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God Bless America



Morning mist on the Farmington River, Connecticut

Guest Speaker:

Joe Otterstedt

“Bonefishing, Bahamas Style”



With the advent of cooler weather, our focus turns to fly tying – the hobby that helps ward off cabin fever and keeps us in the fishing mode throughout the winter. There are a lot of fly tying related activities on the horizon and it's time to be thinking about which ones **you** will participate in.

On October 9 and 16, Flyrodders will be at Orvis Greenvale demonstrating tying and giving presentations during Orvis Days. Members who come to the store will receive a valuable coupon for a discount on purchases. Any new members who join the Flyrodders on those days will also receive a small gift from Orvis.

The Main Event in Plainview will host our first fly tying night of the season on November 16 at 7:00 p.m. For \$12. you will be treated to finger foods and soft drinks while you join fellow Flyrodders who enjoy tying and schmoozing.

You'll have an opportunity to watch the experts (including our own Lee Weil) tie at the International Fly Tying Symposium on November 20 and 21 in Somerset, NJ. There are plenty of opportunities to ask questions and buy materials as well as attend lectures at this two day event.

For those of you just getting started in the art, or those wishing to brush up on your skills, the Club will be offering beginner and intermediate lessons if there is enough interest from the members.

Sometimes you can get so wrapped up in tying that you amass more flies than you'll need to fish with. We're here to help you. How about donating a dozen or more to our Fly Raffle Box? Your donation of 12 fresh water flies, 10 saltwater flies or \$8. cash will earn you a chance for a valuable prize and help us fill the boxes we raffle off at the January Fly Fishing Show. You also have a chance to win the jar of flies in our monthly Fly in the Jar raffle. For every new fly you put in, you get a chance to win them all.

I can't end our fly tying activities without mentioning that we will be having another fly tying contest at our January meeting. Any brave souls who want to join the fun are invited.

As Abraham Lincoln said, "It has been my experience that folks who have no [vices] vices, have very few virtues."

Susan

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FoFYour Nymphomation

by Lee Weil



Transition

We loaded our gear into the truck in the pre-dawn chill, well before the sun came up, for the three hour ride upstate. We were looking forward to fishing the Beaverkill again, and since I was scheduled to tie at the Fly Fishing Center it was a perfect excuse to bring our rods and spend a few hours on the river. It promised to be a good weather day and reports of rain a few days before gave us hopes that the water levels would be higher and the temperature lower.

When we pulled up at Hendrickson's Pool I was surprised to see we were the only ones there. After all, it was a beautiful Saturday morning and with just a slight hint of a breeze, a perfect fall fishing day. I used to feel a sense of urgency when I arrived at a river, rushing to don my waders and outrun the horde of anglers I expected to pull in at any minute. But this morning was different. I suited up leisurely and then took a minute to look upriver at the mountains, admiring the view and taking in the colors of the changing leaves. The sunrise bore a glorious witness to the incoming front, with cerise and turquoise steaks painted across the sky beyond the tree tops. A few yellow leaves drifted down as I began to pick my way slowly down the path to the bank, and I stopped when I got to the head of the pool. Instead of barging across I bent to study the stones, reading the shucks of huge stoneflies like late night editions of the river's news. I moved slowly along the bank, finding treasures along the way. Here were the prints of a fox, a raccoon and then a set of large deer tracks, heavy in the wet sand. Within

yards a second set appeared, tiny in comparison. A doe and a fawn, I guessed. Finally I stepped into the river and began to cross at the shallow riffles.

As I worked my way out I became aware of how careful I was, each step measured cautiously and each foot anchored before lifting the other. A stone shifting beneath my weight gave me pause, and I leaned more on my staff. Who was this person who waded so slowly? When did I become so tentative? Was it the aching memory of the knee I landed on years ago on the French Broad? Or the nagging pain in my hip from my misstep on a roller in the Deerfield? Whatever the reason, I realized that it was taking me a lot longer to cover the ground than it used to, and I seldom forgot my staff.

