



STREAMLINES



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April Club Meeting, “Let the Adventure Continue” by Jon Thames

Our “guest speaker” at the April 9th club meeting will be Don Fine. Don’s presentation “Let the Adventure Continue” is less about fishing and more about what a few fools will do in order to find peace and quiet in the Canadian wilderness, while having the opportunity to get a little closer to nature. Don, his family and friends annually travel to an isolated cabin on Crooked Lake in Quebec via four wheel drive vehicle and boat, in search of lake trout, red trout and lunker smallmouth bass. The April program might also include a guest visitor who will round out the evening with music from the Canadian wilderness.



Fly Tying Roundtable by Don Fine

Andy Simmons will be the featured fly tyer at the April 17th fly tying roundtable. The pattern that Andy chose for his featured tie is the “Prince nymph” that was made popular in Western North America by Doug Prince of Monerey, California from whom it gets its name. The Prince Nymph is one of those must have flies. It rates along with Pheasant Tail nymphs, Gold Ribbed Hare's Ear nymphs and Zug Bug as one of the top 10 nymphs that you must have in your fly box.

In case you missed the March roundtable when James Harris tied his version of Ward Bean’s articulated bluegill minnow, I have included the tying instructions later in this newsletter.

Tyers scheduled for remainder of the spring of **2013** include:

May – Tom Scally – TBA*

June – Devin Angleberger – TBA*

* *Pattern to be announced*

The roundtable starts promptly at 6:30 PM at Hobbytown, 919 East Street in Frederick and ends at 8 PM. We welcome new tyers to the PVFF Roundtable, as well as those who just want to observe and learn.

New tyers: if you need equipment to get started tying, PVFF can loan you a set of tying tools. Call Don at 301-371-5617.

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Announcements :

(Editorial note: In the best interest of our membership, the Announcements Section of the monthly Streamlines, rather than email, is the primary vehicle for dissemination of information for club-sponsored activities as well as activities promoted by "outside" not-for-profit organizations. Those wishing to use Streamlines to announce an activity will need to provide a brief description of the activity, dates of the activity and contact information to the editor one week prior to the monthly Streamlines publication date, i.e. the last day of the month. Announcements will be edited to fit the Streamlines format.

Up Coming PVFF Programs by Jon Thames

May Club Meeting - The May 14th club meeting will be held at Middletown Community Park beginning at 6:00 PM. Note, that this is an early start time. Be there at 6:00 PM if your schedule allows, and if

not we'll see you at 7:00 PM. The program that evening will be our annual casting clinic featuring Bob Stouffer and his group of master casting instructors. This annual event will be held "rain or shine", so dress for the weather....event will be cancelled, however, if there is lightning. Bob will also give a demonstration on casting with a Spey rod and switch rod. This may be of particular interest to any who are interested in learning spey casting and also note that the club now has both a spey and switch rod available on the PVFF loaner program and you can see Lou Stohlman for more details. Additional note to all club members; we have several five (5) weight rods and an eight (8) weight rod available as loaner rods. Again see Lou Stohlman for rod availability.

June Club Meeting - Our June 11 meeting will be fishing and a picnic at the Catoctin Creek Nature Center. We have reserved the covered pavilion and the Club will provide charcoal for cooking as well as burgers and hot dogs. Please bring a dish to pass, chips or any of your speciality food items for the club. The park will be ours to enjoy for the evening. We expect the fishing is going to be great in early June, so get there early and fish until late. The club will have access to the park until 9:00 PM. If you have not fished our *home waters* yet this is a great chance as the catch and release is still in effect until June 15th. Come, fish and enjoy the park for this fishing picnic. If you have any questions regarding either event please contact me at blkpoole@aol.com or my cell 301-788-2482.

Other Upcoming PVFF Events

Town Creek Outing – Sunday, April 21st - Larry Forte will be taking club members to Town Creek to fish his family's property on April 21st. From that location fly fishers have about a ½ mile of river access on Town

Creek. The group will leave the Frederick area at 7:00 AM and should be on the water by 9:00 AM. If you would like to come later that day, Larry will have maps with directions to his family's property at the next meeting.

Larry is also thinking of taking anyone who is interested in fishing the upper stocked section of Town Creek after lunch that day. This section is about 15 minutes from his family's house and is a beautiful stretch of water. For those that would just like to fish from the family property all day, that is fine as well.

If you have already signed up for the outing, Larry will be sending an e-mail to everyone in a few days. If you would like to be added to the list, send me an e-mail at lbforte@verizon.net or call me at 301-943-7533.

Project Healing Waters Outing - PVFF will be hosting military veterans at Otter Fish Camp on Little Owens Creek on May 4th. Project Healing Waters is a non-profit organization that assists in the physical and emotional rehabilitation of disabled military personnel by providing them with the opportunity to learn and experience fly fishing. Volunteers are needed to gillie for these disabled veterans. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jeff Brubaker at brubaker6363@aol.com or cell# (301) 606-8762 if you can help even part of the day.

