



# Main Line Fly Tyers 2010-2011

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## Finding and Catching Big Fish

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**The Main Line Fly-Tyers** welcomes Craig Hull. Shown here on the left with a beautiful golden trout. Craig runs a small fly fishing business and guide service in Central Pa called Troutgetter Flies and Guide Service. Craig will present a program that will reveal his secrets on how he catches big fish. Craig will also bring to the meeting a large inventory of flies and will be selling them to the membership for \$10.00 a dozen. If thirty people purchase a dozen or more he will use the proceeds to offset his cost of traveling thus saving the Club money.



Craig grew up on the banks of the Ausable River in Northern New York where his grandfather was a guide. Craig has been trout fishing for over fifty years and his lifetime passion for the sport and to a fly pattern that has endured the test of time has led to the establishment of Troutgetter Flies and Guide Service.

Sold exclusively over the internet his flies are hand tied with the finest materials available, with strict adherence to traditional patterns. Craig lives within an hour of (and fish all) the great limestone in South Central Pennsylvania. These include the Yellow Breeches, the Letort, Big Springs, and Falling Springs

**Visit our website: [MainLineFlyTyers.net](http://MainLineFlyTyers.net)**

## Club News

**Please remember** that the annual membership dues are expected to be paid no later than the October meeting. The dues remain at \$50.00. If you are unable to make either of the first two meetings you can still get your dues in on time by mailing a check to the club treasurer at the following address:

Jim Costello, 1252 Stanwood

### For Sale

Orvis trident TLS 4 piece 10 weight fly rod with large arbor Battenkill reel with Orvis fly line and Kevlar backing. Used one time. In showroom condition. Includes tube case for Rod and a reel case. Asking \$350. I'm getting too old to chase big fish. Contact Mike Droluk at 215-343-7006



## NEWS FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY

**YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP)** — Biologists at Yellowstone National Park plan to kill rainbow trout at three lakes in the park this week so they can restock the waters next year with native fish.

The work will include Goose Lake, in the lower Geyser Basin, and two other lakes nearby. The project will not affect the nearby Firehole River.

Rainbow trout were stocked in Goose Lake and the other two lakes decades ago. They can breed with native cutthroat trout and produce hybrids which also are a nonnative species.

The park will put up warning signs at the lakes and visitors will be advised not to swim in or drink from them through mid-October. The park will reintroduce genetically pure West slope cutthroat trout to the lakes next year.

**MOUNT SOLON , Virginia**— It's not unusual for anglers in waders and fishing vests to walk through the yard behind Brian Trow's wood-sided home nestled on the banks of Mossy Creek.

"If we are cooking out on the back porch, they usually just wave and go on," said 32-year-old Brian Trow, who lives there with his wife and 2-year-old son.

Trucks drive through his yard too, and his neighbors' yards, stopping frequently to toss a few dozen trout from buckets or nets into the creek.

"It's great," Trow said. "I'll never move from here. I'll never sell this house."

For the past 32 years, landowners along stretches of Mossy Creek have cooperated with the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries to allow thousands of brown trout to be stocked annually as part of a state-wide stocking program.

## Club News

**The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission** plans to stock streams in early October. Most streams in our area will be getting fish on October 5. Check this link to see if and when your favorite stream will get stocked this fall; [http://pfbc.state.pa.us/pfbc\\_webgis/TroutStockingDetailsFall.aspx](http://pfbc.state.pa.us/pfbc_webgis/TroutStockingDetailsFall.aspx)

**. RICHLAND, Pa. -- A Lebanon County** trout farm is trying to round up escaped fish that slipped out during this month's flooding.

IMAGES: Workers Try To Snare Escaped Trout

Wetsuit-clad workers for Limestone Springs Preserve in Richland spent part of Wednesday baiting nearby waters. As trout took the bait, the employees netted them and returned the escapees to the trout-farm's 19th Century limestone quarry waters.

The preserve is asking the Fish and Boat Commission to set up a no-fishing zone until they can get all the fish back. The lost trout could be worth up to \$400,000.

As workers scramble to catch the fish, they face another obstacle -- other fishermen. Some anglers have lined up along creek and stream banks in their own bid to hook the escaped fish.

Limestone earns its money by charging fisherman to fish in their private preserve, as well as selling some trout for stocking and some as food

Read more: <http://www.wgal.com/news/29256436/detail.html#ixzz1ZHGRZWac>

**Fall Tying and Strategies Classes to Start soon** . Sam Vigorita and Dave Shillington will conduct the classes thru the Upper Moreland parks and recreation program in Willow grove PA. The tactics class begins on September 27 and will meet for six Tuesday nights from 7pm –9pm The tying class begins on October 6 and will meet for six Thursday nights from 7pm-

9pm.

