



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 13, 2025 Courtyard by Marriott

NEXT MEETING Thursday, March 13, 6 PM

Members and guests in attendance: Larry Brunaccini, Steve Descoteaux, Richard Koenitzer, Bob Landry, Dana Landry, Greg Loosigan, Harry and Molly Mink, Troy Nickerson, Jack Ogden, Ted Pelletier, Brenda and Ray Philippon, Mark Prolman, Fred Roedel, Tim Stoodley, and Mark Thornton

Guest Speaker: Bob Mallard of the Native Fish Coalition

Unfortunately, Bob lives 3.5 hours north of us in Maine and had to cancel because of the weather conditions. We will attempt to get him back at a later date. In his stead, Ray produced a DVD on casting by Gary Borger which was quite informative.

Club President Jack Ogden led off the proceedings at approximately 6:25 PM with the playing of the National Anthem. The minutes from the January meeting were approved by all in attendance.

Treasurer's report, presented by Club Treasurer Ted Pelletier

Cash Balance	\$4908.78	Incudes \$1000 from TU and \$1085.00 fish donations
Income		
Deposit/Total Income	\$4880.00	
Expenses		
Courtyard/Dinner	\$720.00	(reported also was \$870.00 from Dec)
Burke Advertising	<u>\$63.00</u>	
Total Expenses	\$1653.00	
Closing Balance	\$7355.78	(minus dinner expenses)

Membership

Active Singles: 40, Lifetime: 2, Families: 5

Prior to the meeting the Board discussed:

- Next month's guest will be Dave Kolesar. Dave guides in NH and comes highly recommended by Ray and Brenda based on a great smallmouth trip last August on the Merrimack in the Franklin. The smallies were hungry all day.
- There will be a raffle on Opening Day for a guided trip. The actual trip is TBD at this time. Expected costs will be \$25 for one ticket and 5 tickets for \$100.
- An auction for club members is planned for April/May. Details to be finalized shortly.

Club members were asked to poke around at some of their older gear that they might like to make available for the club auction coming in April or May.

Ray will contact Mike Jones for a casting seminar tentatively scheduled for May 3. Mike has been giving casting lessons to the club for several years and his session is usually well attended.

Club members are encouraged to make use of the club for networking with other members. Whether it be for personal or professional connection. Especially for those of you who would like to spend some time fishing with like-minded folks. Perhaps those of you who have information on locales and hatches and would not mind sharing that knowledge. You could also invite others so that we can all learn about new areas. One area that I take advantage of during the closed season are several rivers near the seacoast (Lamprey, Coheco, Isinglass, Exeter) that are stocked by the Three Rivers group for catch and release. If you are not aware of this and would like more information, please see me.

Winner of the dinner raffle: Jack Ogden

Winner of the flies raffle: Jack Ogden – However, since Jack tied the flies, he graciously put them back up and they were won by Harry Mink.

Fly Tying

As most of you know, Club fly tying night has now been split into two evenings. The regular experienced tier class is still the first Tuesday of the month. The novice class is being held on the third Tuesday of the month. You may or may not know that we usually take the summer break off from tying. So, with that said, the next session for Novice tiers will be 2/18/25. The next session for Experienced tiers will be 3/4/25 at 6pm. All tying sessions will be held at One Tara Blvd. in Nashua (see directions below). We have extra vises and tools, we will provide all materials, just email Jack Ogden at discerningtouch@comcast.net if you are coming, and if you need to borrow gear. You can also come to just watch and learn, and have fun with us. Unfortunately, seating is very limited at this venue so please let Jack know if you plan on attending. This is first come, first served so please be sure to contact Jack if you plan on participating and if you need any tools.

He needs to know if you are coming to the tying class no later than 6 PM the night before! If you want to tie, so does he. Just let him know or he will be doing his tying from home. ☺

Please let Jack know if there is any fly you would like to see tied!

Directions to Fly tying venue: Essig PLM, One Tara Blvd., Nashua, NH 03062

From the South: Rt 3 North to exit 1, at the end of the ramp go left, go under the highway and prepare to take your first right into Nashua Office Park. The access road is right next to the highway ramp so be ready for it. At the back of the building in front of you, turn left. You are now facing One Tara Blvd. Walk in the doors you are now looking at and enter the first office on the right.

From the North: Rt. 3 South to exit 1, at the end of the ramp take a right, then take an immediate right again into Nashua Office Park. The access road is right next to the highway ramp so be ready for it. At the back of the building in front of you, turn left. You are now facing One Tara Blvd. Walk in the doors you are now looking at and enter the first office on the right.

Dinner policy at the monthly club meetings

When you arrive at the meeting, please stop and sign-in before entering our meeting/banquet room. Grab your name badge and pay for your meal (with a check) if you decide to have dinner with us. The meal ticket policy has been discontinued. The Courtyard by Marriot has been providing wonderful meals to us and those who have come for the guest speakers and for a little club networking. This month's featured Ziti with sausage and Lasagna with a meat sauce!

Nothing has changed in the ordering of the meal! You must still respond to Ray's e-mail regarding Yay or Nay for dinner and if you plan on attending the meeting. Whether you say Yay or Nay to dinner, you are then committed to that response. Which means if for some reason all of a sudden you cannot make the meeting, you are still responsible to pay for your meal as the club will be billed for it regardless!

Our Web and Facebook pages are in desperate need of some up to date photo's and stories of member fishing excursions. Whether at the pond or somewhere else. Please send your photo's, stories, and even shout outs to friends or guides for addition to the website ASAP.

Respectfully submitted,
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