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Perry County Youth Field Day

By Ken Okorn

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Two hundred boys and girls, ages 9 - 15, participated in Perry County Youth Field Day on June 13th at the Duncannon Sportsmen Club grounds. This annual event has been going on for almost 20 years, and involves the participation of a number of sportsmans and conservation organizations and agencies. They operate stations that provide the participants with an opportunity to try a variety of hunting, fishing and other outdoor activities. CVTU has a fly casting/fly tying station at the event. The participants are divided into groups of about 20 and they cycle through all of the stations, spending a half hour at each. At our station, we split the group in two, with half casting while the remainder watches fly tying. Half way through the session, they trade places so that everyone gets both opportunities. It is a long but fun day for everyone involved.

The event also provides an opportunity to provide information on the Rivers Conservation and Youth Camp and our fly tying class, and has resulted in participation in these activities. The CVTU volunteers were: Jim Rainey, Terry Tatarus, Chet Hagenbarth, as well as Gloria and myself. CVTU was presented with a certificate of appreciation, both for their financial contribution in support of the event and their participation. Thanks to the Rivers Conservation and Youth Camp for providing the equipment used for the fly casting.



Photo Courtesy: K. Okorn

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Members and
Guests Attended
the June
Member's Meeting

Membership Meeting: Wednesday, July 15th
Allenberry Meadow Lodge at 7pm.

Brian Shumaker from Susquehanna River Guides will be our speaker for July. Brian's talk on "Fly Fishing for Smallmouth Bass Techniques and Places" will cover history of the bass, fly tackle, flies, where to find the bass, techniques on presenting the fly, as well as different places to fly fish for smallmouth in the Mid-Atlantic States. For more info on Brian, please see page 2 under Quick Bites. Best, Tom Baltz

Quick Bites and Short Strikes

Dave Weaver - Editor

Submission of articles and suggestions for this newsletter are encouraged and may be sent to dweavflyart@yahoo.com, or you can call me at 338-1952. The deadline for the next issue is the 22nd of each month.

Calendar of Events

2015

June 30– 1 July
Street to Streams
Allenberry,
Boiling Springs
(Postponed to a Date
TBD due to Weather)

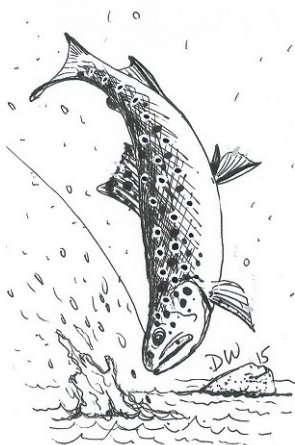
July 6-8th
Weed Removal
Letort

July 15th
Membership Meeting
Allenberry

July 16th
Chapter Breakfast
Kimberly's Café,
Carlisle

Aug 21st
Chapter Picnic
Allenberry Pavilion
(This is the August
Membership Meeting)

Sep 5th
Last Supper
Vince's Meadow



~ The primary distribution of *Tight Lines* is currently via Mail Chimp email system. *Tight Lines* will be mailed by request only.

~ The chapter breakfasts will continue every month after the regular meetings. For more information, see page 4.
Dave W

~ Keep in mind that we remain in need of bucket raffle items for regular member's meeting. If you have questions, please contact Ken Palmer.
Dave W

~ Brian Shumaker is the owner and operator of Susquehanna River Guides in South Central Pennsylvania, specializing in fly-fishing for smallmouth bass and other warm water species. Brian started Susquehanna River Guides in 1993 as a way to share his love of the rivers and fly-fishing with others. Today clients have come from every reach of the United States, Canada, as well as Europe have come to South Central Pennsylvania to discover the thrill of fly-fishing for smallmouth bass and other warm water fishes. Brian is on the pro staff for TFO rods, Cortland Line Company, Costa Sunglasses, Columbia Clothing and Holly Flies. Brian is also associated with Simms and Fish Pond.
Tom Baltz

