



From the Editor

'tis the Season to Think Fishing Gifts!

The Northern Lights year is fast coming to a close. Soon it will be Christmas where we get to enjoy the festive season in the company of family and friends and reflect on the previous year. For me it's been a year of change. I retired from Alberta Infrastructure after 31 years as a civil servant and 45 years as an engineer. I will also be retiring as Editor of Broken Threads at the Annual General Meeting in January because I will be moving to Victoria in the spring, although I may retain my membership in Northern Lights. I have thoroughly enjoyed the friends, fellowship and knowledge I've gained in this organization as well as the opportunity to pass on that knowledge and friendship to others. I will miss this crew of reprobates.

Northern Lights had an active month in November. The first week regular program on November 5th was the usual business meeting and free tye. We continued on November 12th with Craig Copeland talking about Tiger Trout. The November 12th meeting was a beginner and intermediate tying session. The month wound up on November 25th where Neil Waugh talking about fishing for alternate species.

Our annual fall fundraiser was held November 8th at the St Albert Curling Club. The food was terrific with both salmon and roast beef available. There were scads of auction items with a wide variety of merchandise and services to bid on. There were also raffles, fish pulls and other fun events. The event was well attended with about 75 people showing up and the effort raised enough money to keep our operating account solvent for another year. Our thanks go to all who provided auction items and to all those who volunteered to ensure the event ran like clockwork. There were too many of you to mention here. That's what keeps this club going.

December will be a short month. The first regular program on **December 3rd** will be the usual **Business Meeting and Free Tye**. Topics will include club charter changes and executive vacancies. Week two on **December 10th** will be our annual **Christmas Windup**. We then take a break over the Christmas and New Year period. Meetings resume **January 7th** with a **Business Meeting and Free Tye**. The fly of the month is an **Ice Cream Cone**. Why not tie up a few during the holiday season for the March TU Dinner box.

We will be putting on our major Fly Fishing Seminar on January 17th & 18th 2015. It features presenters Ed Engle and Phil Rowley. This two-day information-packed event will be held at Grant McEwan University, Room 6-212. Tickets are \$65.00 and cover both days. They are available at Club meetings and on line. The programs will cover many fishing topics including tying and fishing small flies and some new ideas on still-water fishing.

Lastly the Club's **Annual General Meeting will be held on January 21st**. There will be some executive member positions open. If you ever wanted to help support your club in a tangible way, then we are looking for volunteers to run for office. As noted above, the position of Newsletter Editor is open. It's not an onerous job and only requires basic skills in Word. I have templates to base the product on and will be available for a few months to assist the new person, so if you are interested, let Dennis Southwick know.

There is a proposed change to club constitution and by laws published in this newsletter as per the Club Charter, for a vote at the Annual General Meeting in January. The proposal is for a name change as outlined on page two. Please read it carefully and come to the Annual General Meeting prepared to discuss and vote.

Have Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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

December 3rd

Business Meeting and Free Tye

Comment: We will have a short business meeting followed by a BS session and a free Tye. The business meeting will discuss Club charter changes and upcoming Executive vacancies. Bring your vices, tools and materials and tye a few flies.

December 10th

Christmas Wind Up

Comment: This is our annual year-end wind up. The Club provides pizza and pop along with the usual coffee and tea. You provide the photos and stories covering your year's fishing. It's a good time to peruse the Club library for some Christmas reading material. Heck, you may find the library interesting enough to volunteer to be our Librarian.

January 7th

Business Meeting and Free Tye

Comment: We will have a short business meeting followed by a BS session and a free Tye. Come tell us what Santa brought you and bring your vices, tools and materials and tye a few flies.

Fly of the Month

Pattern: Ice Cream Cone

- Hook: Tiemco 2302 #10 to #18
- Thread: 6/0 black
- Bead: White metal or tungsten
- Rib: Fine Red Wire
- Body: Black 6/0 thread



Comment: This is a basic chironomid pupae pattern useful on virtually all Alberta pothole lakes. The idea is to tie some up for inclusion in a box of flies to be donated to the Annual Trout Unlimited Dinner in March.

Upcoming Events

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| December 25 th | Christmas | Have A Happy One! |
| December 31 st | New Years Eve | Have a Safe One! |
| Jan. 17&18 | Ed Engle and Phil Rowley | Grant McEwan |
| January 21 st | Annual General Meeting | Queen Mary Park |

NOTICE OF MOTION

PROPOSED CHANGE TO CLUB NAME

The Club Charter requires that, any motion to change club charter or bylaws to be presented at the Annual General Meeting must have a Notice of Motion printed in writing in the newsletter for the month preceding the Annual General Meeting. The following is a notice of motion to change the Club Charter and Bylaws as follows:

“It is moved that the name of the club be changed from Northern Lights Fly Tyers / Trout Unlimited Canada to Northern Lights Flyfishers /Trout Unlimited Canada wherever it occurs in the Club Charter as revised Jan 16 2013.”

January Fly Fishing Seminar

ANNUAL TWO-DAY SEMINAR FEATURING

Ed Engle and Phil Rowley

Date: January 17th and 18th 2015

Where: Grant McEwan University
104 Ave Campus - Room 6-212

When: 9am to 4pm Sat. 9 am to 4pm Sun.

Cost: \$65.00 covers both days

Comment: This will be a very informative event featuring two specialists in their area of fly-fishing. Topics will be wide-ranging and aimed at beginner and expert alike. You can expect to hear about tying and fishing small flies, still water tactics and much more.

Map to the home of



Northern Lights Fly Tyers
Trout Unlimited Edmonton