The course fee for either class is \$47.00. Registration can be done through the upper Moreland website: <http://www.uppermoreland.org/inc/documents/10/general%20registration%20form.pdf> or by contacting the Parks and Recreation Office at (215)659-

A portion of the fee goes towards the facilities hosting the program. The part paid to the instructors has always been graciously donated back to the club. Members signing up and taking courses help to support the club.

## Upcoming Events

**Lake Tuscarora Lake Fishing Day:** The date has been set for Sunday, Nov. 5th, 2011. Come out and enjoy a good day of fishing AND a free lunch. Plan on arriving by 9am and fish 'till the fish stop biting. The club is providing hamburgers and hot dogs for lunch - but please bring your own beverage. A sign-up sheet will be passed

around during the October meeting so the cooks know how much food to bring. After lunch there will be a casting/fishing demo by Sam Vigorita.

**We are trying** to arrange a fly tying class in Lower Providence again this year for guys in the western edge of our territory. If you are interested please see a Board member at the meeting or contact us by e-mail

## Weather Affects Angling Tactics

**Timing and density** of hatches benefits anglers on overcast days. On warm, bright days, hatch activity usually starts earlier in the day but will be shorter in duration, often producing brief but very intense activity. Conversely on cloudy days hatches show a later onset but will produce

greater numbers of bugs for a longer period of time. Longer hatches gives the angler a better opportunity to make some mistakes and still have a chance to catch a good number of fish. During very intense hatches the angler sometimes struggles to get his fly noticed among a raft of natu-

rals. The time taken to change flies or untangle a leader may also burn up a large portion of a trout's feeding activity.

[http://www.troutu.com/class/how\\_weather\\_affects\\_trout\\_fishing](http://www.troutu.com/class/how_weather_affects_trout_fishing)

## The Northwest Territories by Rick Say



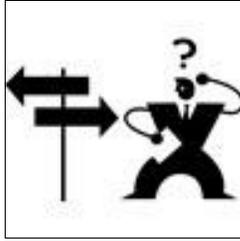
**I arrived in Fort Smith** on June 13th, two days before my scheduled departure to the Taltson River. Fort Smith is 880 miles North of Edmonton and has a population of 2,500 people half of which are Indian. Lia, the wife of my guide picked me up at the airport and invited me out to dinner that evening. Alex was due back from the bush

later that afternoon and would join us. Lia told me that Fort Smith got started as a portage town. Two rivers merge there and flow all the way to the Arctic Ocean. The rivers were the means of moving freight north before the railroads were built. There are a series of rapids at Fort Smith and all the goods had to be unload-

ed from the barges and hand carried around them. At dinner I met several people who had just come back from the bush with Alex. They told me they had snow on the last three days of their trip and were stuck in camp because of heavy winds. From what I could tell the weather was pretty brutal. Walking around town the next day I got the impression the locals were yearning for warmer weather. Here it was June 14th and the temperature was only 50 degrees. I bought a pair of gloves as the temperature dropped to 40 degrees, and I spent most of the afternoon watching the pelicans nesting on the rocks in the rapids. Later Lia cooked dinner at her house and I got a chance to meet the seven people who would be my closest companions for the next twelve days. Tomorrow morning we were to fly out 250 miles northeast into the wilderness to camp canoe and fish for twelve days .(To be continued)

# 2011-2012 Meetings and Events

October 19th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : Craig Hull
November 5th	Lake Fishing Day (Lake Tuscarora)	
November 17th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : Marc Petitjean
November 19th	Cast and Blast (Beltsville)	
November 25th-27th	Pulaski NY Trip	
December 15th	MLFT Meeting	Annual Holiday Party and Auction
January 5th	Winter Tying Class Begins	
January 10th	Winter Tactics Class begins	
January 26th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : Dave Whitlock
January 27th-29th	Somerset Show	
February 16th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : TBD
February 16th-19th	Sportsman Show Oaks PA	
March 3rd	Calvary Outdoor Expo	
March 15th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : Charlie Craven
April 7th	Learn to Fly Fish Day	
April 14th	Opening Day on the Brodhead	
April 19st	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : TBD
April 21rd	Stick Day	
May 4th-6th	Spring Coburn Trip (Penns Creek)	
May 17th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : TBD
June 1th -3rd	Upper Delaware Camping Trip	
June 21th	MLFT Meeting	Guest Speaker : TBD



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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