~ On July 6-8th, the FITS crew will remove weeds from upper Letort focusing on the meadow below the quarry and perhaps some other spots. Contact Don Albright for further info. Your assistance is appreciated.
Dave W

~ The 21st annual Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp concluded on Friday, June 26, with the graduation of 2 girls and 30 boys, ages 14 through 17. CVTU members and friends contributed flies for the camp. Each camper was given a box with 50+ flies appropriate for fishing the Breeches during camp. Over 35 individuals contributed flies! CVTU members also responded by volunteering as ghillies for the fishing sessions and assisting with fly tying instruction. Several campers caught their first trout on a fly. The campers were very appreciative and complimentary of the help that they received from the ghillies. In a survey completed at the end of camp, several campers responded to the question "What was your favorite thing about camp?" by saying it was fishing with the ghillies. It was a pleasure to see these youngsters progress as fly anglers. Thank you to all who donated flies, worked as ghillies, or helped the camp in any way.

Clark Hall

CVTU Membership is 583!

CVTU receives a \$15 rebate from the **special \$17.50 first-year membership dues** when the chapter code 052 is marked on the application. Applications are available at Yellow Breeches Outfitters. **New Members** may also join online at www.tu.org/intro. Be sure to select chapter 052, Cumberland Valley. You may renew your membership by mail or on the web at www.tu.org. You may also renew, or change your membership information by calling **TU Customer Service** at 1-800-834-2419. For more information, contact **Clark Hall**, Membership Chairman.

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President's Message

From the President, Justin Pittman



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During the writing of this message we are just wrapping up a very busy month of June and it could not have been done without such a great membership. We have had volunteers doing something every week for the entire month of June. *Again, thank you and please continue your support.* Now that we are through the fishing programs and all our camps, it's time for the Chapter to start focusing on the stream improvement projects that we have in the upcoming future. We will be starting on another phase of projects on the Yellow Breeches Creek. As many know, we completed a project last year around this time, and it has turned out to be a major success. During the Rivers Conservation Camp that was held the week of June 21- 26, 2015 the campers completed a stream improvement project just behind the pavilion at the Allenberry Playhouse and Resort and it looks great. A special thanks to everyone at the camp and everyone who helped make the project a great success. If you have not been down to Allenberry to see another completed project, it really looks great thanks to everyone who made this project a big success.

A few orders of business: If you are not receiving the *Tight Lines* through e-mail please feel free to contact us through the webpage and provide us with your e-mail address so that you can be added. For all our Facebook users, please take the time to friend request Cumberland Valley Trout Unlimited and continue to follow us. Neil Sunday has really done a great job keeping Facebook up and running. We continue posting pictures of projects, camps and all of the other great things CVTU is doing. If you have a picture, please feel free to post or e-mail to Neil and he will get them up on the web.

Some of the upcoming events to finish out the summer will be the CVTU picnic which will be held at the Allenberry pavilion in Boiling Springs on August 21, 2015. This is a great time to bring your family out for a nice dinner and an opportunity to meet a lot of great people. Our last event of the year will be the weekend of September 5, 2015, the Last Supper I will be the contact if you are interested in getting more information. These are great events to bring family to while enjoying great food and people. Remember we are getting close to Board nominations, so if you or someone you know would like to become a member of the Board, or would like to get more information about it, please contact myself or any Board member. Our board meeting for July will be held on July 8, 2015 and anyone who would like to attend and see how CVTU Board of Directors meetings are run, you are welcome to attend. Meetings start at 7:00 pm in the meeting room downstairs by the Players' lounge by the bar.

I hope that everyone is enjoying the great weather we have been having, spending time with friends and family, and also getting in some fishing. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in contact with me at flyfishing80@gmail.com or 717-360-8823.



