



Penobscot Fly Fishers NEWSLETTER

November 2008

President's Notes

The fall foliage has diminished to faded red, gold and browns as Jack Frost has made his presence more frequently. October has given up many beautiful days in which to fly fish the open waters that remain open in certain county areas. Members Alex Kovanko and son Nickolas were photographed fly fishing the Piscataquis River. The wading was easy but the fish were not interested in their offerings. Those of us who tie flies as a hobby will find the Fly Tying Symposium coming up on November 16 (Sunday) an interesting and fun day. The camaraderie among the exhibitors is contagious and spills over to interested visitors and PFF members.

Club volunteers will set up the morning of the event and kitchen will be open to serve light fare and desserts.

The October monthly meeting was attended by over 30 members and guests. William Krohn's presentation about Manly Hardy was very interesting and many questions were fielded by Krohn after the program.

Acknowledged at the meeting was the resignation of Secretary John Lent. John has been the club's only secretary, serving over ten years. The club thanks John for his term of service and work on committees. Mike Curtis has been appointed to serve the balance of the secretary's term.

Ron Landry has stated that he will not be serving as 2nd vice president for 2009. He will be working on club projects as in the past and we thank Ron for that. His personality has been an asset to the club as he has worked the Cabin Fever event, Conservation Camp, The Sportsman Show and fly tying and served on the Board.

The November monthly meeting will feature Kevin Tracewski (University of Maine biology instructor and Registered Maine Guide) as guest speaker. His presentation will be on fishing Maine waters and fly fishing in Maine.

The nomination committee will present a slate of officers and nominations for open Board of Directors' positions. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the November meeting. Voting will take place at the December meeting.

Alan Gray, President

Secretary's Notes

Mike would like anyone with a changed or new e-mail account to send him the address at secretary@penobscotflyfishers.com.

Reading the newsletter on the web reduces our newsletter costs and aids communication. Thank you for your help. This will allow a direct e-mail of the newsletter and an e-mail reminder of the meetings.

Fly Tying Symposium

Everything is coming together nicely for our annual Fly Tying Symposium. The event will be held at the world famous Brewer Auditorium on Sunday, November 16, 2008 from 9 am to 4 pm. The event is open to the public and there is no charge for admission. There will be a plethora of tyers (22 at the present time) that will be demonstrating their tying skills and selling a little "stuff" on the side! To see a complete, up-to-date list of tyers attending, please go to our website at:

www.penobscotflyfishers.com/symposium.html.

Anyone looking to help out can bake a pie or two for the concession stand. We will be serving pie with lunch and selling what is left. Thanks to all those helping to make this event a great success each fall.

We will have door prizes and raffle tickets will be available for purchase for our Old Town Discovery Canoe (with paddles and life jackets) and our Winston 8 wt fly rod!

If you would like to help with the publicity, there is a flier that you can download from the website that you can print and put in your favorite fly shop, sporting goods outlet, grocery store, etc. Thanks for your help.

www.penobscotflyfishers.com/symposiumflier.pdf.

Beginners Fly Tying

The club's annual beginners fly tying course will begin on Thursday, January 9, 2009 at the Bangor Parks and Rec building on lower Main St. in Bangor beginning at 6 pm. Anyone interested in helping with this course please contact Don Corey at flytying@penobscotflyfishers.com. The cost for the course is \$30 and all materials and equipment are provided. If you are interested in signing up, please contact Don.

Secretary's Report from October 15 Directors' Meeting

President Alan Gray called Meeting to order at 6:17 pm. In attendance were Board members Alan Gray, Ernie MacDonald, Bob Blatz, Alex Kovanko, Mike Curtis, Don Corey, Hank Metcalf, Malcolm Coulter, and Rob Dunnett. Joe Bertolaccini and Zach Dunnett were also in attendance.

A Motion was made and passed to accept the resignation of Secretary John Lent.

Alan Gray appointed Mike Curtis to fill the rest of John's term. Mike left the room as the appointment was discussed and approved.

Alan Gray welcomed Rob Dunnett to the Board

Treasurer Ernie MacDonald reported on the club finances. Account balances as of September 30, 2008 are as follows:

Checking Acct: 1,768.38	
Savings Acct: 2,871.05	CD
Account 1: 1,003.35	CD
Account 2: 1000.00	CD
Account 3: 1000.00	

The Treasurer's report was discussed and accepted.

A motion was made to accept the Resignation of Ron Landry from the 2nd V.P. position.

Don presented an Idea to have generic email addresses for the President, Secretary and Treasurer such as Secretary@penobscotflyfishers.com, etc. After brief discussion the idea was adopted.

Don gave a report on the upcoming Fly Tying Symposium.

Ernie gave a report on the upcoming Cabin Fever Reliever show. At the time of the meeting there were 12 registered exhibitors with 9 more committed. There has been \$390.00 in income collected. There are \$22.48 in expenses so far. It was decided that the drawing for the advertising incentive will be drawn at the March general meeting.

Membership Committee: At present there are 63 paid club members.

December Meeting: At the December meeting we will once again be collecting non-perishable food and toys.

Bylaws & Policy Committee: a review of the bylaws and club policies has begun. Some thoughts and ideas about our current bylaws were discussed. The current bylaw committee consists of Don Corey, Hank Metcalf, Dan Hodgins and Joe Bertolaccini

Malcolm Coulter will be taking over the responsibilities of the club library.

Meeting Adjourned At 8:25pm

Submitted By Michael Curtis, Secretary

Cabin Fever Reliever Show Program

As a little sales incentive for this year's CFR show program, someone will win a new rod. Annika Rod and Fly (Don Corey) is donating the components (blank, reel seat, grip, guides, thread, etc) to build a TFO (Temple Fork Outfitters) Professional Series 4 piece rod and the really cool, triangular rod tube.

For each ad that someone sells they will have their name put in the "hat" for a chance to win the rod. Sell 3 ads, your name goes in 3 times. Buy an ad yourself, your name goes in.