

TROUT UNLIMITED

WINTER EDITION 2007

JANUARY 9,2007: DR. ROGER LOCANDRO, Professor Emeritus, Cook College/Rutgers University, Former Chairman of NJ Fish & Game Council, Discusses the Challenges Ahead in a Program Entitiled "CONSERVATION & HABITAT".

FEBRUARY 13, 2007: BILL WETZEL, New York State Guide, Presents "MONTAUK FISHING". One of the Few Guides Specilizing in Wade Fishing this Great Long Island Landmark, Bill Familiarizes You With What You Need to Know to Conquer the Surf!



CJTU members conduct a fly tying demo. Fly fishing the Ken Lockwood Gorge during the winter season.

CJTU is one of New Jersey's leading conservation and advocacy groups leading the fight to protect cold-water fisheries and their environments. Our members represent a diverse cross-section of New Jersey and its surrounding areas, but all of us are joined together by a love of trout fishing and a commitment to preserve cold-water fisheries for future generations.

Our mission is to conserve, protect and restore New Jersey's cold water fisheries and their environments. In order to achieve our goals, we conduct habitat improvement projects, stream clean-ups, and educational programs among other activities. We strive to educate the next generation about the importance to preserve clean water and wild trout. While engaged in conservation efforts, we manage to have a lot of fun, whether at monthly meetings, chapter fishing trips, or stream projects. We invite you to join us.

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Photos by Nick Romanenko

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hello all and Happy New Year!

It's hard to believe, another year is gone and a new one underway. With that, it's time to kick-off another year of fly tying, shows, license purchases, conservation and of course fly fishing! My new year's resolution this year is to spend more time on the water. Life is too short and as I enter (or have entered) my middle ages, I'm realizing that I need to just break away from the monotony of day-to-day activities and wet a line. I hope you can do the same although that may make for some crowded waters???? I guess I can live with that, hope to see you out there!!

January not only brings another year, it brings us to another season of shows. Central Jersey TU will be participating at the Garden State Outdoor Show in Edison and the Fly Fishing show in Somerset. If you will be attending either the Edison show January 11-14 or the Somerset show January 26-28 please stop by the Central Jersey booth and say hello. At the show, we will be selling raffle tickets for this years annual fund raiser. I'm excited to announce for 2007, we will be raffling the "Classic Cane Outfit." This outfit represents a journey back to a time when things were much simpler, a time when you would grab your favorite bamboo cane rod, your leather fly wallet and your wicker creel, pack up the Model T and "sputter off" to your favorite stream. So with this theme in mind, we will be raffling a Diamondback two piece 5 wt cane rod, a Hardy reel, a Hardy leather fly wallet and a wicker creel (sorry, Model T not included). This outfit is sure to make one lucky winner very happy fishing their favorite stream.

As you may have heard, Central Jersey is now meeting at the American Legion Hall in Dunellen. This is located a block and a half away from the previous meeting place, the Knights of Columbus. This change in venue is the first for CJTU as I am told that we have met at the Knights of Columbus since the chapter's creation in the early seventies. Please note the new directions on the back of Mainstream. Sorry for any inconvenience, this was unexpected and we are doing our best to communicate and work through the change.

In closing, it is with great sadness that I report that long time member and director of Central Jersey Trout Unlimited, Harvey Roberson passed away on November 18th after a brief illness. Harvey ran our trips program for many years and was always eager to help out during many of our chapter activities. I have fished with Harvey on several occasions and it was always a pleasure to swap stories, talk about fishing and listen to him communicate with various bird species. He will be missed, however I know he is fishing a perfect stretch of water and listening to his birds.

All the best this new year, tight lines,

Richard Thomas

Fly Of The Month Selects - January & February			Tied By Ron Ruskai	
		FROSTBITE (Chironomid	
ć		Hook: Thread: Abdomen:	TMC 2457 size 16-22 Black 8/0 Uni Stillwater Midge Stretch Floss in Maroon	Try this one on the Pequest in winter time or in spring on a New England lake.
-		Rib: Thorax: Gills:	Fine Silver wire Peacock herl White Antron yarn	5
THE PERSU	ADER			
Hook: Thread:	2X or 3X Nymph size 10 Orange 6/0		a John God- ttorn. Try this	

Thread:	Orange 6/0
Rib:	Silver Tinsel small
Body:	5-6 White twisted Ostrich
·	fibers
Thorax:	Hot Orange
Wing-Pads:	2 Turkey Fibers
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This is a John Goddard pattern. Try this in your stillwater fishing at Round Valley, or the Black River in Oct/Nov.



