



Main Line Fly Tyers 2012-2013

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Club News

Lake Day

Learn more about still water trout fishing and enjoy a day out. with friends and fellow club members.

Oct; 13th - Lake to be determined.

We will set aside some time in the morning to do a small lecture about how to set up for still waters, types of insects & patterns to use for lake fishing & how to locate fish in still water. People are welcome to wade with us old timers or bring a boat or canoe

Classes Possible at the Greater Plymouth Community Center

We are exploring the possibility of having our tying and strategies classes at the same location as our regular meetings' We will have an open discussion at the September meeting on this subject

Cast & blast Nov 3rd - Location to be determined.

Try your luck at wing shooting pheasants in the morning & fishing all afternoon. Some of the guys up to just hunt all day and some others may just fish all day. What ever your fancy !

In the past this day has been a real blast mostly due to some of the wackos we have in our club. No one has been shot yet, even the birds are safe from this bunch of dead eye hunters. Don't miss the fun. Seasoned hunters, beginners or if you just want to come out to walk the fields with the group. All kidding aside, Safety is a must & Pa hunting license is required

The Club needs flies for shows and charitable donations. Last year we donated several hundred to the Boy Scouts of America and sold hundreds more at the shows. Members are encouraged to bring flies to our meetings. For every six you donate to the Club you will receive a free raffle ticket for that night. (limit two tickets per night.)

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This year Classes will be held in the Cheltenham and SOUDERTON SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Cheltenham High

The dates for the fall classes are:

Fly Tying: Starts Sep. 27th and runs for 6 weeks. Class will have two sections & instructors for beginner-intermediate & advanced Tyers. Cost is \$73.

Fly Fishing: Tactics and Strategies: Starts Monday Oct. 5th and runs for 5 weeks. Cost is \$68.

You must pre-register as this is the first time the courses are being offered and we need to insure the school there will be enough attendees to conduct the classes.

By phone: 215-887-1720

On-line:

General Registration Info: http://cheltenhamtownshipadultschool.org/?page_id=2177

Select the Fly Tying or Tactics here: http://cheltenhamtownshipadultschool.org/?taxonomy=product_categories&term=new-courses&paged=2

SOUDERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

The same classes will be available at Souderton - a Fly tying class for beginners & intermediate's & the Fly Fishing Tactics & Strategies class - that will include a 6th class, one entire evening of Fly casting lessons.

Souderton area community education

760 lower road, Souderton pa 18964

To register by phone - 215-721-1551

By mail - make check payable to SACE.

Fly tying - for beginners and intermediate tyers with up to one year experience.

6 weeks - Wednesdays, 7 to 9 pm, starting 10/3 to 11/7 cost is \$55.00

Fly Fishing Tactics & Strategies

6 weeks - Tuesdays, 7 to 9 pm, starting 10/2 to 11/13 cost is \$55.00

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Scenes of The Summer



West Branch Ausable River, Lake Placid New York

WADER WASH

The invasive alga known as "Didymo" or "Rock Snot" has infected some area rivers!

Didymo blankets stream bottoms and smothers aquatic life. Help prevent the spread of Didymo by taking the following simple steps each time you enter and leave the river. Keep this river safe!

Take 60 seconds now to protect your river:

1. Wash your waders in the salt water bath below. Soak felt soles thoroughly.
2. Use the brush to wet the upper parts.
3. 60 seconds of exposure kills Didymo!

Didymo is an algal diatom – a one-celled plant - that forms long stalks which combine to form heavy, thick mats that can smother a stream bottom. The stalks can persist for two or more months after the diatoms die, causing habitat damage for an extended period of time. Originally found in Scotland and extreme northern Europe and Asia, Didymo has been transported worldwide. Recently, the species has been found in the northeast and mid-Atlantic regions of the United States. In many cases, anglers have unknowingly transported the diatom on their fishing gear.

Use the grab bar for safety

Use the brush to soak the upper wader. Salt water won't harm your waders.

Lake Champlain Basin Program Champlain Chapter

Scenes of The Summer



ALASKA



BOW RIVER, ALBERTA CANADA

Scenes From The Summer



The Great
State of New York



Ron Cook, Rob Huebner and Bob Mathews



THE BOW MUDDLER BUGGER by John Jungers

On my eightieth birthday, this July, I fished the Bow River in Calgary, Alberta, Canada with fishing guide, Don Reilly. I had contacted Don back in May for a reservation on July 17th. It was a birthday present to me. It has been eleven years and ten days since I last fished with Don Reilly. I had retained his business card in my records. Don told me he remembered me. I don't believe him. Fishing guides are salesmen also.



