



# Nor' East Chapter

## December 2020 Newsletter

### Dec 7, Monday Night's Speaker

## Tim Flagler "Euro Nymphing"

"Tim Flagler is the owner of Tightline Productions, L.L.C., a video production company located in Califon, NJ. Although he produces video programs over a wide range of topics, his specialty is fly fishing. Tim is a well-known fly tying instructor. His YouTube videos are some of the best in the business and his YouTube channel, [practicalpatterns.com](http://practicalpatterns.com) currently has over 80,000 subscribers and 24 million views. Almost every week he produces a new fly tying or "how to" video which appear not only on his YouTube channel but on Midcurrent and the Orvis fly fishing blog as well. They're also featured on Trout Unlimited's national website and in the Orvis Learning Center. In addition, he has a regular column "Beginner's Masterclass with Tim Flagler" in Fly Tyer magazine. Many of his tying videos take the viewer well beyond just the tying of the fly and show what it looks like underwater, what natural it represents and how it can be fished.



Tim's a fixture at the Fly Fishing Shows - giving presentations, teaching classes and often as a Featured Tier. He enjoys guiding year round for Shannon's Fly & Tackle in Califon, NJ. and hosts annual trips to Patagonia in the spring and to the Kootenai River in MT starting summer of 2020."

### ZOOM Meeting December 7, 6 PM

Speaker begins at  
7:00 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83234987270?pwd=eHRNT2Z4aEJkSWYyWlVaaFZQN0pTZz09>

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## President's Message

Dear Fellow Nor'East Chapter Trout Unlimited Members,

A sincere wish to all members of NETU and your family and friends that this note finds you well. The holiday season is upon us, and we are entering the final stretch of the year 2020. Before we turn the calendars to 2021, enjoy your holiday season, and all the best to you, your family and friends.

Our next NETU meeting – December 7<sup>th</sup> over Zoom – will feature Tim Flagler as our speaker. Mr. Flagler is the owner of a video production company (his specialty is videos on fly fishing), he is a well-known fly tying instructor (he has his own YouTube channel and is featured on the Orvis fly fishing blog) and he also has a regular column in Fly Tyer magazine. He also hosts fly fishing trips to some faraway destinations. Tim's presentation will be on Euro-nymphing, an up and coming fly fishing technique.

The December 7<sup>th</sup> Zoom meeting will begin with open discussion at 6:00 PM, and Mr. Flagler's presentation on Euro-nymphing will follow at 7:00 PM. An NETU Board meeting will follow the presentation. Hope to see you there!

Upon learning that Mr. Flagler's presentation was to be on Euro-nymphing, my thoughts

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immediately turned to one of the many benefits of being involved in NETU: The excellent quality of the speakers at our monthly meetings. Expertise – and speaking topics – range widely. However, I am continually impressed. Even if you are an expert angler – freshwater and/or saltwater - you will learn something new at our meetings. Also, if you have a

presentation in mind you can present yourself, or if you know someone who may be a good presenter, please be in touch!

In the case of Mr. Flagler’s upcoming talk, his speaking topic covers an area of fly fishing that I, personally, know absolutely nothing about – and I will readily admit it! Fly fishing with nymphs is a technique that – despite have fly fished for many years now – I just haven’t become familiar with. If fishing subsurface, I fish with streamers, and catch a lot of trout and other fish species that way. But, I am likely missing some fish, so time to rethink this strategy!

In the most recent edition of *Trout* magazine, I read with great interest an article written by the well-known author John Gierach entitled “Uncharted Waters”. Mr. Gierach covers a lot of ground in his piece in *Trout* – most notably, his observations about fly fishing in these times of COVID-19. However, he also mentions, briefly, his aversion to fly fishing with nymphs, and summarizes it thusly: *“I have nothing against nymph fishing. I just tend to avoid it because I’m not very good at it, although it’s not lost on me that I’m not very good at it because I tend to avoid it.”* While reading this, in a moment of self-reflection, I realized I am in the same boat as Mr. Gierach, and am likely missing out on catching a lot of subsurface feeding trout. So, in the spirit of learning about a new fly fishing technique and catching more fish, I am really looking forward to Mr. Flagler’s talk!

Happy holidays, everyone, and wishing everyone the best. Hope to see you at one of our virtual meetings or a smaller, outside, socially distanced NETU event sometime. As always, please don’t hesitate to drop me a line – I would be happy to hear from you.

Ben Meade, President

## HELP THREE RIVERS STOCKING ASSOCIATION

Rick Hutchins and his friends at Three Rivers Stocking Association provide a wonderful fall and winter fishery in your backyard with the blessings of the State of New Hampshire but out of their own pocket. If you enjoy the fishing at these rivers, you may wish to send them a donation for their efforts.

Contact them at:

<https://threeriversstocking.com/2020-fundraising-drive>

## You missed a good one last month:

Josh Rownd, President emeritus (of TU Nor'East), recaps last month's excellent presentation.

At our November monthly meeting, attendees had the pleasure of watching Steve Woit give us an excellent virtual presentation on his book, The World of Flyfishers and Collecting. As I reflect on what we saw and heard, I have to say I am just a bit jealous.

After early encouragement from Hoagy Carmichael, Roger Still, John Drewett and others, Steve then spent over seven years meeting and interviewing leading collectors, experts, authors, museum and club curators, craftsmen and auctioneers.

Steve has traveled extensively to speak first-hand with many of the best flyfishers the world has to offer. Not just learning about the fishing aspects of our beloved hobby, but also learning about the history of beloved sport. He has been able to document not just their stories, but also created a photographic library of their antique collections.



The stories behind the images of reels, rods, flies and other collectables was fascinating to hear. Some of these collectors have sought after specific rods or reels and knew exactly what they're looking for. While others happen across incredible collections by chance. I thought, why can't I ever be that guy!





