



The Long Cast



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Presidents Message

Thanks to last meeting's presenter, Ryan Sansoucy. He focused on salt water in which there are not trout (excluding squeteague) but it was a very interesting presentation of interest to many of our fishermen.

I can report that the Pines Porta-John is in place. Thanks to Al Troughon for supplying the labor.

Incidentally the old bathroom that burned out at the "check station" is cleaned out. There is talk of replacing the check station with a more up-to-date facility. At that time there will be bathrooms put in place.

We had talked about summertime streamside meetings. The permits have been secured. We are permitted for 2PM to 9PM and the dates are the May through August dates listed in this newsletter for our General Meetings. Obviously we will not have nine hours of business but we have our permits for that period of time on each of those days.

I was gratified by the recognition and the award from DEM given to me at the banquet by Jay Aron of the Forest Environment Division

of DEM. Thanks Jay, and thanks for everyone's support in helping me work with the Arcadia Management folks in this Department.

Lawson Cary
President

Important Dates

E-Board Meetings

- May-3-08
- Sept..6-08
- Oct. 4-08
- Nov.1-08
- Dec. 6-08

General Meetings

- April-30-08
- May-28-08 streamside
- June 25-08 streamside
- July 30-08 streamside
- Aug 27-08 streamside
- Sept.-24-08
- Oct.29-08
- Nov.19-08
- Dec.17-08

Adopt-A-Highway

- May, 31-08
- Sept.27-08
- Dec.20-08
- Float Stocking
- April 26-08
- May-24-08
- Sept. 20-08

Fly Casting at the Wood/ Pawcatuck Watershed Headquarters

4pm-6pm
July 24, 2008
July 31, 2008
\$5 members \$10 non members
Family Fun Fishing Days
For children aged 12 and under (Rods, tackle, worms, bottled water will be provided. Location to be announced.)
\$5 for members \$10 non members
10am-1pm
July 11, 2008
July 18, 2008

April Presentation

We will have two guides here on April 30th giving a joint presentation: *Fishing the Androscoggin River in the Great North Woods of New Hampshire.* Gerry Crow and Jim Norton are our presenters.

Every summer the heaviest caddis, stonefly and mayfly hatches emerge from mid-June into July on the Androscoggin River and other North Country rivers and ponds. This multimedia presentation tells the story of these hatches, related fly patterns, the fish, the techniques

and river locations in the area around Errol, NH. Jim Norton and Gerry Crow of New Hampshire Rivers Guide Service will share their decades of combined experience fishing and guiding this area. Learn about the blizzard Alder Fly hatch that has trout leaping out of the water. See the best fly patterns and techniques to use for the caddis, stoneflies and mayflies that fill the summer air.

Their site is
www.nhriversguide.com

Ed Lombardo

A Typical Stream Crossing

Until recently the Pasquisset Brook would flood Shannock Road after heavy rains. In came the engineers and the “powers that be” to correct the problem!

Their mission was focused on allowing the water to get from one side of the road to the other. In this case the flood probability was eliminated with the erection of a massive cement wall (see picture below.)

No thought whatsoever went into creature migration up and down river! One day perhaps the information in the Stream Continuity Program will be used to



factor in such concerns in correcting old construction and in planning new construction.

Please consider joining the effort that TU volunteers are making in completing the collection of information on our state’s stream crossings. This is an important piece of business that Lawson Cary has supervised. Contact Burt Strom.

The Annual Banquet

The 2008 annual banquet was a big success! Things went off without a hitch and resulted in a very good fund raiser for the chapter.

Many beautifully crafted items were auctioned along with many donations made by members, local vendors and perennial friends of the chapter. In addition, the event was made very special when Jay Aron, District Forester at the Arcadia Management Area office of the Department of Environmental Management presented our president, Lawson Cary, with a Certificate of Appreciation for his continued volunteer work in the Arcadia area. When approached about the idea, Jay showed a lot of enthusiasm for the award since in his words, “Lawson always does what he promises and he does a lot for Arcadia Management area. We look forward to continuing our work together.”

We were every fortunate with this year’s new caterer, Gem Ravioli, who got rave reviews for their work. Many members as well as

the church were very impressed with the overall quality of the food and service.

