



Newsletter February 2011

February Meeting on the 17th

The February meeting will be Thursday, February 17th at 7:30 PM. The main order of business will be the annual elections,

(see below). Thanks to the wood stove, the clubhouse will be nice and warm, so don't be put off by the cold weather.

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 were sent out in late January to those who had not renewed already. Membership cards will be distributed to those who renew.

Elections

The annual election for club offices will be at the February meeting. The nominating committee of Floyd Alwon, Bill Hagar and Ray Thibault has nominated the following members for office:

President – Richard Marashlian
Vice President – Paul Mckechnie

Treasurer – Doug Donaldson
Secretary – Bob Lynch
Board of Directors (2 year term):
Mike Herman
Bob Timmerman
Shane Yelin

No other nominations were received.

Thanks

With all the snow we've gotten many of us have had issues with our houses. The clubhouse is no different. But thanks to a crew led by Bob Proctor, the clubhouse is

safe. Bob and company shoveled off the roof. This is another example of members stepping up to help out the club - thanks Bob!

Opening Day April 10th

Spring opening day at the club pond will be Saturday April 10th. Mark your calendar!

Fly Tying

The fly tying sessions on the first Tuesday of the month have proved very popular. The next session is on March 1st at 6:30 at the clubhouse. It's time to get ready for

spring fishing with some new flies. Novice and experienced tiers are welcome. Bring your vice and tools and come to share techniques and patterns.

Where Have the Stipers Gone?

Floyd Alwon brought this article to my attention. Many of us have commented that striped bass fishing has been less productive the last couple of years. This article offers a possible explanation: blame the weather (as if this winter weren't

enough cause for a grudge against the weather gods).

<http://www.npr.org/2011/01/25/133183300/atlantic-weather-may-be-key-culprit-in-fish-decline?ft=1&f=>

Favorite Flies

By Steve 'Doc' Cohen



The Green Hornet was originated out of necessity after turning 50, when my eyesight was not that of a 20 year old. The wings are highly visible, the tail, hackle and body are dark creating a good silhouette against the lighter sky when looking up through the water. And what I think helps to attract fish is the sparkle in the body.

The thread for the abdomen is from a craft store with sewing supplies. You could substitute green flashabou if you wanted, wrapped loosely over a black thread body and then varnished.

The fly was featured in many Daiichi hook ads in Fly Rod and Reel, Fly Fisherman and others.

I find the Green Hornet is a go-to fly for me and it is especially good in the late evening.

Hook: Daiichi #1100 Big Eye Hook sizes #12-18, #16 is my favorite.

Thread: Danville's 6/0 black

Tail: Black Spade fibers

Abdomen on Parachute or body on Catskill version: Kreinik's very fine metallic thread color #009

Wing: Parachute, Para post hi-viz Pink or Catskill version, dyed pink turkey flat

Thorax: On parachute version only, Black superfine dubbing

Hackle: Black Whiting 100's saddle hackle

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