



West Kill Rt 42 showing effects of bulldozing and channelization



Upper Schoharie along Rt 23A with houses perched on glacial lake bed sediment



Batavia Kill looking upstream towards Red Falls at Rt 23 A bridge junction with Rt 23

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Join us before each meeting at 6:30pm for a tying demonstration. Meetings begin at 7:30pm, the third Monday of each month (except Banquet month, July and August), at the Best Western on Western Avenue, Albany, NY (about a mile east of the end of the Northway).

Upcoming Events

January 16, 2012 Chapter General Meeting – “Tenkara” with Morgan Lyle and a guest fly tier on hand – tier at 6:30 and speaker at 7:30pm – free for everyone
January 27, 2012 Somerset Fly Fishing Show – Somerset, NJ
March 3, 2012 40th Annual Clearwater Chapter Conservation Banquet - Century House Latham

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Proposed Clearwater Chapter Trout Unlimited Bylaws

Trout Unlimited National has requested that all state council and chapters update their bylaws to more closely conform to those of national. Over the past few months a chapter bylaw committee has been working to update the Clearwater Chapter bylaws to conform to the mandates of the model presented by national and to incorporate those items from the current bylaws and updates that will make the chapter bylaws adapt to the current needs of the chapter.

A copy of the proposed bylaws can be located in the new bookshelf section of the chapter website located at <http://clearwatertu.org/BookShelf.html>. This is a working document and is meant to be reviewed by as many individuals as possible. The board will be discussing them at the February 6 board meeting. As usual the board meetings are open to all chapter members. If you wish to make email comments you can do so by contacting Bill Cosgrove at poppycoz@aol.com

[January 2012 Chapter General Meeting](#)

On Monday January 16th at 7:30 pm Clearwater Chapter welcomes **Morgan Lyle** who will speak on everything Tenkara. Seminar and equipment dealing with Tenkara will be offered. Come take a look at Tenkara and make an informed decision if this is something you want to try in 2012. Attendance is free, light refreshments are provided, bring a friend.

All are welcome. Meetings are held at the [Best Western Sovereign Hotel](#) about a mile east of the end of the Northway (I-87). Admission to our meetings is free and public is always invited, so please bring a friend(s) and meet with many of the local 'expert' Fly Fishers, Fly Tiers, and Conservationists.

FLY-FISHING

Tenkara catching on at outdoor shows

BY MORGAN LYLE
For *The Daily Gazette*

Will 2012 be a breakout year for tenkara fishing?

Odd to western eyes, but fun, effective and undeniably fly-fishing, tenkara has attracted a small, but devout following since being introduced to the American market in April 2009.

This year, for the first time, Tenkara USA, the company that brought tenkara from Japan to the outside world, has a presence at some of the country's top winter fly-fishing shows. Company founder Daniel Galhardo manned the booth of a retailer that sells his rods at the Fly Fishing Show in Denver over the weekend and will do the same when the show is held in Marlborough, Mass., on Jan. 20-22. Tenkara USA will have its own booth at the nation's top fly-fishing expo, the Fly Fishing Show in Somerset, N.J., Jan. 27-29.

This should be interesting. Alongside vendors hawking expensive reels and fly lines, Tenkara USA will assert that neither is necessary for trout fishing — only a long, relatively inexpen-

sive, telescoping rod with what amounts to a 15- or 20-foot leader affixed to its tip.

If you'd like to see this tackle in person, you're welcome to attend the Clearwater Chapter of Trout Unlimited meeting at the Best Western Sovereign Hotel in Albany, Monday at 7:30 p.m. I'll be giving a demo on tenkara and will have a couple of rods on hand.

In Denver, tenkara "was really well-received," Galhardo said. "Of course I'm biased, but I got the feeling we were the busiest booth." He even took to the casting pond to show how the rods work — not to show off their casting distance, which is obviously limited, but to show how easy it is to hold the light line off the water, achieving superb presentation.

Helping generate some buzz was the fact that three well-known tenkara enthusiasts were in attendance: writers John Gierach, Ed Engle and Dave Hughes.

Meanwhile, Temple Fork Outfitters in Dallas is the first established fly rod company in the United States to try to get in on the tenkara movement. The company is developing rods and has sent prototypes to a couple other well-

known tenkara fans — Craig Mathews, owner of Blue Ribbon Flies in West Yellowstone, Mont., and Patagonia founder Yvon Chouinard — for evaluation.

