



# Riffles

The Monthly Newsletter of the  
East Jersey Chapter of Trout Unlimited

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## What's Happening?

Now that we're at mid-year it's time to bring you up to date on what our East Jersey Chapter has been doing and what it's working on for the future.

The Chapter has a higher State-wide profile since one of our members, Kelly Buchta, now represents the northern part of NJ as a vice-president of TU's State Council. She also handles National TU's Women's Initiative so, if you would like to get a female friend or relative involved in fly-fishing, conservation or any other aspect of Trout Unlimited's activities, talk to Kelly at one of our meetings.

We have been talking about helping in the removal of a dam on the Cresskill Brook for more than a year but by the time you read this most of the structural work should be complete. During the last week in May New Jersey's Sanzari Construction company is scheduled to lower the water level behind the dam and then broach it. After this, Joseph Urbani's group from Boseman, Montana will rebuild the section of the brook where the dam had been. We in EJTU and Brian Cowden, National TU's only employee in NJ, will have helped relocate fish from the pool behind the dam and, after the area settles down, EJTU will be responsible for planting along the new stream banks. When all work is done the native brookies in the

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**When:** June 12 at 7:30 PM  
**Where:** American Legion Hall  
33 West Passaic Street  
Rochelle Park, NJ

## June Speakers Jim Brinkerhoff And Bruce Seiden

Bill McKeen was scheduled to speak about Fishing in Chile but problems at his lodge that caused injuries to some of his workers prevented him from coming North.

Instead of learning about fishing in a country in the distant South, EJTU members Jim Brinkerhoff and Bruce Seiden will tell us about fishing in Alaska and their trip to that wild, far Northern State.

## Welcome to May's New Members



Mike Chepucavage Ridgewood  
Robert Dottinger Franklin Lks  
Albert Malysa Saddle Brk  
Stephen McCabe Park Ridge  
P Salmon Ramsey

## EJTU Calendar

If you wish to go on one of the fishing trips contact Ed Higgins at (easyedh@gmail.com) or the specified coordinator well in advance. If the trip requires reservations or other arrangements openings are often limited and the reservations must be made in advance.

Other events are sheperded by Rich Malizia. If you have questions or wish to volunteer contact Rich at 973-304-0789 or [remqcp@optonline.net](mailto:remqcp@optonline.net)

Please consult EJTU's web site's "Upcoming Events" for



the most up-to-date information and details.

**May31/Jun2** Catskill Museum sleepover fishing trip and picnic

**June 1 [Sat]** Park Ridge Green Fair

**Jun 8 [Sat]** Ramapo River Day

**June 12 [Wed]** Members mtng.

**June 15 [Sat]** Glen Rock Fishing Derby

**Jul 10 [Wed]** Members meeting; barbeque and swap meet

**July 19 -21** TU Northeast Conf.

**Aug 10/11 [Sat/Sun]** Ramapo weir repair

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**Monthly General Member Meeting:** The East Jersey Chapter of Trout Unlimited meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM.

**Location:** The American Legion Hall,  
33 West Passaic St, Rochelle Park, NJ. 07662.

**Monthly Board Meeting:** Board Members of East Jersey Trout Unlimited meet on the last Thursday of each month at 7:30PM.

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For East Jersey and National Trout Unlimited information, visit our website at <http://www.tu.org>. Go to chapter number 091 and you will get the latest information about our chapter.  
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## Float Trip Report Delaware Main Stem May 13, 2013

Tom DeAngelis, and his son Mark teamed up with guide Sam Decker to float from Long Eddy to Callicoon on the main stem of the Delaware River.

Weather was on the cool side with occasional light rain and even a little wet snow but, other than wind messing up some of Tom's casts, it did not impact the fishing. Water level was moderately high and dropping after the prior week's heavy showers. There was scant insect activity on the surface, so we mostly fished steelhead style streamers and had some good catches.



I am not embarrassed to say I was out-fished by Mark who had two nice browns, a nice rainbow and a few smallmouth bass. (See attached photo of Mark with the rainbow) It was a great day and a good learning experience for me as I had never fished from a drift boat, nor at all in the upper Delaware River.

Sam Decker is a great guide who knows her stuff and shares her knowledge with novices like me and more experienced fly fishermen like Mark. Judging from the conversation and ready laughter from Sam, I'd say it was an enjoyable day for all. My thanks to guide Sam Decker, to the EJTU Chapter for providing the opportunity to win this trip as a raffle prize and to Bruce Seiden for arranging the trip.

*Tom DeAngelis*

### EJTU Helping Others

In the past month we participated in two events in support of other organizations.

On May 11<sup>th</sup> we joined the **Hudson River Fishermen's Association** at their 28<sup>th</sup> annual Hooked on Hudson celebration. The weather was a bit wet and windy but the event went off as planned. The fishing contest yielded a few catfish and eels. No stripers this year. The kids still were very enthusiastic and fished hard for several hours waiting for the "big one" that never showed up. Many prizes were presented for the fishing contest and the casting contest held later in the day. Thanks Vic Mignoli and Doug Penna for your help.

