

# The FLYRODDER



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Photo by Susan Solomon

### **Junior Fly Tying Class , March 7th at the Levittown VFW**

#### **Back row:**

Molly Quinn, Kelsey Quinn, Lee weil (Instructor), Joseph Mooney, Ryan Murad, Jack Kaplan

**Front row:** Michael Mooney, Kyra Cooleen

(See page 4 for story)

### **Open House& Used Tackle Sale**

*The Long Island Flyrodders will host its 2009 Annual Open House  
and Used Fly Fishing & Tackle Sale at its April club meeting.*

*Please note that only current club members may sell used tackle  
at this meeting.*

*Non-members are welcome to attend the meeting to talk with  
club members and learn more about the club, enjoy refreshments  
(coffee and doughnuts) and take part in the used tackle sale.*

*Additional information can be found at the LIFR website: [www.lifr.org](http://www.lifr.org)*

Well, we've made it through winter and spring is upon us once again. As you read this letter, trout season will officially be open for the region, and our members will begin to pursue salmoninae' various species throughout the state and beyond. One of my (and a few other of our members) annual rites of spring is to assist the Art Flick Chapter of TU with their annual Carmen River cleanup at South Haven Park in Brookhaven. The entire river is cleaned of Homo Erectus debris including plastic, glass and aluminum bottles and cans, fishing line, and all manner of garbage. LIFR will be doing a similar cleanup of the Willowemoc April 25, and the Housatonic River on May 16. I strongly urge our members to participate in these cleanups, restoring the areas we fish to pristine, eco friendly and visually appealing environments. These cleanups are accompanied by a barbeque and even a little fishing, so checkout our website and newsletters for more information.

Another annual springtime event is the Casting For Recovery Banquet, being held at the Milleridge Inn in Jericho on April 24. Cost is \$60 per person and includes dinner and an open bar. Contact Stephanie Musso at 631 874 8902, no later than April 9th if you wish to attend a great evening of dinning and fund raising for this very worthwhile organization.

## **President's message**

Our next club meeting, April 7, will be our **Annual Open house and Used Tackle Sale**. So, if you have any fly fishing tackle that you no longer use, this is your opportunity to give it a new home and renewed life on the water. Alternatively, it's a good chance to fill out that missing link in your tackle repertoire, be it a particular rod weight, reel size or other must have gizmo. *Remember, you must be a LIFR member with 2009 dues paid to sell at the meeting.*

***Tight Lines and see you on the water Joe Otterstedt***



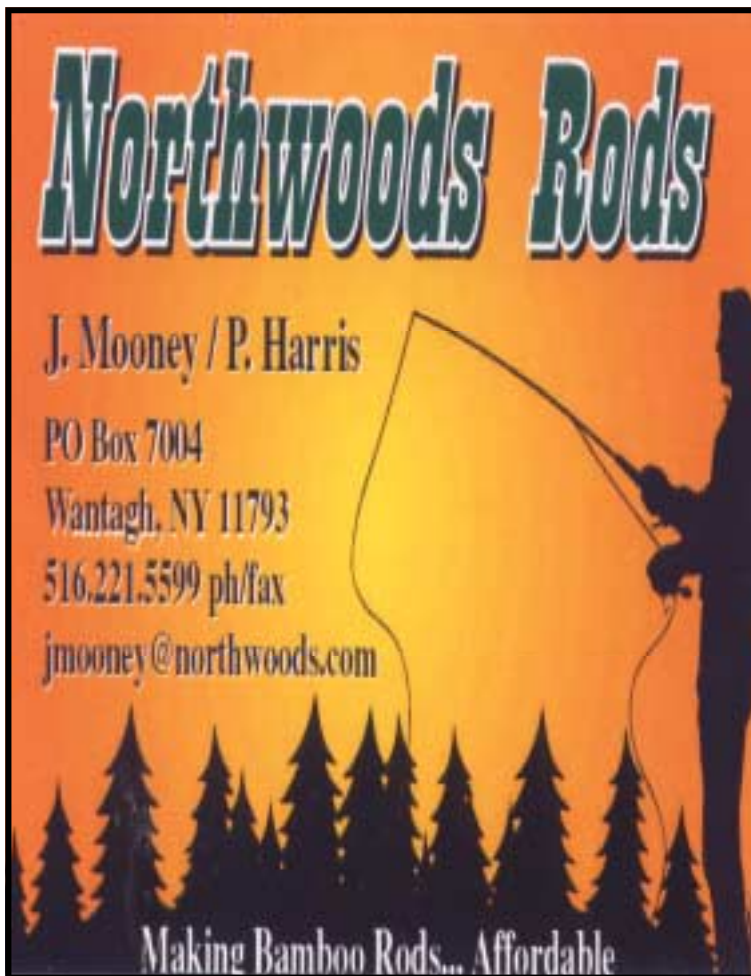
*Fish ladder cleaning on the Carmans River*

