

## Wind Knots November 2007

Don Corey



With the successful Fly Tying Symposium behind us we turn our eyes and focus to upcoming club events; officer/director elections at the December meeting, Fly Tying at Bangor Parks and Rec in January and the Cabin Fever Reliever in February. The Board of Directors voted to recommend a couple of changes to our club by-laws. As Secretary Lent pointed out the changes need to go out in the newsletter 30 days prior to the general club membership voting on them. Therefore the changes are listed below and will be voted on at the December general meeting. I have included a copy of our current by-laws in this newsletter. They are also available on our website. The first by-law change is in Article IV Officers. Add the following:

### **Section F: Assistant Treasurer**

The Assistant Treasurer will work closely with the Treasurer and be able to perform all Treasurer Responsibilities in the Treasurers absence. The Assistant Treasurer will be a member of the Membership Committee. The Assistant Treasurer will be authorized to sign Club checks and make transactions in the Club savings accounts.

The second by-law amendment deals with the responsibility of getting speakers/planning club programs. The change would move that responsibility from the Second Vice President to the First Vice President. Also the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President would be on the Membership Committee. However, after recently reviewing our current by-laws, I feel that this change is unnecessary as the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President is already on the Membership Committee. My recommendation is that we do not approve this change. There will be a discussion at the December meeting before the vote to approve/disapprove.

I apologize for any confusion, I should have read our current by-laws more closely.

### **November 7 Dinner Meeting**

The regularly scheduled dinner meeting on Wednesday, November 7 will be held at the Coach House Restaurant. Guest speaker will be Maine

Guide and author Kevin Tracewski. His talk is titled, "Margaritaville on a Budget: Flyfishing Ascension Bay Mexico." Kevan asked me to encourage non-fishing spouses/friends to attend as there will be quite a bit of material that they will enjoy in the talk. He is also bring a hard bound copy of his book, "A Fisherman's Guide to Maine" to raffle at the meeting. Also at the November meeting the nominating committee will present a slate of officers and take nominations from the floor.

### **December Dinner Meeting**

The Wednesday, December 5 dinner meeting will be held at the Coach House Restaurant in Brewer. There will be no speaker as this is our Christmas Party night and our election of officers and board members. There will be no gift swap this year. Please bring non-perishable food items for the food cupboard and a gift for a needy child.

### **RUMORS, etc.**

Many of the flies from the Symposium may be available by raffle or auction at the November dinner meeting. Great Christmas or Hanukah gifts for yourself or a fishing pal.

Jim Snow and friend traveled to the Miramichi River to tempt salmon. How was the fishing?

Don Corey, Mike Curtis and Tiffany Lawlor were on the Penobscot, worst fishing in a long time there due to severe wind.

Joe Bertolacinni fished downeast for salmon. What did you catch? Also, Joe is busy tying a few favorite streamer patterns for the St. Theresa's church fair on Saturday, November 17 just before Thanksgiving, another great gift idea.

Jan Blake wishes to be remembered to all her fishing friends. Health permitting, she would love to come north and fish the Roach River.

Paul Thibault did make it to Maine to see his daughter for a very short visit.

Seen at the symposium was Giff Stevens, who now spends winters in California. He told me to say hi to everyone.

Also at the Symposium was noted tier Ron Newcomb, visiting the tiers to see the current state of fly tying. Good to see you, Ron.

### **Thanks**

When Moe Decoteau heard the club sponsored the Symposium out of our own funds, he made a generous donation to the club. Thank you, Moe.

### **A note from the Secretary**

John would like anyone with a changed or new e-mail account to send him the address at [pbunyan@verizon.net](mailto:pbunyan@verizon.net). This reduces our newsletter costs and aids communication.

Also, please contact John Lent to let him know you are a member of FFF. FFF members who belong to the club reduces the club's dues to FFF. Thank you for your help.

### **Fly Tier of the Month**

Don Corey or substitute ties the klinkhamer, our fly of the month. This fly is not difficult to tie once it is demonstrated.

### **Fly of the Month: Klinkhamer**

Don Corey introduced me to this fly and provided a video of Oliver Edwards extolling its' virtues.

The fly is a suggestive searching emerger pattern, looking like caddis, mayfly and stonefly emergers. Add floatant to wing post and possibly the hackle then fish in the surface film. It is so interesting I bring it to your attention despite the use of designer hooks to tie the pattern. I hope it works for you as well as it did for Oliver Edwards.

THREAD: white 8/0, white spiderweb

HOOK: partridge klinkhamer

TAG: none

BODY: Dubbed with your choice of color and dubbing – Don likes superfine dubbing

RIB: none

WING: Polypropolyne white post with your choice of hackle – grizzly is a good choice

THORAX: peacock herl on both sides of post

1. Start tying with the 8/0 thread. Tie on post cutting the tail end in a taper into the bend of the hook. Wrap thread over polypro.
2. Dub on body tapering slightly to the post.
3. Tie in hackle shiny side up.
4. Tie on three strands of peacock herl and wrap to eye, tie head and whip finish.
5. Tie spiderweb onto post and wrap post.
6. Wrap hackle around thread on post 4 or 5 times, whip finish on post.

