

Trout Unlimited

Thames Valley Chapter Newsletter

Stream Lines

The Voice of Eastern CT Trout and Salmon Anglers

May 2019



President's Message...

Well here we are, the last newsletter and last membership meeting of the 2018/2019 season. Where did the time go? The meetings may be coming to an end but the fishing should be getting into high gear although high water is more like it lately. I've managed to get out a few times between rain deluges but found myself fishing water levels that I would have stayed home for in past years. Maybe it's a good thing that I've pushed my comfort zone boundaries out a bit.

The water levels have certainly impacted our ability to help with stocking and as of this writing, we haven't been able to get out on the water yet. I recently spoke with Bryan at the hatchery and we are hopeful that the rivers will be dropping enough over the next week or so to float stock. Of course that hasn't slowed DEEP down – they have been out just about every day busily putting the fish in as best they can with net stocking.

We have a couple of remaining events for the year. June 14 is the Thames River Basin Partnership Floating Workshop on the Yantic River at the park on Stockhouse Road in Bozrah. We are still looking for volunteers to tie flies, give casting demo/lessons and to give fishing demo/lessons on the river. Contact me or any board member for more information and to sign up to help represent our chapter and the TRBP.

Don't forget the campout on the Shetucket on May 17/18. Duke & the Preston clan will be providing hot dogs and burgers on Friday night and the always over the top breakfast the next morning. If you can't or just choose not to camp out, feel free to join us for the fishing and fun on either Friday afternoon or Saturday morning (or both!) This is always a good time and everyone is invited to come down and enjoy the good company, fishing and great food.

I hope you have all enjoyed the meetings, speakers and programs that the board has put together for you this year. See you in September.

Tight Lines

Gary Lussier
President TVTU
Gelconn@yahoo.com

Chapter Meeting Tues., May 21 , 6 to 9pm

Featured Presentation by: Bob Lindquist
"Labrador: Land Where The King Still Reigns"

Who has not heard Atlantic Salmon described as the 'King of Gamefish?' From the viability of the species, to its power and presence, to the beauty it boasts and the beauty of the places

Chapter
Events

May 17, 1pm, to
May 18, 1pm
Annual Breakfast &



where it still can be found, the Atlantic salmon is not only the greatest gamefish, but the living embodiment to which of all that chasing a fish with a fly can ascend. Labrador: Land Where The King Still Reigns reinforces some commonly held beliefs about salmon and obliterates others.

The common impression of the king of sporting fish, the Atlantic Salmon, is that of a threatened species. Not only is this magnificent fish imperiled, common belief is, but so is the pursuit of

Atlantics. What if I told you that this perception is wrong? What if I told you that, under less than optimal conditions, I hooked 75 salmon in a and landed about 28? What if I told you the average day boasted a dozen hook ups or more? What if I told you that every single take is on the surface? What if I told you that there are also sea run brook trout to 5 or 6 pounds swimming alongside these salmon?

Together with The New Fly Fisher, Bob Lindquist brings you a presentation, complete with world class, jaw dropping video footage filmed by The New Fly Fisher, underwater video, drone footage, graphics and still photos that demonstrate the actual character and greatness of Atlantic salmon, the genesis of the legend, and what fishing for them can, in a select few places, be. This presentation includes a tying session that demonstrates practical hairwing fly tying skills which both stand alone as a discipline and improve trout flies. The rattle hitch and how it can help you catch more of our common quarry is discussed. Club members will be mesmerized by the spectacular video footage! Labrador: Land Where The King Still Reigns provides tips and techniques for fishing local waters, informs viewers about the pros and cons of fishing for Atlantic Salmon and introduces the magnificence of the greatest of gamefish. The king of fish is not a shy recalcitrant who needs to be finessed to be caught. The king is an angry ruler intent on smashing to pieces flies that dare invade its territory.