TFO hopes to bring some tenkara tackle to market within a year, partner Brandon Powers said. He's never used a tenkara rod himself.

"This is definitely off our radar screen, so we're kind of getting a crash course" in tenkara, he said.

Galhardo said he's less than thrilled at the prospect of competition from a nationally known brand. Still, the development is proof that tenkara's a valid and viable method of fly-fishing, he said. TFO may take a slice of the pie, but should also increase the size of the pie.

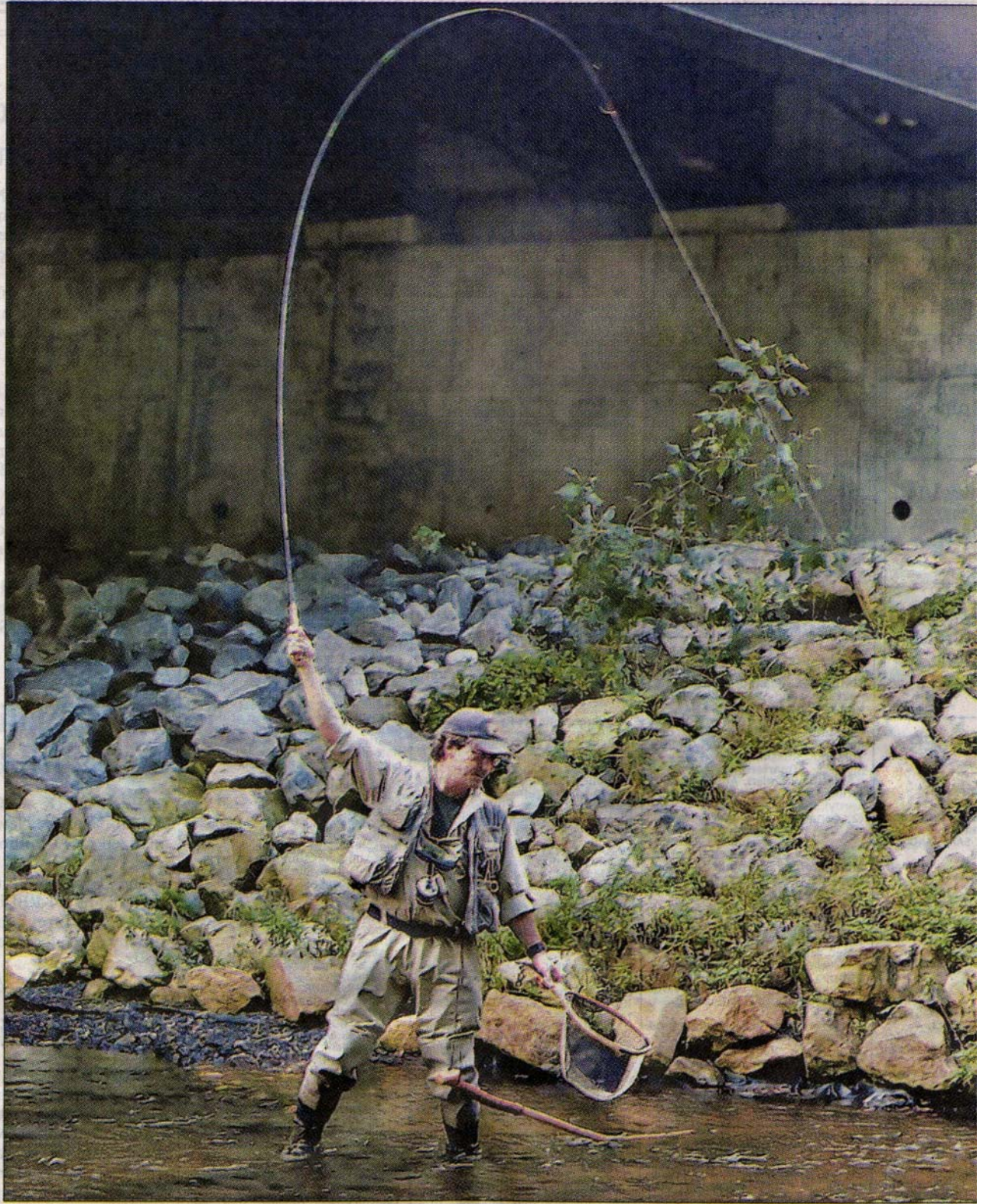
It remains to be seen whether anyone at TFO will take the trouble, as Galhardo has, to spend months in Japan learning tenkara fishing from the old masters.