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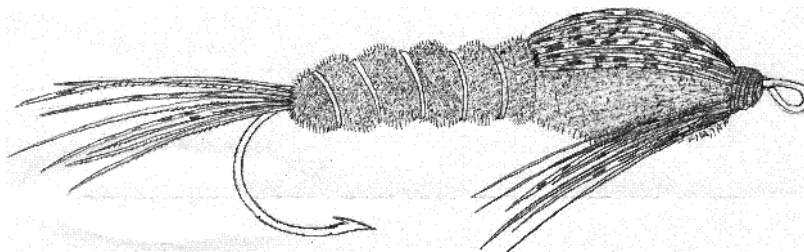
by Lee Weil



## Fly of the Month : The Halfback

<b>Hook:</b>	Nymph, 2X Long, # 8 - # 18	<b>Abdomen:</b>	Peacock Herl
<b>Thread:</b>	Brown 3/0	<b>Wing Case:</b>	Pheasant Tail
<b>Tail:</b>	Pheasant Tail	<b>Thorax:</b>	Peacock Herl
<b>Rib:</b>	Copper tinsel (thin)	<b>Legs:</b>	Pheasant Tail

This fly originated in Vancouver, and will imitate a wide variety of nymphs. It is comprised of two very effective natural materials, peacock and pheasant. The traditional rib is black thread, but I like to flash it up so I substituted copper tinsel. It can be weighted with wire wrap if desired. In small sizes it is an excellent dropper.



1. Measure pheasant tail fibers approx. ½ shank long and tie in as tail. Tie in tinsel.
2. Even the tips of 3 or 4 peacock herls and tie them in at tail. Wrap the herl around the thread to form a rope. Wrap forward approx. 2/3 of shank and tie off.
3. Wrap copper ribbing over peacock and tie off.
4. Select a long bunch of pheasant tail fibers and even the tips. Measure approx. one shank length from tips, then tie them down in front of peacock with tips pointing to the rear. Wrap over butts to help build thorax up to one eye's width from eye.
5. Repeat the peacock rope technique and wrap thorax. Bring pheasant wing case forward over thorax and tie down at eye. Divide tips and fold back and downward on each side to form legs. Tie off and whip finish. Cement head and wing case to reinforce.

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operated by Dave Minassian.

## Junior Fly Tying Class of 2009

By Lee Weil

The Annual LIFR Junior Fly Tying class took place on Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, and seven students participated in tying a total of 4 patterns. While proud grandpas, moms and dads watched, the kids went through the steps to tie an inchworm, caddis larva, woolly bugger and foam beetle. They learned how to handle a variety of materials, tie in tails and dub bodies. Everyone was able to finish all their flies with the half-hitch, with a little help from their coaches.

All the students graduated and received their diplomas. After the diplomas were presented they were lined up for the official class photo taken by **Susan Solomon**. (*Rumor has it that "Flat LIFR" was in the house, too.*) **Tom Cooleen** provided refreshments during the break, because as we all know, you can build up a real appetite working at the vise. We'd like to say thanks to the Levittown VFW for being so kind and offering the room for the class, and a special thank you to all the guys who helped out and made this class a huge success; **Tom Cooleen, Jim Foley, Wolfgang Porté, Susan Solomon and Lee Weil**.  
**CLASS OF 2009:** Kyra Cooleen, Jack Kaplan, Joseph Mooney, Michael Mooney, Ryan Murad, Kelsy Quinn and Molly Quinn.

## Natchaug River Camping Trip

May 1 – 3, 2009

Come join LIFR members on a new adventure to the Natchaug River in Ct. It's a 3 hr. drive to the Nickerson Park Family Campground in Chaplin – if you don't stop at Cabela's in East Hartford, first.

The river, which is accessible from the campground, is in the trophy trout management area. It is easily wadable and no more than 75' across at its widest.