Tight Lines!
Justin

Chapter Breakfasts Continue By Ken Palmer

This is a reminder that there will be CVTU breakfast at Kim's following each chapter meeting. Since there are no regular chapter meetings in August and December, there will be no breakfast those months. Time is 8am as usual. We tried shutting them down over the summer but everyone wanted to continue, even if attendance was less during the summer so we changed the plan. Another opportunity for CVTU members to get together and share.

East Licking Creek 2015 By Ken Okorn

Fishing trip recap: sixteen CVTU members and two guests from The Anglers Club of New York attended the annual Chapter trip to East Licking Creek on June 6th. Attendance was down a bit because some of our regulars were assisting with visitors from the Anglers Club. One individual, who will remain unnamed, just plain forgot about it.

The weather was great and the stream was in perfect condition. Everyone who attended caught some trout and in the case of certain individuals, dozens of trout. Both nymphs and dry flies were effective in catching stocked browns and native brook trout, with a few stocked rainbows also in the mix. It was hard to go wrong with a large Parachute Adams on top or a Prince Nymph subsurface.

We had the customary lunch of hot dogs with homemade sauerkraut, potato salad, baked beans, with chocolate chip cookies for dessert. Thanks to John Leonard for providing the hot dogs and cookies. The 2016 trip will be on Saturday, June 4.



Photo Courtesy B. Healy

August Family Picnic By John Leonard

CVTU's annual Family Picnic and Chapter Fly Casting Championship is scheduled for August 21, beginning about 5 p.m. The menu will be a full list of grilled chicken, burgers and hot dogs, with all of the best picnic trimmings including salads, baked beans, sodas, iced tea and dessert. Draft beer, and wine will be available to oil up those casting arms for the casting championship run. Plaques will be awarded to first place only in a distance event and an accuracy contest. Cost to attendees is again only \$20.00 and half price for little kids. It should be noted that the actual cost to the Chapter is greater than \$20/person but CVTU has been able to hold this price only due to the popularity of our "Old Stuff" Bucket Raffle. PLEASE dig up and bring something useable along for the bucket raffle. It doesn't even have to be used, just useable! Doesn't have to be fishing stuff either!!

Please RSVP to Tom Baltz at (717) 486-7438 or bsaltzte@aol.com with name and number of persons in your party by Monday, August 17th. We MUST have a head count so Allenberry can prepare the right amount of food. This is one of the Chapter's largest social affairs of the season so be there!

Trindle Spring Run By Dave Weaver

CVTU has continued to monitor the situation with Trindle Spring Run since a chemical spill damaged some of the aquatic vegetation. In the ensuing months, the company responsible has been fined a substantial amount of money and your chapter will function as the pass-through organization for this funding. This funding will be utilized to implement stream channel and habitat improvement for this small stream. Many Trindle regulars feel that the lower stream would hold more wild trout with better habitat. On August 17th Gleim Environmental will begin construction. The project will start behind Wegman's and continue to the mouth of the stream.

Casting Competition By Tom Miller

Saturday June 20th found fly fisherman converging on Allenberry Resort in Boiling

Springs, PA over the weekend to celebrate the Commonwealth's deep fly fishing heritage at the Pennsylvania FlyFishing Museum's 13th Annual Heritage Day. Fly casters arrived from all around the region to compete for the honor of being named the best in the Mid-Atlantic. Contestants were challenged by both accuracy and distance events. In the distance component, casters earned points for the length of their casts and had to place their flies within a narrow 10-foot wide lane. Accuracy casting required contestants to land their flies within 30-inch and 54-inch target rings at random ranges between 25 to 60 feet. Mike McFarland of Tyrone, Pennsylvania, was overall high scorer as well as champion in the *Expert Division*. Robert Davis of Hagerstown, Maryland had the second highest score for day followed by Bob Stouffer, also from Hagerstown, MD. Winners in the *Expert Division* were awarded winner's plaques along with cash prizes. In the *Angler Division*, Darren Wishard also traveled up from Hagerstown and improved upon his result from last year, moving up to the top step on the podium. Darren was joined by Jeff Seltzer of Carolina, WV in second place and Rod Cross of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania rounded out the top placings in third. Along with his winner's plaque, Darren received a brand new fly rod, generously donated by Temple Fork Outfitters. Jeff and Rod also received awards plaques along with cash prizes.