Morgan Lyle's commentary appears regularly in The Daily Gazette. Reach him at morganlyle@gmail.com.

Morgan Lyle plays a trout on a tenkara rod last fall.

Tenkaraackle will be on display at The Fly Fishing Show in Somerset, N.J., Jan. 27-29. Lyle will give a talk about the method at the Clearwater Chapter of Trout Unlimited meeting Monday at the Best Western Sovereign Hotel in Albany.

PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER STEWART



Chapter Fly Swap

Ron Boutin

Bring in 13 of the current months category and get 13 back of the same category from other tiers in the Chapter. It's a great way to build your fly boxes and try some new flies. New ideas are always welcome as to what you want swapped so call me at 453-9843 or email me at rx4fishing@nycap.rr.com if you have further questions or ideas.

We'll start up again in February so if you have a good fly swap idea please let Ron know soon so he can schedule it this year.

2012 New York State Trout Unlimited Youth Program

Here is a great opportunity to get your child or grandchild, niece or nephew off to a worthwhile summer camp where they will learn about fly fishing and conservation of coldwater fisheries. Check out the link now and get signed up for next summer. Spots are limited so get on it!

http://clearwatertu.org/Calendar.html#Trout_Waters_Youth_Program

Fish of the Month 2012 Contest in Full Gear

Mark A Brown

The Chapter's Fish of the Month Contest is already in its fourth year having crowned **Noe Mead**, **Jim Berry** and **Bill Bach** as winners in its first three years. The contest is open to all members (except me!) and the children of the Chapter and is not necessarily based on the biggest fish, but the quality of the fish, story behind it and picture quality all make up a winning entry. Simply send a photograph to me at my email address at mrbrownie6@verizon.net or contact me via email for my mailing address if you have a Polaroid or 35mm shot. As the entries come I'll publish them in the newsletter and select a winner in December when the winner will get a dozen hand tied flies as a prize.

The winner for 2011 is **RICH ATKINSON** who will receive a dozen hand tied trout flies from the editor within the week. Congratulations to RICH on his nice trout in the June 2011 edition of the Clearwater Currents from the Walloomsac this summer.

Important Links from Bill Wemple

Bill Wemple

Bill submitted this link to a funny video that will make you think next time on the stream! Safe for the workplace and home.

<http://vimeo.com/34114211>

The Clearwater TU Bookshelf is now online at the URL below. Let me know if you have any issues with it, want anything additional added, etc.

*** Thanks to Roy for providing source material as well.

Let's see how much of a useful resource this may be.

<http://clearwatertu.org/BookShelf.html>

Significant Notes

Get Your Free *I FISH NY Freshwater Fishing Map* Today

Available for your next freshwater fishing excursion is our new, colorful map brochure with fishing information on more than 400 lakes, ponds, rivers and streams in New York State. One side of the foldout shows locations of some of the best fishing waters in the state, while the other side provides details on each site, including access points, types of fish, marinas and campsites and other important information. To receive a map in the mail, send an e-mail request with "NY Fishing Map" as the subject to fwfish@gw.dec.state.ny.us. Remember to include your name and complete address in the e-mail.

Recreational Sporting Season Reminders

New Recreational Marine Fishing Registry Year Starts January 1

With a new year beginning, make sure you enroll in the 2012 Recreational Marine Fishing Registry, which is a requirement when fishing for all saltwater and migratory fish in New York State. Registration is free, so enroll today to prepare for your next saltwater fishing adventure. Visit DEC's website for [information on the marine registry and how to enroll](#).

Clean Angling News Rhode Island Felt Ban Special

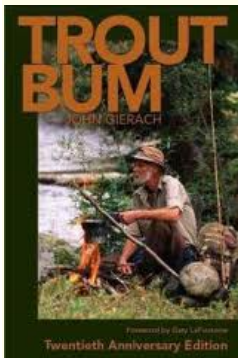
Rhode Island Bans Felt Soles

Effective January 1, 2012 Rhode Island has banned the use of felt soles in both fresh and salt water. The ban has been implemented administratively as part of the 2012 fishing regulations. It seems that this ban was developed without public notice.

The new rule states "It is prohibited that any person use foot gear with external felt soles in any state waters, inclusive of freshwater, tidal, or marine. This shall include any waters shared with adjacent states in which any Rhode Island Fishing Regulations apply." The rule is found in the [2012/2013 Rhode Island Fishing Regulations](#) it is regulation #1.17 on page 9.