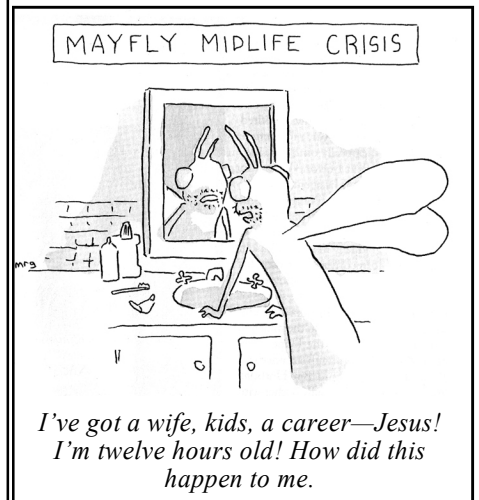
George Champlin and John McCall were the big winners with George taking the Lincoln canoe home and John walking away with the Winston Rod and Orvis reel package. Congratulations gentlemen!

Dan Beltrami, Jay Boyer, Sandy Ball, George Rainville, and John Mello, were among the tyers and craftsmen who donated their work to the auctions. The items crafted play a big role in our fund raising efforts. Thanks to all.

A special “thank you” goes to Mary and her team at the church. Mary is a tireless, energetic, and very pleasant lady who kept in constant contact with Patti and she managed the hall and caterer. The Chapter is very fortunate to have such a strong relationship with the church.

Despite an earnest effort to remember everyone, I am sure I am forgetting someone...thanks to everyone for their help and support.

Jim DeWaele



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Trout Excursions on TV

TU's new television show, **On the Rise** begins its first season on the **Outdoor Channel** this **Friday, April 4 at 8 p.m.**

Hosted by Frank Smethurst, an accomplished Telluride fly-fishing guide, the show takes viewers on a tour of some of the best fly-fishing locations around the country and highlights places where Trout Unlimited's conservation work has made a difference.

From the first episode where Smethurst drives his trout-patterned Airstream trailer to Montana's Madison River, to the season's final episode where he stalks winter steelhead in Ohio, **On the Rise** is a 30-minute weekly adventure for people who appreciate fly-fishing and the beautiful places it takes them. The show is produced by Barrett Productions, the country's leading outdoor adventure television production company.

The show airs weekly on [the Outdoor Channel](#) on **Friday nights at 8 p.m.**, with encore airings of each episode on **Saturday at 2 p.m.** and **Sunday at 7:30 a.m.** Check with your local cable provider to see if it carries the Outdoor Channel.

To see the show's schedule, go to www.tu.org

Fly Of The Month Case Building Caddis By Harald Weidler

Recipe

Hook: Tiemco 2312 #10
Bead: Tungsten, black
Thread: Kevlar, brown
Case: Pheasant or Turkey fibres rolled to a ball and then placed in a dubbing loop and spun. Then brush it and trim all long fibers
Thorax: Furry foam, twisted into rope around brown monofilament
Legs: 2 turns emu feather
Wing pads: 2 burnt pheasant feathers
Antennae: Nutria strands

Here is an artificial they have not seen before !



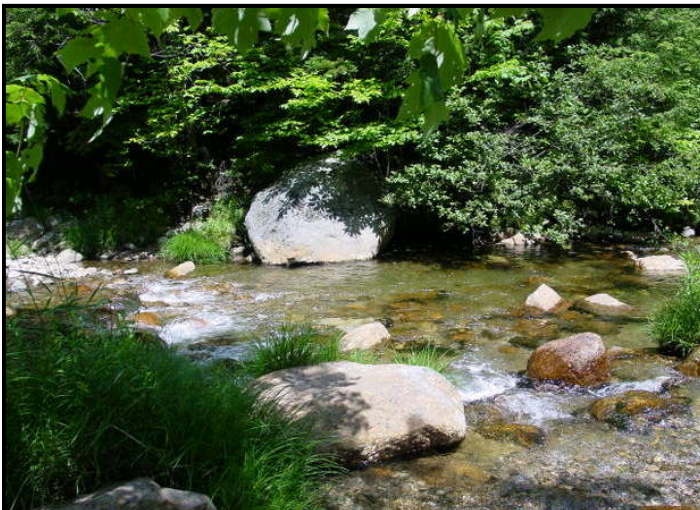
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Narragansett Chapter meetings are held on the last Wednesday of every month-September through May at the Greek Orthodox Annunciation Church, Oaklawn Ave. (Rte 5), Cranston, RI. Meetings start at 7:00 PM.

**OUR NEXT MEETING
WILL BE ON April 30th.**



The upper Ellis River in New Hampshire