Door Opens at 6 pm

Special Raffle - Besides our normal outdoor & fishing items, this month's raffle will feature dozens of fresh & saltwater flies collected by Steve Misovich and tied by memorable area tyers such as Joe Librizzi, Joe Lockwood, Henry Dougherty, Larry Girhardi, Chris Lento, Capt. Don Roberts, Bill Cluzewski, Silvia Murray, Rick Ellis, Paul Beaudreau, Jim Shaw, Dan Russ, Forney Spurlin, Jerry Platen, Eddy Kusey, Andy Hilding, Paul Kukonen, Al Van Hove, Dave Bukovac, Sherm Chase, Ed Cook and others. Also, there are flies collected by Steve from many Fly Shops from Roscoe, NY to Maine that were used for templates.

Our 2019 Fund Raiser Fly Rod, Reel, Line & Guided Trip winner will be drawn... just a few tickets left! Help support Thames Valley TU's Conservation & Education programs.

2017 Fly Fishing Film Tour video (conclusion) will be shown at 6:10 - 7pm

Our meetings are free and open to members, guests and the general public. Social time, fly tying demonstrations, refreshments, raffle, door prize & more... Featured presentation starts shortly after short chapter business meeting at 7pm.

See You at the Moose!

Camp-out

Shetucket River

May 21st Tue. 6-9pm

Chapter Meeting

Moose Lodge
115 Fitchville Rd
Bozrah, CT

Bob Lindquist

June 8th Sat. TBD

Yantic or Moosup
River Clean-up

June 14th, Fri

**The Last Green
Valley Floating Lab,**
Yantic River, Bozrah

Event/Meeting Cancellations Due to Inclement Weather

In the event that we need to cancel a scheduled meeting due to inclement weather, an announcement will be published on our [website](#) by 4:00 PM on the day of the scheduled meeting or event.

TVTU Annual Camp Out & Breakfast



Friday 1pm, May 17th, Camping & Fishing to Saturday 1pm, May 18th.

Breakfast Served (7:30-10:00am) Saturday

Please RSVP for Breakfast so we can have enough food available. Contact [Duke Preston email](#).

Come join us for our annual Camp-out at Sandy Beach (Konow's Trout & Salmon Camp) along the banks of the Shetucket River. This private property

is kindly made available by the Konow family.

This is an overnight camp-out on Friday with an evening dinner around 6-7pm May 17th (hotdogs, chips, soda & more will be served that evening) and an open air breakfast (sheltered picnic tables) the next day.

Members are welcome to camp out (and of course, go fishing) or just come to the breakfast and fish. There should be some great fishing in one of the best fishin' holes on the Shetucket! It is a great place to bring someone new (young and old) to the sport and learn how it's done. I'm sure the "experts" will be willing to give you some pointers. And for you seasoned anglers, well... you know how good it can be.

"Iron Fly/Fishing" Contest - This year by requests there will be a quick special "Iron Fly/Fishing" contest with some great prizes! So if you want to compete, please bring your fly tying tools (at minimum a vise, scissor and bobbin). Materials will be supplied. There will be some limited tools available for last minute entries. You don't have to be an expert tyer to compete. **Note:** Teams of two are allowed (only one can tie and the other can fish).

The contest will consist of two parts. First, one will tie a "mystery" fly (**Hint:** Read the Fly of the Month article below); and once the contestant has completed the fly he/she can immediately use the fly made to catch a fish. Prizes will be awarded to the (1) first person to finish tying the fly; (2) the first person to catch a fish; (3) the first person to catch a trout; and (4) the person who catches the most fish on the allotted time period. If no one catches a fish, prizes will be awarded to the first four tyers that complete the "mystery" fly.

Breakfast - will be provided by Preston clan (Jackie, Jen, John & Duke). The **Menu** will consist of: **Pancakes, Duke's "famous" French Toast, Sausage, Bacon, Hash Browns, Eggs (to order), Donuts, Hot Coffee & Tea, Orange Juice and more....**

Breakfast will be served from 7:30 to 10 AM Saturday. So come join us for the fun, hardy breakfast, good fishing, and meet some great Thames Valley TU people.

