

Trout Unlimited Canada



Northern Lights Fly Fishers



Welcome to Northern Lights Fly Fishers Newsletter

May 2023 News & Upcoming Events!

June 3 Dinner and Silent Auction

Come out for an evening of relaxation & fun. Bring your friends! Get your tickets early at [EventBrite](#) so we have a better idea of how much food to order. Ticket sales close on May 29th!

Our dinner/silent auction will be on Saturday June 3 at Kenilworth Hall ([7104 87 Ave NW](#)) from 5:30 to 10:00 pm. For members and invited guests only (and if you're receiving this you are definitely invited!)



Annual Silent Auction and Fundraiser Saturday June 3, 2023 Kenilworth Community League

Dinner Included!
Tickets only \$20

This fundraiser is the primary source of income for our operating fund – to keep the club running. It is a fun evening suitable for anglers, friends and spouses and anyone else who wants to join in.

This is our major fundraiser of the year. You'll be able to bid on dozens of donated items: lures and boxes of flies, including some by international award-winning fly-tyer Tak Shimizu and guide and author, Stu Thompson. We'll have shirts, hoodies, jackets and backpacks, fly rods and reels (some used but in excellent condition and some new), a grass trimmer, some quality wines and whiskeys, all sorts of fishing and tying books, golf and baseball game vouchers, a BBQ, and much more. If previous auctions are anything to go by, you'll be sure to find some great bargains! There will also be raffles and a 50/50 draw.

Doors open at 5:30pm, and dinner will be served at 6:30pm (pulled pork, beans and salads, but other options are available if requested beforehand)

Beer & Wine to be sold.

Muir Lake Cleanup Saturday May 13

We will gather at Muir Lake on Saturday May 13 at 10 AM to clean up around the boat launch and lake. You will need work gloves and rubber boots, and optionally tools like rakes or a reach extender if you want to use them. We will supply garbage bags.

Welcome to Muir Lake

Habitat – Education – Stewardship

The Muir Lake project provides a healthy trout fishery and habitat for the community. As environmental stewards, project leaders and sponsors are protecting, enhancing, and rebuilding this fish habitat for all Albertans to enjoy now and for generations to come.



Project Leaders

- Edmonton Trout Fishing Club
- Trout Unlimited Canada - Northern Lights Fly Fishers
- Edmonton Oldtimers Fishing Club

Project Sponsors

- Alberta Conservation Association
- Golder
- Parkland County

Thank you to the numerous anglers, non-anglers, and local small businesses who have donated time and resources to this project.

◀ Walk of Fame and Education Centre

Boat Drop Off ➔

After we are done with work and lunch a few of us will probably go fishing – there's rainbow and brown trout to be caught and if you've never seen the new Educational Displays and Alberta Angler Walk of Fame Plaques that we installed there two years ago it's well worth a visit.

Upcoming Programs

We have one more meeting in person at Queen Mary Park Community League Hall ([10844-117 Street](tel:10844-117Street)) and two more Tie and Talk ZOOM meetings before we break for the summer.

Our ZOOM meeting id is 668 142 7482, and the meeting password is 306090. More information about joining [ZOOM](#) is available on our webpage

Wednesday May 10 at 7:30

Tie and Talk meeting on ZOOM. This is an informal meeting where you can see what others are tying and show off your flies.

Wednesday May 17 at 7:30

Roundtable on the theme of 'Looking Ahead', a knowledge and wish list sharing session. And the Hall renovations should all be finished by then!

Part 1: Based on what you've learned over the years what changes might you make to how and where you fish this season

Part 2: What changes might NLFF consider taking for the rest of this year and beyond in terms of activities, meetings, speakers, projects and membership

This meeting will take place at Queen Mary Park and on ZOOM.

Wednesday May 24 at 7:30

Tie and Talk meeting on ZOOM. This will be the last meeting before the summer.

We are always looking for ideas for our programs. Send your ideas and requests to program@nlft.org for our Fall programs.

kids can catch!



We need some volunteers to help out on Saturday June 10 at Fort Lions Community Pond in [Fort Saskatchewan \(1875 River Valley Drive\)](#). This event is put on by the Alberta Conservation Association and their sponsors. We help out by going around the lake and helping kids with fishing. If you want to help out please e-mail Dick Slobodian at events@nlft.org



Summer Fishing

summers seem to be getting warmer, there's increased algae blooms evident on our lakes, water temperatures are higher and reports of fish-kills and the need for stream closures more frequent. There's some useful fishing tips in a Field and Stream article that you may find useful - [How to Fly Fish for Trout in the Dog-Days Heat of Summer.](#) It's worth a read!



Grayling conservation project

On May 3, Ken Monk presented a summary of the work that was done on the Arctic Grayling Conservation project last year. One of the highlights was some eDNA work done in conjunction with the University of Alberta. You can view the recording of the presentation [here](#).

Stay tuned to your newsletter for more information about two volunteer angling opportunities in the Upper Pembina coming this summer.



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