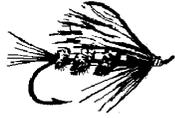


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Long Island Flyrodders will once again be hosting the Fly Fishing Film Tour. Come be a part of the fun. Have a front row seat to fly fishing adventure films and a chance to win raffle prizes and door prizes.



For Your Nymphormation



Ten Tips to Make You a Better Tyer

Recently, I had a conversation with one of my best students about what makes some tyers better than average. We discussed attention to detail and artistic talent, but anyone can become a better tyer. I would like to offer these ten suggestions:

1. Have an area set up for your tying station. Even if you can only spare a small corner with an end table, have your vise and tools out and available. If possible, keep your materials on shelves (or drawers) in the same room so they are conveniently at hand.
2. Purchase quality materials and appropriate to the flies you will be tying. Believe me, your inventory will grow fast enough. If you need a specific item you can often borrow some from a fellow tyer.
3. Organize your materials to make finding what you need easier. Keep your naturals in airtight containers and don't introduce new hackle or fur before quarantining it either in mothballs or by microwaving it. Beetles can destroy an expensive cape in no time.
4. Buy tools according to what you will be tying, and be sure to purchase tools that fit you. Different brands of scissors have different size loops so see which ones fit your hand. Bobbins are also important. I prefer the adjustable tension bobbins with the wheel on the side. They are well worth the price and come in 3 or 4 sizes.
5. Buy some good tying books. DVD's are fine, but I believe having a series of still pictures in front of you on the bench will help you more with your proportions. Magazines are also great; they will present you with new interesting patterns and methods.
6. Avoid the temptation to binge buy. An inexperienced buyer will look at a cape and think they're getting a great deal, only to find that the hackle is not suitable for the dry flies they intended to tie with it. When it comes to hackle, capes and especially deer hair try to buy only hands-on. Catalogs are fine for synthetics.
7. Attend classes and fly tying shows. The International Fly Tying Symposium is a must see for tyers. You can watch tyers from all over the world tying any type of fly you can imagine. Be sure to take a notebook with you. Ask questions! (We love it).
8. Keep notes as you tie your original patterns. I keep a pad and pen on my bench. I have sold patterns and had the customer order more the next season, only to realize I didn't remember the exact way I had tied the originals.
9. When you are tying a pattern, don't tie one or two; tie at least six. Line them up and compare as you tie each one, improving as you go. Your last one should be your best.
10. Try to set aside a time to tie. It can be an hour each day, or even once or twice a week, but try to keep it consistent. Like working out, it will become a habit and you will look forward to it.

If you will follow these tips you will enjoy your tying more, and you will find yourself wanting to tie more. When you look at your fly box and see the fruits of your labors you will be happy you spent the time and effort.

God bless & Tight Lines, Lee

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New Caps have come in.

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See Ken Arstark at the merchandise table.

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January Meeting Fly Tying Contest

On behalf of the Club, I'd like to thank the men who volunteered to participate in the fly tying contest at the January meeting:

**Ken Arstark, Paul McCain,
Bob Andrejewski and Amil Bezak.**

Although Bob and Ken were declared the winners, in my estimation, they're all winners.

Thanks, guys. -Susan



Merchandise

- CLOTHING: \$\$\$ Many Items Reduced \$\$\$**
- 1- Hats \$7 / \$10 / \$15 / \$17
 - 2- S/S T-shirts ~~\$12~~ \$10.00
 - 3- L/S T-shirts ~~\$18~~ \$15.00
 - 4- SWEATSHIRTS – Crew \$20; Hoodies \$38
 - 5- FLEECE VESTS - \$20 / \$25 / \$30
 - 6- Golf Shirts ~~\$18~~ \$15.00
 - 7- JACKETS – Anorak \$20; Full Zip \$35; S/S Windshirt \$15
 - 8- Aprons ~~\$15~~ \$8.00
 - 9- Bandanas ~~\$19~~ \$5.00

- Patches, Pins \$3; 2 for \$5; 5 for \$10
- Keychains (Fly encased) \$3; Set of 4 = \$10

- Water Bottles (plastic) \$6 \$4.00

- FLY BOXES** \$8 / 2 for \$15 / 3 for \$20
- Multi-function Knife \$5 \$3.00

- BAGS:**
- 1- Totes \$3 / 3 for \$5 / 10 for \$10
 - 2- Drawstring \$15 \$10
 - 3- Duffle \$22 \$15
 - 4- Briefcase \$25 \$15

- Tippet \$3 \$1.00
- Hand Warmers \$2 / 3 for \$5 / 10 for \$10
- DVDs \$10 / 2 for \$15



Somerset Fly Fishing Show - January 2015

Top: Dan Van Buskirk, Linda Macy, Joe Otterstedt, Rich Cosgrove, George Simon

Left: Paul & Owen McCain

Bottom: AnnMarie & Rich Cosgrove, Coreen & Mike Gelber, Owen McCain



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The Main Event - 799 Old Country Road
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DEC Studying Ongoing Salmon River Steelhead Disorder