Directions: Take I-395 to Exit 83. Follow Route 97 to the intersection of Route 207 (Baltic). Turn left onto Route 207 and travel approximately 2.4 miles. Turn right onto Holton Road (across from cemetery). Proceed for approximately 1 mile. The Sprague Preserve (Mukluk Preserve) is on the right. Sandy Beach is about 1.2 miles down the dirt road. The gate to the Konows (Salmon & Trout Camp) property will be open around 1 pm Friday. [Google Maps Link](#) or [Sprague Land Preserve](#).

Stocking Coordinator Volunteer Needed



The chapter still needs a volunteer for the position of Stocking Coordinator. The position entails working with the hatchery management to schedule the stocking times, locations and sending an email to the stocking volunteers to establish a rendezvous for the stocking. We are getting close to stocking season and we could use the help. If you are interested, please contact Gary Lussier [email](#)

"New Zealand Trout"



by Ron Whitley

Judy and I left on February 4, 2019. We flew from Tampa to Houston and Houston to Auckland. We rented a car and drove about 4 hours to Turangi, on the south end of Lake Taupo. We

go every year or two. I had booked several different places to stay on North Island in known good fishing areas. You can spend 2 months in New Zealand for less than a top Lodge in Alaska charges for a week!

On our first day there we drove about 15 minutes to Lake Otamangakau to check out the fishing. We got there to find low water conditions due to a lack of rain. When I got out of the car and peered over into the inlet canal and spotted several 3 to 4 lb rainbows cruising. Managed a 4 lb fish on the second cast. Took him home for dinner.



Ed:

"Louie the Fish" DeNolfo was a classmate of John Preston in junior high and high school in the late 50's to 62. He was fishing fanatic and John would see him fish everywhere; fresh & saltwater as a kid. [Learn more about Louie](#)

We Have been going to the Lake Taupo area for a long time to visit our friend and crazy fly fisher, Louie Denolfo, aka Louie the Fish from New London, CT. We have a lot of friends in the area and always have a great time. February is mid-summer there and the browns are starting to gather at the mouths of the numerous streams and rivers feeding the lake. Needless to say, the fishing for browns from 6 to 14 lbs can be spectacular. We waited for the first good rain and hit the stream mouths for some great fishing.

The lake is managed for natural reproduction. At least half of the feeder streams on the lake are closed to fishing year round. However, you can fish the lake at the stream mouths. There are clearly visible posts at the stream mouths that define the no fishing areas. You can use spinning gear in the lake, but the areas within 300 meters of the streams are all Fly Fishing Only. The streams that are closed are clearly defined on the map of the lake that comes with your fishing license. All of the fish there are wild fish.

We also went south to Mangaweka to fish the Rangatiki River. Again we have very low water conditions. I fished with our guide, Johnny Gummer, who put me on some nice browns and rainbows on a 4 wt with dry flies.

There are numerous gorgeous trout streams in the area. If you go, stop in at Sporting Life Outfitters in Turangi.

There is little you can say bad about the country. The people, fishing, scenery, food, beer and wine were all superb. We returned to Florida on March 25, 2019. Just in time for tarpon season.

For more info on the area:

Louie the Fish 808-741-5622

Sporting Life Outfitters (Turangi) +64 7-386-8996



Ron Whitley was a very active member and leader of Thames Valley TU and CT/RI Coastal Fly Fishers, he now resides in Rotonda West on the west coast of Florida, just a few miles from great tarpon fishing at Boca Grand.

Trout Unlimited 2019 Northeast Regional Rendezvous

This is a letter from Jeff Yates from Trout Unlimited inviting TU members to the annual rendezvous in Pennsylvania. This get together is open to all members, not just leadership members. If you would like to attend, contact Gary Lussier for further info [email](#)

I wanted to send a special invitation to you, as a volunteer with Trout Unlimited, to the 2019 Northeast Regional Rendezvous May 31 – June 2 in Boiling Springs, PA on the banks of the legendary Yellow Breeches! You can learn more and register at www.tu.org/northeast-regional

The Northeast Regional Rendezvous is designed to connect you with more than 100 fellow volunteers from the region, share ideas and innovations to help you grow your chapter or council, and connect you to the resources to make a bigger impact! Some special features of this year's event include:

- Optional Friday Fishing Day
- Friday Night Cocktails & Casting Competition
- Saturday Morning Welcome from Chris Wood, TU's President & CEO
- A packed agenda of topics and discussions related to all things TU
- A Saturday Night Fundraiser and Film Night
- A Sunday Afternoon Hands-On Conservation Training

That and so much more makes the 2019 Northeast Regional Rendezvous a fun, engaging and exciting event and I hope you'll join us!

