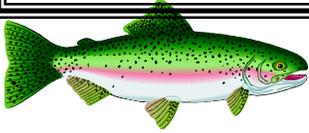


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T.U. PHILOSOPHY

We believe that trout and salmon fishing isn't just fishing for trout and salmon. It's fishing for sport rather than food, where the true enjoyment of the sport lies in the challenge, the lore, the battle of wits, not necessarily the full creel. It's the feeling of satisfaction that comes from limiting your kill instead of killing your limit. It's communing with nature where the chief reward is a refreshed body and a contented soul, where a license is a permit to use not abuse, to enjoy not destroy our cold water fishery. It's subscribing to the proposition that what's good for trout and salmon is good for the fisherman and that managing trout and salmon for themselves rather than the fisherman is fundamental to the solution of our trout and salmon problems. It's appreciating our fishery resource, respecting fellow anglers and giving serious thought to tomorrow.

Next meeting:

Tuesday, October 19, 2010 @ 7:30 PM

***This month's meeting will be at
Caleb Smith State Park***

Capt. Joe Demalderis

2010 Orvis Endorsed Fly Fishing Guide of the Year



Thank you Steve Olufson for an outstanding presentation on steelhead fishing in the many Great Lakes tributaries (Notice no names!), in the Rochester area, at our September general meeting. A great job and a great way to see and feel the excitement of fishing out there!

October brings us once again into one of our busy seasons. We have casting clinics, the T.U. fall outing and best of all, fall fishing.

Fall is one of my favorite times of year to fish. The leaves are changing to their many beautiful colors of fall, the fish become aggressive, the "crowds" disappear, and the rivers and ponds become more secluded. It is nice to be on one of the local ponds or streams and have the feeling of seclusion, like you're upstate or out west, and having it all to yourself.

Besides enjoying our home waters here on Long Island, fall is also a great time to take a short drive upstate to enjoy the waters of the Beaverkill, Willowemoc and the Delaware, just to name a few. These great rivers are also less crowded and offer some outstanding fall fishing, foliage and sights.

Speaking of the Delaware, our October General Meeting will feature 2010 Orvis Endorsed Fly Fishing Guide of the Year Capt. Joe Demalderis (known to most as Joe D.) as our guest speaker. Joe owns and guides for Cross Current Guide Service on the upper Delaware system. He has spoken around the country and written many articles on fishing. Joe's articles have appeared in several national fishing magazines and numerous fly fishing books. He currently sits on the board of directors for the Friends of the Upper Delaware River.

Joe's presentation will be on not only fishing the Upper Delaware system and it's streams, but also on the environmental impact of natural gas drilling, commonly known as "fracking" in this beautiful area of New York. I am sure this presentation is not one you will want to miss.

As I mentioned above, October is one of our busy seasons so please volunteer for a clinic, clean up, or anything you can find the time for. Don't forget, for every occasion you volunteer, you get to

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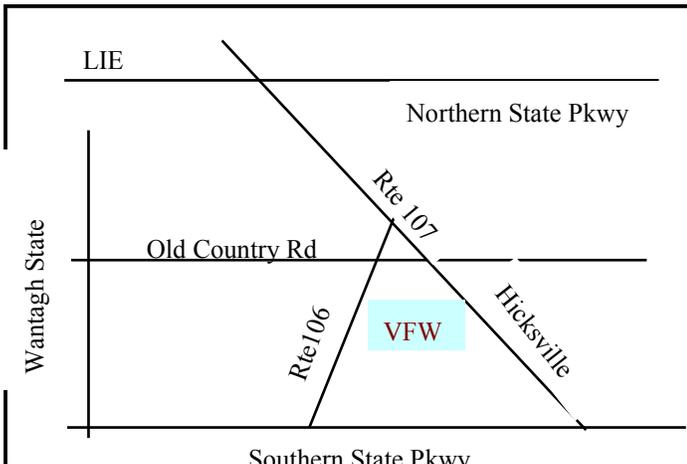
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10/16/2010	Fall Family Fishing Festival Hempstead Lake State Park 10am-4pm
10/19/2010	General Meeting Tuesday @ 7:30 PM **At Caleb Smith State Park**
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On the Rise TV Show Guest Lands Probable World-Record Trout

by Erin Mooney

It's a fish story about the one that didn't get away, and you can see it this week on Trout Unlimited: On the Rise, airing exclusively on Sportsman Channel. During filming of the episode earlier this year on Nevada's Pyramid Lake, guest fly fisherman Rob Anderson of the Reno Fly Shop landed a probable world-record cutthroat trout.

