

## Meeting Minutes



Thursday, November 13, 2025 Courtyard by Marriott

**NEXT MEETING: Thursday, December 11, 2025, 6 PM**

**At the Courtyard by Marriott**

**Members and guests in attendance:** Dana Landry, Robert Landry, Greg Loosigan, Molly Mink, Troy Nickerson, Jack Ogden, Ted Pelletier, Ray and Brenda Philippon, Alan Plumb, Mark Prolman, George Rollend, Dale Seiberg, Tim Stoodley. **Sorry if I missed anyone.**

**Guest Speakers:** Patrick Cassidy and George Sivestre from Cape Cod School of Saltwater Flyfishing.

Club President Jack Ogden led off the proceedings at approximately 6:15 PM with the playing of the National Anthem. The amended minutes from the September meeting and the minutes from the October were approved by those in attendance.

**Treasurer's report,** presented by Club Treasurer Ted Pelletier

<b>Cash Balance</b>	\$2723.88
<b>Income</b>	
Total Income	(\$1414.00)
<b>Expenses</b>	
Courtyard Marriot	\$480.00
Sumner Brook Hatchery	\$1310.00
Burke Advertising	\$63.00
Triangle	\$170.00
Jack Ogden (donuts/coffee)	\$108.54
Jack Ogden (raffle)	\$600.00
Total Expenses	\$2873.58

### **Membership**

Active Singles: 51, Lifetime: 2, Families: 3

Treasurer's report was accepted.

Jack reminded everyone that the December meeting will be used for nominating and voting on club officers. Anyone interested in putting their name in for a position should do so. Jack would like to add one person to specifically be in charge of Programs (Guest Speakers).

There was a brief discussion regarding NFC recognition from the church. The church did put out a note on the Kid's Derby but there was no mention of NFC. Dale said he would discuss it with the church.

**A reminder that yearly dues will be required in January. Dues will remain at \$150.**

**Upcoming Events:**

**December Meeting: Christmas Party at the Courtyard by Marriott at 6:00 PM**

There will be the Christmas Yankee Swap. If you want to participate, please bring a gift of approximately \$25. No gift certificates, please. Also, a little extra cash for a Christmas tip for the waitress would be appreciated. Jack noted that he will have a lot of flytying material available. Whatever isn't taken by members will be given to Charlie Shadan. If you have excess fly-tying materials -- hooks, feather, beads, please bring them with you. We are going to begin a monthly donation to Project Healing Waters Fly Tying program. Myself and Jon Sweatman will coordinate getting these materials to the program each month. Thank you for your kindness to these veterans."

Externally, the Church expansion is about complete. Regular member parking at the back of the church should now be used. The area is completely paved. The port-a-potty is being picked up this month.

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, Cocheco, Isinglass, and 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.

The pond has been fishing well with some really nice fish in there. I have had good success with wooly buggers, a small black leech pattern and a pale orange egg pattern.

**Winner of the dinner raffle:** Bob Landry

**Winner of the fly raffle:** Ted Pellitier

**Opening Day raffle:** Brenda Philippon

**Presentation:** The presentation from Patrick and George was excellent. Both of them carry significant credentials and they rambled them off so quickly that I didn't get them all. Pat is an FFI/Northeast Board Member and is a certified flyfishing instructor. George is an FFI certified casting instructor. There were several key points that they emphasized for anyone interested in saltwater flyfishing:

- Patience and Urgency: It is important to wait for the right opportunity but, when it arrives, the cast needs to be made quickly and accurately.
- You should be able to cast 50-70 feet with 2-3 false casts maximum
- Don't go to the salt unless you have been practicing the casts you will need.

They target stripers, blues, bonito and false albacore. They break down the Cape into North Side (Cape Cod Bay), South Side and Atlantic Side. They offer both wading on the various flats and boat fishing as well as surf and jetty opportunities.

**Fly Tying:** There is a change in flytying. It has been moved to the first and third **Thursday** of the month and will be held at the **church facilities at the pond**. **NOTE:** Due to interior work in the church, fly tying will not resume until January. The regular experienced tyer class is the first **Thursday** of the month. The novice class is being held on the third **Thursday** of the month. So, with that said, the next session for the novice tyers will be January 15th at 6 PM. The advanced tiers would be due on New Year's Day. Jack will be checking to see if people have an alternate day that would work.

We have extra vises and tools, we will provide all materials, just email me (Jack Ogden @ [discerningtouch@comcast.net](mailto: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.

Seating is **no longer limited** but please let Jack know if you plan on attending and if you need any tools.

He needs to know if you are coming to the tying class no later than 6pm 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!**

**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. When you pay for the meal, you will be given a meal ticket. When it is time to eat you will then present the meal ticket to our server at the head of the buffet table. This is an easy way for us to keep track of those who wish to participate in the wonderful meals the Courtyard by Marriot are providing to us and those who have come for the guest speakers and for a little club networking.

Nothing has changed in ordering meals! 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 photos and stories of member fishing excursions. Whether at the pond or somewhere else. Please send photos, stories, and even shout outs to friends or guides to me for addition to the website ASAP.

Respectfully submitted,  
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