

## From the Editor

### Spring is just around the corner – if it ever quits snowing!!

With luck we'll see open water on the smaller ponds by the end of April. That means it's time to start thinking about those activities needed to get ready for a new fishing season. We have several things coming up in that regard.

Firstly we have the **Beginners Fly Tying Seminar** set for **May 2 at Queen Mary Park**. This is a chance for veterans to help out some new folks get a start on filling their boxes for the upcoming season. Secondly, we have our annual Member's **Beginners Fly Casting Clinic** set for **May 16<sup>th</sup> at Rundle Park**, perfectly timed for early Muir Lake fishing, which opens on **May 1<sup>st</sup>**. And thirdly we have the **Member's Intermediate Casting Clinic** planned for **June 6<sup>th</sup> also at Rundle Park**.

The process of amalgamating with the Edmonton Chapter of Trout Unlimited continues. The next step is adoption of the necessary changes to the NLFT&F Charter. A "Notice of Motion" to that effect is attached to this newsletter. You are encouraged to become familiar with the proposal, including a name change, and vote at the **May 6<sup>th</sup>** meeting.

Our program last month featured Barry Wright demonstrating a New Green Drake. Reuben Breitkreutz showed how fly reels are made on the second week. The third week had George Sterling talk about the Edson area fisheries including Athabasca Rainbows. The last week will have Peter Morrison showing us waders and clothing from Reddington.

In addition to our regular program, we manned both the Kids Tying booth and a table at the Fishing Center booth at the Edmonton Boat and Sportsman's show. By all reports the show was a resounding success for us. We sold some club memberships, almost sold out the bamboo rod raffle, (thanks to Don Anderson for the beautiful hand made rod he donated for TU fund raising) and sold lots of tickets on the TU Prius raffle. Thanks to all the volunteers who stepped up to the plate. We get to do it again this weekend at the Outdoor Show at the Mayfield Conference Center. If you can, come out and give us a hand.

This month features the seminar we've all been waiting for. **The Whitlocks' Seminar** will take place **April 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>**. Dave and Emily are planning on giving us a fine program. See page two for details.

Once again we have a good regular program for April. On **April 1<sup>st</sup>** I host the **Iron Fly Tyer**. Barry White will defend his tile against Rick Leblanc and a tyer to be decided by Forum Poll (hear that Vince?). Week two on **April 8<sup>th</sup>** will have **Me, Dave Robinson** trying my best to show you how to do a **Woven Caddis Nymph**. Week three on **April 15<sup>th</sup>** we do our third **Joint Meeting with TU** featuring the **Roger Kelly of TUC** talking about the **Yellow Fish Road** program. Week four, **April 22<sup>nd</sup>** our librarian **Jerry Plasow** shows us how to make **Shadow Boxes**. The last meeting on **April 29<sup>th</sup>** finds **Barry Wright** doing a **Parachute Wood Ant** pattern as a beginner tyer-along.

*Start cleaning out those vests, fishin' is a commin'!!*

*Dave Robinson*

## Club Meetings

**Queen Mary Park Community League**

Equipment and Materials:  
The format is Informal Drop In

**10844 – 117<sup>th</sup> Street**

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

## Trout Unlimited Notices

Trout Unlimited Meeting: Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm, Queen Mary Park Community League, 10844 – 117<sup>th</sup> Street – Roger Kelly – Yellow Fish Road

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## Membership

### Only \$20.00

January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>

### Benefits Include:

- Fishing Presentations & Fly Tying Sessions
- Monthly newsletter
- 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

**April 1<sup>st</sup>**

### Iron Fly Tyer

**Iron Fly Tyer:** *Barry Wright*

**Challengers:** *Rick Leblanc and the Poll Winner*

**Patterns:** *Dry fly, Wet fly and Nymph*

**Hook:** *Dry #12, Wet #8, Nymph #10*

**Material:** *Surprise!*

**Format:** The competitors will use their own materials and equipment to construct at least three flies in a one-hour time frame. A special "surprise" material will be given out at the start of tying that the participants will have to incorporate it into each fly. The flies will be judged on: Appearance, Tying Techniques, Originality, Best Use of Mystery Material and Potential Catching Ability. The winner earns the coveted title of "Iron Fly Tyer" until the next competition.

