



Newsletter March 2015

March Meeting on the 19th

The March meeting will be held on **Thursday, March 19th at 7:00 PM** at the clubhouse.

The main business of the meeting will be the elections for club offices (see below).

Fly Tying April 7th

The Tuesday evening fly tying session for April will be on the 7th at 6:00 PM. This is a chance for experienced and inexperienced fly tyers to share knowledge. All levels of experience are welcome.

Bring your fly tying tools and a selection of materials (everyone shares whatever they have to make the evening's patterns).

Members chip in for some pizza so you don't have to miss dinner.

Dues for 2015

The board of directors has decided to set the **dues for 2015 at \$150** for adults, the same as for 2014. Junior members' dues will remain \$50. Members cannot fish in the pond until their dues are paid. You can pay by check through the mail, or in person at a meeting.

If you've paid your dues, you should have received your membership card in person or by mail. Roughly 2/3 of last year's members have already paid their 2015 dues. If you haven't paid your dues, the absence of a 2015 membership card is a reminder to pay soon!

Elections 2015

The 2015 elections will be held at the March meeting. The four officers plus four directors are up for election. The nominating committee, composed of Floyd Alwon, Phil Trotter and Brad Voight, presented the slate at the February meeting. No other nominations were received by the secretary. The nominations are:

President: Mike Herman
Vice President: Bob Timmerman
Treasurer: Tony O'Leary
Secretary: Bob Lynch

Board: Eric Rockwood
Bill Dello Russo

Rod Raffle

The shop that led the rod building class in February, Cote's in Leominster, has donated a custom build 8 ½ foot 5 weight rod to the club as a raffle prize. The drawing will be at

the May meeting. The club will be selling raffle tickets at the March, April and May meetings. The tickets are \$5 each. This is a beautiful rod just right for our local waters!

Clean up Day April 11th

Spring cleanup day will be on **Saturday, April 11th**, starting at 7:30 AM and lasting until we are done or have run out of energy. It's been

a tough winter and there will be a lot to do around the property so we need a lot of help. Please come out and do your part.

Opening Day April 18th

Spring opening day is finally in sight! The board has selected **Saturday, April 18th** as Spring opening day. The pond will be stocked with trout during the week before. Please observe the "No Fishing" signs

posted after the stocking. The day will start with our traditional hearty breakfast at 6:00 AM. This is the best breakfast you'll get anywhere for five bucks. The first cast will be at 7:00 AM.

Library Art

George Marks, a long time member of club, is an artist when he's not fishing. This month, George is exhibiting some of his work at the

Friends Gallery at the Needham Public Library. If you have a chance, stop by and take a look.

Grand Lake Stream Trip

A group of members is planning a trip to fish Grand Lake Stream in Maine in June. This is a great fishery for landlocked salmon, brook

trout and lake trout. There are a couple of openings. See Mike Herman at the March meeting if you are interested.

Fishing Report

Ice, snow and more snow! But when it clears, we should have good fishing, so don't give up hope!

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