When I reached the spot I planned to fish I stood again for awhile, just watching the sunlight glinting on the water. I saw no fish rising, and no bugs hatching, except for a few midges and the odd caddis or two. I tied on a nymph, but didn't wade in. I felt the sun's warmth on my face and shoulders, and I was happy just to soak in it. Then gradually it hit me. I was looking at the river differently, moving with a new found sense of peace. Not to say that I didn't care if I caught a fish or not, just that I didn't care as much. The pressure was off. Like the change of seasons, I too was changing. I was finding my comfort zone, and I was blessed by that.

God bless & Tight Lines, Lee

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July 2010**



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Dan Van Buskirk

Stan Paroly

The Flyrodders were sadly informed this month of the passing of LIFR member Stan Paroly. Stan was an active member of our club for many years and participated in many of our events and trips. He had many friends in our club who will remember him fondly. Stan will be sorely missed.

Dear Friends of CFR;

I have sad news. Nancy Kelly's husband Jack passed away. Nancy was the coordinator of the Noreen Spadaro Memorial CFR Fundraiser, and has been instrumental in raising funds for LI CFR at Saratoga events.

In lieu of flowers, Nancy has asked that donations be made in Jack's memory to :

The Jockey Club Foundation

40 East 52nd Street

New York, NY 10022

Sympathy cards may be sent to the address above.

Lee

Meeting October 20

A representative from the Dept. of State will be on hand to conduct a survey on how and where individuals use the Ocean bordering Long Island. Information collected will be analyzed to identify locations that may be suitable for offshore wind energy development, and critical areas that can benefit from increased habitat protection.

If you dive or fish in the offshore areas around Long island you need to be part of this survey.

Wednesday October 20, 7:30 pm at the VFW Hall
For further info, call Susan 516 997-9451

Casting for Recovery

Volunteer River Helpers needed on
Sunday, October 3, 2010
for the Casting for Recovery Program
at Connetquot State Park.

Please see Coreen or Mike Gelber
at the meeting, or call:
(516) 221-9508

Scout Jamboree at Eisenhower Park

October 29 - 31

Volunteers are needed to man the booth at this event.

We will show the scouts how to fly cast and tie flies.

Contact: Susan Solomon at the meeting
or call: (516) 997-9451

Housatonic River Trip

This year's trip to the Housatonic was one for the books. No one can ever remember the river being so low. All the usual places we know from past years took on a completely different look because of the water level. We caught mostly small bass with a few browns and rainbows mixed in. Saturday evening the pool across from the park was filled with fishermen as far as you could see – and they were all Flyrodders!

Although it didn't rain, it poured acorns. They came down with such force that we decided to put up our beloved canopy just to keep out of the line of fire from the nuts. One landed with enough velocity to split and lodge itself on Mike's stove.

The best part about the trip was that 6 new members joined us. After a few minutes around the campfire, there was no difference between the "new" and "old" members. We were all Long Island Flyrodders.

Thanks to **Mike and Coreen Gelber** for taking care of all our dietary needs. With the help of their daughter **Elizabeth and her fiancé Ken**, we were all in gastronomical heaven.

Elizabeth celebrated her 26th birthday by catching her first bass on a flyrod.

Susan Solomon

Attention Flyrodders

Please note that the September Issue of *The Flyrodder* had an incorrect date for the 2010 Annual Awards Dinner. The correct date is: **Saturday, November 6, 2010**

Fly Donations Needed

Our annual drive for fly donations to be used in the January Somerset Fly Fishing Show raffle boxes is underway...

You will be rewarded with one ticket for every 12 freshwater or 10 saltwater flies submitted. Tickets will be entered in a raffle for a valuable prize.

Non-tiers remember: We will accept purchased flies or you will be credited for 1 dozen flies for every \$8. donation.

PLEASE NOTE: WE CANNOT ACCEPT RANDOM FLIES. All donations must be in sets of 12 (freshwater) or 10 (saltwater). Your name and the fly pattern must be clearly marked on each donation.