Youth Fly fishing Class – A youth fly fishing class will be held May 11th from 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM with a lunch break. Students will need to bring their own lunch. There is no fee. Contact John at 301-371-4205 if you wish to register your young flyfisher for the class.

Other Fly Fishing Events in the Region

Antietam Fly Anglers (AFA) Annual Banquet - AFA will hold their annual banquet at the Ramada Plaza, Hagerstown, on April 13th. Contact Sterling Buzzell at flycaster@centurylink.net or 717-762-2235, if you are interested in attending. Banquet begins with a social hour starting at 5:00 PM.

Upcoming Events at Catoctin Creek Nature Center - PVFF members should look forward to participating in one or more of the following activities/events that will be held at the Catoctin Creek Nature Center, the site of PVFF home waters.

- On April 6th there will be a Catoctin Creek stream clean up. For more information about the Catoctin Creek Park cleanup, please email Jon Thames - blkpoole@aol.com.
- On April 13 from 10 AM until 2 PM, volunteers will be working with Catoctin Creek Park staff to survey the health of Catoctin Creek by capturing and counting macro-invertebrates.
- On April 20th Catoctin Creek will hold its annual Naturefest. PVFF will be participating in each of these activities.

Club members are encouraged to participate/attend. Volunteers are needed for hosting each event.

Virginia Fly Fishing and Wine Tasting Festival - The Virginia Fly Fishing Festival is held annually on the banks of the South River in Waynesboro, Virginia. From its humble beginnings in the spring of 1999, the festival has grown to the largest event of its kind in the Old Dominion. In recent years the flyfishing festival has included wine tasting and wine vendors and is now referred to as the **Virginia Fly Fishing and Wine Festival**. In 2013 the event will be held April 20th & 21st.

Sponsor Youth to Attend the “2013 Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp “ - At the February PVFF Board meeting, the Directors appropriated \$500 toward sending youth applicants to the 2013 Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Camp with a maximum of \$200/youth applicant. Annually the Pennsylvania Council of Trout Unlimited offers a Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp at the Allenberry Resort Inn “On the Yellow Breeches”, Boiling Springs, PA. The camp is co-ed for youth, ages 14-17. The purpose of the camp is to educate students in the importance of coldwater conservation. Classes include principles of ecology, hydrogeology, wetlands, trout stream entomology, aquatic invertebrates, etc. Fly fishing sessions, led by fly fishing experts, include beginner and advanced casting, knot tying, fly tying and advanced fishing. The 2013 program will be held Sunday through Friday, June 16-21st. Cost for attendees is \$350 which includes tuition, room and board, course materials, vest, tee shirt, hat and flies. In addition to support that will be provided by PVFF additional financial aid is available to applicants via Trout Unlimited chapters. Youth from PVFF membership who are interested in applying for acceptance into the 2013 program should contact Don Fine at 301-371-5617. For more information or to apply directly go to www.RiversCamp.com.

PVFF Membership & Dues by Ruby Fine

There are still a few outstanding membership dues to be paid. If you are one, you can still renew at the April meeting. At the April meeting, we will have the traditional 50-50 cash drawing with two tickets being drawn. The first ticket drawn will get a choice of either ½ of the money

collected or a selection of one dozen trout flies from the Beaver Creek Fly Shop.

...”*fly tying is the next best thing to fishing; it is the sort of licking of the lips that eases a thirsty man in the desert*”. Arthur Ransome, “Fly Tying in Winter”, Rod and Line (1929)

Fly Pattern of the Month by Don Fine

Ward Bean’s Articulated minnow by James Harris

Size 2 Mustad 3366 hooks

1. For the rear hook
 - a. After wrapping thread to the hook bend tie in marabou tail (white) at hook bend
 - b. Wrap the thread forward over marabou butts to cover hook then return the thread wrap to the hook bend
 - c. Attach *palmer chenille* at bend, return thread wrap to behind the hook eye, and palmer the chenille forward. Tie off thread.
2. For the front hook
 - a. After wrapping thread to the hook bend, tie in chartreuse-colored wire (or heavy monofilament) along top of hook shank to hook bend
 - b. Insert long end of wire through eye of rear hook, bend wire forward onto the front hook with a vertical loop and secure with strong thread wraps. Zap-a-Gap can be applied along hook shank for extra security
 - c. Tie in small bundle of white marabou at the bend of front hook so that it covers the articulated wire between the hooks
 - d. Tie in *palmer hackle*, as before, and palmer it forward to the hook eye. Tie off thread.

- e. Trim the head of the minnow and remainder in the shape of a minnow
- f. Color the back of the fly in dark green permanent marker and the underside a lighter color, for a baby bluegill use orange marker
- g. Attach paste-on eyes with epoxy cement.

Conservation Corner by Heather Montgomery

The month of April includes both Earth Day and Arbor Day; as such this month's calendar provides ample opportunity to participate in numerous conservation activities and environment-related events. All of the following events (and others) can be found described in more detail at www.watershed-alliance.com under the Calendar of Events.

