



The Long Cast



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President's Message

For those of you that were not able to join us at our December meeting I want you to know Ed Lombardo put on an excellent video show about one of my favorite rivers, the Big Horn River in Montana. This a great river and fun to fish. Thanks Ed you did a great job.

I want to thank the members that served on the nominating committee: Jim Martish, Dan Beltrami, Al Rosati (Doc), Dick Benson and Doug Nagle. Sometimes it's difficult to get people to volunteer for this work so it was great that these people stepped up to the task.

As you know our annual "Spaghetti Dinner and Presentation Night" will be our next meeting on January 30th. We will start serving around 6pm. If you have not purchased your tickets and want to join us please call me at 828-2866.

Our yearly banquet / fund raiser, will be held on April, 6, 2008. This event enables us to get our funds to operate: to pay our bills and do our projects. If you are planning to donate items for the raffles and auctions Jim Dewaele will collect these items

from you starting at our January 30th meeting. Think about participating by donating and/or coming to the event. Lets make this our best banquet ever.

I want to welcome to the E-Board all the members some who have been serving for some time like Bob Orpen, Jay Boyer, Jim Martish, Dan Beltrami and secretary Jim Dewaele and the new members: Vice President John McCall, and Treasurer Roger Earle. I want to thank those who stayed and those who stepped up I know the members appreciate every thing we do.

Lawson Cary
President

Email and Us !

To repeat a message first aired in our last newsletter: please provide your email address to Secretary Jim DeWaele. He will keep it in our confidential records and use the email roster to inform our members, in a timely fashion, of upcoming events.

Jim can be reached at jimdewaele@cox.net so if your email address is not on file with TU national, and

therefore not on file with our Chapter, please let Jim know it.

Schedule of Activities

E-Board Meetings

Feb.-2-08
Mar.-1-08
April-5-08
May-3-08
Sept..6-08
Oct. 4-08
Nov.1-08
Dec. 6-08

General Meetings

Jan.30-08
Feb.-27-08
Mar.-26-08
April-30-08
May-28-08
Sept.-24-08
Oct.29-08
Nov.19-08
Dec.17-08

Adopt-A-Highway

Feb.16-08
May, 31-08
Sept.27-08
Dec.20-08

Float Stocking

April 26-08
May-24-08
Sept. 20-08

Fly Tying at the Wood/Pawcatuck Watershed Headquarters

9am-12pm
January 26, 2008
February 23, 2008
\$5 members \$10 non members

Fly Casting at the Wood/Pawcatuck Watershed Headquarters

4pm-6pm
July 24, 2008
July 31, 2008
\$5 members \$10 non members

Family Fun Fishing Days

For children aged 12 and under (Rods, tackle, worms, bottled water will be provided. Location to be announced.)
\$5 for members \$10 non members
10am-1pm
July 11, 2008
July 18, 2008

The Northern RI Chapter

Lawson Cary, Jay Boyer and Jim DeWaele are planning to attend the next regular meeting, on February 13th, of the new Northern RI Chapter. We all would like to see the new chapter get rolling.

The new chapter's meeting place is the Albion Fire Station at 38 School Street, in the Albion section of Lincoln RI. (Map at right.) The meetings are on the second Wednesday night of each month, starting at 7PM. Ray Lippe is the chapter's president and the first order of business is the