Fishing alongside On the Rise host Frank Smethurst, Anderson, using 12-pound test tippet, netted a Lahontan cutthroat that measured 11 pounds, 8 ounces on a handheld scale—almost a half-pound heavier than the current fly-caught, 12-pound class record of 11 pounds, 1 ounce. That fish was landed by Marvin Green on Pyramid Lake two years ago.

The scale was not certified by the International Game and Fish Association, so Green will hold on to his record for the time being. The Pyramid Lake episode of On the Rise airs this week on Sportsman Channel at the following times: Tuesday at 11 p.m., Wednesday at 12:30 p.m., Friday 8:30 a.m., Saturday at 10 a.m. and Sunday at 2:30 a.m. ET

Chris Wood Comments on Genetically Altered Salmon

Dear Friends of TU,

Last week, it was reported that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is considering approval of genetically engineered salmon for sale in America's grocery stores and restaurants. Wild salmon are a vital thread in the fabric of our American heritage. They literally connect mountains to the sea and farmers to fishermen. We do not need to alter the genetics of what might be the world's most perfect source of protein to sustain wild salmon or to feed people.

Wild salmon have borne the cost of our demand for timber, cheap electricity and food for more than a century. Although scores of salmon populations have been lost, this newsletter's Penobscot story underscores our progress toward recovery for Atlantic salmon in Maine as unneeded dams are removed and rivers restored.

As you will also read here, TU is partnering with Field & Stream magazine to highlight the need to protect salmon habitat such as the Copper-Salmon wilderness in Oregon and other public lands. Approximately \$10 billion in habitat restoration investments are helping to return wild salmon to other parts of the Pacific Northwest. Increased irrigation efficiency and innovative water management is putting water back in overused rivers in California's wine country.

We know how to recover healthy, wild populations of salmon so that our children may fish for them in their home waters. That vision will be made unlikely if the FDA approves commercial production of genetically engineered salmon. Genetically modified salmon will not be contained. Aquaculture species, whether in freshwater or marine environments, have never been completely contained. They escape through water supplies, as a result of human error, or are intentionally released because of some perceived need.

In order to ensure a long-term future for wild salmon and steelhead, we need to protect and restore their habitat. TU will keep you informed of opportunities to comment on and influence the FDA rulemaking. Wild salmon have been a part of our heritage for a millennium. We do not need to alter their genetics - we only need to protect the places where wild salmon swim, today and forever. Thanks for your support of TU. Please stay in touch

Chris Wood, President and CEO

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help out a “new comer” to fly fishing, or a potential environmentalist. You will also get the self satisfaction of a job well done and giving back to our local communities.

On the Connetquot front, there is a proposal on the table that would include building a new, bio-secure hatchery building. It is just a preliminary proposal but we feel it is a step in the right direction. This is something that LITU has suggested from the start, so we seem to be making progress.

I feel strongly that with working with the DEC, NYS Parks and all the other groups and stakeholders on this project, we can and will come to a mutually beneficial plan for all concerned. I look forward to working with these groups in the near future.

Don't forget, as usual, our October General meeting will be held Caleb Smith State Park in the main building.

Along with wherever our fishing and travels may take us, remember it is up to all of us to **Educate, Conserve, Protect and Restore!**

See you on the stream!

