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***Annual Elections for Club Officers
and Board of Directors
Come out and VOTE!***

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2011
Trip Presentations***

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God Bless America

Dues are due for 2011

**See Al Battistelli at the meeting
Or mail in the form on page 9**



President's message

By the time you read this message our new website will be ready for its official debut. After 12 years of serving us well, it's time to put the old gal to rest. Our new website, **lilyrodders.org** will be a work in progress, so we appreciate all helpful comments. Words can not relay the amount of gratitude we owe **Gil Padovani** for the countless hours he spent updating and revising the former site. **Gordon Mueller** is our new webmaster and has done an excellent job getting the new site running. We only hope that he will keep the job as long as Gil did!

It may be time to start thinking about beginning a LIFR chapter in Florida. **John Menendez** and **Bill and Sue Gordon** will be joining **Herb Schneiderman** as residents of the Sunshine State. Sitting around the campfire will never be the same without John's hilarious stories. We'll still see Bill and Sue in the summertime. In fact, they will be doing the cooking on the Farmington trip. Before moving, they donated a brand new outdoor stove

for club use, which is really appreciated.

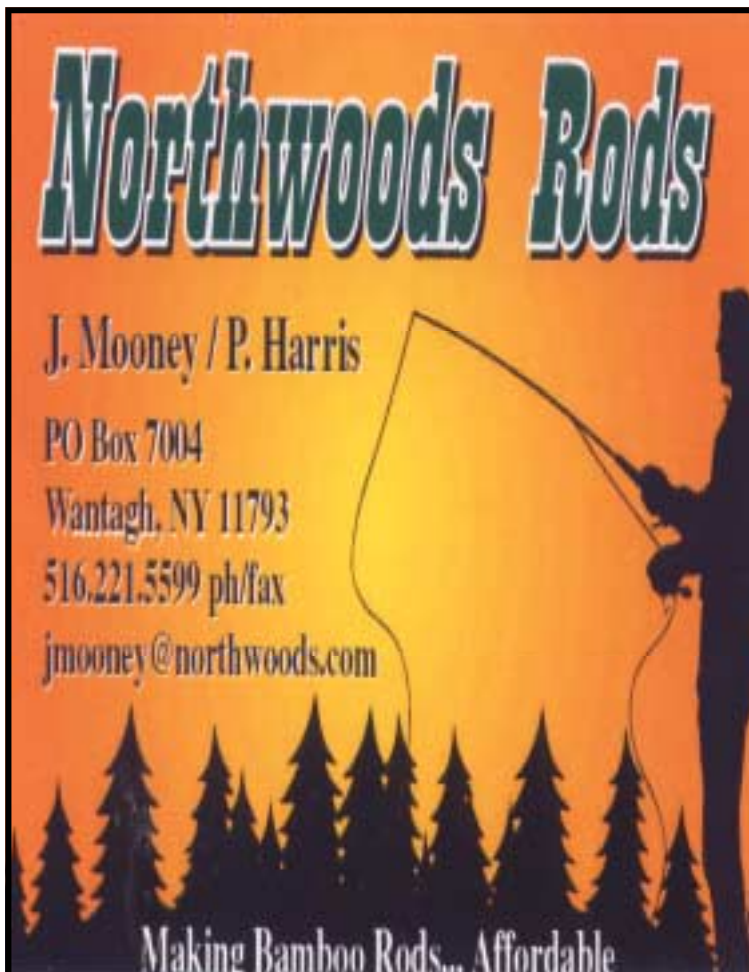
I expect everyone to come out and vote at the February meeting. All officer positions and three board member positions are being voted on. Nominations can be added to the existing slate, so if you're interested in donating some time and ideas to a great club, please let us know.

We will also devote some meeting time to trip presentations. You will notice that there are a few new destinations added to the mix this year. We need you to participate for the trips to be successful.

Thanks to everyone who helped out at the Somerset Show. The winner of the fly donation raffle will be chosen at the meeting.

Susan

If you haven't yet attended a fly tying night at The Main Event, you will have an opportunity to do so on February 8.



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by Lee Weil



Trip Notes and Tips

As we look ahead to 2011, I am excited about planning our trips for the year, with new destinations and opportunities. One of the best things about belonging to the L.I. Flyrodders is the variety of trips made available by the club. One thing I'd like to stress, however, is that were it not for the coordinators who organize and run these trips we would not be the most "trip active" club on Long Island.

