

The

# FLYRODDER



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***This Month's Meeting:  
March 5, 2019***



Fish on!  
New member **Chris Murphy**  
fly fishing at Connetquot for the first time.

*GUEST SPEAKER:*

**George Daniels**

•Nymph Fishing: New Angles, Tactics and Techniques•

**\*USED TACKLE SALE/OPEN HOUSE is POSTONED until our APRIL MEETING\***



## **President's message**

Thank you to all the members who braved the bad weather to come out to the Ward Melville Show. The day did not start off well, weather wise, but as the day went on, the booth filled up with Flyrodders to man the booth.

This months meeting was supposed to be the used tackle sale but we decided to change it to April due to the expected larger than usual crowd to hear our speaker for the month, George Daniel. It should be a real treat.

The trips for this year are starting to fill up so if you are planning on going on one of these trips sign up now while you can. The earlier you sign up, the easier it is for the trip captains to plan their trip.

The Long Island Fly Fishing Expo is on March 16 at the Radisson Hotel in Hauppauge. Each year the show gets bigger and better. This year there are more vendors and lectures than in previous years. We would appreciate volunteers to help out at the Flyrodder booth during the day. There will be a movie shown at the conclusion of the show.

### *Howie*



Ward Melville Fishing Show



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## LIFR Fly of the Month - March 2019 - The Alte Kaker

Having recently experienced a Birthday, I was reminded of this fly. The ðAKö is a pattern I cobbled together last fall. Iðve had reasonable success with this fly at the Connetquot when it was dead drifted or fished Euro nymph style. It can also be fished with a smaller nymph or midge tied to the hook bend with lighter tippet. The hook is a size 12 to 18 emerger, paired with an appropriately sized silver tungsten bead. Fluorescent blue 70 denier UTC thread forms the tapered underbody and the ðhot spotö collar. A few turns of lead-free wire were wrapped on the shank behind the bead. The body is white Veevus Iris thread, with a small blue wire ribbing. The thorax is light rainbow scud dubbing with guard hairs from an actual Alte Kaker mixed in. The AK hairs might prove difficult to find. The few remaining free-roaming Alte Kakers are usually reluctant to part with whatever sparse hairs they might still have. AKs can usually be held down and a few hairs clipped, but this practice is considered to be in poor taste. I know I wouldn't like it. The good news is that the fly (although less authentic) can be tied and fished successfully with just the rainbow scud dubbing. Tight lines! **Bill Smith**

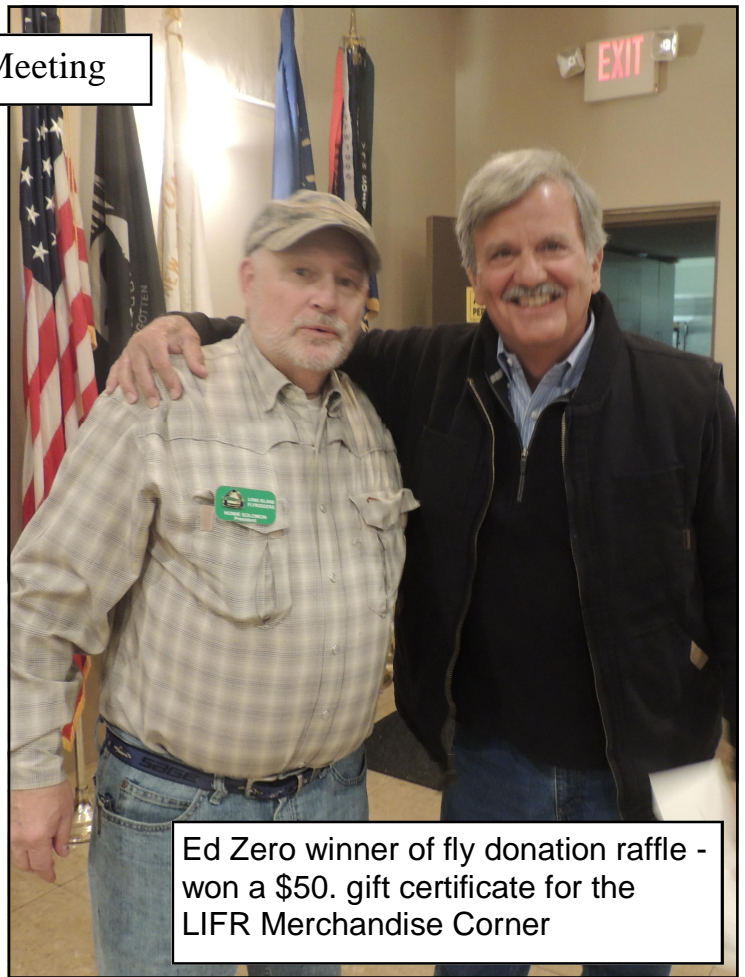




## February Meeting



New board members,  
Brendan Forte and Karen Stainkamp



Ed Zero winner of fly donation raffle -  
won a \$50. gift certificate for the  
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### LIFR's Fly Tying Classes will resume this Thursday March 21st

We will be tying flies that will be effective in our local streams, lakes, and ponds.

