



Newsletter June 2010

June Meeting on the 13th

The June meeting will be **Sunday, June 13th at Noon.** There will be no Thursday night meeting this month.

This meeting will be the popular annual picnic. Bring your family for some hamburgers and hot dogs hot off the grill (maybe some grilled sunfish or shiner too...).

Last year's picnic was counted a great success despite one of the rainiest June

days in recent memory. The weather can't be that bad again, so this year the picnic will be even better. Summer fishing rules for kids start with the picnic (see below). Bring your beverage of choice and any side dishes, etc... that you'd like to share, the hamburgers, hot dogs and condiments will be provided by the club.

Property News

The tree at the corner of parking lot that fell over the weekend of May 8th was removed by Paul McKechnie. Thanks, Paul. Danny Socci has been doing some great things for the driveway and dam. He arranged to get some larger gravel to fill in some of the gaps between the facing stones and the dam. If you were at the May meeting you saw Danny and Ray

Capobianco and others putting the gravel in the holes. Danny also arranged to get some gravel and dirt delivered to the club for patching the driveway. Danny and his tractor were the MVP for spreading the gravel on the driveway (with help from Bob Timmerman and Bob Lynch). There is a small pile of the gravel left over, so if you see a pothole, feel free to fix it!

New House Update

From Doug Donaldson:
We are pleased that our expression of environmental concerns to the Needham Conservation Commission in regard to the proposed location of the driveway for the yet-to-be-built new house across the pond has led to a relocation of that

driveway further away from the pond, to the other side of the existing new house. Good work by our committee formed to address this issue, which included Ray Capobianco, Doug Donaldson, Bob Lynch, Mike Herman and Rollie Johnson.

Summer Fishing Rules

The same rules as last year will be in force for summer fishing in the club pond:

1. Children 12 years old and under may fish by methods other than fly fishing.
2. The only bait allowed is worms or night crawlers. No live fish (shiners, etc...) or power bait allowed.
3. Fishing with anything other than flies (i.e., bait) is allowed only within 10 feet of the shore.
4. Children must be accompanied by a member. These rules are not a public invitation to fish in the pond. It is still members only.
5. Trout caught must be released immediately.
6. Sunfish caught must be released into the brook below the driveway bridge (bring a bucket).
7. These rules are in effect from June 13th through August 31st.

Fishing Instruction at the Pond

The club has made a deal with the Orvis store in Dedham to host part of the store's fly fishing class at the club pond. The class will use the pond for casting instruction. Orvis is paying the club \$25 per pupil for the use of the pond. Thanks to Paul McKechnie for working on this.

There are two classes scheduled in June, June 12th and June 26th. The cost is \$175 for the full day of instruction and lunch at our club house. The telephone number at Orvis if folks are interested is:

781-329-7214. The instructor is Ty Patten (Manager of the Fly Fishing Dept).

The instruction includes the Orvis fly casting technique; mastering the essential fly-fishing knots; a presentation on essential equipment, accessories, and their function; a straight forward introduction to entomology and fly selection; how to interact with moving water, and techniques for correctly fishing with different types of flies.

May Meeting

The spey casting demonstration was cancelled at the last minute. We hope that this can be rescheduled in the fall. Instead

of casting, we had some work on filling in holes, some fishing and a cookout.

Fishing Report

Fishing at the club pond has slowed a little but there are still trout to be caught. In past years going deep with a sinking line has been effective this time of year. In the evenings terrestrials, (beetles, ants,

inch worms) fished on the surface can be effective. Dragon fly or damsel fly nymph imitations can be good too (an olive woolly bugger works for this).

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