



# Broken Threads

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## FROM THE EDITOR

### **Fishing Season in Full Swing!**

The Muir Lake project is a resounding success. The lake is fishing very well and producing 10" to 14" "footballs". Lots of club members have contributed to the new fishery and the heartfelt thanks of all conservation minded anglers go out to all who helped with this project.

The advanced fly tying session held May 1<sup>st</sup> was a success. Our thanks go to Wally Lutz who challenged attendees with several patterns including his famous "Wally Wing". Club members Dave Robinson, Brian Bleackley and Dennis Southwick pitched in to fill out the agenda and were well received. Thanks to all contributors and attendees.

The Intermediate Casting Clinic goes June 5<sup>th</sup> at Rundle Park with casting to be on the river. You need a fishing license and waders for it. You can expect to learn how to cast off moving water, how to do various "fishing" casts and how to mend line and manage strike indicators.

A major fundraiser and silent auction is being held at Schanks Athletic Club on June 12<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$10.00 per head and that includes admission, a drink and finger food. See Brian Bleackley for tickets and information on how to solicit items for the auction.

The Thunder Lake trip goes on June 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>. Camp fees are quite reasonable and the group will be open to any lie swapping, campfire partying and wilderness experience seeking fish fanatics from the club who want to join in. See Brian Bleackley if you fill the bill.

We have two presentations lined up for June. The first will be on the new Club Web Page, which can be found at [www.nlft.org](http://www.nlft.org). Jeff Sieffert, Greg Scratchley and Darren McEachern have promised an on-line presentation. Way to go guys! The second meeting will feature Dave Parker talking about Bamboo Fly rods. This will be a must for anyone who is even remotely considering a cane rod.

The last meeting for the summer will be wind-up do at the usual venue in the Water's Edge. We will supply some food, but you bring the refreshments. The program will be very informal with lots of "give and take" amongst attendees expected.

After the June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, the club program gets very informal. We alternate free tie sessions (where you can replace all those flies lost to "tree fish") at the Water's Edge with fishing outings on local waters. Check the schedule elsewhere in the newsletter and keep your eye on the web page.

On that note, during summer expect many impromptu fishing trips to be arranged via the web page. Check the Forums regularly to see if someone is going to a place and at a time that suits you, or better yet, post your own impending outing and ask others to join you. One of the strengths of our club is this open sharing of information and camaraderie. It's up to all members to do their bit to keep this tremendous community of anglers going strong.

*See you on the water!!!*

*Dave Robinson*

## CLUB MEETINGS

**Regular Meetings and Tying Sessions:** *Every Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.*  
**Water's Edge - 10149 - Saskatchewan Drive** Enter main door and go straight ahead  
Equipment and Materials: Bring your own or use the Club loaners  
Coffee served, plus a weekly 50/50 draw

## TROUT UNLIMITED NOTICES

Trout Unlimited Events: Regular meetings are over until the fall. Contact Michael Dell with questions on TU or upcoming programs.

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## MEMBERSHIP

### **Only \$20.00**

January to December

### **Benefits Include:**

- Regular meetings and tying sessions
- Monthly newsletter
- Club event discounts
- Selected retailer discounts (with card)
- Access to club library
- Fellowship of like-minded fishers
- Tying and fishing "secrets"

### **Membership Contact**

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## MEETINGS

**JUNE 2<sup>ND</sup>**

### Special Presentation

**Topic:** *The Club's New Web Page*

**Presenters:** *Our Excellent Webmasters: Jeff Sieffert, Greg Scratchley, and Darren McEachern*

**Comments:** *If you haven't visited the new web page at [www.nlft.org](http://www.nlft.org), please do. You will find it much improved and that it provides us with a more interactive forum.*

*Our three web masters will give a presentation on the web page, connected live, to show you how to navigate the basic page and register for and use the new Forums.*

*I'm sure they will be willing to answer any questions you have and take note of suggestions for improvement.*

**JUNE 9<sup>TH</sup>**

### Special Presentation

**Topic:** *Bamboo Fly Rods*

**Presenter:** *Dave Parker*

**Comments:** *Dave is a long time builder of custom bamboo fly rods He will talk about the qualities of bamboo rods and how they are constructed. This is an opportunity for club members to ask questions about the pros and cons of bamboo and graphite as rod materials.*

**JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup>**

### Spring Wind UP

**Location:** *The regular meeting room*

**Topic:** *Whatever you want to discuss*

**Presenter:** *Anyone who wants to speak*

**Comments:** *This is an opportunity to kick back and swap stories and plans for the upcoming fishing season. If anyone wants to show us a new "secret" pattern, they will be given the floor.*

## PHOTOS



Barry White holding a Bow River 'bow caught by Dave Robinson, the photographer, in mid May.



Candid Camera Shot of Ranger Spongebob Wetpants  
Another Victim of the "Bobber Pool"

## UPCOMING EVENTS

June 5<sup>th</sup>

Intermediate Fly Casting Seminar  
N. Sask. River - Rundle Park

June 12<sup>th</sup>

Silent Auction Fundraise  
Schanks Athletic Club

June 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>

Thunder Lake Outing  
For direction, talk to Brian Bleackley

September 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>

Little Smoky Trip  
Maps available at September meetings

## SUMMER SCHEDULE

During summer, the Club runs an informal Wednesday evening schedule, alternating free tie times at the Water's Edge, with local fishing outings. The format is "drop in" for all members.

June 30th	Muir Lake
July 7th	Free Tie
July 14th	North Saskatchewan River
July 21st	Free Tie
July 28th	Muir Lake
August 4 <sup>th</sup>	Free Tie
August 11 <sup>th</sup>	North Saskatchewan River
August 18 <sup>th</sup>	Free Tie
August 25 <sup>th</sup>	Beaumont Pond ('cause it's close)
September 1 <sup>st</sup>	North Saskatchewan River
September 8 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Meetings Resume

If you need directions, check out the web page or give one of the Executives a call.