For those who like to plan ahead, here are some 2010 upcoming event dates:

Orvis Days	October 9 & 10
Orvis Days II	October 16 & 17
Jones Beach Trip	October 16
<i>Flyrodder Banquet</i>	<i>November 6</i>
Arts of the Angler, Danbury	November 6 & 7
Fly Tying Symposium	November 20 & 21
Somerset Fly Fishing Show	January 21-23, 2011

2010 Annual Awards Banquet.

Tickets are now on sale for the November 6th affair. Attendance at the banquet is limited and tickets will be sold on a first come first served basis.

Details are as follows:

Date: Saturday November 6, 2010

Time: 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Place: Patty's Loft

1286 Hicksville Road
Massapequa, NY 11758

Cost: \$65.00 per person

See **Mike Gelber (516) 221-9508**, at the meetings to buy tickets.

Checks for the banquet should be made out to:

Long Island Flyrodders



LIFR PHOTO CONTEST RULES

- 1a. Contestants must be LIFR members.
- 1b. Subject must be related to Fly Fishing.
- 1c. Prints, (no transparencies), size 4" X 6" in color or black & white.
2. Put your name and phone number on back of the prints in small letters
3. All photos submitted may be used by LIFR. (e.g., Flyrodder and lifr.org)
4. There will be play-off contests in July and October
5. Three winners will be picked by members present at each of those meetings
6. All winning photos will be entered in the Annual Awards Dinner GRAND CONTEST
7. Members present at the Annual Awards Dinner will select the three Grand Prize winners
8. In case of a tie or dispute, the decision of the Chair will be final
- 9a. Submit photos at the meeting, do not e-mail

Tom Cooleen
516-483-8544



Fly in the Jar Raffle

Why not try your luck at this new raffle? All you have to do is:

1. Bring a new, unused fly to the meeting
2. Get a ticket from Dave and place the fly in the jar.
3. See if you win the drawing for all the flies in the jar.

Welcome New Members:

Michael G. Scheiner



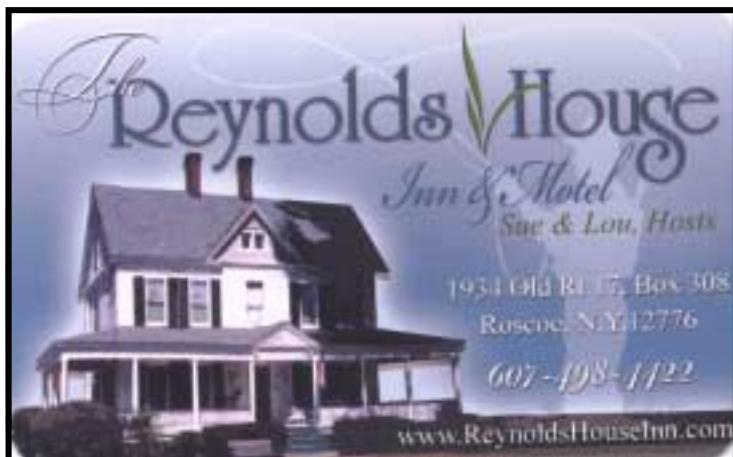
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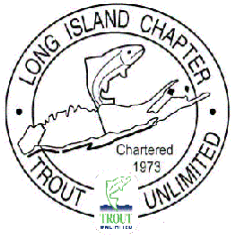
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For casting classes, contact:
Herman Abrams: (516) 593-6024



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1-800-BERKLEY or 1-800-237-5539

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Fishing Reports

Hey, Flyrodders. How's the fishing been lately?

Let's let our members know.

Send reports and/or pics to

LIFRnews@aol.com for publication in *the Flyrodder*, or see me at the meeting.