**Comments:** *Chairman Robinson-Kaga will host this annual (mostly) event to put our club's finest tyers to the ultimate test. Unknown materials and tight timeline will have three competitors test their tying skills. Who will stand the test of fire and become the next IRON FLY TYER?*

**April 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Tyer:** *Dave Robinson*

**Pattern:** *Woven Caddis Nymph*

Hook: #12 Partridge Authentic Czech nymph

Thread: 6/0 or 8/0- olive

Weight: Fine lead or non-lead wire

Rib: Fine monofilament

Shellback: Olive stretch-flex

Body: Beige and Green embroidery thread woven

Thorax: Olive hares ear dubbing

**Comment:** *I've been experimenting with tying weighted Czech nymphs. The latest incorporates a body woven out of embroidery thread or floss. I'll do this in a larger size with thicker floss to demonstrate the technique.*

**April 15<sup>th</sup>**

### Joint NLFT&F and TU Meeting Yellow Fish Road

**Presenter:** *Roger Kelly, TUC Conservation Education*

**Comment:** *This is our third joint meeting with TU. Roger Kelley is the Director of Conservation Education, Trout Unlimited Canada. Trout Unlimited has hired an individual to lead the Yellow Fish Road in Edmonton. Roger will explain the program to us.*

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Presenter:** *Jerry Plastow*

**Topic:** *Shadow Boxes*

**Comment:** *Jerry Plastow our esteemed Librarian will do a presentation on Shadow Boxes. Show time for those who have Shadow Boxes, bring them to the club for some other ideas and have everyone see some beautiful works of art.*

**April 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Tyer:** *Barry Wright*

**Pattern:** *Parachute Wood Ant*

Hook: #16 Standard Dry Fly

Thread: 8/0 - black

Weight: Fine lead or non-lead wire

Rear Body: Fine and dry dubbing - black

Front Body: Rusty brown muskrat (Great Cdn Dubbing Co)

Post: White Antron Yarn

Hackle: Grizzly

**Comment:** *Bring your vices, tools and material and tie along with Barry.*

## April Seminar



Trout Unlimited Canada  
Edmonton Chapter

*Present*

### Dave and Emily Whitlock

**APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup> & 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2009**

Grant MacEwan College

10700 – 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Room # 6-212 - 9 am to 5 pm

**\$80.00**

Come out and hear from a well-known angler, guide, author and renowned fly fishing expert.

## Seminar Ticket Information

***For those who have not purchased tickets yet:***

*Tickets available at Club Meetings, all locations of the Fishin' Hole, the Fishing Center and at the door for the cost of \$80.00*

***For those who attended the January 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Seminar:***

*You can purchase "Rain Check" tickets for the April Seminar, prior to April 1<sup>st</sup>, for \$25.00. Bring your January ticket stub to a club meeting or contact President Dave*

***For those who purchased January tickets but did not attend on that date.***

*You can exchange your January ticket for an April one, for no cost, at the door or any club meeting prior to the April event. Contact President Dave Murray if you can't make a meeting.*

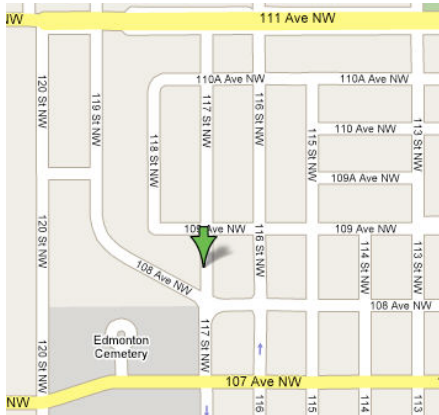
## Upcoming Events

Mar 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Beginner Fly Tying Seminar	Queen Mary Park
May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Annual TU Dinner Auction	Crowne Plaza
Mar 16 <sup>th</sup>	Beginner Casting Clinic	Rundle Park
June 6 <sup>th</sup>	Intermediate Casting Clinic	Rundle Park

## Charter amendments

*See page 4 for the notice of motion for proposed changes to NLFT&F's Charter that support amalgamation with the Edmonton Chapter of Trout Unlimited.*

Map to NLFT&F Home



Beginners Tying Seminar

Saturday, May 2nd 200p
Queen Mary Park Community League
10844 - 117 Street
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Members: \$5.00
Non-Members: \$25.00 (membership included)

Library News

- The following books have recently been added to the library
DVD 224 Fortress Lake Retreat
DVD 225 Designing Flies with hair hackle
DVD 226 Designing Flies with Stiff Hackle
DVD 227 Designing Flies with Soft Hackle
DVD 228 Designing Flies with Fur Dubbing
DVD 229 Designing Flies with Feather Dubbing
DVD 230 Trout of Tundra
DVD 231 Rainy's Extra Terrestrials 101
DVD 232 Rainy's Extra Terrestrials 102
DVD 233 Rainy's Favorite Foam Flies
DVD 234 Northern Pike
DVD 235 Renzetti True Rotary Volume 1
HC 246 La Fontaine's Legacy
SC 341 How to Use & Choose Fly Tying Thread
SC 342 The Basic Manual of Fly Tying
SC 343 Recipes - Stillwater Solutions
SC 344 Minnows of North America & Streamer Imitations
SC 345 How to Fly Fish For Salmon
SC 346 Professional Fly Tying Manual
SC 347 Trout Flies for the 21st Century
HC 025 - The Fly tying Bible (replacement).