I was encouraged to see a couple of new volunteers step forward at our annual Trip Committee meeting last month (and not just for the pizza, either!). Thus, we have added new trip destinations to our schedule; old favorites are still on the agenda, such as the Farmington River and Housatonic River Camp trips.

Thanks to the willingness of our members to take over the task of running these annual events we have been able to keep these LIFR traditions going. I know from personal experience how much work these trips entail and would like to say thanks to those who picked up the torch, and also to thank those who have passed it on. The details for each trip will be posted in your newsletter as they draw near, or you can direct your questions to the chairman named for each trip on the list.

A trip's success depends on the combined efforts of the chairman AND the participants as well. You can help out our trip coordinators by observing the following courtesies:

- 1) Sign up by the required deadline,
- 2) Have your payment in on time,
- 3) Be sure to renew your membership **BEFORE** signing up, thus saving yourself and the trip coordinator embarrassment,
- 4) If you're going on a camping trip be sure to bring the suggested equipment (i.e. a camp chair, firewood, coffee mug, etc.)
- 5) If a meeting time is arranged for convoys or carpools please arrive on schedule so you won't hold up other members.

If you follow these basic rules you can make all of our jobs a lot easier and we will appreciate your cooperation. When everything goes smoothly the trip can and should be enjoyed by everyone, including the guys doing the work. As a considerate member you can help to make your trip into one that makes for fond memories and good fish stories.

Tight Lines and God bless, Lee

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2011 Long Island Flyrodder Trip List

April 29 – May 1 Friday - Sunday	Natchaug River Camping Trip*	Howie and Susan Solomon
May 4 – May 6 Wednesday - Friday	Clarks Creek/Yellow Breeches	Lee Weil and Jeff Farrell
May 7 Saturday	Willowemoc River Clean Up	Paul McCain and Dan VanBuskirk
May 14 Saturday	Housatonic River Clean Up	Paul McCain and Dan VanBuskirk
May 21 Saturday	Croton River	Herman Abrams
June 10 – June 12 Friday - Sunday	Farmington River Camp- ing Trip*	Susan Solomon and Bill Gordon
June 18 Saturday	Blydenberg River Canoe Trip	Pete Smith
June 21 Tuesday	Peconic River Canoe Trip	Lee Weil and Jeff Farrell
June 27 – June 30 Monday - Thursday	Delaware River	Dan VanBuskirk and Gil Padovani
August 5 – August 7 Friday - Sunday	Mongaup Pond Camping Trip*	Tom and Maria Cooleen
September 23 – 25 Friday - Sunday	Housatonic River Camping Trip*	Mike and Coreen Gelber
October 24 – October 28 Monday - Friday	Western New York for Steelhead	Jim Foley

Natchaug River Camping Trip

We came with tents and campers
We came from near and far
Glen Heller brought his big rig
Mike and Pete slept in their cars

The weather, it was gorgeous
The sun was all about
We caught some browns and rainbows
And even tiger trout

We enjoyed our time together
By the campfire and stream, as well
As we listened to the stories
That Flyrodders love to tell

The Natchaug is a real treat
When it's right outside our door
This season's trip is over,
But we'll be back next year for sure

**(Mark your calendar, next year's trip
Is set for April 29 – May 1)**

Susan



***2011 Dues
are now
Due.***

Please renew to continue receiving all the great benefits we come to expect with the best fishing club in the universe. We need your support. Thanks.

Good bye “lifr.org” Hello “liflyrodders.org”

It has been said that “All things, good and bad, must come to an end” and our original website, www.lifr.org is no exception.

The “old site” is almost 12 years old and, given the advancements in technology and web design, it kind of became old hat. Not only that, but since its inception, the site grew from a few files to an almost unmanageable number.

When I first decided to create a web page for our club almost 12 years ago, I knew absolutely nothing about web design. Much of what I did was trial and error. I added new features thinking that “more is better” only to find out that there was hardly any interest in some of them, so I removed them. These included free Buy-Sell postings for our members, free web-based email, on-line greeting cards and a Club Merchandise section among others. On the other hand, I like to think that some of the features that were added later on, like the “What’s New”, “Reflections” “Archives” and “Newsletter” sections turned out to be real winners.

As of at 2:20 PM, on January 16, 2011, LIFR.org was visited **66,062 times**.

Now, it’s time to give the old gal a permanent rest. A while back, Gordon Mueller graciously volunteered to take over the responsibility of “Webmaster” and, soon after that, embarked on a total re-design of our club’s web-page. I personally think that Gordon has done a heck of a job designing a truly professional looking website.