You can register for the full weekend, register for just one day, or register for the Meeting Only option to pop in and out and join us for sessions and times that work for your schedule.

Thanks again for all you do, and I hope to see you in Pennsylvania!

Jeff

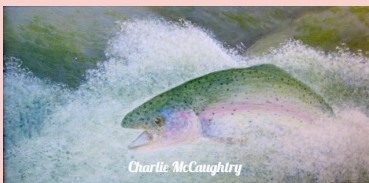


Ray Schaefer Donates His Curly Locks for Charity

Ray Schaefer had his head shaved at a fund raiser for children's cancer research.

Sponsored by the St. Baldwin's Children's Foundation, Ray collected over \$600.00, \$185.00 of which came from TVTU members, for the honor of having his head shaved.

You might complement Ray at our next meeting on his efforts as well as his stunning new look.



"JT's Fly Shop Open House"

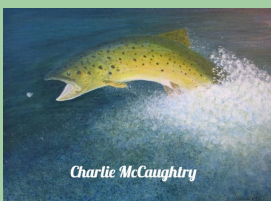
by Charley McCaughtry

On April 27 and 28 JT's Fly shop in Union, Connecticut held their annual Spring open house.

Charley McCaughtry was there both days to represent Thames Valley Trout Unlimited with our information board, membership forms, and selling tickets for our current fundraising raffle.

A large crowd attended both days to take advantage of sale specials, and the Orvis 101 classes offered for the weekend. A special raffle was also held by JT's to benefit this year the local Children's Burns Camp in Union, Ct.

Though the weather was a little crazy with rain, snow, hail, and some sun it was a great event. If you missed it you should still stop and see JT's expanded store, and have your TU membership card for discounts on your purchases. See JT's add in our monthly news!



"April 16th Earth Day Fair"

by Charley McCaughtry

On April 16, 2019 Thames Valley Trout Unlimited joined over 50 state, community and University organizations for an informational fair for Earth Day 2019.

Some organizations represented were Joshua's Trust, Sierra Club, Last Green Valley, Goodwin State Forest, UCONN One Health, UCONN Nutrition, CT DEEP, UCONN Fisheries, Mansfield Recycling, Soil and Water Society, and more.

Hundreds of Students and University staff stopped, looked at our info, and many stayed to talk about what we did, and had to offer. Steve Gerling and Charley McCaughtry manned the table for the day talking with visitors. A very encouraging conversation was had with several students planning to revise a fishing club at UCONN. We are hoping to connect with them in the near future to assist their plans.

Meet Ron Bettez - Veterans Service Partnership Representative for TVTU 282

Ron Bettez has volunteered to be TVTU 282's Veterans Service Partnership Representative.



Trout Unlimited is appreciative of veteran sacrifices and their service. In ever-growing numbers, TU members are stepping up to provide healing, rehabilitation, hope and community to all veterans and their families who have sacrificed so much to protect the freedoms we all enjoy.

Please step up and welcome Ron in this effort and feel free to offer Ron any ideas to make this a successful program.

A little of Ron's military experience:

Shortly after graduating high school in 1971, Ron volunteered for the U.S. Air Force. After completing 6 weeks basic training, he was assigned to Loring Air Force Base in Maine to become a Law Enforcement Specialist. His duties were of a police nature including Desk Sergeant, Traffic control, Accident Investigation and Domestic Dispute investigation.

