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Connecticut Fly Fishermen's Association

Program: Stream Entomology.
Place: Veterans' Memorial Clubhouse, Sunset Ridge Dr., East Hartford, Connecticut.
When: Wednesday, April 8, 1987.
Time: Fly Tying--7:00 P.M.
Program --7:30 P.M.

Our program this month will be a presentation on stream entomology by Dr. Wilbur Downs and Dr. Vernon Nelson. Dr. Downs is a retired M.D. with an extensive background in stream biology, and is a member of CFFA. Dr. Nelson is a biology professor at Southern Connecticut State University. They are working together on a book about caddis flies in Connecticut.

They will bring mounted specimens to the meeting, and will gather live nymphs from a local stream if the weather permits. Many members have expressed an interest in learning more about entomology, and should really enjoy this meeting. This issue contains a list of books that you may find helpful, and we will have a mayfly emergence list to pass out at the meeting.

Junior Conservation Camp

Each year CFFA sponsors the attendance of a youth aged 12-14 in the immediate family of a CFFA member to the Junior Conservation Camp conducted in August by the Connecticut Wildlife Federation. See the notice in this issue for details.

CFFA Annual Outing

As mentioned at the last meeting, the Board of Directors has not decided what type of Annual Outing we will have this year. The Board will probably make a decision at its meeting on the first Wednesday in April, and announce it at the April membership meeting.



'An active member club of the Federation of Fly Fishermen'



THE CORNER POOL

Ed Fidrych

Larry Johnson

CFFA Fly Tying School-We want to thank the following CFFA members who contributed their time and effort to make our 1987 Fly Tying School a success.

George Degen
Gary Bogli
Larry Johnson
Leon Castonguay
Jim Bloznalis
Leo Leggitt

Dan Record
Bob Martinchek
Bernie Marois
Mike Baio
Ernie Boutiette
Al Loiseau

CFFA Fly Fishing School-CFFA members are needed to help with the casting practise session on Saturday, April 11 and the on-stream instruction session on Saturday, May 2. Anyone who is interested should see Larry Johnson, V.P. -Promotions, at the April meeting or call 246-0728. Maps and other information will be provided.

Lines and Leaders-There have been quite a few responses to my request for a new editor, and two people have been more than just interested. They said "We want to do it." If things work out, you will see some very impressive changes in our newsletter. Some details still have to be considered by the Board, but things are looking very good. More information in the May newsletter.

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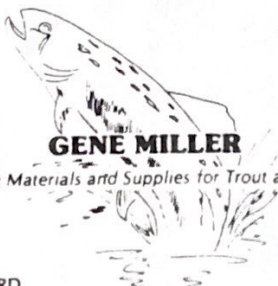
I would like to take this opportunity to thank Elmer Latham for his unprecedented seven years of leadership. In his quiet unassuming way he led us to record membership and continued respect among other clubs and state agencies in Connecticut.

I would also like to thank the membership for their confidence in electing me president of CFFA. It is a challenge but I know with your help and that of the board of directors we can accomplish some new and exciting challenges. Our favorite way of fishing is definately on the rise and we will be there to help guide its future.

There is a definate need for more membership participation. We will attempt to make positions and jobs known and spell out the specific duties involved. I am anxious to work with you and would like to hear any suggestions that you might have regarding CFFA.

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This year the Connecticut Fly Fishermens' Association will sponsor the attendance of one youth at a one-week Junior Conservation Camp held at Camp Workcoeman in New Hartford, Connecticut, during the month of August.

The Junior Conservation Camp gives boys twelve through fourteen years of age an opportunity to gain education in the proper use of our natural resources, the safe use of firearms, woodsmanship, fly fishing, fly tying, camping, boat safety, archery, skeet shooting and more. All of the training comes from experienced and well-trained instructors.