Volunteers will be working along the banks of the Monocacy River at Rivermist Park in Frederick from 9 AM to 12 PM (rain or shine). This event is sponsored by the Monocacy Scenic River Citizens Advisory Board. For more details, contact Tim Goodfellow (tgoodfellow@frederickcountymd.gov).

The Chesapeake Bay Foundation will be hosting riparian buffer planting events from 9 AM – 1 PM on April 6 in Washington County and April 20 in Carroll County. These Farm Stewardship Tree Planting Events are suitable for adults, families, and community groups.

Fun, family-friendly Earth Day events are being held at Catoctin Creek Nature Center (April 20 from 10 AM to 2 PM) and Bar-T Mountainside Challenge & Retreat Center (April 13 from 10 AM to 3 PM).

The Audubon Society of Central Maryland will hold their annual native plant sale at the Audrey Carroll Audubon Sanctuary from 9 AM to 1 PM on April 27th.

Looking to May, Frederick County Office of Sustainability & Environmental Resources will be offering a *Neighborhood Green* workshop at Linganore High School for landowners interested in planting unused portions of lawn with native trees and shrubs. The workshop will be held on May 18th from 9 AM until noon. Participants in the Neighborhood Green program are eligible to receive free soil tests, a personalized site visit by a natural resource professional, and potentially up to 90% cost-share towards a planting project. Please call 301-600-1741 or visit www.frederickcountymd.gov/NGreen if interested.

<u>MONTHLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS</u>	
April 9th	PVFF monthly meeting Tuscarora High School, Frederick 7:00 PM in Room A170
April 17th	Fly Tyers Roundtable Hobbytown USA 919 East Street Frederick, MD 6:30 PM
April 23rd	Board of Directors Meeting Trinity United Methodist Church 703 West Patrick Street, Frederick 7:00 PM in Room 109

Tiefest renamed to honor Lefty Kreh by Dan Neuland

The first annual Lefty Kreh's Tiefest was held March 9, 2013 at Prospect Bay Country Club in Grasonville, MD.

I was honored to present a handmade ceramic plate to Lefty Kreh at the event. Lefty, now 88 years old, is a personal hero of mine as a living fly fishing legend and outdoor writing mentor. Lefty began his writing career as the first outdoor writer for the Frederick News Post in 1951. His column, "Maryland Afield" ran twice a week in the FNP until 1964 when Lefty was tapped to manage the Metropolitan Miami

Fly Fishing Tournament by saltwater fly fishing pioneer and Baltimore native, Joe Brooks.

At the Tiefert, Lefty gave a 90 minute casting presentation to a large group of observers. Lefty has the ability to make long smooth casts look effortless and his common sense approach to casting instruction has made him famous. He also provided the opportunity for some individual instruction to beginning fly casters who volunteered to give fly casting a try in front of the crowd. "Tiefert has always been one of my favorite fishing shows since it has a history of helping all levels of fly anglers with a special emphasis on young people," said Kreh. "It's a true honor to have Tiefert named after me."



Last Cast by John Brognard

This year it seems like winter won't go away. Every time Donna and I plan to go fishing the wind picks up and it gets colder, or we get rain. I know, the best two times to go fishing are when it's raining and when it's not, but I like the weather to be a bit warmer. Oh well, today is beautiful so maybe, after we stock trout in Catoctin Creek, we will go fishin'.

Thanks to all the volunteers that turned out to help teach the Boy Scouts fly casting and fly tying. I think we had somewhere between 150 and 200 Scouts stop by the fly fishing stations to observe fly tying and try their hand at casting a fly rod. Several of the boys we worked with showed real interest in casting and tying.

M.W. Willard Plumbing & Heating, Inc. donated to PVFF 10- 4" PVC pipes cut to length, 10 - 4" 90 degree PVC elbows, 10 cleanouts and the glue to make Monofilament Recycling Stations. Please remember the next time you need a plumber contact M.W. Willard.

Please take advantage of the upcoming outings and our May 14th casting clinic. If you have someone that is interested in learning about fly fishing, please invite them to join us at the casting clinic.

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The purpose of the Potomac Valley Fly Fishers is (1) to promote fly fishing as the most sportsman-like and enjoyable way of fishing and the most consistent with the preservation and wise use of our resources; (2) to provide advice, suggestions and assistance to club members; (3) to publicize the best practices and techniques of fly fishing, fly tying, fly casting and other related subjects; and (4) to maintain liaison with other organizations of sportsmen and conservationists.

The undersigned being in agreement with the above purpose does hereby apply for membership/renewal in the Potomac Valley Fly Fishers.

Applicant's Name: _____ Date: _____
(Last) (First)

If family membership, other names: _____

Home Address: _____
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Home phone: _____ Business phone: _____

E-mail address (for e-mailing newsletter) _____

Applicant's signature: _____

Are you a member of the Federation of Fly Fishers? Yes No **Membership Dues:** \$12.00 single or \$17.00 family

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