With the Alaska statewide ban also taking effect on January 1 there will be four states (Alaska, Maryland, Rhode Island and Vermont) with statewide bans. Missouri will be implementing a ban on felt in trout waters effective March 1, 2012

Felt bans are one of the hottest topics among anglers and we continue to track all felt bans and proposals in the US at [US Felt Bans](#)



Anglers & Readers
BOOK DISCUSSION
2012
AT 7PM

The water may be high, muddy or cold. Bass and trout seasons may not yet be open. However, until fishing conditions get better, you can join us on three Thursday evenings for the next best thing to actually fishing: reading excellent books about fishing. We will read Norman Maclean's novella, *A River Runs through It*, John Gierach's essay collection, *Trout Bum*, and *The Armchair Angler*, an anthology of authors, edited by Terry Brykczynski and David Reuther. From these books, we can discuss the writing, why we fish and the rewards it brings, the humor and the raw adventure – and even a few tips on catching fish. If the weather permits, we may have the last book discussion astream.

February 23: *A River Runs Through It* by Norman Maclean

March 29: *Trout Bum* by John Gierach

April 26: *The Armchair Angler*, edited by Terry Brykczynski and David Reuther



Feral hogs invade Champlain Valley, Adirondacks



A feral pig in Peru NY, photographed in September 2011. Photo: NYS DEC

Orchard owner Bob Rulf patrols his property in the town of Peru. Photo: Brian Mann (01/09/12) Invasive plants and animals have been a big problem in the North Country for decades, from Eurasian watermilfoil in Lake George to zebra mussels in the St. Lawrence River. But farmers in the Clinton County town of Peru are wrestling with a new invasive animal - and this one weighs three hundred pounds and comes with razor-sharp tusks.

Feral pigs or boars have established a breeding population on the eastern edge of the Adirondack Park. Scientists fear the animals could spread fast, wiping out native animals and damaging crops. Brian Mann has our story.

"Come on, hurry up!" Bob Rulf calls his dog up into the cab of his pick-up. And with his field manager, Richard Howard riding shotgun, he heads off across his orchard in the Champlain Valley. It's a gorgeous mix of apple trees, farm fields and woods in the foothills of the Adirondacks – but Rulf and Howard are facing an invasion that has them stumped.

"When we first saw these hoof marks, we thought, It's gotta be deer. Those deer are digging the seeds out. But it wasn't deer. The guys called Richard at 3 o'clock in the morning and said, 'It's pigs!'"

These aren't little cute pink pigs. These are big Russian boars with razor sharp tusks that weigh up to three hundred pounds. "They'll eat just about anything," Howard says. "But the main problem was over here in our corn field and they would knock it down and pull the ears all apart."

Out in the fields, Rulf and Howard meet up with Ben Tabor. He's a wildlife technician with the Department of Environmental Conservation. Tabor says it appears that this population of feral pigs is firmly established, having weathered at least a couple of North Country winters.

"It seems like they've bred. We've had pictures of litters, at least three times. We saw some tracks of small size, insuating that there was another litter," he explained.

Feral pigs are nocturnal. They move around and forage at night. But using motion activated cameras, Tabor's team has identified roughly three dozen of these animals.

"Somebody let them go. A few people have suggested that they're escapees from a nearby

farm," he said.

The fear is that the population could expand rapidly, spreading across the region. Pigs breed fast, with populations sometimes tripling in a single year. If that happens here, Tabor says, the environmental impact on Adirondack forests could be dramatic.

"They're going to out compete other animals. They also tend to eat other animals directly. Amphibians, frogs, grouse, ground-nesting turkeys, any ground nesting birds definitely," Tabor explained.

Pigs are such efficient eaters, Tabor says, that they literally wipe out everything on the ground, leaving churned mud. "Back past those pines, it's just completely devoid of any understory. It's all rooted up."

Back in the truck, Bob Rulf and Richard Howard take me to a corner of the field where the pigs have been active. "This is what they do," Howard says, pointing to a churned up area of ground. "It looks like big foot walked through here," Rulf chimes in.

Hillary Oles heads the Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program, based in Keene. She says environmental groups like hers are still trying to get a grip on what a feral pig infestation might mean for the North Country.

"All indicators from elsewhere in New York state and in other states where feral pigs have been established very much indicate that it could be a real problem," she said.

