
Trout Unlimited Canada



Northern Lights Fly Fishers



**Welcome to Northern Lights
Fly Fishers Newsletter**

October 2023 News & Upcoming Events!

Upcoming Events

Bamboo Rod Raffle!

Click the picture to purchase tickets.



Bamboo Rod Raffle

Tickets are 1 for \$10
or 3 for \$20
[Purchase Tickets Now!](#)

UNLIKE SANTA YOU MAY NOT FLY FISH IN WINTER. BUT YOU CAN GIVE THE FLY FISHERS IN YOUR LIFE THE CHANCE TO WIN A PERFECT FLY ROD FOR FISHING IN ALBERTA.

BUY 15 OR MORE TICKETS (\$100+) AND RECEIVE 6 FLIES FOR ALBERTA TIED BY INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS AWARD WINNER, TAK SHIMIZU

This limited-edition 6 strip 7'9" 5 weight 3 piece rod was hand crafted by internationally famed Alberta rod-maker Don Andersen and comes with an aluminum rod tube and cloth bag.

Must be 18+
for purchase only in Alberta
AGLC Licence #656997
Draw: April 20th, 2024

All proceeds will be used to continue the volunteer recreational fishery conservation and education work that Northern Lights Fly Fishers has conducted for many years in Alberta

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Don Andersen says the "rod is a 7'9" 5 weight 3 piece scalloped hollowed rod c/w aluminum rod tube and cloth bag. The rod is a 6-strip rod hand-crafted by me in my Rocky Mountain House, Alberta shop. This rod is the latest in about 300 rods built over the past 40+ years... Over those years nearly 10% of the rods crafted have been donated to Trout Unlimited Canada to aid in the conservation of Trout and their habitats.

The rod features include a downlocking reel seat, premium cork handle, ceramic stripper guides, and Hopkins and Holloway snake and tip-top guides. The ferrules are Classic Sporting Enterprises Super Z.



Splashdown For Water Conservation Event!



Prepare to make a splash and get down to bidding at Trout Unlimited Canada Fall Splashdown for Water Conservation Auction!

Bid on exclusive experiences, art, and more, all in support of a charity dedicated to Conserving, Protecting, and Restoring Canada's freshwater ecosystems. Let's ensure our planet's lifelines keep flowing for generations to come!

[Auction live now through November 20th 2023!](#)

Get Involved!

Upcoming Programs

We will meet in person at Queen Mary Park Community League Hall ([10844-117 Street](#)), as well as continue to stream our meetings on ZOOM when possible. We will be meeting on the second and 4th Wednesday of the month. The meetings start at 7:30 pm.

On alternate Wednesdays, we will have a Zoom-only meeting for a Tie and Talk session. This is an informal meeting where you can see what others are tying and show off your flies.

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, Nov 15 at 7:30

Tie and Talk meeting on ZOOM

Wednesday, November 22 at 7:30

Dick Slobodian, NLFF Outside Events director, will present a slideshow on Why I Fish and What I Do When I Fish.

Wednesday, November 29 at 7:30

Tie and Talk meeting on ZOOM

Wednesday, December 6 at 7:30

Tie and Talk meeting on ZOOM.

Wednesday, December 13 at 7:30

Pizza and fly swap. We get together at Queen Mary Park Hall to have pizza, exchange stories, and hold a fly swap. To participate in the fly swap bring a dozen flies and see which flies you get in exchange.

Wednesday, January 10 2024 at 7:30

Dennis Southwick will tie some patterns for us.

Wednesday, January 17 2024 at 7:30

Tie and Talk meeting on ZOOM

Wednesday, January 24 2024 at 7:30

We will hold our Annual General meeting with reports from the officers and the election of a new Executive. This will be in person at Queen Mary Park Hall and also on ZOOM.

If you wish to join our executive please contact Michael Dell at communications @ nlft.org If you are interested but not ready to commit to a position then you can sit in on our Executive meetings in a mentorship program.

Wednesday, January 31 2024 at 7:30

Tie and Talk meeting on ZOOM

Wednesday, February 1 2024 at 7:30

Tie and Talk meeting on ZOOM

Wednesday, February 14 2024 at 7:30

Fly tying for beginner session. This will be a low-key free session to introduce people to fly tying. Vises, tools, and materials will be available for use.

Wednesday, February 21 2024 at 7:30

Tie and Talk meeting on ZOOM

Wednesday, February 28 2024 at 7:30

Dr. Greg Goss of the University of Alberta will talk about the Effects of Fracking on water quality

We are always looking for ideas for our programs. Send your ideas and requests for our Fall programs

You Asked, We Heard

Fly tying Buddies

We have heard that people want more fly-tying instruction. At our in-person meetings, we will have at least one experienced tyer set up in the back of the room to offer some instruction quietly while the meeting is going on. This is on a drop-in basis.

Also if you have any questions or problems related to fly tying you can send them to Michael Dell at communications @ nift.org, and we will answer them via our Forum, our ZOOM Tie and Talk sessions, or in person at a meeting, whichever way works for you.

Good Reads

Streams *of* Consequence

DISPATCHES FROM THE CONSERVATION WORLD

LORNE FITCH



Thursday November 30th, 2023 @ 7:00PM at Audreys Books

There will be a book launch for Streams of Consequence: Dispatches from the Conservation World by Lethbridge writer Lorne Fitch, a collection of essays highlighting the splendor and diversity of the landscape of southern Alberta.

Lorne Fitch is a former Alberta Fish and Wildlife biologist and the founding director of Cows and Fish

Audreys Books is located at [10702 Jasper Ave, Edmonton](#).

Arctic Grayling

Jessica Reilly has an article on Arctic grayling in the latest issue of Nature Alberta. Several volunteers from Northern Lights helped in this study of the morphology of grayling. You can [read the article online](#)

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