



Broken Threads

The Newsletter of the Northern Lights Fly Fishers - Trout Unlimited, Canada

Providing a friendly atmosphere for the novice and expert to learn and share the fly tying and fishing experience

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From the Editor

Spring is here! – Did vou purchase vour 2016 Fishing License?

I ask that question with tongue in cheek since this year I can take advantage of not having to purchase a license for the first time since my youth....one of the advantages of reaching 65 and becoming a Senior Citizen in Alberta. In discussions with a few club members at last Wednesday's meeting; there will be a few members going out to their favorite streams this Weekend for the first time this year. It is good to see nature awakening again and the ice moving on downstream. Some of the flowing waters will be open for fishing on Friday, April 1. For those going out, have a great and safe time and I hope some of those new fly patterns you tied this winter will bring in the big one.

This month we have the following programs planned.

IMPORTANT NOTICE – At the **April** 6^{th} business meeting there will be a vote on Corrections & Updates regarding the Club's Constitution as proposed by the Executive. A Quorum of 20 members will be required at this meeting to pass the corrections. If you are out fishing (what other excuse is there?) and cannot make the meeting please fill out a Proxy form which is posted on the club site: http://forum.nlft.org/index.php?showtopic=5435 Any individual members who are unable to attend the business meeting on April 6th, 2016 may designate another individual Club member to vote on his or her behalf by filling out and signing the form and submitting it to the Club secretary prior to the meeting. If time permits we will carry on with a discussion on how to solicit / improve club membership. The second week on April 13th we are pleased to have Sylvia D'Amelio, CEO of *TUC*, as our guest speaker. Week three, *April 20th* will be a fly tying demonstration by **John Kent**. John is a commercial fly tier out of Fox Creek, AB. John is noted for creating the "Pumpkin Seed" pattern. On April 27th we are privileged to have John Acorn with us, John is an internationally know scientist, author and broadcaster, he will be sharing a presentation on Damsels & Dragonflies.

Thanks again to all club members who donated their time and talents demonstrating to youngsters how to tie flies (Wooly Buggers) at the Edmonton Boat and Sportsmen's Show.

The 2016 TUC National Edmonton Conservation Dinner and Auction is scheduled for Thursday May 5th at The Chateau Lacombe. Reception at 5:00 P.M. with Dinner to follow at 7:00 P.M.

Did you sell or purchase your tickets for the Split-Cane Fly Rod Raffle??? The Draw date is getting closer, May 18, 2016.

John

Club Meetings - Wednesday's at 7:00 P.M.

Queen Mary Park Community League Equipment and Materials: Bring your own or use the Club loaners. 10844 – 117th Street, Edmonton The format is Informal - Drop In Coffee served, plus a weekly 50/50 draw

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TUC Membership:

Exciting changes are happening at Trout Unlimited Canada (TUC). We are proud to announce a significant change to our membership package. Historically, less than 5% of TUC's membership dollars were put toward work on the ground. It's time to put 100% of these funds to work.

-Minimum \$40 donation

-Tax receipt for full donation

-Bi-Monthly digital newsletter **News Stream**

-Voting rights at AGM

-Membership to a local chapter

-Real change on the ground!

Why the Change?

-100% of membership dues go to conservation

-Up to date news & information -Smaller environmental foot

-Over 25 million litres of water saved each year!

> Canada's Water is Worth Protecting

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April Meeting Programs

April 6th Business Meeting IMPORTANT NOTICE:

THERE WILL BE A VOTE ON CORRECTIONS & UPDATES RE: THE CLUB CONSTITUTION.

April 13th
GUEST SPEAKER
SYLVIA D'AMELIO
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER - TUC

April 20th
JOHN KENT
FLY TYING DEMONSTRATION

April 27th
JOHN ACORN
DRAGONFLIES AND DAMSELFLIES.

Upcoming Events!

May 5th

TUC National

Edmonton Conservation Dinner and Auction

The Chateau Lacombe

Reception at 5:00 P.M. Dinner at 7:00 P.M.

Beginner Fly Fishing Classes April 30th is the first Class

Queen Mary Park Community League 10544 117 Street

May 14th is the Second Class

Central Lion's Seniors 11113-113 Street

Both classes are on Saturdays, the cost is \$75.00 per class and <u>it includes lunch</u>.

A Maximum of 20 persons per class
Tickets sold at club meetings on a first come first served basis.

Split-Cane Fly Rod Raffle

Donated by: Don Andersen

Once again Don has been very generous and graciously donated one of his handmade split-cane fly rods for our fly fishing club to raffle off as a fund raiser to help Northern Lights Fly Fishers-Trout Unlimited Canada-Edmonton Chapter finance projects, etc.

This year the rod is a 7'9" 5-weight, 2-piece rod
With 2 tip sections.

Tickets are available from club members (Licence 422920)

The Draw Date is May 18, 2016

To learn more on Split-Cane Fly Rods, please visit Don's website & watch the video on the making of split cane fly rods.

http://www.bamboorods.ca/



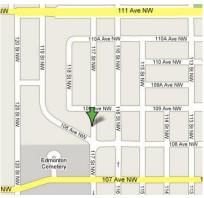
It's finally time to go fish'n again. Right, Dipper Dan?

Map to the home of



Northern Lights Fly Fishers
Trout Unlimited Canada





Club Website
http://www.nlft.org
Become a Member of Trout Unlimited Canada

The Edmonton Chapter of Trout Unlimited Canada is dedicated to sharing the sport of Fly Fishing, the art of Fly Tying, and conservation of our cold water resources for future generations.