Feral pigs have been spreading fast in the southern Tier of New York. Containing this outbreak won't be easy. Pigs are incredibly smart, adaptable animals. Through the summer and fall, hunters and trappers have only killed half a dozen hogs. State biologists are hoping for more snow and cold weather, which should make food more scarce here in the Champlain Valley. That would help field crews as they use bait piles to lure and trap more of the hogs.

Insect study uncovers new revelations

December 24, 2011

By MIKE LYNCH - Outdoors Writer

(mlynch@adirondackdailyenterprise.com) , Adirondack Daily Enterprise

For the last several years, Saranac native Luke Myers spent many hours visiting the waterways of the Adirondack Park, netting and hand-picking aquatic insects.

The work was part of a four-year biodiversity study of mayflies, caddisflies and stoneflies that he spearheaded. It is likely the most comprehensive biodiversity study of those aquatic insects ever done in this region.

Myers worked with a team that included Tim Mihuc, a professor of environmental science at SUNY Plattsburgh and director of the Lake Champlain Research Institute, where Myers currently works as a research associate; as well as Boris Kondratieff, a professor and curator of the C.P. Gillette Museum of

Arthropod Diversity at Colorado State University in Fort Collins; and D.E. Ruiter, a self-taught expert on caddisflies.

During the study that ended in June 2010, Myers and his team examined 25,000 specimens from 465 locations. They found 509 species of mayflies, caddisflies and stoneflies, including 99 that were reported in this state for the first time.

They also discovered several species new to science and some species of conservation concern.

Mihuc raved about Myers' work on this project.

"It's really the single-best collection of these taxa (group of organisms) that's ever been compiled in New York state," Mihuc said. "It's a tribute to the work Luke did. He really did a good job."

Myers, who received his undergraduate degree at Paul Smith's College, said his initial interest in doing such a survey came while he was working on his master's in entomology at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, where Kondratieff was his advisor. As part of that work, Myers took some samples from the Saranac River near his home in Saranac. Afterward, he found a number of taxa that hadn't previously been reported in the state.

That made him interested in doing more research on the subject, so he applied for a few grants. He received two: one from the New York State Biodiversity Research Institute and one from the state Department of Environmental Conservation's wildlife grants program, which is funded by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The funding for the grants resulted in a larger aquatic insect study that went beyond the confines of the Adirondack Park. His field work took him south to Poughkeepsie, east to Lake Champlain and west to Lake Ontario. For that project, he wrote a 125-page report that included information on the species' distribution, habitat info on the statewide aquatic insect population.

The Adirondack Park study was published in a journal of the American Entomological Society this past summer.

According to Myers' report on the Adirondack Park, "The first extensive survey of Adirondack aquatic insects was provided by James Needham and Cornelius Beteen in 1901. This study was conducted over a 10-week period at Saranac Inn in Franklin County. This was one of the first studies of aquatic insects in North America, providing life history information for a number of taxa, and descriptions of 10 new species and two new genera of aquatic insects. However, since these early publications, relatively little taxonomic research and field surveys have been conducted on aquatic insects in the Adirondack Park."

Myers reported 33 species of stoneflies and 75 species of caddisflies in New York for the first time in the Adirondack Park study. The high number of findings is a result of not many surveys being done previously.

Specimens from the collection have been deposited in a number of places, including Cornell University, Colorado State University, the Lake Champlain Research Institute and the New York State Museum.

The value of this research is that "certain mayflies, stoneflies and caddisflies are intolerant of pollution and are known to be indicators of ecosystem integrity," according to Myers' statewide report. Simply put, many of these aquatic insects prefer clean water.

The information gathered by Myers could be used by planning agencies to help inform their decisions that

affect nearby waters, he said. It could be used as baseline data to determine if activities like building bridges and roads affects nearby waters. This could be done by doing aquatic insect sampling after the work was done and comparing it to the data obtained from the waters during Myers' survey.

For example, the data could be used to see if the AuSable River system's ecosystem was affected by dredging that occurred this fall after Tropical Storm Irene.

"We could go back five years from now and find out if some of these taxa are still there on the AuSable River," he said.

Myers also said his study validates the land-use protections that are in place in the Adirondack Park. The study states that of the 536 species of caddisflies, mayflies and stoneflies that exist statewide, 509 (95 percent) are found in the Adirondack Park.