Two years later, Ron was cross trained to be a Loadmaster on a C141 Starlifter aircraft. As a Loadmaster, he was responsible for passengers, pre flighting and the loading and unloading of cargo. As a member of the flight crew he logged thousands of flight miles most of which was in Southeast Asia.

His most memorable mission was when his crew flew 300 Vietnamese refugees from the Philippines to Guam at the end of the Vietnam War.



Quinebaug River Clean Up

On May 11th, TVTU members Jim Valuckas, Gary Lussier, Ray Schaefer, Ron Tatro, Steve Gerling and Bruce Danielson met with Boy Scout Troop 25 from the Putnam area for a cleanup of the Quinebaug River.

Eight scouts and their family members participated and a significant amount of trash was cleaned up. Volunteers were split up into individual groups and were assigned a section of the river from the Thompson Dam down to the Putnam Park area.

At the conclusion of the cleanup, TVTU was able to provide a pizza party for all!

TVTU 2019 Fund Raiser Drive

Last Chance to Purchase Tickets... Drawing will be at the close of the May Meeting.

Help Thames Valley TU raise funds for our Education and Conservation efforts.

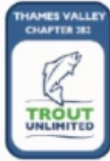
Not only does it take volunteers to execute our educational and conservation programs but it takes some financial resources too. We hope to expand our Trout in the Classroom program to other local schools; We have recently lent a hand to starting the Nathan Hale MS (Coventry) Fishing Club this winter; and expanding Fly Tying and Fly Casting to some of our local schools for example. In the conservation arena we continue to conduct stream cleanups; in the planning stages of conducting stream bio-assessments, obtaining grants and other conservation efforts with area schools and organizations.

So consider making a donation via our 2019 Fundraiser Raffle (see below) to make these efforts possible and win a guided trip for two and a complete Fly Fishing outfit too. And enjoy some time on one of our beautiful Eastern CT cold-water fisheries we all care about.

Tickets are only \$15 each and available at our monthly meetings and through the Chapter's Board

of Directors members. Or, send a check payable (with name, address & phone#) to: Thames Valley TU Chapter 282, P.O. Box 2181 Columbia, CT 06237. A ticket will be mailed back to you and recorded.

Thank You for your support....



Thames Valley TU 2019 Fundraiser Raffle

TU "Embrace-A-Stream" Fly Rod & Orvis Reel Outfit plus an Eastern CT Guided Half Day Trip (1- 2 Anglers) w/ Steve Babbitt



Package Value \$764- Only 60 tickets are to be sold.

Donation: Only \$15 per ticket

(All proceeds will be earmarked for our Education and Conservation efforts only)

TU "Embrace-A-Stream" (St Croix Legend Ultra 8'6") Fly Rod 5 wt, 4 pc, 3.4oz: This rod includes the following features: High-modulus / high-strain SCIV graphite, slim profile ferrules, Fuji Alconite stripper guides with chrome frames, REC nickel silver reel seat with a stabilized bird's eye maple insert, Super-grade cork handle, includes a rugged rod case with a handle strap and a divided polypropylene liner. Made in the USA. Original MSRP \$330.00

Orvis Battenkill Disc III for line weights 5-7, 4.9 oz., 3 1/4" dia: Underneath that mid arbor is the same sealed drag system found in the Hydros SL incorporating six interacting carbon and stainless drag surfaces. Positive click drag is simple and easy to adjust. The reel is built of 6061-T6 aircraft aluminum with an ergonomic Delrin handle and changing from left to right hand retrieve is simple. Finish is black nickel. MSRP \$169.00

Sage Performance Taper II WF5F: Sage's Balanced Loading System to create a smooth-handling, high-floating line that provides enhanced line feel through your cast for greater distance, accuracy and consistency. Original MSRP \$65.00

Guided Half Day Trip for 1 or 2 Anglers (Eastern CT Waters) with Steve Babbitt: Please schedule trip ahead of time with Steve any time from April to June- September to December 1st. Value \$200.