Cost of the trip, **per person**, is as follows:

1 adult per tent/camper is \$75.,

2 adults per tent/camper is \$60.,

3 adults per tent/camper is \$50.

Price includes 2 nights camping charges, dinner Friday night, breakfasts and pack-your-own lunches on Saturday and Sunday. Additional expenses are Saturday night dinner at a local restaurant and a Connecticut fishing license: (\$16. for 3 days or \$40. for the year).

**All money must be received by March 13**

Contact Howie or Susan Solomon

(516)997-9451,

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James Hartnett

Laurie Kozofsky

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**Tickets are \$60.00 per person**

and can be ordered by completing the **Banquet Ticket Request Form** and mailing it, with payment, to the address listed there. Request forms can be accessed on our website at [longislandtu.org](http://longislandtu.org) and clicking on **National Conservation Banquet**.

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All Flat LIFR asks is that you take him along and photograph him on your fishing adventure. At the end of the year, turn in your photos showing where you took Flat LIFR and we'll see who came up with the most creative way to show him in a fly fishing setting.

Remember, this is all in good, clean fun and the pictures should reflect that.

If you're interested in taking this buddy fishing, see **Susan Solomon**.



**ELDRED FISHING TRIP  
JULY 26 – 27, SUNDAY & MONDAY**

We have been running this trip four years in a row and it always turned out to be a nice trip every time. We caught a variety of fish – bass, big blue gills, big crappie, pickerel, as well as some nice trout. The accommodations were very good and the food was excellent.

Eldred is located approximately two-and-a-half hours from New York City and it is a pleasant ride. This is also a great trip to bring family and friends and to introduce children to fishing.

The cost of the trip is as follows: We have a boat package, which includes a room, double occupancy, and the use of a bass boat for \$135.00 tax included. If you do not want to enter the bass contest then the cost of a room, double occupancy, is \$96.00 tax included. If you share either package with someone it will cost you half the price. If you need an extra cot in the room the cost is an additional \$8.00. Gordon Mueller and Joe Caroleo are running the trip. If you are interested in going on the trip or need further information, please contact us at any membership meeting or call us.

**Joe Caroleo, (718) 845-4225**

**Gordon Mueller, (516) 850-3689.**

On Sunday we will be fishing at a local lake. You can rent a row boat or fish from shore. You can also picnic or swim at the beach area. A pass for the day costs \$3.00 for nonresidents. You can also fish other local waters which are nearby. You have the Delaware River, Mongaup Pond and Rondout Reservoir. Early Monday morning we will have a bass fishing contest. As part of the package we will be using bass boats for the bass fishing contest.

Eldred has two large trout ponds. One pond is Catch and Keep. It is stocked with trout. You will have free access to this pond. Whatever trout you catch you keep but you must pay \$6.25 per pound for the trout. You can have your trout cleaned and packed in ice for your trip home. The cost for this service is fifty cents per fish. The other pond is Catch and Release. It is stocked with trout and big catfish. It is for fly fishing only, barbless hooks only. The cost for this pond is \$12.50 per person and you can fish all day.

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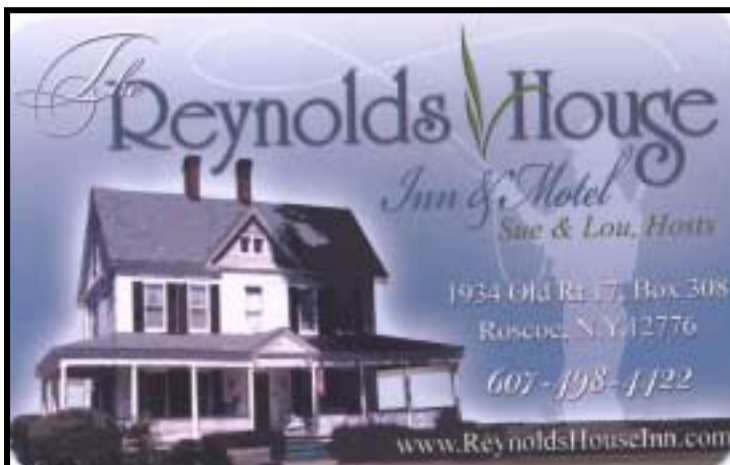
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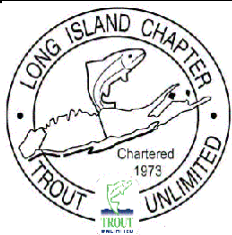
*Top left:* **Bob Skoy**, estimated 18lb Brown Trout, upper fly fishing only section of Salmon River, NY.