"It proves that the Adirondack Park and the Adirondack Park Agency really do work to preserve the water quality of these streams because all these insects are good indicators of water quality, especially the very rare ones," Myers said. "They are rare for a reason because of habitat destruction and things like that. So that really says a lot about the protection the 'Forever Wild' clause in the state constitution."

There were actually more taxa found in the Park than in the Great Smoky Mountains, where the group did a similar study in recent years.

"They had an all-taxa diversity inventory and they also covered these same groups, and we actually found more taxa here, which is very surprising because we had a longer glaciation here so they had less time to colonize here," Myers said.

On a recreation level, Myers and Mihuc also said the data could be used by expert fly fishermen who rely on caddisflies, stoneflies and mayflies to catch trout.

"We've got a more complete understanding of their fly fishing menu, so to speak, and also the times of year that these insects are emerging from these streams," Myers said. "We have really good phenology data from when these species emerge and how they emerge: If it's synchronized or they spread out, if all the same species emerge over a long time in the summer months and things like that."

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Clearwater Chapter Trout Unlimited
2012 Annual Conservation Banquet Reservation Form
Saturday March 3rd, 2012
The Century House
997 New Loudon Rd. (Route 9), Latham, NY 12110
Doors Open at 4 PM with Cocktail Hour and Hors d'oeuvres
Dinner Served at 6 PM
Raffles and Auctions to follow Dinner

The Clearwater Chapter of Trout Unlimited proudly invites you and your guests to attend the 40th Annual Conservation Banquet. An exciting array of auction and raffle items will be offered during this evening of socializing and fund raising. All proceeds from this event directly benefit the local conservation of our coldwater fisheries.

Our hosts at The Century House will be providing us with table-side menus, so there is no need to make meal choices for registration before the Banquet. Our Entrée choices on the table-side menu should include Filet Mignon, Chicken Marsala, or Rigatoni Oreganato (vegetarian).

The Century House has also set aside a block of ten rooms at \$109 each for that night, just mention 'Trout Unlimited' if you make a reservation. Please call them at phone#: (888) 674-6873 or (518) 785-0931.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

Number Attending ____ X \$40.00 each = \$ _____

Please make checks payable to '**Clearwater Chapter Trout Unlimited**'

____ I cannot attend, but would like to make a donation of \$_____ to the Clearwater TU Conservation Fund.

Please send reservation form with payment to: Kim Walchko, 244 Quarry Street, Cobleskill, NY 12043.

One of the Annual Banquet highlights is a raffle for a Hornbeck "BlackJack" 10'8" carbon fiber canoe, complete with rowing package, that weighs only 14 lbs with a 300 lb carrying capacity. Tickets for these are \$5.00 each or a book of five for \$20.00. They will also be available for sale during the banquet. If you would like to purchase any now please indicate number of ticket(s) you would like here: _____ and include that amount with banquet reservation payment above.

The poster below can be copied and distributed to high volume areas like supermarkets, your bulletin board at work, coffee shops, etc



**Trout Unlimited
Clearwater Chapter
Annual Conservation Banquet**



**Saturday, March 3rd, 2012
The Century House**

997 New Loudon Rd. (Route 9) , Latham, NY

**Live
Auction**

Time:
4:00 PM Cocktails &
Hors D'oeuvres
Dinner 6:00 PM
Price \$40.00

**Door
Prizes**

**Silent
Auctions**



**Card
Raffles**

**Local
Artwork**

**Bucket
Raffles**

Hornbeck 'BlackJack' Canoe Raffle

Carbon Fiber (14 lbs!) with Rowing Package
Tickets \$5.00 each or Book of Five \$20.00

Banquet RSVP: Kim Walchko, (518) 234-4192
For more information, directions, or reservation
forms please visit:

<http://clearwatertu.org/Banquet.html>

Canoe Raffle tickets please contact Scott Parker:
(518) 894-4661 (sgparker@nycap.rr.com)



[Help needed for the 40th Annual Conservation Banquet](#)

Your banquet committee is beginning the planning process for the 40th annual Clearwater Trout Unlimited conservation banquet. There are plenty of ways you can help.

Save the Date

Attend the banquet [on March 3, 2012](#) at The Century House in Latham. Cost is \$40 per person. Enjoy appetizers including a chocolate fountain and three-course dinner including choice of entrée: filet mignon, chicken Marsala or rigatoni oreganato (vegetarian).

Donate an item for raffle or auction

Theme baskets, fishing and outdoor gear, flies, a craft, restaurant or business gift certificate, artwork, jewelry, anything!