As you can imagine many of these stories came from not just here in the Northeast US, but also during his trips to the UK. You look at some of these bamboo rods and wonder when was the last time it was cast? What was the last fish landed in that net? What is that reel worth? What kind of feathers were used to tie that fly?

Steve certainly made our evening enjoyable. Please enjoy some of the images from his presentation and his book. Great coffee table book!





I suggest you visit his website. His story and his book is available for purchase there.

<https://flyfishingtreasures.com/about-author-steve-woit-fly-fishing-collector/>

**Check out what other Chapters are up to (click to open their web pages):**

[Deerfield River Chapter tracking fish](#)

Need more Zoom in your life: [Join Merrimack River Valley Chapter for "Apex Predators on a Fly, December 8 contact Bob Bluhm at \[bbbluhmmm1953@gmail.com\]\(mailto:bbbluhmmm1953@gmail.com\)](#)

[Sucker Brook Restoration by Squan-A-Tissit Chapter](#)

[Maine Chapters looking for volunteers to survey fish and streams](#)

# Chapter Financial Report from Peter Vandermeulen, Treasurer

12/2/2020

Category	3/1/2020-3/31/20	4/1/2020-8/31/20	9/1/2020- Nov 2020 11/30/20	Notes		
<b>INCOME</b>						
Banquet Income	MARCH	APR-AUG	SEP-NOV			
Banquet Income:Banquet Admissions	\$540.72	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Banquet Income:Banquet Program Book Ac	\$540.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Banquet Income:Banquet Raffles	\$14,772.86	\$0.00	\$0.00			
<b>TOTAL Banquet Income</b>	<b>\$15,853.58</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>			
Income from Dinner	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Income from Raffles	\$80.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Cash Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Other Inc	\$0.00	\$25.44	\$0.00			
Rebates TU National Council	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$16,053.58</b>	<b>\$25.44</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>			
<b>EXPENSES</b>						
Bank Fee	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
<b>Banquet Expenses</b>						
Banquet Expenses:Advertising and Marketi	\$385.98	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Banquet Expenses:Dinner Costs	\$5,014.18	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Banquet Expenses:Other	\$0.00	\$183.28	\$0.00			
Banquet Expenses:Postage	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Banquet Expenses:Raffle Items for Banquet	\$1,250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Banquet Expenses:Room Costs	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00			
Banquet Expenses:Supplies	\$364.66	\$0.00	\$0.00			
<b>TOTAL Banquet Expenses</b>	<b>\$7,014.82</b>	<b>\$683.28</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>			
Conservation Project Expenses	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Dinner Expenses	\$329.90	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Gifts & Donations	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$550.00	\$300 Three Rivers Stocking, \$250 IRWA		
Insurance	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Member Activities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Membership Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Office Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Raffle Items Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Marketing Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$159.27	Zoom subscription		
Speaker Fees	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$9,744.72</b>	<b>\$2,683.28</b>	<b>\$709.27</b>			
<b>TRANSFERS</b>						
FROM Cash Account	\$3,195.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
TO Business Green Checking XX7066	-\$3,195.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
<b>TOTAL TRANSFERS</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>			
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,308.86</b>	<b>-\$2,657.84</b>	<b>-\$709.27</b>			
<b>ASSETS</b>						
	3/31/2020 Balance	8/31/2020 Balance	11/30/2020 Balance			
<b>Cash and Bank Accounts</b>						
Business Green Checking XX7066	\$55,299.01	\$51,551.17	\$50,841.90	Actual Bank Balance as of 11/30/2020		
Zulu Nyala Uncashed Check	-\$1,250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Kalil Boghdan Check for Raffle Tickets	\$160.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Cash Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
<b>TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	<b>\$54,209.01</b>	<b>\$51,551.17</b>	<b>\$50,841.90</b>	<b>Balance in Quicken</b>		
Pond Street Culvert Project (2022)	-\$10,633.00	-\$10,633.00	-\$10,633.00	Future commitments		
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>-\$10,633.00</b>	<b>-\$10,633.00</b>	<b>-\$10,633.00</b>			
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>\$43,576.01</b>	<b>\$40,918.17</b>	<b>\$40,208.90</b>	<b>Net Assets</b>		
<b>INDIVIDUAL TRANSACTIONS</b>						
Date	Account	Num	Description	Memo	Category	Actual Bank
<b>BALANCE 8/31/2020</b>						
						\$51,551.17
10/2/2020	Business Grei	1299	Ben Meade	Zoom Subscr	Marketing Ex	-\$159.27
10/15/2020	Business Green Checking X	Three	river40	DBT Purchas	Gifts & Dona	-\$300.00
11/26/2020	Business Grei	1300	IRWA	Donation for	Gifts & Dona	-\$250.00
<b>9/1/2020 - 11/30/2020 TRANSACTIONS</b>						
<b>BALANCE 11/30/2020</b>						
<b>-\$709.27</b>						
<b>\$50,841.90</b> Actual Bank Balance as of 11/30/2020						
CLEARED FROM LAST MONTH						
<b>9/1/2020 - 11/30/2020 UNCLEARED TRANSACTIONS</b>						
<b>OTHER OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS</b>						
-\$10,633.00						
<b>NET TOTAL</b>						
<b>\$40,208.90</b>						

**Last cast: Who is in charge of the store, as it were.**

**President** – Ben Meade

**Vice President** – Resume builder (put your name here)

**Treasurer** – Peter Vandermeulen

**Secretary** – Gregory Murrer

Directors:

Kalil Boghdan

Geof Day

James Goodhart

Geoff Klane

Fred Jennings

Tom Leahy

Mike O’Neill

Bob Torkildsen

Chett Walsh

David Walsh

Ken Washburn

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