*Top right:* **Pres. Joe Otterstedt**, 5lb Bonefish, Andros Island, Bahamas.

*Bottom left & right:* **Tom Cooleen**, Brown Trout, Connetquot River State Park, NY







The Long Island Chapter of Trout Unlimited  
meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at:  
Hicksville VFW Hall  
320 S. Broadway  
Hicksville at 7:30 p.m.  
Visitors are always welcome.

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**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**





## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The undersigned hereby applies for membership or renewal, in the **LONG ISLAND FLYRODDERS, INC. ("LIFR")**. I understand the inherent risk in participating in the activities of **LIFR**, including fishing trips, of one day or longer, which **LIFR** may make available to members. I understand that **LIFR** activities may take me into remote areas, and that I may not be able to be promptly evacuated or receive proper medical care in the event of injury or disease. I further understand that I am solely responsible for all costs of medical treatment and transportation.

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### CONNETQUOT RIVER TRIPS - 2009

In response to the demand for the limited spaces available for our Monday Connetquot River State Park trips, the following guidelines are in effect:

Members attending the meetings have **first priority**, followed by those members, chronologically received, who call in the day after the meeting for the remaining spaces available. Reservations are available for 32 anglers for each session; 64 for both sessions. The cost of each session is **\$20.00**. No checks will be accepted;

**EXACT CHANGE, CASH ONLY, NO SINGLES,**

to be paid at the general meeting or at the park for call-in reservations. Anglers fishing the morning sessions must be at the park by **7:30 a.m.** Cancellation must be made by 7:00 p.m. the Saturday before the session.

**No advance reservations will be accepted.**

**Hours:** 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

**For Details call: Lee Weil - (516) 997-6743**

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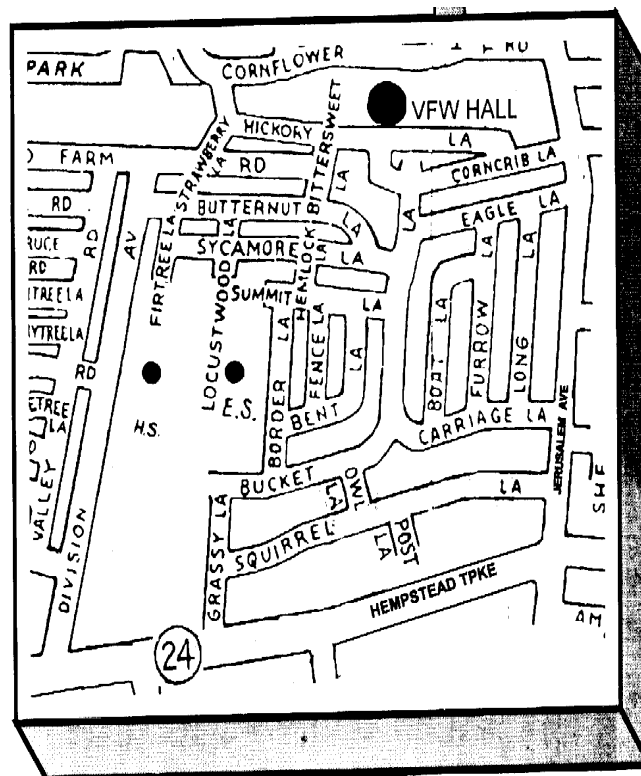
***You must have a creel in your possession to fish in the park and on the stream***

***Only members with 4 weight rods or larger will be allowed to fish on the Monday Sessions***

**LONG ISLAND FLYRODDERS COMING EVENTS**

**April - 2009**

- April 4      **2009 LIFR Annual Ladies Casting Clinic**  
Contact: Lee Weil (516) 997-6743
- April 7      **General Meeting - 8:00 P.M.**  
Annual Open House & Used Tackle Sale  
Non Members Welcome
- April 20     **Monday Fishing at Connetquot State Park**  
Contact: Lee Weil (516) 997-6743
- April 25     **Willwemoc River Cleanup, Roscoe, NY**  
Contact: Dan Van Buskirk (516) 561-6743  
Paul McCain (516) 536-1418
- April 28     **Board Meeting**  
7:30 P.M. at the Levittown VFW Hall



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**2009 Dues are Due**

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