CENTRAL JERSEY NEW JERSEY MAINSTREAM

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NOVEMBER 9, 2004 MEETING PRESENTS: MEMBERS FLY-TYING NIGHT

The program will feature some of the chapters more experienced tiers demonstrating, live, how to tie their favorite patterns. Ozzie will be there to take close-up video of each tier and project it live on our big movie screen to make it easy for all to view and critique.



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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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Fellow TU Members,

First and most importantly, I want to thank Bart for all of his contributions during his term as President of Central Jersey. I can only hope that I bring the same devotion, dedication and drive to the chapter. Thanks again for a job well done!

As the winter months approach, CJTU is gearing up for a very busy season. We will be involved in several shows, holding our annual raffle as well as participating in various projects, which help our commitment toward conservation. Please be sure to stay tuned to future issues of Mainstream in order to get the latest news on our current events.

While on the subject of Mainstream...Our current editor Lou Digena will be stepping down in January. I want to thank him for the taking on this role when the previous editor stepped down several years ago. As you may be aware, Lou is involved at a National level with TU as a member of the National Leadership Council, he is also an active member with the State Council and is responsible for keeping CJTU "up to speed" with the latest state political news. The transition was flawless when he took over and I'm hoping we can do the same during the next transition. If you are interested in becoming the editor of Mainstream, helping the chapter and becoming a Central Jersey Director, please see me or another director at our general meeting or at a Director's Meeting, which is the first Tuesday of each month.

Our November meeting will be quite unique. For the first time, we will be hosting a live fly tying demonstration by several of our own chapter members. Each Tyer will be tying one of their favorites while they talk about the technique and places they like to fish it. The discussion will be video taped and broadcast on our screen in the front of the room for all to see. This should be interesting for all and I look forward to seeing you at the program.

If you can't make this program, please be aware that CJTU will be holding a Fly Tying Demo on November 15TH at the Dunellen Library. Please see myself or Ron Ruskai for details.

In closing, I want to give a special thanks to all who participated in the "Walk for Walt" Punke fund raiser this past September 19. Unfortunately I could not attend as I was returning from the National Trout Unlimited meeting in Denver. I understand that around 20 CJTU members and family participated and approximately \$2500 was raised for the American Heart Association on Walt's behalf. Great job!

Sincerely,

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Richard Thomas



David Ferraez, Green Brook • Pontiac • Buick • GMC 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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POLITICAL BEAT

By: Louis DiGena

As I mention at last months general meeting bills are moving through committee at an alarming rate. As of the October 28, 2004 A2642 and A2852 have not moved out of committee.

A2642 and A2852 are still regrettable alive and well.

Both bills that want to change the Fish and Game Council and A2852 creates non-lethal alternative committee within council. Despite out best affords letter in favor of both bills out numbering those against 2 to 1.

Both bills would amend current law to provide that the Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall select the Director of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, and the director shall serve at the pleasure of the commissioner. Under current law. the Director of the Division of Fish and Wildlife is selected by the Fish and Game Council, subject to the approval of the Governor and serves at the pleasure of the council. These bills would also amend current law to make all regulatory and policy decisions of the Fish and Game Council subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Environmental Protection.

These bills are both about shifting control of our resources from science to political appointees. I know I want good science to make decisions on how to manage our fish and game resources. Not to mention that all the monies for the science and management of fish and game come from the fishers and hunters who buy licenses. I want a non-political body that will base its decisions on science from field biologists not a single political appointee who may be beholden to the governor.

Please write Assemblyman Reed Gusciora the author of A2642, Assemblyman Anthony Chiappone the author of A2852 and all the members of the Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee: Assemblyman Robert J. Smith II, Chair; Assemblyman Douglas H. Fisher, Vice Chair; Assemblyman Herb Conaway Jr.; Assemblyman Ronald S. Dancer; and Assemblyman John C. Gibson;

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Honorable (Assembly-person)

As an avid sports-person living in New Jersey, I would like to express my strong objections to Assembly Bill 2642 (A2852).

I support the current Fish and Game Council and strongly object to any changes to this body. The Fish and Game Council is doing an outstanding job in managing our fish and game resources, based on science. I have four major objections to A2642 (A2852): first the language removing "for their use development for and public recreation and food supply"; second new members to the council would be appointed by the governor and could have no expertise in fishing, hunting, farming and trapping issues; third the bill gives ultimate power to the Commissioner of Environmental Protection who can overrule the council; and finally it moves the council from a body that makes decisions based on science, to a political body.

A2642 will negatively impact the fish and game resources that I love. So in the strongest language, possible I respectively request that you WITHDRAW Assembly Bill 2642 (2852). A2642 (A2852) does not have my support.