**Nutritional Deficiency Strongly Implicated in Increased Steelhead Mortality in Lake Ontario Tributaries
DEC Taking Steps to Meet Egg Quotas to Ensure Robust Steelhead Population**

Adult steelhead (a strain of rainbow trout) returning from Lake Ontario to the Salmon River in Oswego County are exhibiting signs of stress and elevated mortality rates due to an apparent thiamine (vitamin B) deficiency, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Joe Martens announced today. DEC scientists enlisted the help of fish health experts in other agencies and academia to determine the cause of this disorder. DEC staff submitted moribund Salmon River steelhead to the Cornell University Aquatic Animal Health Program for testing. Results indicate that fish pathogens are not responsible for the abnormal behavior and mortality. DEC also sent steelhead samples to the U.S. Geological Survey's Northern Appalachian Research Laboratory for further lab testing. Results strongly indicate a severe thiamine (vitamin B) deficiency, which means it is likely contributing to the steelhead mortality.

"Lake Ontario steelhead are an important component of Lake Ontario's sport fishery and DEC is deeply concerned about reports of steelhead stress and mortality in the Salmon River and other Lake Ontario tributaries," Commissioner Martens said. "Steelhead provide high-quality sport fisheries in the open lake and are especially sought after by anglers who fish in tributaries from fall through spring. DEC staff will continue to work closely with federal agencies, Cornell University and other stakeholders to identify the cause of the current situation and strategies to ensure a robust steelhead population."

In mid-November, DEC fisheries staff began to receive reports of steelhead swimming erratically in the Salmon River and higher mortality of the species. More recent reports indicate similar behavior in steelhead in other Lake Ontario tributaries.

Steelhead are an important component of Lake Ontario's sport fishery, which a Cornell University study valued at over \$112 million in angler expenditures in New York annually.

Great Lakes fish predators (including salmon and steelhead) that feed primarily on alewife are prone to thiamine deficiency. Alewife, an invasive bait fish in the Great Lakes, are known to contain thiaminase, an enzyme that degrades thiamine. A thiamine deficiency can impact egg quality and the survival of eggs and newly hatched fish, and, in severe cases, can cause the death of adult fish. DEC is taking steps to meet its spring 2015 steelhead egg-take targets at Salmon River Hatchery, and will work with Great Lakes agency partners to provide assistance in meeting egg take quotas, if needed. Staff from DEC's Rome Fish Disease Control Unit and Salmon River Hatchery are preemptively injecting adult steelhead returning to the hatchery with thiamine. Thiamine-injected fish will be held in outdoor raceways at the hatchery and fed a diet fortified with vitamin B to improve the likelihood of successful

steelhead egg collections in 2015.

However, little can be done to alleviate the mortality of adult steelhead that are unable to ascend the river and reach the hatchery's holding facilities. Although moderate thiamine deficiencies are not uncommon in top predator fish such as salmon, lake trout and steelhead in Lake Ontario and other waters, this year's acute deficiency is atypical in its severity. DEC staff will continue to collaborate with experts to further understand the circumstances leading to this year's mortality.

For more information, contact DEC's Bureau of Fisheries (Cape Vincent Fisheries Station) at [\(315\) 654-2147](tel:3156542147)

REGION 1 • LONG ISLAND

Sent by Rich Cosgrove

Nassau County					
Water	Species	Open Season	Minimum Length	Daily Limit	Method
All waters	Crappie	All year	9"	15	
	Sunfish (Bluegill & Pumpkinseed)	All year	Any size	15	
	Yellow Perch	All year	8"	15	
	Pickereel	1st Saturday in May through March 15	18"	3	
All waters	Black Bass	1st Sat in June through April 30	Catch and release only		
All ponds and lakes	Trout	All year	Any size	3	
All streams	Brown & Rainbow Trout	All year	Any size	3	
	Brook Trout	April 1 – Sept 30	Catch and release only		

Note: It is illegal to fish for bass during the period May 1 thru Friday preceding the 1st Sat. in June

