



# Penobscot Fly Fishers NEWSLETTER

## Wind Knots

September 2007

Don Corey, President



The sun is setting earlier each evening and we are waking to cooler temperatures each morning. We all know that the inevitable is coming..... time to put the fishing gear away. Not to worry, we still have many available days to wet a line, so get out there and take advantage of them.

### Fly Tying Classes

Rod Landry is again teaching a fly tying class at Bangor Adult Ed this fall. Call Bangor Adult Ed for more details.

### Fly Tying Symposium

Sunday, October 14, 2007

Mark this date on your calendar. The PFF Fly Tying Symposium is being held at the Brewer Auditorium after an absence of a few years. We are in the process of sending out invitations to tyers from around the state. The day will begin at 9 am and will end at 4 pm. Any club members wishing to tie should contact Don Corey ([don@annikarodandfly.com](mailto:don@annikarodandfly.com) or 843-5634) to sign up for a table.

This event should be a fun day of tying, talking and learning. There is no cost to tie or for the public to attend. We are asking each tyer to donate 1 or 2 flies to the club for future fund raising events. There will be more information available on the club's website within the next week. ([www.penobscotflyfishers.com](http://www.penobscotflyfishers.com))

### September 5 Dinner Meeting

The regularly scheduled dinner meeting on Wednesday, September 5 will be held at the Coach House Restaurant. Don Corey will discuss end of season maintenance for your equipment. Time permitting there will also be some discussion on 2008 club functions/events.

### October 3 Dinner Meeting

The Wednesday, October 3 dinner meeting will be held at the Coach House Restaurant in Brewer.

### Dues are Due

Family memberships are \$35.00  
Individual memberships are \$30.00  
You can mail dues to the club at:  
Penobscot Fly Fishers  
P.O. Box 651  
Brewer, ME 04412

### RUMORS, etc.

Mike Curtis caught and released a 5 ½ lb grilse on his second trip to Canada. Ask him about salmon fishing.

Bob Blatz has been landing bass at several lakes and ponds this summer.

Allan Gray took youngsters fishing for sunfish in N.Y., they loved it.

Don Corey has landed a few bass in the river, as has Joe Beaulieu.

Dr. Chuck Civiello and Marcus Hale fished the Roach River in mid August. They suggest you go after the September meeting, although Chuck caught and released (as the law requires) a couple of brook trout and several short salmon.

## **Summer Camps**

We taught approximately 380 campers how to cast, tie a fly and about the equipment of fly fishing. Thanks and recognition to Hank Metcalf, Dan Hodgins, Ben Hale, Paul Uttormark, Bob Hale, Ron Landry, Jim Snow, Ron Carr, Joe Bertollacini, Bob Blatz and Ellie Bertollacini for their efforts.

Campers at Camp Natarawi and Conservation Camp appreciated the chance to learn about fly fishing. This was the first exposure to fly fishing for most of these young people. The PFF can be proud to have sponsored this effort.

## **Thank You**

Dr. and Mrs. McGuckin donated 2,000 hooks to our summer camp youth program. Thank you.

## **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. Thank you for your help.

## **Fly of the Month: The Haleberg**

This fly started use by catching a 2 ½ lb landlock and a 1 1/2 lb brook trout in its initial weekend. Only one other fish was caught in the whole camp that weekend. Aiding in the design and catching the first fish was Andrew "Pete" Averill of Bangor, ME. Pete's grandfather had been a Maine Guide in the area he caught the fish. Pete wanted a yellow hornberg with a red head. I tied a few for him. I also gave him the first haleberg. The next few years the fly was called the Boy Scout fly due to donations to the Boy Scouts the group made to obtain flies. Later the name was shortened to the Haleberg.

This fly probably imitates a stonefly having trouble shedding its shuck. Fish it one or two inches below the surface.

Hook: 2x or 3x wet fly hook size 10 (8 & 12 do not work as well)

Thread; Red

Body: Red thread with pearl mylar over the thread, frayed at tail

Underbody: Red crystal flash

Wing: Yellow dyed mallard

Collar One or two turns of poor quality grizzly hackle

1. Wrap red thread covering the hook shank.
2. Tie on pearl mylar tubing leaving the tail end frayed.
3. Tie on one strand of crystal flash per side. I bend a strand in half, one on each side.
4. Tie on mallard, downwing style
5. Tie on grizzly with one or two wraps collar style.
6. Wrap a neat red head.

Marcus will be tying this fly at the September meeting.

## **Cabin Fever Reliever Update**

Ernie MacDonald provided the following update: We have contacted approximately 75 potential exhibitors. Currently, we have 7 confirmed exhibitors and four tentative commitments. We have a couple of speakers coming. An outdoor cooking demonstration using reflector ovens has been confirmed.. We are still looking for someone to do sled dog demonstrations and someone to demonstrate cross country skiing.

Again, I would ask that anyone knowing of someone that fits the show's theme to contact Ernie MacDonald at [macflyfish@yahoo.com](mailto:macflyfish@yahoo.com) with the person's name and address so they can be contacted.

We are looking for someone who builds wood canoes, pack baskets or other outdoor crafts.

The show can be a success if we have a variety of exhibitors demonstrating an outdoor skill or craft.

Again, if you know of someone, contact Ernie at [macflyfish@yahoo.com](mailto:macflyfish@yahoo.com).