Sincerely,

Your Name

If this bill goes for a vote and passes it will have an appalling affect on how our fish and wildlife resources are managed. It is extremely important that we act soon and I would ask our entire membership to write. Please act and get others to write.

I would like to thank the members who have written to stop these bills. Several of you sent me copies of the letters you've sent, Thank You.

I wish I could give you better news putting these two bills to rest. The legislator should slow down once the governor steps down and we enter the holiday season. We must not stop putting pressure on during this time.

FLY TYING SCHOOL 2005 PRESENTED BY CENTRAL JERSEY CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED

The classes are 6 nights long and will meet on January 18 & 25, February 15 & 22, March 15 & 22

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.

Saltwater Fly Tying Class: This class is for the person who has basic fly tying skills and wants to take advantage of the many saltwater flyfishing opportunities available in our area. We will cover the materials and fly patterns to get you started in this exciting aspect of flyfishing.

Fly tying sessions will be held in the Knights of Columbus Hall, South and Grove Streets, 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: tkapusta@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.

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CJTU FLY TYERS FAVORITE FLIES:

LEON CHEEKA

PENNSYLVANIA BREAD CRUST

Hook:	Mustad #94840 size 12 (Leon will tie it on a 10)
Thread:	Black
Underbody:	Yarn, either Black or Orange
Tail:	Grouse Feather
Collar:	Grizzly Hackle

My best all - around fly.

RON RUSKAI

ANTRON PRINCE

Hook:	Nymph 1x long
Thread:	Uni 8/0 black
Bead:	Tungsten golk 1/8"
Tail:	Dark Brown Antron cut short
Body:	Peacock Herl
Rib:	Fine gold wire
Wing:	White Antron
Beard:	Brown Hackle soft

This is my early season go to nymph. I have replaced the biots with antron because antron is very durable plus the antron is very translucent giving the fly the right look. I fish it dead drift or using the Leisenring lift.

DICK TURSE

CINNAMON CADDIS EMERGER

Hook:	Tiemco 100, or equivalent
Thread:	Uni, 8/0
Body: bing	Cinnamon (Rust Brown) Dry-fly dub-
Rib:	One Pearl Crystal flash thread
Wing:	Cinnamon CDC or Z-Lon

This fly should be fished in the film during a hatch. It has been very productive during the July evening caddis hatches on the Missouri River in Montana. I prefer the CDC wing but Z-Lon also works well. The fly was originally tied with a Swiss Straw wing but this is a pain to tie and the fish ruin it very quickly. Of course, one can change colors to suit the usual hatch he fishes.

BILL NINKE

BAETIS THREAD-BODIED PARACHUTE

Hook:	TMC 100 or TMC 101(preferred) Sizes 18, 20, or 22
Thread:	Danville Olive 6/0
Tail:	Grizzly Hackle Fibers
Wing:	Light Gray(Dun) Poly Yarn 1/2 strand for #18, less for #20 and #22
Body:	Tying Thread
Hackle:	Grizzly, slightly oversized

I like this fly because it is the best Baetis pattern I've ever fished. It really catches trout.

ELIAS TODD Modified Patriot Dry Fly

Hook:	No. 9671 or 7957B for #10 - 16 No. 94842 for #18 - 22
Thread:	Danville fine monofilament or Danville flat waxed nylon
Tail:	Brown or Tan hackle fibers
Body:	Silver or Hologram Crystal flash and Red floss also, coat the body with several coats of clear "Hard as Nails" nail polish.
Wings:	White hen neck feathers tied upright
Hackle	Brown newer cape hackles (they are more durable)

It's my favorite fly on the Musky, the Pequest, Ken Lockwood Gorge and the Connetquot.

CJTU FLY TYERS FAVORITE FLIES: (CONT.)

Agust Gudmundsonn

SIDEWAYS ANT

Hook:	Tiemco 102Y hook (or 103BL barbless) size 17-21
Thread:	Black 8/0 Thread
Body:	Black Foam
Hackle:	Black (Cheap stuff specifically avoid the good #1 Whiting)
Variations:	(Use red or brown thread, foam and hackle.)

A dead simple to tie fly, the unique profile makes it especially effective over heavily fished areas. This has been my most productive Pequest file over the past 8-10 years. I'll tie it in less than a minute!

APPLE CORE CADDIS

Hook: hook.)	TMC 2487 (or similar 1x fine scud
Thread:	8/0 Insect Green
Dubbing:	Super fine green.
Wing:	Partridge or grouse body feather. (Can use z-lon if preferred.)
Hackle:	Cree, Grizzly or Dun

THANKSGIVING BLEND

By Stuart Shafran

At the November general membership meeting, for a limited time, CJTU will be offering a BUY TWO - GET ONE FREE sale on coffee. These special gourmet blends are freshly roasted, ground, and packaged locally. Each package can be resealed to ensure long lasting freshness. Already, hundreds of packages have been sold and the responses have been extremely favorable. Why not bring "A Fisherman's Blend" home for your Thanksgiving table? Some members have compared the taste to Starbucks coffee and have proven...ours tastes better.

