



Hammonasset Chapter Of Trout Unlimited

2013 Monthly Chapter Programs

Thursday September 19

Steve Culton –Wetflies 101

Join writer, Farmington River guide, and professional fly tyer Steve Culton as we explore the rich traditions of this ancient art with “Wet Fly 101.”

Wet flies have been fooling trout for centuries, and the fish aren't getting any smarter. While the wet fly fell out of favor in America decades ago, more and more anglers today are discovering that the best match for a hatch is often a wet fly.

Thursday October 17

Marla Blair - The Hatch and Body Language of Trout

Marla Blair Author of "Positive Fly Fishing" Published by Lyons Press Owner of Marla Blair's Fly Fishing Guide Service & Instruction

"The Hatch, and Body Language of Trout, for Choosing the Right Patterns."
Just another way of looking at the Hatch, and way fish feed to help create more success.

This program is fun, interactive, and great for any level. Kids and Newbies, are encouraged to come. At end of program there will be info about destination fly fishing locations, including info about Labrador, Patagonia, and other great places. Time for Questions and Answers to follow.

Thursday Nov 21

Bill Keister – Effective Nymphing Techniques

Join Certified FFF Fly Casting Instructor and World Traveler Bill Keister for a nymphing clinic.

Is nymphing a mystery? Could your nymphing be more effective? The presentation is conducted as workshop where interaction is encouraged. The program starts with definitions and explanations of long line and high stick nymphing. Particularly effective flies are described. Rods, lines, leaders, strike indicators and methods to get flies down are covered. The importance of drag free drifts is explained. The causes of drag are described. Casts and method for eliminating drag are covered. Questions will be answered at any time during the presentation.

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Activities and Volunteer Opportunities

Trout in the Classroom & Fly Tying At Durham Fair Friday, Saturday and Sunday September 26-29

Our Chapter exhibit will be located centrally in the Discovery Tent on the fairgrounds all three days of the fair. The trout in the classroom TIC program is now active in more than 70 schools in the state and growing. The chapter needs volunteers to staff the beginner Fly Tying exhibit at the Discovery Center at the Durham Fair September 26 through September 29. This is very popular event, now in its seventh year, this is in conjunction with our Trout in the Classroom exhibit at the Fair. We want to have two staff instructors for each of the 14 shifts during the four day event.

Since we typically tie basic Woolly Buggers with young kids, you don't have to be an expert tier to participate. Instruction sheets and all materials and tools are provided. Reimbursement of entrance and parking fees is available from HCTU if necessary.

If you are willing to help out for an hour or two, please contact Bruce Tubby by email (btubby@snet.net) or phone 860- 349-8405 for further information and shift assignments.

Hammonasset Festival - Kids Casting and Fly Tying October 5 & 6 10am until 4pm

The Hammonasset Chapter of Trout Unlimited is seeking volunteers for this two day event. HCTU have an exhibit at the festival which includes a Trout in the Classroom exhibit / kids casting activities and fly tying. Admission and parking is free for volunteers.

This event is full of fun activities that promote Trout Unlimited to kids and families.

If you can help, please contact Kevin at 860-632-2171 or kevinfuller27@comcast.net

Youth Education Day Saturday May 10 8:00-am to noon

Our chapters next Youth Education Day will be on May 10.

Activities will include instructions in fly tying, Fly casting and Entomology.

Kids will also help the DEEP stock trout, enjoy a picnic and raffle prizes followed by fishing for trout.

Classes are limited so reserve your spot soon.

If you are interested in having a child participate or volunteering, contact Paul Gray. (860)349-2109

Group Fishing Trips

Saturdays before each meeting.

Each month Aidan Morgan leads a group trip to a local river. Details are announced at the meetings or on the Website. Contact Aidan at sadmorgan@yahoo.com

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Announcements

New Website - HCTU.org

Our new Hammonasset Chapter website can be found at **HCTU.org** All of our chapter meeting announcements, calendar of events and activities and archive of newsletters can be found at our new website that was created last fall.

Chapter Request for Email Addresses

Our chapter mails out the printed newsletter once a year. The rest of the year we send out the newsletter and announcements by email to the members that we have a valid email address for. We only have valid emails addresses for one third of our members. Please help us save postage by providing your email address so we can keep you informed of all the things going on at HCTU. We will only send our chapter announcements if you request to be contacted. If you want a newsletter each month sent to your email Please send your address to Mccutchen.hugh@gmail.com

Monthly Chapter Meetings.

HCTU monthly chapter meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at the Wallingford Rod and Gun Club. Doors open at 6:30pm. For those who don't have time for dinner before the meeting, we usually offer a light dinner and refreshments. Chapter announcements begin at 7:00pm, followed by a raffle and our monthly program or speaker. We hope to see you there.

Directions to our meeting place:

Where: Wallingford Rod and Gun Club 411 North Branford Road Wallingford, CT 06492

When: Third Thursday of the month, From September through May at 6:30 PM.

Coming from the I-91

From I-91 South take exit 15, Turn onto CT-68 East / Barnes Rd (1.7 Miles)

Turn RIGHT onto N BRANFORD RD. (0.6 Miles) Turn Right into Driveway at 411 North Branford Rd.

Coming from the Shoreline through Route 17 in Durham

Follow Route 17 to junction with CT-68, Turn onto CT-68 West, follow CT-68 (3.5 Miles)

Turn LEFT onto N BRANFORD RD. (0.6 Miles) Turn RIGHT into Driveway at 411 North Branford Rd.

Please Get Involved

The Hammonasset chapter directors are planning the new seasons activities so please give us your input on the activities that would interest you, and programs you want to see at HCTU.

Please consider becoming more involved in the Hammonasset chapter and volunteer at one of our events to experience all we have to offer.

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Free Tying Instruction at the Hammo Festival.



Trout in the Classroom exhibit at the Durham Fair.



Kids casting event at Hammonasset Festival.



Trout Unlimited Tent at the Hammonasset Festival.