
FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS

TWIN TIERS-FIVE RIVERS CHAPTER

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

March 6- Big Flats Community Center Program begins 7 p.m.

Catch and Release Techniques - an interesting DVD by Terry Edelmann on techniques for landing, handling, reviving and safely releasing trophy trout. You will find this presentation very interesting and it will change the way you approach this sometimes awkward aspect of our favorite sport.

Seminar Planning – After the above program at the March 6th meeting, we will pull together the final plans for the upcoming seminar on March 26. The seminar promises to be a great event - and we need all to help. Please make every effort to attend on March 6 and help make your club's seminar a success.

February meeting program by Keith Mathews- *Trout Fishing in the Chalk Streams of England - Angling in the Birthplace of Modern Fly Fishing* - was a great success. Keith's Power Point program was loaded with personal photos and information from his trips to English waters. From all reports it was another of those great "must-see" programs put together just for you. If you missed it, you should mark club meeting nights on your annual calendar so as not to miss others. And, we have great programs every meeting night.

. TT-5R Chapter Federation of Fly Fishers FLY TYING CLASSES

The club's first fly tying class is progressing very well. If you wanted to take this class, but missed it, John Lively is taking names for a possible new class, which may be held in March. If interested, call John Lively at 607-739-8791.

Reminder: CASTING FOR RECOVERY

Dick Paul, wishes to remind everyone that TT-5R member volunteer fly tyers will be donating flies to the CFR again this year. Your assistance is needed for this worthwhile project. Flies requested are: **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). Please bring your flies for this project to the April 3rd meeting.

Future Programming:

April 3- 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.

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.

Program Change: June 5- Jeff White- Unlocking the Mysteries of the Delaware River System

Jeff White is the manager for Al Caucci's famous Delaware River Club in Starlight PA. Jeff is speaking to us on the Delaware River system, which 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.

Jeff will overview the fishery, discuss access, hatches, flies and proven methods. Both the East and West Branch are tail water 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.

ANNUAL FLY FISHING SEMINAR

Sunday March 26 Horseheads Middle School Field House, 950 Sing Sing Rd. 1-5 p.m. Everyone received the program poster for 2006's program with last month's newsletter. You are needed to be there early to help set up. We're ready to go- final details such as set-up times to be worked out at this coming Monday night's meeting.

Fly-Tying Nights

Fly tying events are taking place on Tuesday evenings through March at the Big Flats Community Center from 7 to 9:30pm.

INSIDE THE FLY BOX

April is just around the corner. We still have four weeks to get those fly boxes filled before we head for the streams. Some flies that work on our smaller home waters at the beginning of the season are listed below:

Blue Wing Olives #18-28, March -October

Red Quill #12-14, April- Mid-May

Quill Gordon #12-14, April-Mid-May

Little Black Stonefly #18, April

Large Olives #14, Last 3 weeks April

Henrickson #12-16, Early April to Mid-May
Blue Quill #16, Mid to Late April
Brown Stonefly #12, Mid-April to Mid-May
Black Midges #22-32 April-July
Black Caddis #14, April
Blue Dun #16, Mid-April
Woolly Buggers #8-12, Anytime

Nymphs: Sizes 14-16
Gold Ribbed Hare's Ear
Bead Head Prince
Pheasant Tail Flash Back
Prince Nymph
Caddis

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 March 6
Big Flats Community Center 7pm

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