Thanks, Morty

The undersigned hereby applies for membership or renewal, in the **LONG ISLAND FLYRODDERS, INC.** ("LIFR"). I understand the inherent risk in participating in the activities of **LIFR**, including fishing trips, of one day or longer, which **LIFR** may make available to members. I understand that **LIFR** activities may take me into remote areas, and that I may not be able to be promptly evacuated or receive proper medical care in the event of injury or disease. I further understand that I am solely responsible for all costs of medical treatment and transportation.

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Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print name: _____

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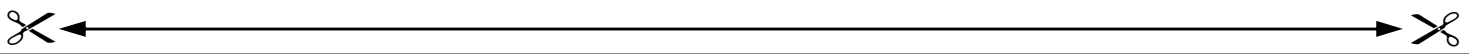
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**Paul McCain's
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Gurgler**

Hook:	Short Streamer, Sizes 4-8
Thread:	Color to match body
Tail:	Bucktail and flash
Body:	Flash chenille
Overbody:	Strip of sheet foam
Legs:	Rubber hackle

Tying Instructions:

1. Wrap thread to bend of hook. Tie in tail and the flash.
2. Tie in the foam so that it faces backwards.
3. Tie in the chenille and let it hang.
4. Wrap halfway up the hook shank and tie in one leg. Next, wrap a little further and tie in a second leg.
5. Wrap chenille up the body to one hook eye width's distance from end.
6. Pull foam over the top of body and tie down snugly just behind the eye. Leave a lip.
7. Cut a small piece of sheet foam and put in on top to form a double lip. Whip finish.

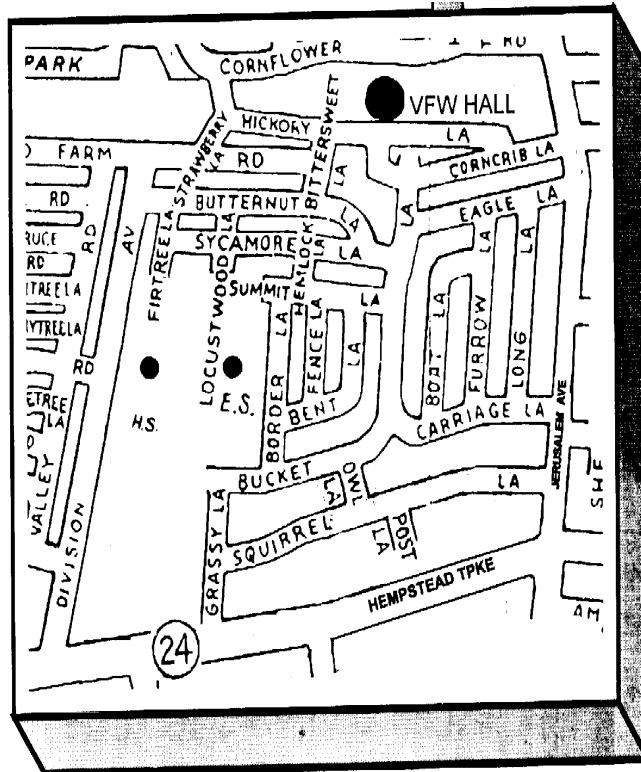
Member's Comments:

This fly is on our Housatonic River trip list of recommended flies.

LONG ISLAND FLYRODDERS COMING EVENTS

October - 2010

- October 5 **General Meeting - 8:00 P.M.**
Speaker: Our own Joe Otterstedt
"Bonefishing, Bahamas Style"
- October 3 **Casting for Recovery**
Contact: Mike or Coreen Gelber (516) 221-9508
- October 9-10 **Long Island Flyrodder Orvis Days**
at Orvis, Greenvale, NY
- October 16-17 **Long Island Flyrodder Orvis Days II**
- October 16 **Jones Beach Saltwater Trip**
Contact: Herman Abrams (516) 593-6024
- October 26 **Board Meeting**
7:30 P.M. at the Levittown VFW Hall
- October 30 **LIFR Booth at BSA Jamboree**
Contact: Susan Soloman (516) 997-9451
- November 6 ① 2010 Annual Awards Dinner ①**
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