Letort Weed Removal By Don Albright

I am setting up a weed removal project on the Letort for this coming Monday, July 6. We will be working at the sinkhole area just down stream of the Valley Quarry and above the trail bridge. Plan to meet at the parking areas between the Bonnybrook Bridge and the Quarry at 9 AM. Bring your waders, gloves, and water. We will be using the weed razors and the large rakes. I will bring some shovels, garden rakes, and cultivating tines to remove some of the roots established in the channels. This should take about 2 - 3 hours. Hope to see you there, Don Albright

Fly of the Month Busting Shuck Sulphur Nymph By Mike Goyne

This fly has exceeded all my expectations and continues to prove itself worthy by routinely

bringing me a dozen or more trout. Some of you vets may laugh at this, but I fish it on a 4X tippet as some of the hits are incredibly strong. A few weeks ago I ran out of 4X and had to use a 5X tippet. BAD IDEA - lost a slab of a rainbow - a good 20 if not more inches long!

Thread - 140 Ultra Thread in their own "Olive"
Size # 16 3xl hook - Tiemco 5263 or Orvis mini-barb or barbless

Weight - 7 wraps of .015 lead wire centered on hook shaft between eye and point of hook.

Trailing shuck - nasty fibers on the base end of a dyed yellow pheasant tail.

Wire - gold or copper Ultra Wire small

Abdomen - use bright side of several fibers of dyed yellow pheasant tail tied in by tips (so use some extra as you'll lose) wrapped back to about 2/3 of hook shank.

Wire - wrap 5 times around abdomen and secure all slightly behind the PT tie down.

Cut off any remaining pheasant tail fibers.

Shuck - select a bunch of yellow pheasant tail fibers (hold over hook with dark side down) and tie in at last tie of. Now, wrap thread and pheasant tail back to 5th wire wrap.

Thorax - I use Waspi's Master Classic Blend # 06 (Yellow Mayfly and Sulphurs) to make a thorax about 2/3 width of hook gap. Stop and leave enough room for a partridge feather to be tied in and clear of hook eye.

Gills - DO NOT USE SOFT BACKBONE PARTRIDGE. Use check and neck and maybe a few from upper wing only. For dirty water I prefer either the dark neck feather or a brown tipped upper wing feather. For clear water I like a gray marbled feather from the neck.

Shuck - pull forward and down hard. Secure with 1 - 2 wraps. You will need to first train down the partridge feather and hold it down while doing this maneuver! Then turn shuck back and cover with a thread base and whip finish.

Finally, a very small drop of head cement to keep the partridge feather securely in place, otherwise, it will migrate on you.



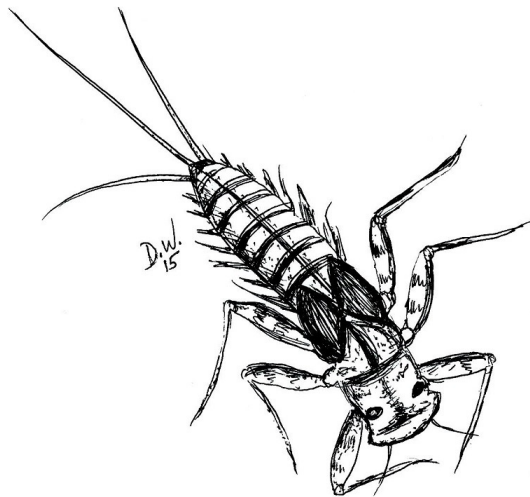
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