The Connecticut Wildlife Federation developed the conservation camp program. The camp staff is composed of well-qualified adults from throughout the state who donate their time and talents to this worthwhile project. There is one counselor for every ten boys.

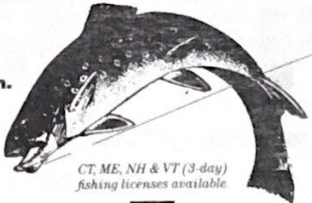
This year the tuition is approximately \$125.00. CFFA will provide full tuition for the one boy that it sponsors. The tuition includes health and accident insurance, buses for various field trips and all instructional materials needed for the week.

Any boy between the ages of twelve and fourteen, in the immediate family of a CFFA member, is eligible to be sponsored by CFFA. The full tuition will be awarded through a random drawing conducted at the June Annual Outing. To qualify for the drawing, please submit the following information by May 31, 1987: (1) Name of adult CFFA member; (2) Name and age of youth; (3) Address and telephone number. Forward information to: CFFA Conservation Camp Sponsor Program, P.O. Box 18268, Silver Lane, East Hartford, CT 06118.

Dan Record, Education Chairman


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Entomology and the Fly Fisherman

by Larry Johnson

The following books are presented in historical order, and give you a good idea of how information on american insects, and the fly patterns and techniques related to them, was developed. Much of what we know has been published quite recently. This is not a complete listing, but it will give you more than enough to get started with. My recommendation for someone who wants basic information on fishing the mayfly hatches is to start with either or both Art Flick's New Streamside Guide and Caucci and Nastasi's Comparahatch. They're inexpensive and give enough information to identify the major hatches. They are also small enough to take with you on the stream. For a really thorough bibliography look at Schwiebert's Nymphs. Many of these books are in local libraries. Remember that your library can get books for you out of state, if necessary, and that your local library card is good anywhere in Connecticut.

Preston Jennings, A Book of Trout Flies; Derrydale Press, 1935. Crown, 1970. New York. This was the first book to relate imitative fly patterns to specific north american insects.

- * Art Flick, Streamside Guide, 1947; New Streamside Guide, Crown Publishers, Inc., New York, 1969. Recently issued in paperback. Well known guide to mayflies, gives information on hatches, classic Catskill patterns. Includes short table of insect identification info.

Vincent C. Marinaro, A Modern Dry-Fly Code, Crown Publishers, Inc., New York, 1970. Putnam, 1950.

J. Edson Leonard, Flies; Barnes, New York, 1950. Another classic book.

Ernest Schwiebert, Matching the Hatch; Mac Millan, New York 1955.

Doug Swisher, Carl Richards, Selective Trout; Crown Publishers, Inc., 1971, 1975. Good coverage of mayflies, caddis, stoneflies, midges and terrestrials for the entire country. Early, mid and late season. Eastern, midwestern and western differences. Tying instructions for Swisher-Richards patterns. Also wrote Fly Fishing Strategy.

Ed Koch, Fishing the Midge; Freshet Press, New York, 1972.

Ernest Schwiebert, Nymphs; Winchester Press, New York, 1973. Thorough coverage of nymphs and patterns. Detailed illustrations. Good bibliography.

- * Alfred Caucci, Robert Nastasi, Comparahatch; Comparahatch Ltd., Henryville, PA, 1973. Detailed descriptions of mayfly emergence, including daily cycle of activity. Color plates of insects and fly patterns. PA, NY and New England emergence dates. Tying instructions for comparaduns, other patterns.

Alfred Caucci, Robert Nastasi, Hatches; Comparanatch Ltd., New York, 1975. Revised edition, Hatches II, recently issued. Much more detailed coverage of work begun in Comparahatch. Emergences again for northeastern U.S.

Gerald Almy, Tying & Fishing Terrestrials; Stackpole Books, Harrisburg, P.A., 1978. Description of life cycles and tying patterns for ants, beetles, hoppers, etc. Also includes fishing techniques.

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April, 1987

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