



# Penobscot Fly Fishers NEWSLETTER

December 2008

## President's Notes

The chore of putting rods and reels away for the winter months is upon us. Sorting through old flies that did not catch any fish and checking fly lines for wear is on the agenda. Holding inventory on tying materials that will be needed for January and February tying sessions. It does not seem like too much to do, but if you procrastinate like I do, some of it never gets done. Planning next springs fishing trips is always on the table. If you attended our November meeting at the Coach House Restaurant and took a few notes, you no doubt found out about a lot of very fine places to fish in Maine. Kevin Tracewski covered a lot of territory in his presentation about fishing in Maine.

At our December meeting we will be voting to fill two Board of Director openings. The nominating committee has three candidates: Ron Carr, Rob Dunnett and Douglas "Cap" Introne. Also we have traditionally brought in non perishable food items for a local food kitchen and unwrapped toys for kids. This is of course optional. Our guest speaker for December will be PFF member Terry Haines. Terry will do a presentation about a fishing trip he made in Labrador, Canada.

The Fly Tying Symposium was well attended on Sunday, 16 November. We all wish Don Corey a speedy recovery from by-pass surgery. Don went in for surgery prior to the symposium. Rod McGary from LL Bean came up from Portland to attend the symposium. It is always a pleasure to chat with Rod. The club received a number of gifts from exhibitors at the symposium.

I hope you all had the opportunity to share Thanksgiving with family and friends.

Alan Gray, President

## Secretary's Notes

Mike would like anyone with a changed or new e-mail account to send him the address at [secretary@penobscotflyfishers.com](mailto:secretary@penobscotflyfishers.com).

Reading the newsletter on the web reduces our newsletter costs and aids communication. Thank you for your help. This will allow a direct e-mail of the newsletter and an e-mail reminder of the meetings.

## Beginners Fly Tying

The club's annual beginners fly tying course will begin on Thursday, January 9, 2009 at the Bangor Parks and Rec building on lower Main St. in Bangor beginning at 6 pm. Anyone interested in helping with this course please contact Don Corey at [don@annikarodandfly.com](mailto:don@annikarodandfly.com).

The cost for the course is \$30 and all materials and equipment are provided. If you are interested in signing up, please contact Don.

## Secretary's Report from November 19 Directors' Meeting

President Alan Gray called the meeting to order at 6:05 on November 19, 2008. In attendance were Alan Gray, Bob Blatz, Dan Hodgins, Joe Beaulieu, Ernie MacDonald, Rob Dunnett, Hank Metcalf, Alex Kovanko, Mike Curtis and club member Joe Bertalaccini.

### Treasurers Report

Merrill Bank Account balances as of Oct. 31, 2008

Savings---\$3,622.02

Checking--\$1,769.06

CD #1-----\$1003.35

CD's #2 & #3 each have \$1000.00

### Secretary's Report

Discussed & accepted as published in Nov. newsletter

### Cabin Fever Show

Chairman Ernie MacDonald gave the following report. As of this meeting there are 42 exhibitors (26 paid, 8 committed, 7 likely). Income is 540.00 from booths and 225.00 from ads.

### Fly tying Symposium

Mike & Ernie gave a review of the symposium. We had approximately 100 visitors come through the doors. We sold 40.00 in canoe raffle tickets and 181.00 in fly rod tickets. Thanks to Zack & Rob Dunnett. Kelly Curtis and her sister Ginger covered the kitchen, great job girls! Income from the kitchen sales was 130.00 net. Many thanks to all who pitched in to pull the great get together off.

### Policy Committee

Hank gathered ideas from the board to help get this committee moving.

### Membership Committee

At present we have 68 paid members.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05.

## Cabin Fever Reliever Show Program

As a little sales incentive for this year's CFR show program, someone will win a new rod. Annika Rod and Fly (Don Corey) is donating the components ( blank, reel seat, grip, guides, thread, etc) to build a TFO (Temple Fork Outfitters) Professional Series 4 piece rod and the really cool, triangular rod tube.

For each ad that someone sells they will have their name put in the "hat" for a chance to win the rod. Sell 3 ads, your name goes in 3 times. Buy an ad yourself, your name goes in.