



## Newsletter January 2017

### January Meeting on the 19th

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

### Fly Tying February 7th

The monthly fly tying session will be on  
Tuesday, February 7th. It starts around  
6:00 PM or whenever you can get to the  
club house. This is a fun evening of tying

and instruction. Chip in \$5 and you get a  
pizza dinner along with a couple of new  
flies.

### Dues for 2017

The board of directors has decided to leave  
the dues for 2017 the same as 2016:  
**\$150 for adults,**  
**\$50 for juniors**  
Dues are payable by January 1st.  
Members cannot fish in the pond until their  
dues are paid.  
You can pay by check through the mail, (see  
the return address on the newsletter), or in  
person at a meeting (see Tony O'Leary,  
treasurer). The board has also approved a  
voluntary fee of \$25 for adult members who  
do not wish to participate in some of the  
work to run the club. This is proposed in  
place of a rise in dues. An adult member who  
does not plan to participate in any of the work  
activities for the benefit of the club is asked to  
add \$25 to their \$150 dues for 2016. The  
work activities can be scheduled and  
organized, (clean-up day), or unscheduled,

(like spending a few hours clearing branches  
from the path, or stocking the clubhouse  
wood box with firewood).

New members and members who are  
physically or financially unable to contribute  
labor or money are not expected to make the  
additional contribution.

Members have a duty to participate in the  
activities of the club (bylaws, Section 2.05).  
There is a core of members who do most of  
the work activities around the club: clean-up  
day, cooking, teaching, work around the  
clubhouse, etc.; at these events we see the  
same people and we appreciate all that they  
do. But there are others who rarely participate  
in these essential chores. The board feels that  
this additional fee will provide needed revenue  
for the club and help make what all members  
contribute towards support of the club more  
equitable.

## Elections 2017

President Timmerman appointed the nomination committee of Bill Hagar, Rollie Johnson and Floyd Alwon. This committee will be looking to fill all the officer's positions and three board seats. If approached, we hope all members will be open to serving. The nominations will be announced at the

January meeting. Elections will be at the February meeting. Members may make nominations of their own by contacting the secretary or [editor@troutpond.com](mailto:editor@troutpond.com). Nominations from the membership need the support of seven members and must be submitted to the secretary by January 27<sup>th</sup>.

## Ice Fishing

Weather permitting (it stays cold enough) we hope to have an ice fishing event in February. This will be a chance to hang out in the warm clubhouse and watch other people try o catch

fish through a hole in ice. More information will be sent by email and posted on the website.

## Membership Cards for 2017

For those who pay their dues membership cards will be available at the monthly meetings. To save money we will not mail them out to members until later in the Spring (after opening day). The clubhouse combination for this year will be on the back of the card.

## Tide Tables

Dennis Martin identified a resource for the canal anglers. To receive a free 2017 tide table contact  
Army Corps of Engineers  
Cape Code Canal Field Office  
40 Academy Dr

PO Box 1555  
Buzzards Bay MA 02532-1555.  
For more information about the canal online (including tide tables) see  
[www.nae.usace.army.mil/Missions/Recreation/CapeCodCanal.aspx](http://www.nae.usace.army.mil/Missions/Recreation/CapeCodCanal.aspx)

## Classifieds

As a new feature the newsletter will print classified ads for members looking to sell or give items (or seeking items). Contact [editor@troutpond.com](mailto:editor@troutpond.com) to list something. At some point I'd like to set this up on the website, but for now they'll be displayed here.

**Hardly used 9 foot, 9 weight, 4 piece Sierra Classic fly rod. Medium/fast action, nice rod. West Coast rod builder.**  
No rod case but buyer can have the sturdy Cabela cardboard tube the rod is stored in. Believe I paid about \$225 - 250 new. Asking \$125. Contact Doug Donaldson by email at [dougdon@rcn.com](mailto:dougdon@rcn.com) or phone 781-449-1263.

## Speakers and Articles

We need speakers for the monthly meetings. If you have something to share, we'd love to hear from you! If you have an idea for someone else to present, please let us know. Also the newsletter editor is always looking

for articles by members to share an experience or a fishing technique. In either case, contact [editor@troutpond.com](mailto:editor@troutpond.com) or speak to one the officers about your ideas.

## Fishing Report

Several members caught fish whatever open water there was. So if we have warm spell get out there!

## Happy New Year from the Needham Sportsman's Club

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