Best fishes,

Jay Mooney



The Long Island Flyrodders, Inc. meets the **1st Tuesday** of every month at the VFW Hall, 55 Hickory Lane in Levittown (N' of Hempstead Tpke & W. of Jerusalem Ave)
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Korkers Joins Trout Unlimited in Fighting Aquatic Invasive Species

Company to donate portion of sales of new wading boot to TU. Arlington, Va.—Korkers, the Portland, Ore.-based wading boots manufacturer, is joining Trout Unlimited (TU) in the fight against aquatic invasive species. Korkers has pledged to donate 10 percent of the proceeds from sales of its new wading boot, the TU Guide Boot to TU to help support TU's work in protecting rivers and streams.

The wading boot comes with two interchangeable outsoles, a Kling-On™ and Studded Kling-On™ for fast moving or slick river systems, both of which help prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species in America's rivers and streams.

In 2008, TU asked wading product manufacturers to stop the production of felt- soled wading boots by 2011. The Korkers OmniTrax interchangeable outsole system addresses the fight to stop the spread of aquatic species in a unique way. OmniTrax not only allows anglers to dedicate individual outsoles for unique river systems, the outsoles can also be removed for thorough drying or freezing to help kill invasives. Korkers' TU Guide Boot is the first style in their product line that does not include felt as one of the standard outsoles.

"Korkers is a longstanding leader in the fishing industry," said Dave Kumlien, Executive Director of the Whirling Disease Foundation. "By joining this effort to help keep invasive species out of rivers and streams, Korkers is showing its dedication and commitment to protecting some of our country's most valuable resources."

"Korkers recognizes and supports the efforts of Trout Unlimited in the fight against the spread of invasive species," said Sean Beers, Korkers CEO. "We're proud to be able to offer anglers a wading boot option which meets the standards set by TU while still providing exceptional traction performance for anglers." For more information, or to purchase a pair of the TU Guide Boots, visit <http://www.korkers.com/footwear/fishing/tu-edition-guide-boot.html>

Preventing the proliferation of aquatic nuisance species (ANS) is central to TU's mission to conserve and protect North America's trout and salmon fisheries. The impact of ANS to native species is substantial, second only to loss of habitat, and is responsible for causing losses in biodiversity, changes in ecosystems, and impacts on economic enterprises such as agriculture, fisheries, and international trade. The costs of preventing and controlling invasive species are not well understood or documented, but estimates indicate that the costs are significant.

For more information about invasive species and what anglers can do to prevent the spread of ANS, go to www.tu.org.

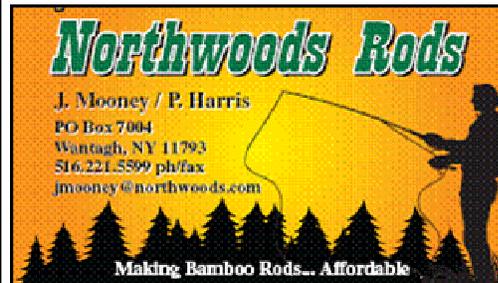
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Adirondack Reprieve by Tom McCoy

I drove up early Tuesday in 90 + degree heat. The cabin was nice but a bit stuffy. I opened the windows, turned on the fan and it turned out to be tolerable. I headed for a ride up Whiteface since I would not be hiking up any peaks, I thought I'd at least take in the view. It was worthwhile and reconnected me with that which I enjoy so much – the majesty of the mountain top with its vista. The heat had filled the air with moisture so the visibility was maybe 20 miles but hazy. Giant, Dix, Noonmark, Nipple Top, Marcy – all still there.

I stopped by Fran (now Jan) Better's shop but it had that "We'll be back soon" look. Down the road was the Ausable River Two Fly Shop so I stopped in. Three guys were sitting inside and one was testing rods out front; They greeted me and all chimed in as to how the river was too warm and no fish to be had – except this guy got one and another two. I pressed them to see what the options might be and asked about the upstream West Branch as it crosses ADK Loj Road. Tom Conway, the owner, thought it may also be too warm, but realizing I was familiar with the area asked if I wanted to do some brook trout fishing. There was a place nearby and he gave me directions. I thanked him and went to leave, as I really didn't need to buy anything. He asked if I'd like to buy a hat with the fly shop logo on it. I said "Maybe tomorrow."

