



From the Editor

Winter Sessions Over! Time To Go Fishing!

Spring is here! It's time to head out for some early season fishing. There's still some time to do preparations though. We've a few club meetings and a couple of events left to go.

Our first Introduction to Fly Fishing Seminar this year goes on May 28th at Queen Mary Park and May 29th at Cardiff Pond. We'll have about a dozen students come out for two full days of instruction on fly fishing equipment, materials, technique and patterns. The second day will feature casting instruction and actual fishing on the pond. Rick Lang will lead the effort with help from other club members. We will need some volunteers for the casting and fishing portion, so if you can help out, let Rick know this week.

Our second "Introduction to Fly Fishing Seminar" for this year will be held June 4th for the classroom session and June 5th for the field session. The second session will have more students than for the first one. We may need additional volunteers to assist with the casting and fishing portion, so if you can pitch in, Rick Lang and I will much appreciate it.

Our regular program for May once again consisted of four sessions. It started May 4th with Rod Boisvert tying a Trio of Rod's Flies. On May 11th we held our regular Free Tye and Beginner Advice session. May 18th Dan Tulik presented Tying with Dipper Dan. The month winds up on May 25th with yours truly Dave Robinson demonstrating Parachutes using a couple of different materials. I'm sure all who came out enjoyed the fun and conversation. Thanks go to the presenters and attendees. We even activated the "Sherman Wayback Machine" and had some long time members show up whom we haven't seen for a while. It was nice to see the familiar faces.

We will only have three meetings in June. We start on June 1st with Dave Murray with Woolleys Flies. On June 8th we'll have our usual Free Tye but since Junior is away on his honeymoon, we'll have a Casting Clinic on the grass outside the building instead of beginner tying. Bring along your rod and get some kinks out. We'll have some "experts" around to "critique" casting strokes and help with any casting problems. And no, this is a help session not heckling. On June 15th we wind up the spring with a Club Barbecue out at Muir Lake.

We're not having an official summer program this year. Attendance last year was pretty spotty. That doesn't mean the Club will be inactive, just that events will be impromptu and will likely be organized via the Club Forum. Keep your eyes on the Forum for that and also for chitchat on fishing conditions.

Here is advance notice of events planned for the fall and winter. We'll resume our regular meetings on September 14th at Queen Mary Park with a "BS and Brag Session". We've also set the date and location for our Fall Fundraiser and Silent Auction. This year we will be at the St Albert Curling Club on November 5th. We're finalizing menus and costs and will advise those via the Club Web Page. In the mean time, start chasing donations for the silent auction. If you want a letter to support that effort, contact VP Ken Monk via the e-mail address to the right. And lastly for this issue, we have set our date and presenters for the January Seminar. This coming year we'll feature the Dynamite Duo of Jack Dennis and Phil Rowley on January 21st and 22nd. Both have presented here before, but both always have something new and interesting to share. We can guarantee two fabulous fishing related days in the depth of winter. More details on program and costing to come in the fall and on the Club Web Page.

Now let's go catch some fish!

Dave Robinson

Club Meetings

Queen Mary Park Community League
Equipment and Materials:
The format is Informal Drop In

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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

June 1st

Woolley's Flies

Presenter: Dave Murray

Pattern: Quill Body

Hook: #14 Dry fly (1x light if possible)
Thread: Olive 70 denier, 8/0 thread
Body: Olive died quill
Wing post: olive or brown poly pro...wing post
Hackle: olive, tan or died grizzly hackle

Pattern: Hares Ear Dry

Hook: Size 4 to 12 2x long, 2x fine (Mustad 94831)
Thread: Grey 70 denier (8/0)
Tail: Dark Dun Hackle fibres
Body: Dark grey Antron, hares ear mix
Light grey Antron, hares ear mix
Wing Post: Mixed cream and light grey Antron fibres
Hackle: light dun tied as a parachute

Pattern: Bullet Head Hopper

Hook: Size 4 to 12 2x long, 2x fine (Mustad 94831)
Thread: Yellow 140 denier, 6/0 thread
Rib: brown saddle hackle clipped short
Body: yellow Antron dubbing
Tail: small loop of closed cell yellow foam
Wing: Under wing; Olive Deer or elk hair
Over wing; mottled hen hackle,
(Indian hackle feather)
Head: Dark Deer or elk hair (bullet head)

Comment: Woolley will demonstrate three interesting patterns. The bullet head only if time permits

June 8th

Free Tye and Casting Clinic

Comment: Bring your vices and tools and tie along with us. Tie your own patterns or tie along with an experienced tyer. We'll also have an impromptu casting clinic on the grass outside the hall. This isn't an instructional clinic, but is more for those wanting help with casting problems and for those wanting to get some kinks out of their stroke. AS usual coffee and conversation will be part of the evening.

June 15th

Spring Wind-up BBQ

Location: Muir Lake

Comment: We'll do hotdogs and hamburgers on portable BBQs at Muir. Bring your lawn chairs, any salads or desserts you want, non-alcoholic refreshment and bug spray. Bring your rod and reel but fishing isn't the main object. The idea is to meet your fellow fly fishers and enjoy a BBQ in an outdoor setting away from the buzz of the city.

Upcoming Events

INTRODUCTION TO FLY FISHING SEMINAR

When: June 4th and 5th

Where: Queen Mary Park Community League
and Cardiff Pond

Comment: This sold out seminar covers the basics.

Meetings Resume	Queen Mary Park	September 14 th
Fall Fundraiser	St Albert Curling Club	November 5 th
January Seminar	Jack Dennis & Phil Rowley	
	Grant MacEwan University	Jan 21 st & 22 nd

Club Clothing

Comment: Logoed Club shirts are now available. There are three types in three different colors at three prices (\$42.00, \$45.00 and \$50.00) depending on the shirt quality. They can be bought at club meetings until June 8th or when we resume on September 15th. We're also pursuing obtaining club logoed T-shirts and hats. Availability and pricing details are not known yet.

Bring on the fish!



This is what we have to look forward to.

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