The URL of the new website is **www.liflyrodders.org**. If you access the old URL (**lifr.org**), you will automatically be re-directed to the new site.

Gil Padovani



Keith Fulsher, Fly Tying legend and originator of the Thunder Creek series of flies, (also long time member of the Flyrodders), receiving the Ancient Order of the Angle from Vice President, Lee Weil and President Susan Solomon, at the January Meeting

Fly tying Contest - January 2011 Meeting



Top row - Dan VanBuskirk, Paul McCain, Lee Weil
Bottom row - Herman Abrams, Bob Lindquist, Wolfgang Porte, Jim Hofrichter.
Lee's winning fly is the middle one on the bottom row.



Guest judges Jim Krul, Keith Fulsher and Jim's son.

Participants in January's creative fly tying contest didn't let protruding noses stop them from completing their fly designs. Dan VanBuskirk, Paul McCain, Lee Weil, Bob Lindquist, Wolfgang Porte and Jim Hofrichter tied flies using the same ingredients, yet none of the finished flies looked the same.

The guest judges, Keith Fulsher and Jim Krul and his son picked Lee Weil's creation as the winner.

Herman Abrams, though not in the contest, donned a walrus nose in support of the other tyers.

Somerset, NJ Fly Fishing Show



L to R, top - Herman Abrams, Gene Stephens, Morty Schneiderman, Jeff Farrell, Joe Otterstedt, Bob Rosano
L to R, bottom - Dan Van Buskirk, Lee Weil, Gil Padovani, & Linda Macy




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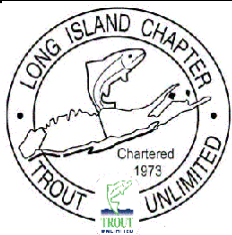
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Hey, Flyrodders. How's the fishing been lately?

Let's let our members know.

Send reports and/or pics to

LIFRnews@aol.com for publication in *the Flyrodder*, or see me at the meeting.

Thanks, Morty

The undersigned hereby applies for membership or renewal, in the **LONG ISLAND FLYRODDERS, INC.** ("LIFR").
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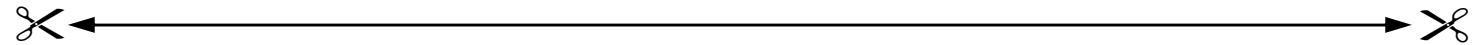
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Howie Solomon, Nora Solomon, Gil Padovani, Cliff Dies, & Dan Van Buskirk

LONG ISLAND FLYRODDERS COMING EVENTS

February - 2011

February 1

General Meeting - 8:00 pm

Annual Elections for Club Officers

& Board of Directors

Trip Captain Presentations

Come Out & Vote!

February 8

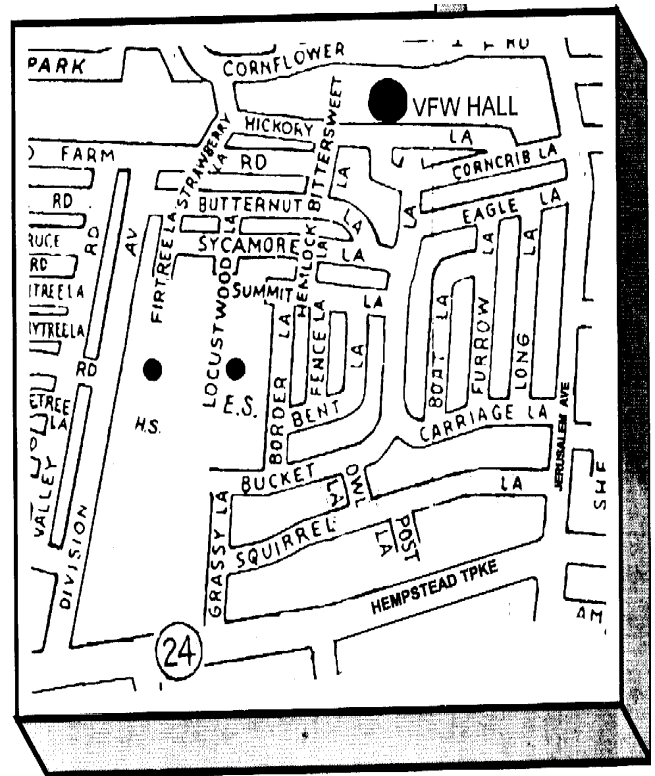
Fly Tying Night at Main Event, Plainview

Details & Info at liflyrodders.org

February 22

Board Meeting

7:30 P.M. at the Levittown VFW Hall



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