
FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS

TWIN TIERS-FIVE RIVERS CHAPTER

[Canistee-Chemung-Cohocton-Susquehanna-Tioga Rivers in NY South & PA North Tiers] www.TwinTiersFFF.org April 2006

APRIL 3rd- Big Flats Community Center Program begins 7 p.m.

Program : Greg Heffner and Conhocton TU Group

Greg Heffner is a nationally known fly tyer and President of the Conhocton Chapter of Trout Unlimited. Greg and other Conhocton TU members will share their insights and approaches on this year-round fishery [Cohocton River] including access, hatches, fly selection, techniques, and other interesting information.

CASTING FOR RECOVERY

Club volunteer fly tyers should bring their flies for CFR to the April 3rd meeting. Your assistance is needed for this worthwhile project. Requested flies: **Bead head Nymphs** (sizes 10-12); **Attractor Dry Flies** (sizes 8 - 12); **Terrestrials** (sizes 10-12); **Wooly Buggers** (lightly weighted, sizes 6-8); **Parachute Adams** (sizes 10-12).

Future Programming:

May 1- Dave Rothrock- Effective Nymph Tactics and Patterns

TT-5R Chapter of the FFF welcomes back internationally known fly fishing guide, instructor, author and speaker Dave Rothrock. Dave has written several articles for Fly Fisherman magazine on nymph fishing and is especially well known for his effective methods for fishing these underwater fly patterns. It is estimated that trout find over 90% of their food underwater. Yet, many have found that nymph fishing presents significant challenges in detecting takes and hooking up on fish. Come hear Dave share his insights and help you improve this part of your fly fishing game.

June 5- Jeff White- Understanding and Fishing the Hatches of the Upper Delaware River

1. How the system works and it affects on fishing
2. Major hatches by season, timing and identification
3. Imitations
4. Presentation
5. Other imitations e.g.: Alewives etc.
6. Flow Issues and current fight for water [with NYC]

Jeff's bio: "I grew up fishing for anything that swims in CT and NY. After high school I went to college in North Western South Carolina and guided on many of the streams in the Blue Ridge, the Davidson River and others in the Asheville, NC area. After college I moved to Elizabethton, TN to guide on the South Holston, Watauga, and Clinch River tailwater systems. I was hired five years ago to move back here and manage Al Caucci's Delaware River Club [Starlight, PA]. Along with the Delaware, I would be more than happy to answer any questions on the southern tailwaters or free stone streams in SC, NC, GA, and TN that have become popular in the last few years."

The Delaware River System is generally recognized as the best wild trout fishery East of the Mississippi. The Delaware River system (East Branch, West Branch, and Main Stem) are in eastern Catskills and are within a two-hour drive from Corning/Elmira. Both the East and West Branch are tailwater fisheries – cold water bottom releasing dams providing excellent habitat for high growth rate trout. The fishery is known for challenging the most experienced fly fishers, yet it offers a rare opportunity to hook up with truly huge wild trout.

NEW CLUB LIBRARY

Gary Shaw has volunteered to manage the new TT-5R Chapter library. If you have books, periodicals, tapes, or CD-ROMs involving flyfishing in any aspect that you wish to donate for this program, please contact Gary at 607.733.5238, email gweb731@aol.com, or bring your donations to any meeting. In future newsletters we plan to include the list of items Gary has to loan. We will eventually continually update the list on the club web site as well. All you have to do to borrow an item is to contact Gary before a meeting and he will bring it with him. Borrowers are honor bound to return the borrowed item at the following meeting.

TROUT STOCKING

Club members and other area sportsman groups have been busy stocking area streams and lakes. Additional stocking is planned and these stockings are always short of manpower. Please plan to help if you can with these future stocking dates. We will pass them on via email

when we learn of them.

STREAM BANK CONTROL- CATHERINE CREEK-- This is planned for early April. We will email our group when the date, time, and place is announced.

The Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter voted to support Elmira’s River Fest scheduled for June 3rd. Members will be on hand to perform fly casting demos on the water. For more information regarding River Muse and River Fest go to:
<http://www.chemungrivertrail.com>

ANNUAL FLY FISHING SEMINAR-

Is history. Over 200 adults and young people made the trek to the Horseheads Middle School Field House on Sing Sing Rd. Sunday March 26. The seminar was a great success and already club officers are critiquing the program with an eye on 2007. Everyone who helped in one way or another should give themselves a good long pat on the back for a job well done.

Fly-Tying Nights

Fly tying nights have concluded for this winter season. Now it is time to see if the trout are fooled with our newest creations.

INSIDE THE FLY BOX

Here are a few flies to add to our fly boxes for May. These are flies that work on our smaller home waters:

- Black Caddis #14, All May
- Blue Quill #16-18, Early May
- Blue Wing Olive # 18 To Mid-May
- Quill Gordon #12-14, To Mid-May
- Gray Fox #14 Mid-May
- Hendrickson #12-14 Early May
- Sulphur #16-18 Late May
- Brown Stonefly #12 To Mid-May
- Black Midges #20-26 All May
- Woolly Buggers #8-12, Anytime

Nymphs: Sizes 14-16

- Gold Ribbed Hare’s Ear
- Bead Head Prince
- Pheasant Tail Flash Back
- Prince Nymph
- Caddis
- Stonefly Nymphs #12-16

Invitations

If you know of fly fishers living within 50 miles of the Elmira-Corning area of New York who might be interested in learning more about our FFF Twin Tiers-Five River group, let your club president or secretary know. When joining the FFF for the first time, please insert “Twin Tiers-Five Rivers” where Club Affiliation is requested on the new membership application form to become part of our group.

Directions to Big Flats Community Center: Exit off NY Rte 17/1-86 at Exit 49. Go south. At tee turn left onto Maple St. Follow Maple St. for approximately 0.2 miles. Community Center will be on your right just beyond the town hall. The Federation of Fly Fishers is a 40-year-old organization working to conserve, restore and educate through fly-fishing. The FFF is the only organization that advocates for fly anglers on all waters. **Join the Federation of Fly Fishers.** Send a check for \$35 (seniors over 65 \$25) to **Federation of Fly Fishers, PO Box 1595, Bozeman, MT 59771.** Include Twin Tiers-Five Rivers as your club affiliation on your FFF membership form to be recognized as part of the TT-5R Chapter. You can join the FFF online at www.fedflyfishers.org or by phone at 406.222.9369

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NEXT CLUB MEETING: Monday April 3

Big Flats Community Center 7pm

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