Steve Babbitt is JT's Fly Shop in Union, CT resident guide and available for individual or group fly fishing trips and instruction. Steve has over 35 years of fly fishing experience and started guiding in the 90's and hasn't stopped. Steve has been tying for 30 years and many of those years were spent as a commercial tier.

If you are looking to get started or already have experience and looking to learn new techniques, Steve, will have the experience and knowledge necessary to make the most out of your time on the water.



Fly of the Month "Frank Sawyer's Killer Bug"

by John Preston

Note: If after reading about Sawyer's Killer Bug you're interested in obtaining a 5 yd. card of Patons and/or Jamieson's yarn, I will be selling them for \$2 ea. All proceeds will go to the TVTU

My next quest is get a supply of proper colored insulated copper wire (magnet wire)... Umm, I wonder if I still have some from Mr. Smith's 7th grade science class when we made motors out



This fly of the month is the continuation of last month's Sawyer Pheasant Tail nymph. I was visiting Bob Walsh and we were experimenting with a bamboo rod hollowing jig I got from a friend in Montana... it was his first hollowing jig version he created and offered it to me. Since Bob mentioned he wanted to foray into hollowing I gave it to him to experiment with. Talking rod building lead to fly tying and Bob mentioned he was tying Utah Killer Bugs and had gotten Semperfli's 477 substitute for the mythical Chadwick's 477 yarn (which no longer available unless you want give up an arm and/or leg) that Sawyer used for tying the Killer Bug. When researching Sawyer's PT I also read about his Killer Bug and knew that Chadwick's 477 was the Holy Grail of yarns which was supposedly irresistible to trout. Bob showed me a few of his Utah-like Killer Bugs (a more pinkish version of the KB), gave me a couple of Utah KBs and about 8 inches of the substitute yarn.

Well it perked my interest and I spent several hours past midnight that day researching Sawyer's KB and reading about all the substitutes for Chadwick 477... Frank Sawyer developed the Killer Bug as a means of controlling grayling numbers on the River Avon where at the time it was considered a pest. The Killer Bug is designed to imitate the freshwater shrimp but also looks similar to a hatching caddis. The Killer Bug was named by Sawyer's friend Lee Wulff because it was so effective.



There are a number of yarns that come close to the make-up and coloration of 477 but most of them are no longer in production. I thought I had found a source for a discontinued Berroco's Ultra Alpaca Fine #2214, Steel Cut Oats yarn that supposedly

was a very good match for the 477 yarn but when I called the shop somewhere in Georgia to order some the women apologized that not being computer savvy and they never updated their website and it was discontinued several years ago... the search goes on!

I visited several local shops clutching Bob's Semperfli 477 sample trying to find a suitable version. I did find Patons Classic Wool Worsted

of nails, wire and scrap wood?

I gave a couple Jamieson's KBs to Chris Huynh an enthusiastic fly tying student from our last class this year who I have been helping out with fly casting to try out on opening day at Mohegan Park. He sent me an email telling me of his first trout on a fly... Yes, the Killer Bug... and, he now says he is addicted to fly fishing.



The Sawyer Killer Bug has a number of variations: like the Utah Killer Bug and the Crane Fly Larva (See Below).

- [Oliver Edwards Long version](#) Shown below (Edwards fishes with the Killer Bug after tying one)
- [Oliver Edwards - Short version](#) (tying only)

Sawyer Killer Bug Recipe

Hook: Size #12-18, 1X-2X long wet fly hook

Weight: Red-brown copper wire (magnet wire) about 28 gauge (similar to Ultra Medium wire)

Body: Jamieson's Shetland Spindrift Oyster #290 yarn or other Chadwick 477 substitute



The following video is a by Tim Cammisa:

Utah Killer Bug

Hook: Scud size 12-16

Weight: Lead free wire .015 to .025

Thread: Pale pink, red or tan 6/0-8/0

Body: Jamieson's Shetland Spindrift yarn, oyster

Variations: Beadhead, Hot Spot or Partridge/hen hackle

#00229 natural mix which was another yarn that people used as a 477 substitute. It was a much thicker yarn than Bob's yarn but very close in color. In the store it seems to have a slight pinkish cast to it so I snapped up a skein of it... in natural light it is not pinkish at all.

