Notice! Our January meeting is at our new meeting place, the Pitkin Community center in Weathersfield for the foreseeable future!



FLY FISHING EXPO & BANQUET

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2023

featuring

Rick Little

Rick Little is a self-taught fly fisherman who has had the opportunity to learn from some very knowledgeable outdoorsmen and fishermen. Much of what he has learned came from observing nature and skillful fishermen on the water, and conversations



about fish, flies, fishing, and life, around Coleman lanterns and campfires on many rivers. Rick has served as president of Trout Unlimited Chapters in Manchester, NH, and Bangor, ME.

Rick's Expo presentation: Fly Fishing in Maine is Wicked Fun

Rick's Banquet presentation: Bugs and Smelt - Favorite Flies and Streamside Musings

For online reservations & more info: CTFlyFish.org

New Location for 2023:

Nomads Adventure Quest, 100 Bidwell Ave, S. Windsor, CT

EXPO

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

\$3 admission Children under 16 FREE

- · Presentations
- · Fly Tyers Row
- · Kids' Fly Tying Table
- · Vendor tables
- · Demonstrations

BANQUET

Bucket Raffle & Presentation

\$50 per person

5:30 p.m. Cocktails & Raffle viewing

6:30 p.m. Buffet Dinner, Presentation, & Drawings

Reservations: CTFlyFish.org OR

Phil Apruzzese: (860) 489-4319 - pjapruz@aol.com

RSVP by January 25, 2023

Open seating or reserved tables of 8









Our January meeting will be on Jan. 17th this is a TUESDAY at the new Place the Pitkin Community Center Wethersfield Ct. 6:30 PM we will have a Movie this night and Pizza and Soda

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The Newsletter of The Connecticut Fly Fisherman's Association



CFFA Election of Officers

The Board of Directors is presenting the following slate for 2023. As you can see our Legal Secretary position is open. If anyone reading this has the qualifications and the desire to fill this position, please let us know.

President - Gary Steinmiller (current)
VP Activities - Bob Winot (current)
VP Promotions - Richard Gaudreau
(current)
VP Environment - Phil Apruzzese
(current)
Recording Secretary - Phil McCormick
(current)
Legal Secretary - Open
Treasurer - Chuck Koteen (current)

We will be accepting any other nominations from the floor at our January 17 membership meeting.

January 2023

From the vest of the President

This content of this January issue of L&L concentrates on our upcoming Expo and Banquet happening on February 4. These events are CFFA's only real fundraisers annually and allow us to promote the pleasures of fly fishing at a very reasonable cost. Please consider attending one or both of these events. Both events are at a new location this year so do read our flier carefully. It has all the new information.

Our January 17th meeting will be our annual Pizza & Fly Fishing Movie night and our election of officers will be conducted as well. I am happy to inform you that all of our board members that currently hold elected positions have agreed to serve our CFFA for the upcoming year along with most all of the appointed positions.

If you want to pay your 2023 CFFA dues you can do so in person at our January meeting or you can mail them to our P.O. Box and you can also pay them electronically at our recently rebuilt website.

Gary

www.ctflyfish.org

CFFA 2023 Banquet Dinner Reservation Saturday February 4, 2023 Nomads Adventure Quest 100 Bidwell Ave, S.Windsor, CT

You are invited to attend this year's annual fundraiser and banquet celebration. Come out and enjoy a night of camaraderie, a great speaker's presentation and some "tall fish tales".

Cocktails, cash bar and preview of prizes from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:30 pm. Seating is on a "first come first served basis" If you wish to reserve an entire table (8 seats) you must contact Phil Apruzzese @ 860-489-4319 or pjapruz@aol.com. This year the dinner is a BUFFET style dinner for \$50.00 per guest. Just fill out the form below and mail with your check.