Donate a fly rod, reel, line

This year's banquet is in great need of rods for raffle and auction

Hang posters around town

Pick up a few at the next general meeting or print them from www.clearwatertu.org. Post them on any community bulletin board where people can see them.

Sell and buy Hornbeck canoe raffle tickets

Tickets are \$5 each or a book of 5 tickets for \$20. There will be a special drawing again this year. Anyone selling or buying five books of tickets will be entered to win a special prize.

Join the banquet committee

The next committee meeting is [January 9 at 7 p.m.](#) at Saratoga Bridges in Clifton Park

The Hornbeck canoe will be on display at the [December 19](#) general meeting so you can check it out. Canoe raffle tickets, banquet reservation forms, posters, and donation forms will be available. If you have anything to donate please bring it along.

Contact **Jessica Galasso** or **Bill Cosgrove**

[West Canada Fishing Contest 2012](#)

Check out the website below for plenty of information on next year's inaugural fishing contest on the West Canada. The website below also has links to many other sites of interest including one I really liked – **Eric Dresser's** wildlife photography site called <http://ecdphoto.addr.com/>

The West Canada website is www.troutpower.blogspot.com



Fly Tying Classes 2012

Sponsored by

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Saint Joseph's Parish Center
45 Macarthur Dr., Scotia, NY

Beginner's class start Jan 17th - Mar 6th, every Tuesday
Advanced class starts Jan 19th—Mar 8th, every Thursday
Time: 7-9 PM

Cost: \$65 for TU members & \$80 for non-TU members
(*includes a one year membership to Trout Unlimited)

All materials are supplied, students must provide tying tools and a vise.

For more info, or to register please go to:

<http://clearwatertu.org/Classes.html>

Or call/email

Doug Howard: 399-8566 (dhoward11@nycap.rr.com)

Dick Hermida: 399-6272 (rher575969@aol.com)

Gift certificates are available.

Fly Tying Classes 2012

Beginner's Classes start on January 17th, 2012 and meet every Tuesday until March 6th

Advanced classes start on January 19th, 2012 and meet every Thursday until March 8th.

Times: 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Location: St. Joseph's Parish Center in Scotia (map) MacArthur Drive, Scotia, NY

***** An extra week was also reserved at our location in case of cancelled classes due to inclement weather.**

Participants need a vice and set of their own tools. Materials and handouts will be provided.

More info TBA as dates get closer.

*****These would make great holiday gifts...**

Fly Fishing Classes 2012

Fly Fishing Classes start on March 27th, 2012 and meet each Tuesday until May 8th with an additional 'on the water' class held on the Battenkill on either May 19th or 20th, weather & flows permitting.

(Please do whatever you can to influence good weather and no floods like last year!)

*** An extra class day on May 15th is tentatively scheduled in case of inclement weather if needed.

For all the Chapter sponsored classes see the reservation form below

Clearwater Chapter Trout Unlimited Fly Tying/Fly Fishing Class
Registration Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____ Email _____
Address _____

(Please check one)

Fly Tying: Beginner's _____ or Advanced: _____

Cost: \$65.00 for TU members, \$80.00 for non-members, which includes a one year TU membership.

Fly Fishing: _____

Cost: \$135.00 for TU members \$150.00 for non-members, which includes a one year TU membership.

We have a limited number of fly rods available on first come\first served basis - check here if you need one: _____

Trout Unlimited Membership #(if applicable): _____

Make checks payable to TU Clearwater Chapter and mail with registration to:

Doug Howard

38 Velina Drive
Burnt Hills, NY 12027-9412
Ph: 399-8566
Email dhoward11@nycap.rr.com

Fly Fishing Show Schedule for 2012

It's showtime again and if you have never been to a fly fishing show make this the first year that you go. There is plenty of information and stuff to buy like books, gear, clothing and fly tying material all in one place. New this year is the Fly Fishing Film Tour at many of the locations including Marlborough and Somerset. The list below is for the shows near Albany. For more locations and plenty more information please see the link:

<http://www.flyfishingshow.com/>

**Marlborough, MA
January 20, 21, 22
Royal Plaza**

**Somerset, NJ
January 27, 28, 29
Garden State Convention Center**

**Raleigh, North Carolina
February 11, 12
NC State Fairgrounds**

New Show!
**Lancaster, Pennsylvania
February 18, 19
Lancaster County Convention Center**