



## December Meeting on the 16th

The December meeting will be Thursday, December 16th. Before the meeting we'll have the annual Christmas dinner starting at 6:30. The business meeting will start at 7:30. Come enjoy some holiday cheer with the other members. This is always a

good time! The clubhouse has been decorated for the holidays by Dennis Martin, Rollie Johnson and Bill Hagar. Thanks guys!

## President's Corner

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for being a member of the N.S.C. It is a great club and has matured in many ways. I also want to thank all of the members who give of themselves in helping the club function. You know who you are I appreciate the help in all that you do. Thank you!

I would also like to wish all of you and your families a Happy Hanukah, Merry Christmas and a very happy and safe New Year!

Sincerely,

Richard Marshlian

## Membership Renewal

It's time to renew your membership. The board is leaving the dues unchanged for 2011:  
\$125 for adult members, \$50 for junior members.

Invoices will be sent out later this month. We urge you to renew early in the year. Think of your membership as a Christmas gift that you give to yourself.

## Elections

The annual election cycle for club offices begins this month with the appointment of the nominating committee by the

president. The nominations will be announced at the January meeting. The election will be at the February meeting.

## Fly Tying Sessions

The monthly fly tying session on the first Tuesday of the month are continuing. Join the group at the next one, at 6:30 on January 4th. This is a great opportunity to learn from some excellent tyers.

### Favorite Flies



This month's fly is a new favorite of mine. I call it the GLS bucktail. I first used it this year at Grand Lake Stream in Maine. I had some success with it there and I've had success with it at the club pond. It's a basic bucktail pattern, not much different from many similar patterns. This fly is a simple imitation of a smelt or a shiner. When trout are swirling at small minnows this type of fly can be very effective and draw some hard strikes.

#### GLS Bucktail

Hook: Streamer sizes 4 – 10

Thread: Black

Body: Pearl Bill's Bodi Braid

Wing: White bucktail, Pearl Bill's Bodi Braid,  
Olive bucktail, peacock herl

In the example in the picture I used a Mustad 9575 #6 for the hook. This hook has a looped eye, which provides a slightly wider, more stable platform for tying in the wing. The body braid is often used in saltwater flies but it looks good on any bait fish imitation. The wing of a bucktail needs to be sparse enough that it can move, almost breathe, in the water. For this fly in size 6, I use a clump of white bucktail about half the diameter of a pencil and stack it to even the ends of the hair. I tie the body braid over the white hair and then use a bodkin or needle to separate it into strands. For the olive bucktail I use half to a third as much as of the white. I use just two peacock herls to top off the wing.

If you have a fly you'd like to share, please write it up and it can appear in a future newsletter.

## Fishing Report

There are still fish being caught in December. Surface action is very infrequent, but the trout can be caught a little deeper. A woolly bugger fished slow

and deep will take fish as long as there is open water. A sinking line can help get the fly down where the fish are.

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