Mail this Reservation Form and your Check by 1/25/2023 TO: Mr. Phil Apruzzese 1369 Mountain Rd. Torrington Ct. 06790 Please Make Your Check out to CFFA

If you need a Gluten Free option or Vegetarian option please circle your preference below

Vegetarian

Gluten Free

Total amount enclosed \$

Name ______
Address _____

Contact phone _____
Email address _____

Number of Reservations@ \$50.00 each ______

CONNECTICUT FLY FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

2023 FLY FISHING EXPO

February 4, 2023

9:00 - 3:00

Expo contact: NEW LOCATION

Nomads Entertainment

Roger Plourde 100 Bidwell Ave

C: (860) 919-3513 South Windsor, CT 06074

Email: <u>rplourde01@comcast.net</u> (also entrance on Rte 5S)

Expo features:

\$3.00 Admission Free Parking

Seminars
Casting area and demos
Multiple Vendors
Fly Tyers Row
Fly Tying with kids

Local Clubs

This Year:

To donate items to our banquet bucket raffle, contact Contact Kurt Jagielow at (203) 314-5871 or check the CFFA website @ www.ctflyfish.org.

Mail form and payment to:
Roger Plourde
81 Metacomet Road
Plainville CT 06062
CFFA 2023 FLY FISHING EXPO
Exhibitor Fee: \$50.00 per table (Make checks payable to CFFA)
Exhibitor info:
Name:
Address:
City:State:Zip:
Contact person:Phone:
Email:
We will supply one 8' table and two chairs, additional tables available upon request. Please bring your own extension cords.
Set up / Breakdown: One hour before and after Expo hours.
You are responsible for set up and breakdown. Please leave the area in the same condition as you found it.
All fire regulations must be adhered to.
The Connecticut Fly Fishermen's Association makes no representations express or implied except as set forth in this application. All exhibitors must provide appropriate liability insurance. All exhibitors participate at their own risk and behest on a voluntary basis, and waive any claim they may have or develop as a result of their participation in Expo activities as against Connecticut Fly Fishermen's Association Inc.
Signed:
Authorized Person or Agent

FLY OF THE MONTH Roamer

Hook: Allen SW002 Size #2 Hook or Mustad 34007 Size #2 hook.

Thread: Uni-Thread White.

Weight: 8 Wraps of lead wire at the rear(bend) of the hook.

Tail: Clump of Bucktail at the rear of the hook, over which is a few strands of pearlescent flash.

Outer Tail: Two Grizzly hackle feathers.

Inner Wing: White Bucktail half the length of the tail, over which is Olive Lazer Dub.

Body: Large Olive Polar Chenille.

Collar: Reverse Tie in White Bucktail then sweep back.

Gill Plate: Collar of Red Krystal Flash under hook eye.

Head: Two clumps of Olive or Chartreuse Lazer Dub on top. Two Clumps of White Lazer Dub on the bottom. Combed back towards the rear of the fly.

Finish: Epoxy, UV Resin, or 2 coats of Fingernail Polish.

Tying instructions and video on how to tie this fly can also be found at http://tightlinesflyfishing.blogspot.com/.

If you have any questions about this fly or would like to submit a Fly of The Month I can be reached at pdinice@frontier.com.





Connecticut Fly Fisherman's Association Expo Saturday - February 4, 2023 9AM-3PM

Hi Guys,

We have all seen a lot of changes over the past 3 years and we are all adjusting to a new normal. This is also true for CFFA. Maneely's, which has been our expo and banquet facility for a number of years, has sold the front building and the rear building does not seem to lend itself to our needs.

We found a new venue a few miles away on Re. 5 (still in South Windsor) called Nomads Entertainment. They have a huge exposition hall where we can spread out the tables and feel pretty safe. Between Covid still being around and losing our old facility, we are viewing this as a transition year. The new address is:

Nomads Entertainment

100 Bidwell Ave.

S. Windsor, CT 06074 (Also an entrance on Rte. 5 S)

Nomads has its own restaurant and will be open for vendors and attendees to purchase lunches.

I hope that you will join us so we can continue our tradition of successful expos.

Banquet will follow at 6PM.

Roger Plourde