### **Fly Tying Symposium**

The newly revived fly tying symposium gathered visitors from south of Augusta to Lubec to Fort Kent. Attendance at the "World Famous Brewer Auditorium", though light, set a new record.

The set up and kitchen crews kept busy with helping tiers set up and providing hot coffee, tasty treats and a hearty lunch. They received donations of \$90.00

Most, if not all, of the 22 tiers donated flies or related items to the club for a raffle. They were very generous.

We all owe thanks to all the club members and tiers for making this symposium such a good educational program and fine social event for the tiers and visitors. We appreciate Don Corey's efforts in chairing the symposium.

### **Winter Fly Tying Classes**

The Penobscot Fly Fishers and Bangor Parks and Recreation will again sponsor a beginners fly tying class. The classes start at 6:30 pm on January 3 at the Parks and Recreation building on lower Main Street. Early registration is advised as class size is limited. For more information contact Don Corey evenings at 843-5634 or look at the website.

# Penobscot Fly Fishers By Laws

## Statement of Purpose

The Penobscot Fly Fishers is established as a non-profit membership Club, said purpose being to promote fly fishing and conservation of fisheries resources through education, volunteer services and personal conduct.

## Article I Membership

All members shall agree to support the purpose and objectives of the Penobscot Fly Fishers. The Board of Directors may, by unanimous affirmative vote of all members of the Board, suspend or expel a member for due reason.

## Article II Dues

The Board of Directors shall designate various categories of membership: individual, family, life, junior (age 18 and under) and complimentary. Dues will be payable by June 1st of each year and may be prorated for members who join at other times of the year.

Dues will be established by a majority vote by the Board of Directors, and may be changed by a majority of a quorum of the Board. Members who have not paid their dues by the October general body meeting will be dropped from the membership list.

## Article III Meetings

Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, except as specified by these By Laws.

### Section A General Meetings

General meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of each month with the time and place published in the monthly newsletter. A quorum will consist of the members present.

### Section B Board of Directors Meetings

Board of Directors meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of each month with the time and place to be decided at the previous Board meeting. A quorum will consist of at least 6 members of the Board present. Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President or the Secretary upon the request of any three Board members.

## Article IV Officers

Officers of the Penobscot Fly Fishers will be elected for 2 year terms.

### Section A: President

The President will preside at all regularly scheduled and special meetings and has overall responsibility for Club affairs, as directed by the Board. The President will be authorized to sign Club checks and make transactions in the Club savings accounts.

### Section B: 1st Vice President

The 1st Vice President will be chair of the Membership Committee and/or other duties as assigned by the President, and will assume the duties of the President in his/her absence.

### Section C: 2nd Vice President

The 2nd Vice President will be in charge of programs at general meetings and/or other duties as assigned by the President and will assume the duties of the President in the absence of the President and the 1st Vice President.

### Section D: Secretary

The Secretary keeps Club records and minutes of meetings, maintains a current membership list, and collects membership dues. The Secretary is a member of the Membership Committee.

### Section E: Treasurer

The Treasurer is responsible for all Club finances; prepares annual budgets for approval by the Board of Directors and prepares monthly financial status reports for Board Meetings. The Treasurer will be authorized to sign Club checks and make transactions in the Club savings accounts.

## Article V Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall control the business and affairs of the Club and will be permitted to expend up to \$150.00 in unbudgeted funds for Club purchases without approval by the general membership. The Board shall consist of the five elected officers, the immediate past President and six elected members. The six elected members shall have terms of three years each, with two members to be elected each year. A vacancy on the Board, other than the President, will be filled by nomination by the President with the approval of the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.

## Article VI Elections

The Nominating Committee will present a slate of candidates for all Officers and Directors whose terms will expire, at the November general body meeting. At that time, further nominations will be accepted from the floor. All nominations will be published in the Club Newsletter and the election will be held at the December General Body Meeting. Nominations will not be accepted at the December General Body Meeting. All elected Officers and Directors will assume their duties at the January General Meeting.

## Article VII Committees

### Section A: Nominating Committee

A three person committee will be appointed by the President by the June general meeting to serve for a two year term. Duties of this committee will be to select nominees for Officers, Directors and special awards.

### Section B: Membership Committee:

Will consist of the 1st Vice President, the Secretary and any other members of the Penobscot Fly Fishers as appointed by the President.

### Section C: Other committees:

May be established with members appointed by the President at any time to better serve the functions and needs of the Club.

## Article VIII Distribution of Assets Upon Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the of the Penobscot Fly Fishers, assets shall be distributed by the Board of Directors to one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding sections of any tax code subject to any order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

## Article IX Amendments to the By Laws

These By Laws may be amended at any general meeting of the Club. The affirmative vote of 2/3 of the members present will be required for the adoption of any amendment. Notice of the proposed amendment will be published in a Club Newsletter at least 30 days prior to the general meeting at which the vote will be taken.

Review/revised November 15, 2006