Join us for evenings of camaraderie and to increase your Fly Tying skills, while developing a collection of useful flies.

We will tie at least two patterns each night (two versions of each).

There will be a \$5 fee per session for materials, and you'll need your own tools and vise. Everyone is welcome! Looking forward to seeing all of you.

All of the classes will start at 7:30pm at the Levittown VFW Hall (55 Hickory Lane, Levittown, NY.) on the second floor.

Contact Bill Smith at 631-434-5200  
or WDS0248@gmail.com

Tight Lines! *Bill Smith*  
Long Island Flyrodders - [www.liflyrodders.org](http://www.liflyrodders.org)

### Farmington Camping Trip

There is currently one cabin remaining for the Farmington Camping Trip on June 21-23.

While there is no more room for campers, there is still room for anyone in a tent to sign up.

Please see Susan at the meeting to make your reservation.

Also email [mrssolomon0704@aol.com](mailto:mrssolomon0704@aol.com)  
or call 516 997-9451



Ward Melville Show



# Ward Melville Fishing Show





## March 2019 Newsblast

Hello Flyrodders

Please Welcome New Board Members Karin Stainkamp and Brendan Forte. We, and they, are very excited to lead the Long Island Flyrodders to enhanced events and greater heights!

*And now for the news:*

March comes in like a lion. How it goes out is anyone's guess. But, don't let the unpredictable weather stop you from enjoying the fantastic fishing-related events that March 2019 has in store for you.

*Let's get right to it!*

**March 5-** Our Club's Monthly General Meeting, which begins at 8PM will feature guest speaker **George Daniels**, world-renown author, United States Fly Fishing Team member and coach and all-around expert tight-line nymph fisherman.

George's topic: **Nymph Fishing: New Angles, Tactics and Techniques**

PLEASE NOTE: **Because the turnout for George's appearance is expected to be greater than usual, the USED TACKLE SALE/SWAP MEET HAS BEEN POSTPONED until our April meeting.**

**March 10-** Daylight Savings Time begins at 2 a.m. Remember to "Spring Ahead"

**March 12-** The last fly tying session of the season at the MAIN EVENT will be held at 6:30

**MARCH 16-** The Long Island Fly Fishing Expo will be held at The Radisson Hotel, 110 Vanderbilt Motor Parkway, Hauppauge, from 9am- 4pm followed by the LIFFExpo Film Fest from 4:30 - 6 in the Zero Limit Adventures' Theater on premises. LIFR will have a booth and volunteers are needed. WEAR LIFR shirts and hats and boost our club's presence amongst the fly fishing community. Check out [www.LIFFExpo.org](http://www.LIFFExpo.org) for complete information.

**March 18-** LIFR Connetquot Monday. 2 sessions, 8-12 and 12:30-4:30 @ \$25 per session. Sign up with Ted Bany at the meeting OR call him by Saturday 10/14 at (631)513-5875 to reserve your spot.

**March 21-** FLY TYING with Bill Smith- 7:30 pm at VFW Hall (upstairs) Contact Bill at [WDS0248@gmail.com](mailto:WDS0248@gmail.com) and listen up at meetings for added details.

**March 26-** LIFR Board Meeting at VFW 7:30 pm. All members are welcome to attend and give input into YOUR club.

Well, That's About It for Now!

Tight Lines!

Ken Arstark / Roy Placet  
Long Island Flyrodders

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***From the Archives:***

***In“Vest”ory by Lee Weil***

The weather is beginning to tease us with whispered promises of warm sunshine and spring thaws, and it's time to do an inventory of what didn't get repaired, replenished or replaced at the end of last season. Everyone thinks of the usual routine checklist; i.e. cleaning fly lines, stocking up on flies, etc. But some of the most important details are often overlooked. For example, those spools of tippet that have been hoarded away in your vest may be older than you think; especially the less used sizes such as 7X and 8X. While 4X may age better, the smaller diameter mono can become brittle and weakened. A quick test can be done by pulling off about a yard of the material and try the breaking point of a section that was wound inside the spool. If it snaps easily when tugged it's probably not up to its test strength, and you're better off replacing it than waiting till AFTER you lose a big fish.

I carry a small plastic squeeze bottle of bug repellent in my vest. If I don't refill it now in February, I won't think about it until about 7 p.m. on a summer night on the river, when the fish are rising and the mosquitoes are just beginning their assault. If you don't have any in your vest, I suggest you purchase a small bottle or some of the convenient packets and stock your vest now.

A first aid kit is one of the most overlooked items in a flyfisher's gear bag. While I don't carry a whole medic's bag on the stream, I do keep a few Band-Aids and a packet with aspirin, Pepto Bismol and single use saline solution and bacitracin. It doesn't take up much room and you can patch up little mishaps, if you're out in the woods, without having to hike back to your vehicle in the middle of a hatch.

