



Newsletter May 2014



2014 Sportsman of the Year: President Mike Herman, recipient Ray Capobianco, legend Ed Novak (photo by Bob Timmerman)

May Meeting on the 15th

The May meeting will be held on Thursday, May 15th at 7:30. This is a chance to share our latest fish stories (all true, no doubt) and

maybe learn a little something from other members.

Sportsman of the Year

At the April meeting, Ray Capobianco was named the "Ed Novak Sportsman of the Year" for 2014. He is so deserving of this recognition that the award came as no surprise to anyone, except to Ray. Ray was surprised and very moved by the announcement. Ray first became involved with the club as a junior member in the late 1940's. Some of his recent achievements were writing the six part history of the sportsman's club (on the website <http://www.troutpond.com/Public/History/>

history.htm) and the history of the water quality issues in the club pond. Ray does a lot of work all around the club property; if he can't participate in cleanup day, he comes the week before and does his share of the work (usually more than his share). Ray is a very accomplished angler; in fact he was the victor in the club's one-fly competition last fall. Ray readily shares his knowledge about many aspects of our sport. So congratulations and thank you to Ray, our 2014 Sportsman of the Year!

Coming Events

The June meeting will be a family cookout on Sunday, June 22nd. This is a great family event, so try to keep the date open.

The September meeting will feature a casting clinic with Shelia and Bill Hassan. This was very successful last year; we got some great tips from some of the best fly casting instructors in the country.

Name Tags

This is a reminder that members should display their membership cards when fishing the club pond. If you aren't displaying it, don't be surprised if someone asks you for your card.

Fishing Report

The fishing has been a little tough lately. There are fish taking something off the surface almost all day, but they are difficult to

fool. Midges and smaller wet flies and nymphs seem to be the ticket right now.

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