

Broken Threads

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FROM THE EDITOR

WE'VE MOVED!!!

The City of Edmonton closed the Central Lions Seniors Center at the end of December for major renovations. So we made the 8 block move to the new location. Thanks to all those who helped Brian with the move. To celebrate, I've put the new official logo on the masthead. The **Queen Mary Park Community League** is our new home at **10844 – 117th Street**, starting **January 3rd**. It's just across from Rosario's Restaurant. Check the Map on Page 2.

December's programs, although few in number, were well received. Brian Bleackley did a fine job of showing all the assorted tools a fly tyer can acquire (if he can sneak them past the spouse). Dennis wowed us all with his Humpy demonstration, particularly the microscopic one. Our beginner group, although small, is making good progress, doing a creditable job of tying an Adams. Pizza and pop wound up the year in fine style

This month is a long one due to the month starting a Monday. For our first weekly meeting on January 3rd, is a free tie where we'll simply unpack from the move and swap tales. Come and se the new digs. The second week, January 10th, Dave Murray presents a Royal Wulff and Hairwing Caddis. We also continue the Beginner Tying Sessions with a Doc Spratley. Week 3 on January 17th, we have our Annual General Meeting. Come out and elect the new executive and pass the new bylaws. January 24th finds Phil Rowley discussing How to Find Trout. We also continue the Beginner Tying Sessions with a Chernobyl Ant. The final week has Marc Petitjean showing off his unique tools and material for fly bodies.

Of course Muir Lake is closed to fishing with the aerators running. Northern Lights will be taking our turn at the Muir watch during January. We need volunteer members to drive by occasionally to see if they aerators are running and ensure no-one is straying too close. If you want to add you name to the list of watchers, let Emerson Dober know.

Our major seminar **January 20th and 21st** is all set. Tickets are still available from Emerson Dober. Posters are up in all the shops and some magazine advertising is out. The program put on by **Dave Hughes and Jim Schollmeyer** will be outstanding so don't miss it. For club members only, we'll have a preview session on Friday, Jan. 19th, 7pm at Queen Mary Park.

Two weeks later February 2nd to 4th we'll need volunteers for the Calgary Fly Fishing Expo. Contact Brain Bleakley if you can help out. I'll have more on that next month.

I hear a few fellows have been off fishing the Crow and the Red Deer with some success. The recent warm weather has been encouraging. IT looks as if I'll have to pick the next warm spell to wander down the see if the whitefish still like me.

Our first International Wet Fly Swap was a resounding success. We received flys from England, Australia and South Africa. I've already been corresponding with a fellow in OZ who sounds just as fanatic at those of us here. Fly fishing and tying is obviously and international addiction. We'll have to do it again.

With the New Year here, can spring be far off??

Dave Robinson

CLUB MEETINGS

Regular Meetings and Tying Sessions: *Queen Mary Park Community League* Equipment and Materials: The format is Informal Drop In

Every Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m. 10844 – 117th Street

Bring your own or use the Club loaners Coffee served, plus a weekly 50/50 draw

TROUT UNLIMITED NOTICES

Trout Unlimited Events: January 15th @ - 7:30 pm, Northgate Lions Seniors Center @ 7524 – 139 Ave. – Michael Sullivan on The Importance of Big Fish

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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"

Vince Schembri (780) 484-6780 membership@nlft.org

MEETINGS

JANUARY 3RD UNPACKING AND FREE TIE

Comment: We'll spend the first evening at the new location unpacking from our move and getting settled in. Bring your vices and stuff and baptize the place with a few flies tied and stories told. We may head out to test the neighborhood "coffee" place afterward.

JANUARY 10TH

Royal Wulff Pattern: Dave Murray Tyer: Hook Dry fly #10 - #16

Thread 8/0 or 6/0 or 70 dernier black

Moose body hair Tail

Alternate peacock, red floss and peacock Body

White calf tail or body hair Wing

Dark Brown Hackle

Pattern: Hariwing Caddis Dry fly #\12 - #20 Hook 8/0 or 6/0 or 10/0 Olive Thread Tail Light dun microfibettes Dubbed olive/tan antron mix Body

Hackle Dark Dun

Comment: Wooly will walk us through these two venerable but surprisingly effective patterns.

BEGINNERS FLY TYING

Pattern: Doc Spratley Hook

12 - 2xL wet fly

Thread 6/0 black

Tail Grizzly hackle fibres Medium oval silver tinsel Rib: Black wool or dubbing Body Grizzly hackle fibres Throat:

Natural pheasant rump fibres Wing:

Head: Peacock herl

Comment: We'll offer the fourth session of the year for new fly tyers. Bring your vices and tools if you want to help out.

JANUARY 17TH **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Comment: This is your chance to have a say in how the club is organized and run. Come out and elect a new executive and ratify the new bylaws. This is our once a year major business meeting.

JANUARY 19TH

AN EVENING WITH DAVE AND JIM

Comment: Dave Hughes and Jim Schollmeyer will spend a special evening with club members at Queen Mary Park. Time is 7pm, Cost is \$5.00 each.

JANUARY 24TH

FINDING FISH IN PRODUCTIVE LAKES

Phil Rowley Speaker:

Comment: Come and hear Phil let us in on more of his

secrets at a much lower cost than in Calgary.

BEGINNERS FLY TYING

Pattern: Chernobyl Ant

Hook # 12 - 2xL wet fly

Thread 6/0 black

Body Black and Yellow Foam Strips

Legs: Rubber Hackle Indicator: Red foam

Comment: For the fifth session of the year for new fly tyers, we'll tye Dennis Southwick's favorite pattern. It's a killer for Browns and Grayling.

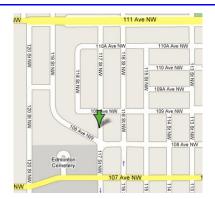
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FEATURE PRESENTER

Marc Petitjean

Comment: That's' right, the inventor of the Magic Tool and Magic Heads will visit our meeting. H will not only demonstrate his innovative products, but will have some new materials to show and sell.

MAP TO NEW HOME



NLFT&F Meeting Location - Starting January 3rd

UPCOMING EVENTS

Evening with Dave & Jim January 19th Quwn Mary Park January 20th & 21stDave Hughes & Jim Schollmeyer Grant McEwan February 2nd 3rd & 4th Calgary Fly Fishing Expo Calgary

JANUARY SEMINAR

Dave Hughes and Jim Schollmeyer

January 20th and 21st, 2007

Grant McEwan College

Main Campus - 10700 - 104 Avenue Room 6-212

9 am to 5pm both days

Cost \$75.00 for both days