Liccardi Ford, Watchung, NJ will donate \$100.00 to CJTU for every car or truck sold to any TU member. If you are in the market for a new car or truck, please give Mike Pilles (CJTU member) a call for your best price. Remember to tell Mike you are a CJTU member.

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CENTRAL JERSEY TU - A 2006 PHOTO REVIEW

By Lou Digena & Nick Romanenko







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ANNUAL CONSERVATION RAFFLE!

DRAWING MARCH 31st

The 2007 CJTU Conservation Raffle will be a classic cane outfit. It will consist of a Diamondback 7'6". 5wt., 2-piece (with two tips) bamboo rod, a matching Hardy Lightweight LRH reel, and a Cortland SYLK fly line (5wt.) with backing. In addition, there is a Hardy leather fly wallet and a Cortland willow creel.

All New Jersey Trout Unlimited members will receive four raffle tickets in the mail. They are \$5.00 each. All you have to do is use the included return envelope to submit your money and the completed raffle ticket. Good luck to all who participate.

2007 Shows

By DICK TURSE

Once again in January, CJTU is going to participate in two outdoor shows. The first, the Garden State Outdoor Sportsmen's Show, runs from Thursday, Jan. 11 through Sunday, Jan. 14 in the NJ Convention and Exposition Center in Edison. We will be setting up for the show on Wed., Jan. 10 and taking it down on Sunday, Jan. 14. If you wish to participate in this show in any aspect please call Dick Turse at 908-658-3118 or e-mail him at dickturse@optonline.net. This show features everything related to the outdoors and even some activities that are obviously not related. But it is geared for the whole family and is generally welcome as a winter break after the Christmas season.

The second show is more suited to our interests, wants and needs. It is the annual Somerset Fly Fishing Show held at the Garden State Exhibit Center on Davidson Ave. in Somerset. It runs from Friday, Jan. 26 through Sunday, Jan. 28. It is not necessary to describe the activities of this show. If you have not attended it before make sure you don't miss it this year. Once again our booth will be located in the lobby along with all of the other conservation-minded non-profit organizations.

See you at the shows!

FLY TYING DEMO AT RAY'S SPORTS SHOP FEB. 17,2007

Once again, Ray's Sports Shop will host a dozen of CJTU's best fly tyers on Saturday, February 17,2007, from 10 am to 4 pm. Ray's is located at 559 Route 22 Westbound, in North Plainfield. Come see innovative patterns being tyed for both fresh and salt water species. Get some great tips for the home vice, or just catch a friendly chat about fishing.

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CORPS

JOIN NOW!

Paul Ritter, the WCC (Wildlife Conservation Corps) program administrator wishes to notify anyone who is in need of a WCC badge and has sent in an application for the WCC program and not heard anything back, to please have them contact him at paul.ritter@dep.state.nj.us . If you need a badge email Paul a photo and your name the way you would like it to appear on your badge. If you don't have a digital camera mail a passport size photo to NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife 26 Route 173 West Hampton Attn: Paul Ritter.

Anyone who would like to help out with kids fishing programs at the Pequest Hatchery, or if you want to become involved in any of our TU Programs, please apply to become a WCC volunteer. You are not obliged to become involved in any other programs than the ones you would like to become part of. The reason you need to become an official member is that you will be insured against any liability by the Division of Fish and Wildlife. If you need any other information about the program, please see Ozzie at our general membership meetings. *New Jersey MainStream* is the sole newsletter of CJTU. Editions are published monthly, except for July & August, and mailed free to our members. A non member mailed subscription is available at a cost of \$10.00 per year.

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The CJTU Board of Directors meet on the first Tuesday of every month. General meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month except July & August at the Dunellen American Legion Hallon New Market Rd. and Orange St. and are open to the public.

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Fly Tying School 2007 Presented by Central Jersey Chapter of Trout Unlimited

The classes are 6 nights long and will meet on January 16 & 23, February 20 & 27, March 20 & 27 7:30 to 10:00 PM Registration Fee \$50.00

This year we will be again offering the following courses:

Beginners Fly Tying Class: This is our entry level class for the person just getting started in fly tying or who has very little experience. We will cover the basic tools, techniques and materials necessary to tie a variety of basic flies, concentrating on patterns that work well on local rivers and streams.

Intermediate Fly Tying Class: This class is for the intermediate tier who has acquired the basic skills in handling tools and materials either by previously taking a beginners course and/or tying flies regularly for a year.

Fly Tiers Workshop: The workshop is designed for the student who has taken our intermediate level course and wants to improve their tying skills and keep current with techniques and materials.

Fly tying sessions will be held in the American Legion Hall, New Market Road and Orange Street, Dunellen, NJ 08812.

This course is open to members and non-members. We welcome anyone who has an interest in the sport of Fly Fishing or Fly Tying.