I was intent on fishing what has become my favorite spot upstream from the high falls attraction where there always seemed to be fish either rising or easily tempted. I fished the new Charles Neuner 6 foot, 6 inch bamboo 4 weight I bought at the 2009 LITU Banquet. It is beautifully made and I looked forward to its first cast. I matched it to my Hardy Featherweight and tied on a Fran Better's Usual in rust color.

There were rises in the smooth water before the cascade section but the fly was not a match for some subsurface emerger they were hitting. Being committed to dry flies I tied on a bivisible and offered it to them a few more times, putting them down. I moved to the pocket water. There is one pool at the top of the cascade where the current flows up stream and I usually get a reaction. It did not disappoint me. They ignored the bivisible but I had several rises to an Adams and one small taker. I switched to a caddis and nothing; went back to the Adams and it worked again. I moved down to better water with confidence in the fly and the rod which proved effective in the flats and the pockets. I worked until dark and had two nice fish to my credit along with the first one which was too small to count. I headed to town for some ice cream, then a good hot shower (great water pressure) and to bed.

I awoke around 5:45 and fought the urge to roll over for 40 more winks as one of the guys at the shop emphasized that morning was the best bet. I pulled on my clothes and headed for the same spot. I repeated my routine from the night before. There was a tiny trico hatch going on periodically but I didn't want to deal with tying on size 24 flies that I could not see on the water. I stayed with the Adams and was pleasantly surprised by a good size fish.

Around 9:30 I stopped at the Dart Brook Café for some blueberry pancakes on the deck overlooking the motel formerly owned by my cousin, now renovated to look like an Adirondack Great Camp with twig art on the buildings and rustic chairs on the porches.

I headed north to the brook and found it without difficulty. It is a boulder filled work of art with multiple mini waterfalls and runs, pools and blow downs. I decide to fish it down stream even though it would have been more effective, stealthier, to fish it up. The price I paid was watching several large (6 – 8 inch) fish scramble upon my approach but there seemed to be willing 4-5 inchers in each pocket to oblige me and my Adams.

At one point, I was sitting high above a small pool which had a rock in the middle of its tail. The water parted and went in each direction around it and there was some depth in front. I was resting and cooling off when I saw a rise at the left side of the rock. I flipped my fly and after a few casts figured out how to make it float to that side drag free. The fish came up but refused it. I repeated, as did the fish. This went on for some time before I put him down. I backed off and sat above. I tied on some new tippet and a smaller version of the fly that had been attracting rises. After a respectable rest I went back to my casting position. Well, you really can't call it a cast, more of a flip and mend. The new fly worked and I

hooked him. I was so elated that I struck him hard enough to pull the poor fellow clear out of his lie and across the pool where he quickly threw the barbless hook. "That counts!" I said aloud with a big smile.



As I worked my way down through amazingly beautiful settings, standing on a huge outcropping of granite worn smooth over the millenniums with a crevice for the water to travel through, I could hear a roar of a big water fall. I had already traveled a distance in the 90 plus temperatures and was drenched with sweat brought on by the constant scrambling up and down boulders, hopping and climbing. I looked toward the sound and decided I had to keep going to see its source. Now all of these pockets were maybe 1 to 2 feet deep at best; hence the size of the fish. As I continued on the outcropping and crossed the flow several times to find the best footing to continue, the sound became louder. The rock floor came to an abrupt end just ahead and beyond it the brook regained its characteristic form. In between the end of the rock and the brook was a deep, crystal clear pool big enough to swim in, maybe even dive, with water plunging into it from the rock above. What a picture.

This magic little brook not only offered me a day of fishing on an otherwise hot, bright day, but also filled me with that awe that only the beauty of the woods, the wilderness, can.

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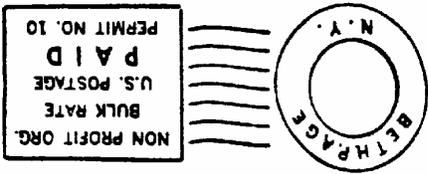
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