A compass, a whistle and a firestarter stick with matches may sound like overkill, but if you fish remote places and frequent those streams off the beaten path, it's not a bad idea. If you do get lost a fire is a good way to help someone locate you, and will keep you warm till they arrive. A whistle can alert your buddy if you step in a sinkhole or twist an ankle, and it can be heard a lot better than your voice at a distance, especially over the sound of a river.

So, when you pull out the waders and reels to gear up for Opening Day, take an extra minute or two to go over the other essentials. That way, when you stumble out of the house at 4:00 am, you can rest assured that you're prepared for whatever comes your way; big fish, bugs or bad backcasts.

***Tight lines and God bless, Lee***





## Monday Fishing at Connetquot River State Park 2019

		March 18	April 15
May 20	June 17	July 15	August 19
September 16	October 21	November 18	December 16*

All you have to do is call **Ted Bany at 631-689-2178** or e-mail him at **tedbany@yahoo.com** by Sunday night to add you to the list

## SAVE THE DATE 4th Annual Long Island Fly Fishing Expo



**Saturday, March 16, 2019**  
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Email can be addressed to **Roy Placet**, our webmaster at:

**webmanager@liflyrodders.org**





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first Tuesday of each Month  
at the:

**Levittown VFW Hall**  
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## LIFR Needs You!

Our club needs volunteers.  
Please donate some of your time to help out  
at meetings and for other important club  
business.

If you can spare a little of your time,  
please see Pres. Howie Solomon, V. Pres.  
Mike Postol, or any Board Member for in-  
formation. Thank You



## Project Healing Waters Update

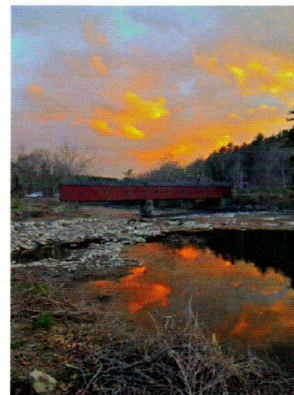
Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing, PHWFF, based in Northport VA, has **new fishing dates**. The Veterans will be fishing Connetquot on the **first Monday of every month**. And, as before, they look to LIFR for volunteers to guide and assist. If you would like to guide, assist and teach a Veteran fly fishing at Connetquot, call:

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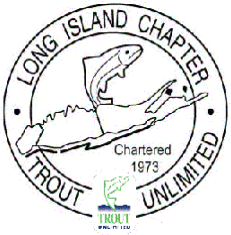
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**Jobs like board member and trip leader are begging for new blood. How many people went to the Edison Show, but couldn't spare some time to man the booth?**

**This is YOUR club and it's only as good as YOU make it. Please find it in your heart to help out, so the Long Island Flyrodders can continue for another 35 years. A few people can't do all the work. Ask any officer or board member how YOU can contribute.**



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**LONG ISLAND FLYRODDERS COMING EVENTS**

**March - 2019**

**March 4 Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing Connetquot**

Contacts: Fred Thorner (917) 209-0246

Jim Gilmartin (516) 241-5868

**March 5 General Meeting - 8:00 pm**

Speaker: George Daniels

•Nymph Fishing: New Angles, Tactics and Techniques•

**March 12 Fly Tying at The Main Event Restaurant**

See page 9 for info

**March 16 Long Island Fly Fishing Expo**

Saturday The Radisson Hotel

9am - 4pm 110 Vanderbilt Motor Parkway, Happpauge, NY 11788

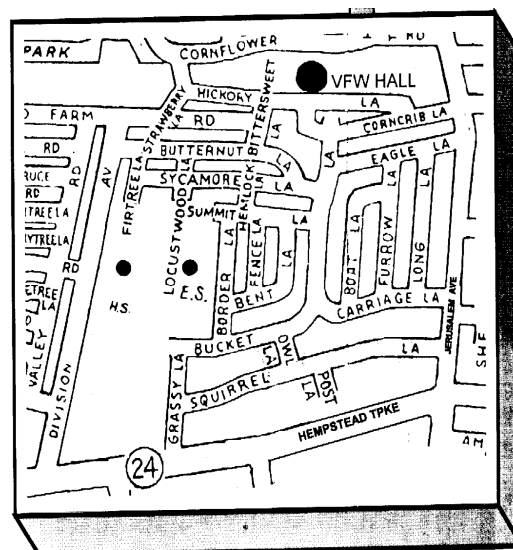
**March 18 Connetquot Monday Fishing**

Contact: Ted Bany - Details & Info on Page 10

**March 21 Fly Tying with Bill Smith - 7:30pm Levittown VFW**

See page 9 for info

**March 26 Board of Directors' Meeting - 7:30 PM**



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