We have many talented instructors who are more than willing to pass on the legacy. We expect to have an instructor for every three or four students, enabling each person to have a great amount of individual attention.

Registrants are expected to bring their own tools and materials. A list of basic tools, materials and hooks will be provided.

You can sign up at the General Chapter Meeting held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month or contact:

Tom Kapusta: (732) 257-7478 E-mail: cjtutying@verizon.net

Our courses are taught in a relaxed atmosphere of camaraderie. We feel that with the patient, guiding help of our instructors, everyone will finish the course with a good working knowledge of how to tie flies.

Please register early so CJTU can plan ahead to make your course a success.

PEQUEST HATCHERY PROGRAMS FOR 2007

All Programs Are Free of Charge

Getting Started in Fishing

Sundays, March 18th and 25th, 11am - 3pm Registration required We supply all equipment, or you can bring your own. Learn the basics and then off to the Hatchery Pond to fish.

Pequest Open House

Saturday, March 31st , 10 am to 4 pm One of the annual highlights at the hatchery. Tours, fly tying and casting demos. Kids' fishing program at the pond.

CJTU Kids Fishing Education Day at the Hatchery

Saturday, September 15, 10 am - 3 pm

Kids Fishing Education Day for family members of Central Jersey Trout Unlimited will be held at the Pequest Hatchery rain or shine 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. We had a great time last year. All kids age 8 and above that are family of CJTU members can also invite a friend to come along. We need to know the number of adults and kids that will attend. Any chapter member is invited to assist the youngsters. Pizza lunch will be provided.

We will have spin cast outfits for the kids -- with barbless hooks and we will also supply worms. Lures are not allowed. You can bring a flyrod or bring your own fishing outfits as long as there is someone accompanying the youngster. Safety glasses are supplied for those that aren't wearing plain glasses or sunglasses.

The day will start in the auditorium where you will be welcomed by a member of the Pequest Hatchery and Resource Education Center. Then up to the trout education pond for a short talk on fishing ethics etc, casting lessons, and fly-tying lessons for those that want to learn to tie a wooly-bugger prior to fishing the pond. If it rains, fly-tying will take place in the auditorium, but then, everyone will don their foul weather gear and head up to the pond to hook those – up to 6 pound rainbows.

Fly-Casting Clinic for Beginners

Saturdays, July 14th and August 18th, 11am - 3pm Registration required We supply all equipment, or you can bring your own.Learn the basics and then off to the Hatchery Pond to fish.

Fishing Program for the Blind

Dates and times TBD A great program we run with the NJ Federation for the Blind. We can use as many volunteers as possible.

Pequest Wildlife Heritage Festival

Sunday, September 23rd, 10 am to 4 pm

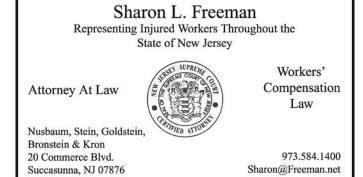
Celebrating fishing and hunting traditions in the Garden State. Everything from colonial era reenactors to archery, casting and tying demos. Plus kids get another shot to fish the teaching pond.

To participate, please speak with Ozzie or Richard Thomas at the General Meetings, or contact Ozzie at (732) 238-2495 or email cutredd@comcast.net and Rich at flyfishernj@gmail.com.



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CENTRAL JERSEY TROUT UNLIMITED TRIPS 2007

TRIP	DATES	COST	CONTACT	COMMENTS
Connetquot, Long Island	TBA	Approx. \$ 75 (Includes roundtrip	TBA	NY State license required. Bus departs at 5:15 am sharp from Costco
		bus transportation)		parking lot. Bridgewater Promenade mall complex. Off Rt. 287 & Rt. 28.



Members from three TU Chapters and Fish and Wildlife Electrofishing Ken Lockwood Gorge Fall 2006

Photo by Lou DiGena

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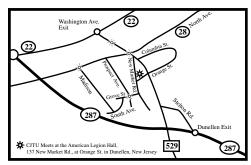
MEETINGS AND DIRECTIONS

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(A) From Rt. 22: Washington Ave. Exit to Rt. 28; Thru light under R.R. Bridge, next right on to New Market Rd., American Legion Hall on your left.

North on 287: Dunellen exit, (B). Right on Stelton Rd; Right on Washington Ave; Left on Orange St., American Legion Hall on Right

South on 287: Rt. 22 exit to NYC (Left Lane); Follow (A).



Upcoming Speakers: April 10,2007 John Signe "Kayak Fishing" May 8,2007 Charlie Meck June 12,2007 Joe Petrella "Wet Flies & Soft Hackles