



## Newsletter March 2010

### March Meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup>

The March meeting will be Thursday, **March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 P.M.** Come on down to the clubhouse for a warm fire and some interesting conversation. Roy Swartz will demonstrate tying some of the best flies for fishing the club pond. Roy

catches more fish than most of us, so if you want to know about the hot flies for the pond and how to make them, this is your chance. We'll also plan upcoming events like clean-up day and opening day.

### Elections for 2010

The annual elections for club officers and directors were held at the February meeting. As there were no other nominations, the slate proposed by the nominating committee was approved unanimously. The newly elected officers are:

President: Richard Marashlian

Vice President: Paul McKechnie  
Treasurer: Doug Donaldson  
Secretary: Robert Lynch  
For the Board of Directors: Roland Johnson and Roy Swartz were elected to two-year terms. Thanks to all who are taking on these responsibilities.

### Clean up Day April 3rd

In preparation for opening day, we will have a clean-up day on Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. We'll pick up trash and downed limbs and

clean up the club house. Come down to the club for a couple of hours starting at 7:30 AM.

### Opening Day April 10th

The date for opening day this Spring is Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. The pond will be stocked with trout the week before. After the stocking there will be no fishing until opening day. Look for the signs posted

after the stocking. We'll have the traditional breakfast before the first cast. Volunteers to help out are needed. We'll plan the event at the March meeting.

## Conservation Commission

The club applied to the Needham Conservation Commission for a determination of non-applicability allowing us to do work on the property around the pond. The "non-applicability" means that the laws prohibiting activity within buffer zones around a wetland (the pond) do not apply to the activities of the club in maintaining our property. This is required under the state and town wetlands laws. After making the

application, the Commission approved our request in a hearing on March 11<sup>th</sup>. The determination covers activities for the next three years.

A copy of the documentation will be posted on the bulletin board in the club house. Note this determination does not give us a completely free hand to do anything we want. It allows us to do specific things, so please review the document before you dig or cut.

## Appreciation

Jon Cave has turned the presidency over to Richard Marashlian. We offer our thanks to Jon for his two years service as president and two years as vice-president. Jon will remain on the board of directors as a past president. Thanks also to Dave

Matthes who is leaving the board to make room for Jon. It's been a pleasure working for the club with all of you and we look forward to the next year.

## Fishing Report

Winter is over! (almost) Fishing has been good since ice-out. Several members have reported catching healthy trout on a variety of flies including the usual favorite, the black woolly bugger. There are a few

fish working on the surface, but at least one member had success going deeper with a sinking line. Fishing will only get better as the water warms.

## Spring Schedule

Here's the schedule of events at the club for this spring:

- 3/18 March meeting 7:30 PM
- 4/3 Clean up day 7:30 AM
- 4/10 Opening day Breakfast 6:00 AM, First cast 7:00 AM
- 4/22 April meeting 7:30 PM
- 5/20 May meeting 6:30 PM spey casting demonstration, 7:30 PM meeting
- 6/13 June meeting 12:00 PM cookout

## Membership Renewal 2010

The board of directors has decided to keep the 2010 dues at \$125 for regular and \$50 for junior members. Due to some of the computer issues described above no invoices will be mailed this year, so consider this your invoice. The club is a great bargain and we urge you to renew now!

You can mail your check to:  
Needham Sportsman's Club  
PO Box 191  
Needham MA 02492

With your renewal please provide the following information so that we can update the membership rolls. You can also email the information to [BOBLNSC1@YAHOO.COM](mailto:BOBLNSC1@YAHOO.COM).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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Age (junior members): \_\_\_\_\_

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