At the second week meeting we were officially presented with our National Recreational Fisheries Award by Canada Fisheries and Oceans. That was followed by a presentation by Mark Del Deagon on Tenkara fishing and Horsehair Fly Lines. Week three was a Free Tye beginner session. The last meeting featured Dennis Southwick "dennisizing" soft hackle and klinkhammer hook-based flies.

Our executive is still short Secretary and Library positions. Do we have any volunteers? Dave Murray, Jim Trewin and Steve DiGiuseppe have stepped up to fill the programs (normal and special events) role. Membership has been taken up by Roger Comeau.

The beginners program continues based on Charlie Craven's book "Basic Fly Tying". We'll loan the book to those who register and they can use it in an "advance at your own pace" process. Club members will provide instruction and materials at meetings.

The **Edmonton Boat and Sportsman's Show** runs **March 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014** at **Edmonton Northlands**. We'll need volunteers for the kids tying booth and as well as at the Fishin' Hole booth. Volunteers get free admission to the show while they are volunteering, we pick up your parking costs and, if you put in enough time, meal costs. You can add your name to the volunteer list time slots at any meeting prior to the event or by contacting Steve DeGiuseppe.

We'll be participating in a **Cabalas** event on **March 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>**. We will provide people to represent the Club We may need three or four people to cover the weekend. If you want to join in with either event, let Dennis know.

You'll see from the next page that we have a bunch of clinics and seminars coming up in April and May. We start with Beginners Fly Tying on April 5<sup>th</sup> with Learn to Fly Fish (LTFF) seminars on April 26<sup>th</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup>. We follow that up with Beginner and Intermediate Casting Clinics on May 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. All are held at Queen Mary Park except the April 26<sup>th</sup> Learn to Fly Fish will be at the Lions Center and Casting Clinics at Rundle Park. Learn to Fly Fish Seminars cost \$50.00 and include lunch. The others are \$25.00 and participants are on their own for lunch. We'll be selling tickets at the Sportsman's Show and Club meetings. And the Annual TU Dinner and Auction goes on May 8<sup>th</sup> at the Crown Plaza/Chateau Lacombe. You can expect volunteer lists to begin appearing soon. We'll need volunteers for the clinics and seminars and the TU dinner. If you can help out, let any exec member know.

*Let's hope Spring is just around the corner!*

*Dave Robinson*

## Club Meetings

**Queen Mary Park Community League**

Equipment and Materials:

The format is Informal Drop In

**10844 - 117<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>

*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"

### Membership

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## Meetings

**March 5<sup>th</sup>**

### Business Meeting, Beginners, Free Tye and Discussion

**Comment:** The first March meeting will consist of the usual short business meeting followed by beginners and discussion sessions. In addition, Jim will demonstrate the 99cent special which won him a prize at the Calgary Fly Fishing Expo.

**March 12<sup>th</sup>**

### New Fly Fishing Products

**Presenter:** Ruben Breikreuz

**Comment:** Ruben's the manufacturer's representative for a variety of product lines including Sage, Rio and Reddington. He will discuss the products he represents with a focus on this year's new offerings.

**March 19<sup>th</sup>**

### Free Tye, Beginner Session and Round Table Discussion

**Comment:** The beginner fly tying program will continue with assistance provided as needed by experienced members. Those coming to share coffee and timbits and shoot the breeze can amuse themselves with a free tye, tye up a few of the Fly of the Month (March Brown) or join in the discussion on various fishing topic like we tried out last month.

**March 26<sup>th</sup>**

### Grayling Survey Update

**Presenters:** Ken Monk and Jim O'Neil

**Comment:** Ken and Jim will present the results of last year's Grayling survey and discuss what we might be doing in the next fishing season.

## Upcoming Events

March 13-17	Boat and Sportsman's Show	Northlands
April 5 <sup>th</sup>	Beginners Fly Tying	Queen Mary Park
April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Learn to Fly Fish	Lions Senior's Center
May 10 <sup>th</sup>	Learn to Fly Fish	Queen Mary Park
May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Muir Lake Madness	Muir Lake
May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Annual TU Dinner and Auction	Crown Plaza
May 24 <sup>th</sup>	Beginner Casting Clinic	Rundle Park
May 31 <sup>st</sup>	Intermediate Casting Clinic	Rundle Park

## Fly of the Month

**Pattern:** *March Brown*

**Hook:** Dry Fly #12 to #18  
**Thread:** 8/0 tan  
**Tail:** Brown hackle fibers  
**Rib:** Brown floss  
**Body:** Tan dubbing  
**Wing:** Wood duck  
**Hackle:** Brown and grizzly saddle mixed



**Comment:** This month's fly is appropriately named. The pattern above is for a traditional dry, but you could do a wet fly or parachute. The object is to provide flies to stock a box for the annual Trout Unlimited Dinner. Each member is encouraged to tye one or more of each month's pattern. Bring them to a club meeting for collection.

## Upcoming Clinics and Seminars

### Beginners Fly Tying Seminar

**April 5th 2014 - 9am to 5pm**

Queen Mary Park Community League  
10844 – 117th Street, Edmonton

Cost \$25.00 - Lunch on your own

### Learn to Fly Fish Seminars

**April 26th -9am to 5 pm**

Central Lions Recreation Center  
11113 113 Street

**May 10<sup>th</sup> -9am to 5 pm**

Queen Mary Park Community League  
10844 – 117th Street, Edmonton

Cost \$50.00 – Lunch provided

### Casting Clinics – 9am to 5pm

**May 24th – Beginner**

**May 31st – Intermediate**

Rundle Park- West End Parking Lot  
2909 113 Avenue

Cost \$25.00 - Lunch on your own

Map to the home of



Northern Lights Fly Tyers  
Trout Unlimited Edmonton

