

Nor'East Chapter | Trout Unlimited

March 2012 Newsletter



Movies, Grants, and More



So clearly we haven't had enough bad weather that anyone should be suffering from cabin fever, but we hope we can entice you to join the chapter for the 2012 Fly Fishing Film Festival.

As the name suggests, the Film Festival showcases the year's best fly fishing short films. In the words of the producers, "The traveling spectacle serves as a stage for the best filmmakers in the industry, an avenue for supporting local conservation groups...and one heck of a party for aspiring outdoor enthusiasts and avid anglers alike."

The event is on March 4th at Chunky's Cinema in Haverhill. Please refer to the following pages

for more information. This event will be held in lieu of our March Meeting. Again, there is **NO** March Meeting.

In other chapter news, we're excited to announce that TU National has awarded the chapter an Embrace-a-Stream grant for proposed work on Crooked Pond Brook in Boxford. Please see the article for more details on this significant achievement for the chapter.

And finally, as the days grow increasingly longer, we're working hard to finalize the warm weather chapter events. We've received plenty of great suggestions so far, but we always welcome more. If you have any ideas, please let us know.

As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch with any questions or concerns.

Warm regards,

Kevin Correa
President
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Around the Bend

March 4, 2012

Fly Fishing Film Tour

We're hosting this year's Fly Fishing Film Tour. Mark your calendars!

Chunky's Haverhill
371 Lowell Ave., Haverhill
6 p.m. Doors Open
7 p.m. Show Starts
Tickets are \$16

April 2, 2012

April Chapter Meeting

6:00PM Dinner
7:00PM Presentation (Speaker TBD)
IRWA
143 County Road
Ipswich

May 18-20

Indian Hollow Weekend

Mark your calendars for the Mass/RI Council's annual camping weekend at Indian Hollow on the banks of the Westfield River. More details to come.

We're working on solid dates for more spring events. Stay tuned.

Nor'East Chapter Wins Embrace-a-Stream Grant

The chapter is excited to announce that it received preliminary notification that TU National has decided to fully fund our grant application to replace a culvert on Crooked Pond Brook in Boxford. The project will provide trout access to prime spawning habitat as well as refuge during the hot summer months.

Sean McCormick, TU's regional grant coordinator, congratulated the chapter saying that the grant application was ranked 3rd of all national applications. This is a significant achievement given that it is the chapter's first national grant application.

While this is big news in and of itself, the chapter should view this as just the beginning of a much longer process of restoring native brook trout habitat on the north shore.

Congratulations to all involved in the project, and especially to Greg Murrer. Greg has devoted countless hours to this project. It was his vision that brought together the right people in both the chapter and the Town of Boxford.

The chapter would also like to commend the Town of Boxford for working with Greg and for recognizing the importance a little stream like Crooked Pond Brook has in the survival of local trout.

We'll have more news to follow in the coming months.

February Meeting Recap

Sean Smith gave a fantastic presentation to a packed house at our February meeting. Sean provided a wealth of information (including detailed maps) for fishing the New Hampshire Seacoast rivers.

Also of note, after stepping forward to fill the void, the membership elected Tim Twombly to serve as the chapter's secretary. Thank you Tim for volunteering even more of your time. And finally, congratulations to Jack Doyle, the winner of R.L. Winston Attendance Rod Raffle.

As a reminder, there is **NO** March Meeting. We hope everyone can attend the Fly Fishing Film Tour we're hosting in lieu of the meeting.

Thank You to everyone who has donated items to our bucket raffles. Please keep the goods coming!

**Have you renewed your TU membership?
Do it today at www.tu.org**

Kerry Mackin to Retire from IRWA

After over 18 years with the Ipswich River Watershed Association, Executive Director Kerry Mackin will retire later this year. Both local and national organizations have recognized Kerry's determined advocacy for Massachusetts' rivers.

IRWA will hold a benefit concert on June 22nd to celebrate Kerry's retirement, IRWA's 35th anniversary, River Month and the launch of the Kerry Mackin Summer Intern Program.

Find event details at www.ipswichriver.org.

The Nor'East Chapter thanks Kerry not only for her service to IRWA, but also for helping facilitate the resurgence of our chapter. We wish her well in her future pursuits.

Chapter Hosting the Fly Fishing Film Tour

Help spread the word, the Nor'East Chapter is hosting the popular Fly Fishing Film Tour this year. As in the past, the venue will remain Chunky's in Haverhill. This is a major fundraiser for the chapter, so let's get the word out.

If you're a member and you've been sitting on the sidelines, this is a great opportunity to meet the chapter and catch some amazing fishing footage.

We hope you can join us!

Details:

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7 p.m. Show Starts

Tickets are \$16 and available at www.flyfilmtour.com or \$15 at www.tunoreast.org.



The Nor'East Chapter of Trout Unlimited is dedicated to conserving, protecting and restoring Massachusetts' north shore coldwater fisheries and their watersheds.



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Chunky's Cinema

371 Lowell Avenue, Haverhill, Mass

Sunday, March 4 | 6 p.m. Doors Open, 7 p.m. Show

Hosted by Nor'East Chapter of Trout Unlimited

Visit www.tunoreast.org or www.flyfilmtour.com for tickets