Variations: Yellow thread and dubbing with dun wing, make a decent yellow sally.

Spent apple caddis are a staple in the Catskills between the early hatches and the big drakes of June. This pattern is a great low profile parachute pattern for fishing in the film when the big fish are sipping. The technique is also effective for all low profile caddis and the yellow variation is an effective yellow stonefly pattern.

George Mertens

HENDRICKSON IMPROVED SPARKLE DUN

Hook:	Tiemco 100 #16
Thread:	8/0 Cahill yellow Uni-thread
Wing:	Compara-Dun deer hair backed with dun colored Micro-Zelon
Body:	Fly-Rite poly dubbing, mix #27 and #39 (Light Hendrickson and Slate Drake blends)
Trailing Shuck:	Mayfly brown crinkled Zelon overamber CDC

Favorite fly because: Almost all of my dry flies are comparaduns or parachute style flies because of the way they ride low in the surface film. Most importantly, It catches more difficult fish during the hatch than any other fly I use.

DONATIONS FOR FLEA MARKET

By Stuart Shafran

Members, are your drawers full? Are your closets bulging? Do you stay awake at night wondering where to put all your new holiday presents? Here's an idea. Bring all your unwanted, slightly used, seldom used or never used fishing gear to the November membership meeting and we'll sell it for you at our December Flea Market. All we ask is; 1) that you tag your gear with a reasonable price; 2) you take your gear home if it's not sold, and; 3) you donate at least 20 % of your profit to CJTU. Donations to the Flea Market are considered as charitable contributions and may be deducted from your'04 income taxes. Remember, one man's trash is another man's treasure.

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TOUR DE FALL By Stuart Shafran

Sunday, October 17th, for many Mainstream readers was just an average fall day. The morning air was crisp and chilly. The sun was breaking through the lingering storm clouds from the night before. The wind was plucking fall colored leaves from their limbs blowing them all over the ground. But, for the twelve participants of our 'Streamside Tour' to the Black River in Hacklebarney State Park this day was more than average. In fact, for most, it was the best fall trout fishing day ever.

The rainbows and browns were everywhere and quite eager to feast on the assortment of flies that we tied the night before. The water was cold and flowing at a typical fall level. The public sections of the park had been stocked the previous week giving the trout ample time to adjust their feeding schedules. Around every bend there was another pool or pocket to fish. There were certainly many more holes to fish than there were during the summer months. Almost everyone caught stockies but to our surprise we

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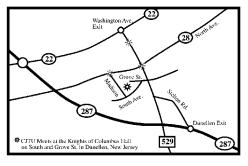
Meetings and Directions

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caught and released far more native wild trout. This could only mean one thing, a clean and healthy fishery.

We began the day with a quick tailgate breakfast and brief introductions. There were several new faces to the program and to the chapter. Included in the mix were Mark Hubosky and his son Michael, Mike Pilles and his wife Debbie, Joe Rossonillo and his pal Magee, and the newest member Roy Johnson. Now we had to find out who needed help, who needed flies, and who just needed a map. I'd like to thank Charlie Newman and all the instructors for working with the novice members.

Hal Fish, our noblest instructor, was quite anxious to get down to the river. He reminded me of my son Tristan on Christmas morning. I'm sorry; Tristan is more patient. Hal's anxiety was justified and intensified with every angler who hiked in ahead of us wearing hip boots and carrying a spinning rod. His discomfort was short lived for most of the guys that beat us in left early. Fishing the park with a fly rod is so productive that most of the spin anglers left in disgust. They were tired of hearing us shouting, "FISH ON!" and "GET THE CAMERA!"

We covered a lot of water and probably hit every holding spot on the river before we began the exhausting trip out of the park. Going in it's all down hill and took us nearly twenty minutes to hike in. It took FOREVER to climb out. For one, everyone we passed had to ask, "How's the fishing?" and two, we stopped several times to take group photos. I think this was a ruse for some to catch their breath. When we all finally arrived back at our cars. Debbie. who had been patiently reading and crocheting, greeted us with a smile, hot cocoa and donuts. A far cry from hot toddy's and vodka martinis, but appreciated just the same. And in the end, like all successful outings we spent over an hour swapping fish tales and promising to return to this river and do it again.

CONGRATULATIONS TO AGUST GUDMUNDSSON RECIPIENT OF THE 2004 TU NATIONAL DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD.