I cranked out a few Killer bugs using Patons and compared it to Bob's Semperfli Utah KB and soaked both in water for several minutes to see how they compared to what I had read about. Both had that mottled grey-brown tanish look but Bob's had a very faint hint of pink due to the pink tying thread he used. My KB was tied with reddish brown copper wire as Sawyer did and was slightly browner but no pink cast to it. I used a very pale pink marking pen and dabbed it on the Patons and again did a comparison test. The pinked version was pinker than Bob's but I wasn't satisfied with the coloring because it lost some of its translucency... the search went on!

I finally, came across another recommended substitute Jamieson's Shetland Spindrift Oyster 290 yarn on Ebay and ordered a couple of small cards (gave one to Bob to test) of it and some barbless hooks from a small company from CT that I discovered at the CFFA Expo a couple of years ago (good prices). A few days later it arrived and I tied a couple KBs with it and compared the wetted flies... I think the search might be over?

But it might be little too pink... but since I don't have any Chadwick 477 who knows?



The video below is by Tightline Videos - Tim Flagler:

Crane Fly Larva

Hook: Dai-Riki #285 size 12

Weight: .020 lead free wire

Thread: 140 Denier fluorescent pink UTC

Body: Jamieson's Shetland Spindrift yarn, oyster



Items for For Sale

Korkers Wading Boot (NOS) - Size 11 w/ walking/hiking sole only - \$35

LL Bean Travel Fly Rod - 9' - 7wt, 6pc w/ tube & bag, near mint condition - \$75

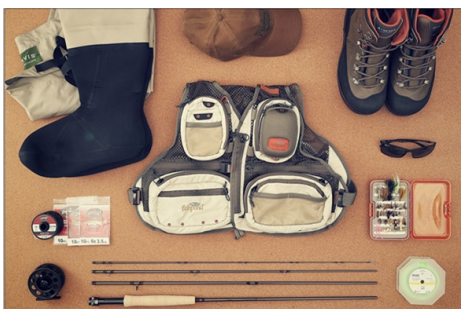
Cortland CL Fly Rod - 9' - 8/9 wt, 6 pc w/bag & tube, excellent condition - \$65

Umpqua Toketee Vest - New, never used, gray, one size fits all - \$65 (MSRP \$159)

Bamboo Rod Oven (homemade) - The heat gun (not included) oven is **FREE** for the cane rod maker who will pass it on FREE to the next rod maker.

For the above items or to place items for sale, contact [John Preston](#) 860-917-4485

Donations Wanted



You can help our TU chapter by donating your unused fly fishing and fishing equipment including rods, reels, flies, books, fly tying and other reusable items. We will auction or raffle the items off and used the money raised to support our chapter's programs including conservation projects, stream clean up, stocking, TIC, speaker fees, and other operating expenses. Email [John Preston](#) or call 860-546-6690 if you have something to donate or bring the item(s) to the next chapter meeting.

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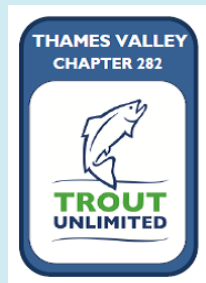


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To conserve, protect and restore Eastern Connecticut's trout and salmon and their watersheds.

Our Vision

By the next generation, Trout Unlimited will ensure that robust populations of native and wild cold-water fish once again thrive within their North American range, so that our children can enjoy healthy fisheries in their home waters.

Questions or comments on the Newsletter contact Editor [Bruce Danielson](#)



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Looking to reach a new and diverse audience? Presently we have over 450 members in Eastern CT and the newsletter is published September through May (9 issues). If you have a service or product and would like to reach out to our outdoor and conservation minded readership, consider placing an advertisement in the chapter's newsletter "Stream Lines" and [website](#). The cost is only \$50 for the entire year (9 Issues).

For more information and to place an ad, contact [Daniel King](#).

Thanks for your support!

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