

Trout Unlimited, SE Mass Chapter 241

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Next Meeting: Oct. 10th at the Mitchell Club (29 Elm St.) Middleborough MA, Doors open at 6:00PM for fly tying, General Meeting begins at 7:30 PM and, as always, admission is free.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Jim Augenti

October 2017

Hello Everyone,

Last month at the September meeting Steve Culton gave us a wonderful presentation. We welcomed some new folks and had a great time learning some new techniques and we had very interesting dialog while Steve took the time to answer questions about the little things that can really improve your fishing.

I hope we see a good turnout for our October meeting on the 10th, as Joe Goodspeed of Northfield Mass. and Thomas and Thomas Fly Rods, will be giving a presentation on Musky fishing on the fly. Joe is one of a few among the vanguard of Northeast fly fishermen targeting pike and muskies. You will learn tactics and see some of the flies he has designed for these apex predators. These beasts are becoming more prevalent, so come and learn with an expert!

The chapter continues to reach out to our veterans at the VA in Brockton, where Jim Clinton leads the way on the third Wednesday night of each month, for some fly tying in Bld 4. We are also helping out with some Boy Scouts from troop 38 in Hanover as they progress towards their Fly-fishing Merit badges. Contact Jim Clinton for details.

The five fly rod outfits (8.5' 6 wt.) our chapter recently acquired from L.L.Bean's generous donation through Trout Unlimited will be used in these programs as well as our spring classes and workshops we do moving forward. (So you don't have to bring your coveted favorite fly rod to attend and help a newbie out, as Tom Magee recently did!)

We plan on having some snacks available at the meeting, and the bar downstairs welcomes our patronage. Put the date in your calendar, stop by and share a beverage and some great conversation with your fellow anglers and conservationists. As sportsmen and women, we have an obligation to move this legacy along to the next generation, so consider investing an hour here and there to give something back to the sport!

Regards,
Jim Augenti

p.s. The door prize will be a \$50.00 L.L. Bean gift card!

VETERAN'S FLY TYING

Members of our chapter and Project Healing Waters meet with the veterans the third Wed. of every month for fly tying at 5:30p.m. Building #4, Brockton V.A. Hospital. All are welcome. The address for the Brockton V.A. Hospital is 940 Belmont St. Brockton. That is route 123 just off route 24.

BROCKTON V.A. HOSPITAL

On Sat. Sept 30 Project Healing Waters will be holding a fundraiser and informational day at the Bears Den in Taunton. 12:00 noon until 6:00 p.m. It is called HEALING SATURDAY and is being held at fly shops across the country. There will be noted fly tyers and fly casters. Our own Sheila Hassan will be there for fly casting instruction. This event will raise funds to support our fly tying at the V.A. Hospital; fishing outings and guided trips for the disabled veterans. Scott and Sarah Wessels have generously offered their facility to us for the afternoon. Please come down and support our mission. Bring along a veteran even if they aren't a fly fisherman. Check out the beautiful Bears Den shop while you are there. I hope to see you all there. Thank You! Jim Clinton

Our Next Meeting:

Wow what a show Steve Culton put on at the September meeting his program *The Little Things* was outstanding and more good things are to come at the October meeting. You can see more of his work on his website, currentseams.com.

October Speaker ---- Joe Goodspeed

Joe will present a program on Musky Hunting with Fly Rod and Flies. For a young fellow Joe has caught trophy Trout, Steelhead, Salmon and several salt water species. Joe is a sales executive with Thomas & Thomas Rod Company in Greenfield MA.



November Speaker – Nate Hill

Nate is a professional licensed fishing guide owner of Hill Country Guides in New Hampshire, more on Nate in the November Newsletter.

OVERDUE DVDs

If you have had a DVD from our library for a while, please return it so that others can view it. Contact Jim Augenti (SEMSS TU Team Roster) to make arrangements to return if you can't make a meeting. Thanks.

A New Class – Rod Repair

If you have a broken fishing rod, bring it with you to the next meeting. See Larry Cook.