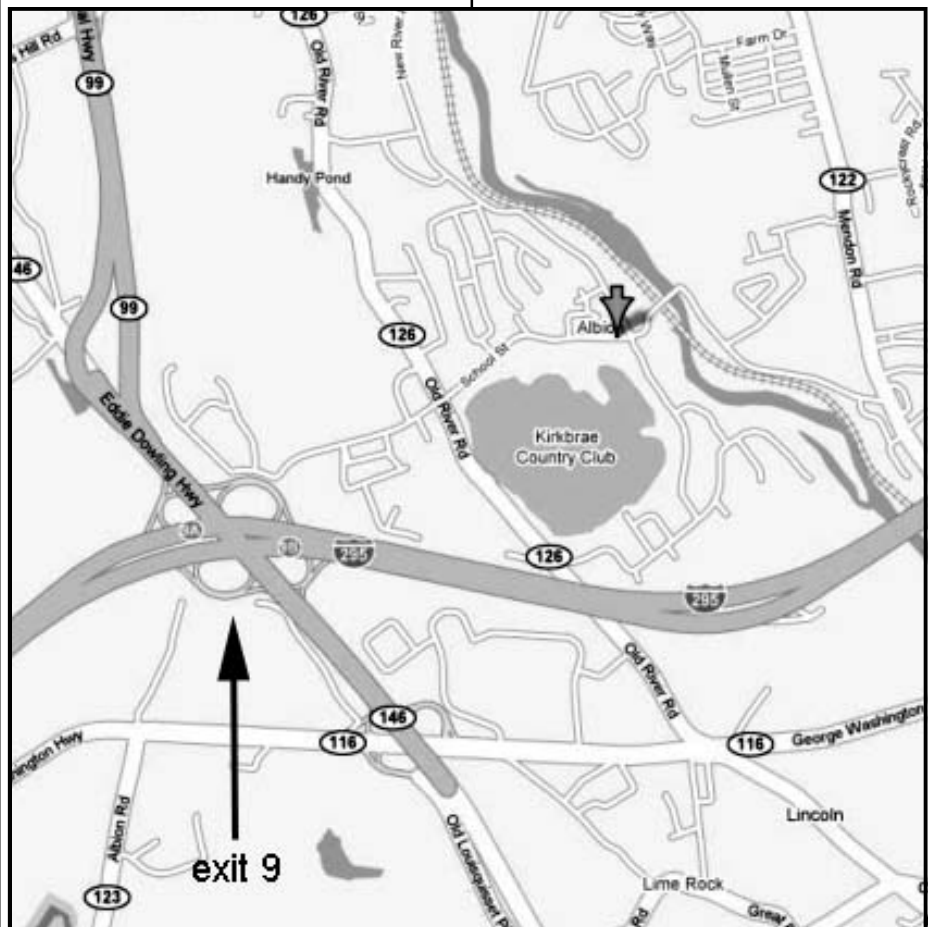
installation of TU members who want to be involved in the organization's work and especially those who can volunteer to serve in an official capacity.

Ray reminds members that there is a social component to the meeting so bring your flies and tying stuff as well as your ideas.

If you are receiving this Long Cast then you are either in the Narragansett Chapter or in the Northern RI Chapter. If your address is (generally speaking) in the northern half of the state and you have not specifically opted into the Narragansett Chapter then you are in the Northern RI chapter. You may come to either or both chapter

meetings.

But the thing to keep in mind is that the new chapter is initializing itself and could use some capable and motivated people to iron out the processes and establish the chapter with a full Board of Directors and participating members. So come to the next meeting and help the Northern Chapter get rolling.



The Annual "Spaghetti Dinner"

The coming Narragansett Chapter meeting is the annual "Spaghetti Dinner" and "Presentation Night." This is a time for circulating among our creative members who will be showing off and complimenting them on the way they are making life worthwhile for those of us who just want to see a fish now and then and maybe contribute to keeping the waters clean.

You will get to see Ed Lombardo teaching casting. I have watched him time and again and am about half way there; he tells me that there are just a couple of hundred little things I have to correct. So watch and see what you can pick up from the master caster.

You can ogle Jay Boyer's lovingly laminated landing nets (I have had a drink as I write this.) These go nicely with his three hundred dollar hat....Jay has gone to town for this night and will be also be showing us, not only what goes into making the nets, but also his rod cases and his rod building and repair work. As Jay puts it: "I will plan to do a little rod building/rod repair, showing how you can do it with an absolute minimum of equipment. Also anyone who has a damaged rod, ie, broken/missing guide(s), gouges in the cork grip, missing tip top or broken tip is welcome to bring it in and I will try to advise on repair or in some cases I might even be able to replace a guide or repair the cork, etc.,"

Inspiring tying demos from some folks at United Fly Tyers will be available.

If you want to trade or sell tackle or make an offer for someone's shoes, this night of mingling is the time to do it. I understand that Tom Myers is winnowing down a prize collection of rods and reels. He will be bringing some to the meeting.

Bring your appetites. There is food for discriminating tastes and even enough for the very ample bellies we have in our club. Give thanks to the generous Gloria Cary for the high calorie delights you will sample.

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Narragansett Chapter meetings are held on the last Wednesday of every month-September through May at the Greek Orthodox Annunciation Church, Oaklawn Ave. (Rte 5), Cranston, RI. Meetings start at 7:00 PM.

**OUR NEXT MEETING
WILL BE ON January 30th**