There had been much rain and snow runoff in Alberta and the condition of the river on was poor. It was high, running fast and off color. I met Don at 8am in the rear of the Banff Ptarmigan Inn. He had bad news. There was a chance we couldn't fish today he asked that I go back to my room and wait for his phone call. He would go back to his place and check river conditions with other guides and fly fishing shops in Calgary. He telephoned, as promised, and said a few boats went on the river in the last half hour. The decision to go fishing was mine. He was booked for Wednesday, July 18 and we were leaving for Whitefish Montana July 19. Feeling I had to go fishing today because I had driven 2,078 miles for this fishing trip I wasn't prepared to forsake the Bow River fishing. I had to give it a try.

At 8:30 Don picked me up. By 10:15 we were in Calgary purchasing one day fishing licenses for my wife and myself. This would be Anna Mae's initial float trip. At 11:00AM Don dropped his drift boat into the Bow River. By 11:00Am I was fishing.

It was an hour or more before I felt a fish. Initially Don rigged me up on my 5WT with a Simulator (dry) and a Stone Fly Nymph (point fly). The tippet was 3x about 6' long. After an hour without a strike Don rigged up his 6WT Scott rod with a sink tip line. Attaching about 4 feet of monofilament for tippet he tied on a BOW MUDDLER/BUGGER. He also put on a split shot about one inch above the hook eye. The loop knot prevented the shot from slipping down to the hook eye. The combination of the sink tip line and the shot kept the Streamer near the bottom in the turbulent water. Shortly after putting on the Streamer I got a hookup. I knew it was a trout because of the characteristic body twists and turning so the white belly showed a few inches below the surface of the murky water. As I worked the fish toward the boat, Don was ready with the net. I could see it was a good fish, between 15' and 20". The line slackened, the fish spit the fly. It was gone. But I had action.

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The Bo Muddler Bugger



Don instructed me to cast closer to shore at ten o'clock then still closer to shore back to nine o'clock. Suddenly I felt a hesitation in the drift. I set the hook. A trout took off downstream toward the middle of the River. Then he leaped straight up. Its entire body cleared the water. Its tail was maybe two inches above the surface of the river. He made another run. By now my hand was close to the reel handle and began to hurt. This was a good fish with strong big shoulders and it was fat. After three more runs I was able to work the fish close to the boat so Don could net it. Measuring the Trout on the tape attached to the boat's gunnel, Don exclaimed, "twenty three inches!"

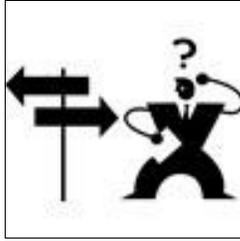
A few minutes later I had another hook up. This fish was not as big as the previous trout but respectable never the less. He was least 18" but less than 20" long. Don quickly released the Rainbow insuring that it would live to fight again.

After lunch, a short way downstream, Don beached the boat. Don directed me a short distance upstream to the head of a riffle after which the water was about 12" deep. He had taken my 5WT from the boat and pointed to a spot to where I should cast the Stone Fly Nymph. On the first presentation I got a hook up. This was another nice rainbow, about 18". As we drifted downstream Don beached the boat twice more and directed me to pockets just off shore. And each time I landed a nice rainbow.

Using the Bow Muddler Bugger we boated three more Rainbows. Another big trout popped the tippet. Seems there are no small Trout in this River. I didn't land a Trout less than 16".

We pulled the boat 7pm. We were on the river for eight hours. Don counted eight Bows netted, one popped tippet and one trout lost at the net. Not bad for a day that started iffy.

I think it is important to note that the Bo River is not named for its Rainbow Trout but for Indians and Bows and Arrows. (John Jungers)



Directions to:

Greater Plymouth Community Center
2910 Jolly Rd, Plymouth Meeting PA 19462
610-277-4312

From Pennsylvania Turnpike (I-276)

Take Exit 333 (Norristown - old exit 25). At the end of the ramp, turn left onto Plymouth Road. At the light, turn right onto Germantown Pike West. Continue approximately one (1) mile, through four (4) traffic lights (not counting the left hand turn light at Sandy Hill Road). At the fifth light, turn right onto Jolly Road. The Community Center is on the right at 2910 Jolly Road.

From Blue Route (I-476)

Take exit for Germantown Pike West (Exit 20). Continue on Germantown Pike west for approximately one (1) mile, through five (5) traffic lights (not counting the left hand turn light at Sandy Hill Road). At the fifth light, turn right onto Jolly Road. The Community Center is on the right at 2910 Jolly Road.

From Route 202

Follow Route 202 to Germantown Pike. Travel EAST on Germantown Pike, through five (5) traffic lights. At the next traffic light, approximately half a mile, turn left onto Jolly Road. The Community Center is on the right at 2910 Jolly Road.

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