Casting Clinics

Beginner
Saturday, May 16th, 2008
10 am to 4:30 pm

Intermediate
Saturday, June 6th, 2008
10 am to 4:30 pm

Location
Rundle Park
Far West end parking lot

Cost
Members: \$5.00
Non-members can join at the venue

Equipment Required
Rod Reel and Line
Sun hat, sunscreen and eye protection
Fishing license for the Intermediate

Map to Rundle Park Clinic Location



## Proposed Charter Amendments

Pursuant to the Charter of the Northern Lights Fly Tyers and Fishers, the club executive hereby provides the required 30 days notice of motion for the following amendments to the Northern Lights Fly Tyers and Fishers Charter. The purpose of the proposed amendments is the amalgamation of the Northern Lights Fly Tyers and Fishers and the Edmonton Chapter of Trout Unlimited Canada under the name THE NORTHERN LIGHTS FLY TYERS – “A TUC CHAPTER”.

**Page 1 – Main header top of page** - replace the words “CLUB CHARTER OF THE NORTHERN LIGHTS FLY TYERS & FISHERS” with the words “CLUB CHARTER OF THE NORTHERN LIGHTS FLY TYERS – “A TUC CHAPTER”

**Page 1 – ARTICLE 1 Section (a)** replace the words “CLUB CHARTER OF THE NORTHERN LIGHTS FLY TYERS & FISHERS” with the words “NORTHERN LIGHTS FLY TYERS – a TUC CHAPTER” and on the last paragraph after the word Tyers” add the words “A TUC Chapter” and remove the words “and are abbreviated in short as “NLFT&F”

**Page 1 – Section (b)** Remove the words “We are located in:” and replace with the words “ The Northern Lights Fly Tyers - A TUC Chapter is located in the city of Edmonton in the province of Alberta, Canada.”

**Page 2 – Section (c)** Remove all of the words in the section and replace with the words “The club has regular weekly meetings during the months of September to the end of June and modified meeting’s from during the months of July and August.

Said meetings are currently held at:

Queen Mary Park Community League  
10844 – 117 Street, Edmonton, Alberta.

The club currently meets on Wednesday nights between the hours of 7 & 9 pm.

**Page 2 – Section (d)** Remove all existing words and replace with the words:

“All inbound and outbound club correspondence shall be directed through the President and as soon as reasonably possible such correspondence shall be turned over to the Secretary for filing.

**Page 2 – Section (e)** First paragraph remove the word “and” and after the word “color:” add the words “& logo type.

On the second paragraph remove the words” Northern Lights Fly Tyers & Fishers” and replace with the words “ Northern Lights Fly Tyers - A TUC Chapter”

On the third paragraph remove the word “officially” and replace with the words” current, official” and remove the words “of the organization” and remove all of the words after the word “Beige” and add a period.

Remove the last paragraph and replace with the words” All electronic or printed use of the Northern Lights Fly Tyers - A TUC Chapter logo shall be approved by the Executive Members, such approval may be unreasonably withheld.”

**Page 3 - Section (g)** Remove the names “ Michael Dell, correct the name Dave Johnson to Dale Johnson and add the names Terry Weytes, Bill Robertson, Brian Kemper and Ian Russell.**Page 4 - Section (i)** Remove this section in its entirety.

**Page 5 - Amend Section (i)** to Section (j) and on the first line remove the word “Tables” and replace with the words “consultation groups”

### Page 5 – ARTICLE III

Section (b) After the words “Membership Fees (or Dues): add the words “to be consistent with TU Canada and remove the second and third paragraph’s from this section.

### Page 7 – ARTICLE IV

Section (a) Remove sub-section ii) in its entirety.

Section (b) In the second paragraph on the third line remove the words “FESA Representative” and replace with the words “TU Director”

**Page 11 – Section (d)** To the end of the Section add as a new paragraph the following: “In addition to the duties as contained herein the Treasurer will co-ordinate all Treasure related activities with TU Canada National”.

**Page 12 – Section (e)** To the end of the Section add as a new paragraph the following: “In addition to the duties as contained herein the Membership Director will co-ordinate all Membership Director related activities with TU Canada National”.

**Page 12 – Section (f)** To the end of the Section add as a new paragraph the following: “In addition to the duties as contained herein the Newsletter Editor will co-ordinate all Newsletter Editor related activities with TU Canada National”.

**Page 13 – Section (i)** Remove the words “FESA Representative:” and replace with the words “TU Director”

On the second paragraph remove the paragraph and replace with the words “ The TU Director will perform all reasonably requested duties as directed by the President or in the absence of the President the Vice President.”

**Page 13 – Section (j)** On the second paragraph, third line replace the word “will” with the word “may”.

**Page 14 –** Top of page, which is the second paragraph of Section (a) delete this paragraph in its entirety.

**Page 17 ARTICLE X subsection ii)** on the second line remove the word “shall” and replace with the word “may” and remove the words “Edmonton Chapter” and after the words “Trout Unlimited Canada).” add the words “or to a group or organization as designated by the then Executive.

End of Proposed Amendments