I will take a look at it and tell you what will be needed to repair it. I am hoping that, we can start meeting @ 6 PM and show everyone how to repair their rods.

SPEAKERS WANTED

Each month the chapter invites a speaker to do a presentation at the monthly meeting. We are always looking for new speakers and new ideas. If you would like to recommend a speaker that would be appropriate for a chapter meeting, or if you as a member have something to present at a monthly meeting, please contact Rick Robinson at extractor27@aol.com.

PHOTOS WANTED

We are looking for photos or videos of any and all TU gatherings over the past year or so. We would like to create a presentation of "A Year in Review" of all of our events. If you have any photos that you would be willing to share please email them to me at: larry.cook205@gmail.com

The Board of Directors have discussed this as a good idea for a May meeting in the future.

Environmental News

Westport River Stream Team Update and Work Party Schedule

Work party are scheduled for:

October 7

November 4

December 2

All of these dates are Saturdays.

Call John Kokoszka to confirm.

We meet at the Brookside Conservation Area on Rt. 177 in Westport at 9 AM. Everyone is welcome. For the up to date information of Westport visit the Chapter website www.southeastmasstu.com.

Please share your copy of the Back Cast with your fishing friends.

We are looking for Delegates to the MA/RI Council of TU.

Trout stocked waters – Southeast District

Stocking Date	Waterbody	Town	Species
9/29/2017	Spectacle Pond (Sandwich)	SANDWICH	Rainbow Trout
9/29/2017	Mashpee Pond	MASHPEE	Rainbow Trout
9/29/2017	Marys Pond	ROCHESTER	Rainbow Trout
9/29/2017	Ashumet Pond	FALMOUTH	Rainbow Trout
9/29/2017	Johns Pond	MASHPEE	Rainbow Trout
9/29/2017	Hamblin Pond	BARNSTABLE	Rainbow Trout
9/29/2017	Baker Pond	ORLEANS	Rainbow Trout
9/28/2017	Ashumet Pond	FALMOUTH	Rainbow Trout
9/28/2017	Johns Pond	MASHPEE	Rainbow Trout
9/28/2017	Grews Pond	FALMOUTH	Rainbow Trout
9/28/2017	Cliff Pond	BREWSTER	Rainbow Trout
9/28/2017	Flax Pond	BREWSTER	Rainbow Trout
9/27/2017	Fearing Pond	PLYMOUTH	Rainbow Trout
9/27/2017	Spectacle Pond (Sandwich)	SANDWICH	Rainbow Trout
9/27/2017	Baker Pond	ORLEANS	Rainbow Trout
9/27/2017	Hamblin Pond	BARNSTABLE	Rainbow Trout
9/27/2017	Shubael Pond	BARNSTABLE	Rainbow Trout
9/27/2017	Big Sandy Pond	PLYMOUTH	Rainbow Trout
9/27/2017	Long Pond (Plymouth)	PLYMOUTH	Rainbow Trout
9/27/2017	Little Pond	PLYMOUTH	Rainbow Trout
9/27/2017	Shubael Pond	BARNSTABLE	Rainbow Trout
9/26/2017	Mashpee Pond	MASHPEE	Rainbow Trout
9/26/2017	Peters Pond	SANDWICH	Rainbow Trout
9/26/2017	Cliff Pond	BREWSTER	Rainbow Trout
9/26/2017	Sheep Pond	BREWSTER	Rainbow Trout

Directions to our monthly meetings:

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month September to May; 6 PM Fly Tying 7:30 PM Meeting Admission is free and visitors are always welcome. We meet at the Mitchell Memorial Club is near the intersection of routes 28 and 105 in Middleboro. It is also near exit 4 on route 495. From Route 495, head toward Middleboro. Take a left at the lights. If you are coming from Middleboro center, take a right at the lights. The Mitchell Club is a white building that is 1/8 of a mile on the right (29 Elm Street) from that intersection. If you cross the RR tracks, you have passed it.

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