



Main Line Fly Tyers 2010-2011

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Special points of interest:

- **Next meeting Thursday Nov 18th at 7pm.**
- **Tyers still need.**
- **December holiday party and auction.**



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Pssst.....How about that Clarion River ?

The next meeting of the Main Line Fly Tyers is set for 7:00pm on Thursday November 18th at the Greater Plymouth Community Center. Be sure to mark your calendars and set aside the evening to come out and learn more about fishing the Clarion River. Our speaker, Kurt Thomas, will introduce us to the intricacies of the region, the river, and the fish of the Clarion. Don't miss out on the chance to hear about one of our state's better kept secrets.

Kurt has amassed a lifetime of experience unraveling the secrets of success with the fly rod. He is skilled in all techniques of fly fishing on streams and rivers of all sizes, from the largest of Pennsylvania's water-



ways, to the smallest of spring-fed brooks. The number of trophy-sized brown trout he's landed on the fly rod in Pennsylvania waters run literally in the range of several hundred! He's explored the waters of the Clarion River for well over 30 years, and the limestone streams of Central Pennsylvania for 20.

Kurt currently owns and operates Clarion River Adventurers out of the Elk County region of Pennsylvania. In addition to guided trips on the Clarion, Kurt also offers trips on smaller streams in the region for browns and brookies. More info is available at their website: clarion-riveradventurers.com

Visit our website: MainLineFlyTyers.net

Upcoming Meetings and Events



November 18th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : Kurt Thomas
November 26th-28th	Pulaski NY Trip	
December 16th	MLFT Meeting	Annual Holiday Party and Auction
January 20th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : Joe Cummings
February 17th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : Don Bastian
February 17th-20th	Sportsman Show Oaks PA	
March 5th & 6th	Fly Fishing Show Valley Forge PA	
March 17th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : Christine Sharbaugh
March 26th	Calvary Outdoor Expo	
April 9th	Learn to Fly Fish Day	
April 16th	Opening Day on the Brodhead	
April 21st	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : Lefty Kreh
April 23rd	Stick Day	
May 6th-8th	Spring Coburn Trip (Penns Creek)	
May 19th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : Ray Miller
June 3rd -5th	Upper Delaware Trip	
June 16th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : TBD

Cast and Blast Last Saturday

A small group of club members met last Saturday morning at the main boat launch at Beltzville State Park. They then hit the fields to hunt pheasant.

At noon they met up with a few more club members who made the journey to join in the afternoon of fishing.

It was reported by Sam Vigorita that the morning's hunting

party chose to stay in the field for the afternoon chasing birds. Sam directed the band choosing to fish, to several spots along the Pohopoco Creek and Lehigh River. Sam then returned to hunting the fields.

The hunters reported getting several shots off at birds, but no kills for the day. At the time of the writing of this article no word has been received from

the fishing party. This leaves me to wonder if Sam did in fact give them directions on how to get back.

Sam did report that everyone had a good time. Perhaps next year more members will be inclined to join in the fun. In the meantime we look forward to hearing the stream report at the monthly meeting next Thursday evening.

Presenting the "DA" Award

Last year club members Sam Vigorita and Len Wasmanski put their heads together and designed a trophy to be awarded to club members who have fallen victim to and/or have been caught in "Dumb Ass" situations. The trophy has sat idly by for numerous months. All that changed during our October meeting after club president, Frank Howard, elected to award the trophy to one club member, Jackie Muzina. Jackie was selected to honor and memorialize one eventful day last April. While on a club outing she lost her hat, and left her fly rod behind. She then proceeded to back over some of what remaining gear she did manage to get home, with her vehicle while



Jackie Muzina receiving "DA" Trophy from club president Frank Howard

unpacking from the trip. She humbly accepted the great honor and is expected to live up to its prestigious legacy. In the meantime, all club members should keep an eye out for episodes which might

lead to future nominations. Jackie did mention that she would be keeping a particularly close watch on club president Frank Howard, as in the past he himself has proven himself to be worthy of such recognition.

And The Winner Is ?

A special prize was raffled off this month. A 150th anniversary edition Wheatly fly box was won by club member Len Was-manski. The box has a beautiful painted finish of a trout and was obtained by the club at very special price by our friends at the Sporting Gentleman.

The store, located in Media has been very good to our club by supplying us with raffle prizes at



Len wins special raffle prize

a substantial discount. This has benefited the club greatly by not only increasing our proceeds but allowing us to put forth much nicer prizes.

Please help show our appreciation by giving serious consideration to visiting the Sporting Gentleman for all your fly fishing and fly tying needs.

Congratulations Len !

Say.....

Cheese !



Sam's grandson Zack with an impressive fish



Mike Manke, unveiling the key to his fly fishing success ?

Looking For More Tyers

We are still looking for volunteers to tie flies for the first hour or so at our monthly meetings. Please contact Frank Howard or Mike Ebner if you are interested.

A big thank you goes out to Kurt Griffin who tied at our October meeting. He was kind enough to tie up a batch of "Gotcha" pattern flies for a few of our club members planning bone fishing trips in the near future.



Kurt Griffin focuses on his tying

Annual Club Auction

Fall is upon us and soon the weather will be turning colder. Now is a good time to begin to go through all that fishing and outdoor gear that you've accumulated over the past few seasons.

Pack up all that unwanted and outdated equipment and bring it to our December meeting where we will once again be

holding our annual holiday party and auction. Remember one person's junk is another person's treasure. Great bargains are to be had, and you can make extra cash for the holidays or to buy new treasures.

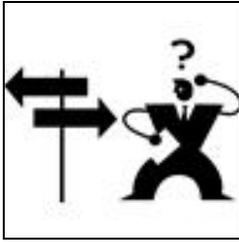
This is a fundraising event for the club. We ask for a minimum donation of 10% of the selling price be designated to go

to the club. Stipulations of minimum bids can be requested by the seller of any item.

So make your plans now to be there for a fun and fast paced evening. We will again be having a buffet with a selection of hot and cold foods, along with many other refreshments.

A Special Thanks

The membership of the Main Line Fly Tyers would like to express their appreciation to member Len Wasmanski. He crafted and donated, the trophy for the club's "DA" award and appreciation plaques for the club's officers. Recently he produced and donated a box of tee shirts with the club logo on the front. The tee shirts, available at the monthly meetings, are \$10.00 each. All proceeds go to the club's general fund. It was only fitting to see Len win last month special raffle. I guess it might be true what they say, 'what goes around, comes around'. Thanks again Len!



Directions to:

Greater Plymouth Community Center
2910 Jolly Rd, Plymouth Meeting PA 19462
610-277-4312

From Pennsylvania Turnpike (I-276)

Take Exit 333 (Norristown - old exit 25). At the end of the ramp, turn left onto Plymouth Road. At the light, turn right onto Germantown Pike West. Continue approximately one (1) mile, through four (4) traffic lights (not counting the left hand turn light at Sandy Hill Road). At the fifth light, turn right onto Jolly Road. The Community Center is on the right at 2910 Jolly Road.

From Blue Route (I-476)

Take exit for Germantown Pike West (Exit 20). Continue on Germantown Pike west for approximately one (1) mile, through five (5) traffic lights (not counting the left hand turn light at Sandy Hill Road). At the fifth light, turn right onto Jolly Road. The Community Center is on the right at 2910 Jolly Road.

From Route 202

Follow Route 202 to Germantown Pike. Travel EAST on Germantown Pike, through five (5) traffic lights. At the next traffic light, approximately half a mile, turn left onto Jolly Road. The Community Center is on the right at 2910 Jolly Road.

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Please let me know if there are any others that I am missing !