



# Penobscot Fly Fishers NEWSLETTER



## Wind Knots

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by

Ed Bruno, President

\$1,000 for the right fly!! That's what many of us would've paid during a recent weekend on the West Branch of the Penobscot River at the Big Eddy. Water levels are still up, but quite fishable, the surface temperature is about 50 degrees, and there were massive hatches of egg laying caddis flies. That same weekend, in addition to the usual gluttons for punishment, the annual Fly Fishing in Maine gathering at the Big Eddy was held. Although several healthy salmon were caught and released, salmon were keyed in on a specific caddis fly that none of us had. Talk about a frustrating and humbling experience!

Please join us Wednesday, July 6, 2005 at the Coach House Restaurant at 6:00 P.M. Our July meeting will be purely social, with no scheduled speaker. Prior to the meeting, weather permitting, Dave Ferris will again offer casting instructions at the Coach House Restaurant. Dave would also appreciate others to assist him with this activity. Our August meeting will be held on Sunday the 14th at Cheryl and Mile Roy's Brooklin home. This is our annual lobster bake. As always, it is a wonderful, laid back summer day at their home overlooking the ocean. I encourage all Club members to reserve this date, and to bring their friends, family, and prospective Club members. For those who don't enjoy lobsters, a grill will be available for you to cook an alternative dinner. Please contact John Lent at 945-3809 for reservations. Bring chairs, beverages and something for the pot luck table, such as appetizers, salads, or desserts. Fishing for mackerel and stripers, canoeing, kayaking and just kicking back and relaxing will be the order of the day. If you need directions, call Cheryl, at 359-3342. We meet about noon, and run until we've run out of stories, and food.

Speakers will again commence with our Wednesday, September 7, 2005 monthly meeting at the Coach House Restaurant. Denise Buckley, Assistant Manager at Craig Brook Hatchery, will have up to date information on the hatchery and Atlantic salmon fishing.

At our June meeting, a tremendous amount of Club interest was generated by a presentation by Larry Fiori and John Hunt, with the Classic Salmon program ([www.classicsalmon.org](http://www.classicsalmon.org)). This is an extremely well thought out and innovative program designed to improve landlocked salmon fishing, here in Maine. Another program which will help current and future fishing for all species here in the State is the Angler Record Keeping Book. I encourage all members to contact either Stephen Seeback at [stephen.seeback@maine.gov](mailto:stephen.seeback@maine.gov), or Jeff Bagley ([jeff.bagley@maine.gov](mailto:jeff.bagley@maine.gov)), or via telephone 695-3736, to receive the free log book. At the end of the season they will mail a postage paid envelope to you, so that you can mail your record book to them. Once the biologists have the information from your book, they will return it to you.

This summer Penobscot Fly Fishers will, again, offer two free programs- entitled "Fly Fishing 101", at the Big Eddy Campground. The programs will be held on Saturday, July 16, 2005, and Saturday, August 20, 2005. For Club members who are interested in assisting students to learn fly tying, fly casting, safety and conservation during this program that will run from approximately 11:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M., here's the deal -- lunch will be provided by the campground, also a free campsite will be offered for Saturday night, giving you the opportunity to stay over, fish Saturday, through Sunday. If you are interested in participating, please contact me either at my office 942-3988, or in the evenings 862-5666. Ideally, I would like to have one instructor per student.

When you fish, do you take pictures? If you will email those pictures to Don Corey at [don@annika.us](mailto:don@annika.us), we will upload them onto our Club website.

The Club recently received a donation of waders, wading boots, and fly fishing vests. It is all used equipment, and too numerous to list. If you're interested in purchasing any of it, please contact me at the telephone numbers listed in this newsletter to arrange looking at the equipment, at my house in Hampden. Likewise, the Club has received numerous books related to fly fishing, and we will start a lending library. In a future newsletter a listing of material will be included. The library will be kept at my Bangor office, which should be readily available and convenient to Club members. If you have additional books, magazines, DVDs or VCR tapes, and you would

like to donate them to the Club, they would be very much appreciated.

Last, but not least, annual dues were payable in June - \$30.00 for an individual and \$35.00 for a family. John Lent, our membership chairperson (34 Bunker Lane, Bangor, Me 04401) would appreciate your check.

Please mark your calendar for all of the upcoming Club functions, and join us.

Last, but not least, if you have any questions about Penobscot Fly Fishers, please do not hesitate to call me.

Tight Lines,

Ed

## Calendar

July 6 Dinner meeting, Coach House, 6 pm  
No speaker

July 20 Directors meeting, Coach House, 6 pm

Aug 14 Sunday, Lobster Bake Roy estate in Brookin  
Call John Lent for details, 945-3809

Aug 17 Directors meeting, Coach House, 6 pm

## Pictures Needed

John Lent is putting together a photo album of club events. If you can spare any photos, negatives or digital images from past club events please get them to John for inclusion in the album.