Suffolk County					
Water	Species	Open Season	Minimum Length	Daily Limit	Method
All waters	Crappie	All year	9"	15	
	Sunfish (Bluegill and Pumpkinseed)	All year	Any size	15	
	Yellow Perch	All year	Any size	15	
All waters except Belmont Lake, Artist Lake, Blydenburgh Lake, Randall Pond	Black Bass	1st Sat in June through Nov 30	12"	5	Note: It is illegal to fish for bass during the period May 1 thru Friday preceding the 1st Sat. in June
	Black Bass	Dec 1 through April 30	Catch and release only		
Fort Pond and Lake Ronkonkoma	Walleye	1st Sat in May through Mar 15	18"	3	
Blydenburgh Lake	Black Bass	1st Sat in June through Nov 30	12"	5	
	Black Bass	Dec 1 through Fri before 1st Sat in June	Catch and release only		
Artist Lake, Belmont Lake, Randall Pond	Black Bass	All Year	Catch and release only		
All freshwater (non-tidal) lakes and ponds except East (Swan) Lk, Laurel Lk, Deep Pd.	Trout	All year	Any size	3	Ice fishing permitted
East (Swan) Lake	Trout	April 1 through Nov 30	10"	3	
Laurel Lake	Trout	All year	12"	3	Ice fishing permitted
Deep Pond	Trout	All year	12"	3	
Deep Pond	Chain Pickerel	All year	Catch and release only		
All freshwater and tidal streams except Carmans River in Southaven County Park, Connetquot River in Connetquot River State Park and Nissequogue River in Caleb Smith State Park	Brown & Rainbow Trout	All year	Any size	3	Ice fishing permitted
Connetquot and Caleb Smith State Parks	Brook Trout	April 1 through Sept 30	Catch and release only		
Carmans River (Southaven County Park)	Trout	Park Regulations apply, permit required. Call (631) 581-1005 Connetquot, (631) 265-1054 Nissequogue.			
Carmans River (Southaven County Park)	Brook Trout	April 1 through Sept 30	Catch and release only		
Special Regulations by River Section. Additional park regulations may apply. Call (631) 854-1414.					
Carmans River (Southaven County Park)	Trout	From LIPA transmission lines at Gate G upstream to Yaphank Avenue	April 1 through Sept 30	Catch and release only	Fly fishing only
Carmans River (Southaven County Park)	Brown & Rainbow Trout	From Cement Dam upstream to LIPA transmission lines at Gate G	April 1 through Sept 30	9"	3
Carmans River (Southaven County Park)	Brown & Rainbow Trout	From Cement Dam downstream to Hards Lake Dam	April 1 through Sept 30	9"	3

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We will begin our Fall / Winter fly tying classes in a few weeks, so sign up at the next meeting for Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced tying.

The cost per person will be \$ 40.00, with all materials included, and tools for those who don't have their own.

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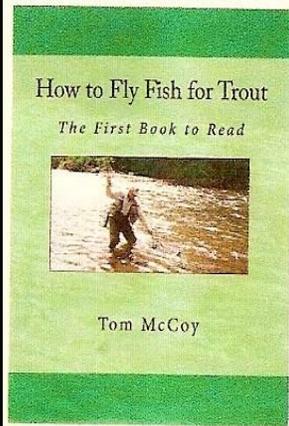
If you can spare a little of your time, please see Pres. Rich Cosgrove, Wolfgang Porté, or any Board Member for information. Thank You

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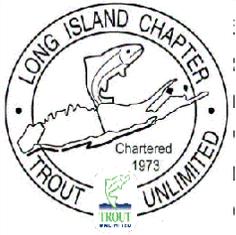
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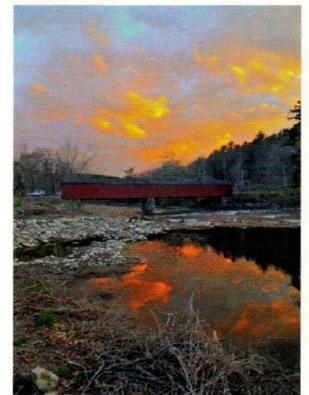
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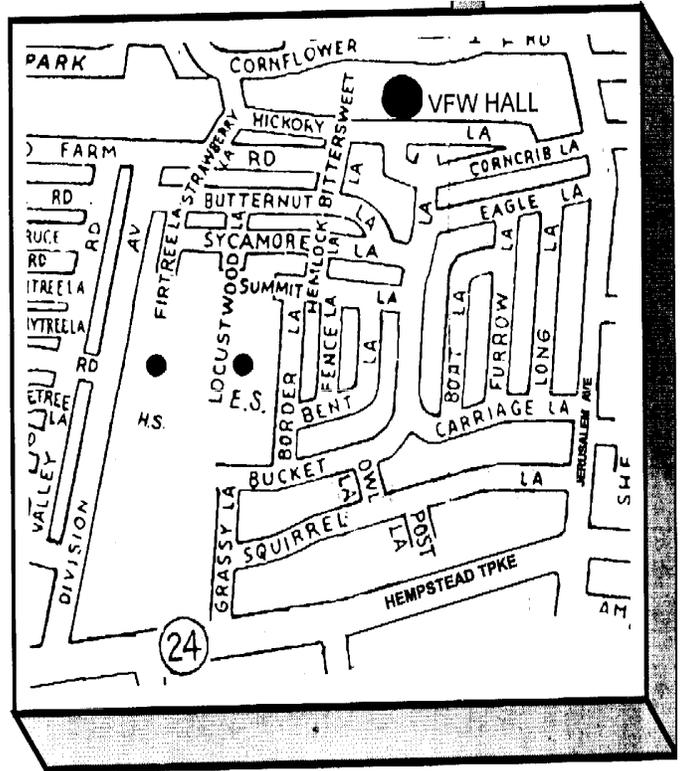
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