The second event was the **Mahwah Fishing Derby** on May 25<sup>th</sup>. This is a "payback" day for all the help we get during the year from the Township. There are always council members and committee members that get to put some faces to EJTU. The weather was nasty and the turn out lighter than in the past. Thanks to Andy, Fred, Doug and Martin for turning out. The organizers were very appreciative of our participation.

Both of these are annual events so make a mental note for next May.

*Rich Malizia*

### Fly of the Month

June - Things are getting hot, and I don't mean the weather. The hatches we dreamed of all winter are in full swing.

The Mayflies both large and small have got our attention. March Browns, Green Drakes, Sulfurs, & Olives have all been getting the trout's attention as well.



The next time you come home from a days fishing and sit down at your vise to refill your fly box, how about tying a dozen extra for your chapter.

Tie up one of these, or any other pattern, and turn them in at the next meeting. You will be helping your chapter raise funds for our various projects.



If you can't make the meeting, mail your flies to the chapter P.O. Box or turn them in to any director.

Bruce Seiden

### June 15 Glen Rock Fishing Derby

On Saturday June 15th from, 10:00AM until noon, the Friends of the Glen Rock Arboretum will hold a fishing derby at the Thelke Arboretum, Doremus Ave. Glen Rock.

We have been helping them organize the event and they have asked if we could help on the day of the derby. We have also been invited to promote EJTU to the folks that bring their kids to the derby.

Check in starts at 9:00AM so we will have an hour to circulate and introduce EJTU to the attendees. We will also be called upon to help get lines out of trees, untangle lines, unhook fish and the usual stuff that occurs at these events.

So if you have some time and would like to help, please contact me at [remqcp@optonline.net](mailto:remqcp@optonline.net) or [973-304-0789](tel:973-304-0789). Thanks.

Rich Malizia

### Fly tying in Montclair

EJTU just completed a very successful first year of running a fly tying class in Montclair. And now Doug Penna says that we will again have classes in Montclair as well as the well known course that is held in the Paramus Middle School.



For those of you nearer to Montclair than to Paramus look for an announcement of specific dates after the summer.

### Library display

Doug Penna is on the move again!

Now that we are into June, Doug will have our display installed in the North Arlington Library (210 Ridge Road, North Arlington, NJ. Tel.:201-955-5640)



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stream will have a greater range in which to live.

National TU requested that all Chapters prepare a long range plan so a committee, led by board member Ken Barile, is now working on one for our Chapter. After reviewing some sample plans that were produced by other chapters the committee decided that ours should have more detail, a timetable and reference to funding. The committee is, therefore, meeting bi-weekly and should publish a workable plan, that will be updated periodically, in a relatively short time.

Finally, although it may seem to be early to discuss something that will

take place in January, 2014, there will be elec-



tions for new members of the Board of Directors next year. Some incumbents will volunteer to remain in their positions but in a few cases incumbents, either because of term restrictions in our By-Laws or because of personal choice, will not run for the positions they presently hold. If you would like to volunteer to serve on the Board please contact Doug Penna at our next meeting. As you can see in the list of Board members on page two of Riffles, each member of the Board is responsible for only one or two areas of interest to the Chapter. At the Board's monthly meetings board members report on the past activities in their areas and the full Board votes on potential future events.

**For Sale**

An EJTU member asked if Riffles will print classified ads.

Yes, ads for appropriate items can be added to monthly issues of Riffles. There have been no recent ads only because no one has contacted us to sell anything.

By "appropriate" we mean "proper", "suitable", "respectable" etc.- not only fishing related.

**Bambi**

"Each of America's 30 million deer eats about 3,000 pounds of vegetation per year. Crops lost to deer cost American farmers \$2 billion every year"

*Deerland  
By Al Cambronne*

Mr. Cambronne must have visited my backyard recently.

**Visit the East Jersey TU  
web site for  
up-to-the-minute  
Information:**

**[www.eastjerseytu.org](http://www.eastjerseytu.org)**

**Isaac Walton**

"Walton used a long rod of spliced ash and hazelwood, with a line of about the same length as the rod, made out of woven hair from a horse's tail. He also used natural bait, such as worms, flies and frogs."

*H. George Fletcher*

Walton's *Compleat Angler* was published in May 1653

**Fishing Buddies**

If you want to do some fishing with like-minded colleagues, consider one of our day or overnight EJTU trips.

This past month we've had 2 day trips to The Ken Lockwood Gorge and the Flat Brook River, and we had our annual Catskills weekend trip. Photos of these trips can be found on our website in our Gallery pages.

It's important to note that all trips are led by EJTU volunteers.

If you have a favorite river that you'd like our members to experience, consider volunteering. Just contact one of our board members listed on our website.

**Park Ridge Green Fair**

On June 1 Alan Adel, Ray Cap-pock and Ron Zampella represented EJTU at Park Ridge's annual Green Fair. This is a major event that included a town-wide picnic, participation by a diverse group of green exhibits including topics such as co-op/organic/biodynamic food, leave no trace principles, organic lawn care, and watershed protection

There were also bounce houses, rides, crafts and activity booths provided by other organizations in town. The event is attend by over 1,000 people each year



Ron Zampella shows a visitor how to tie a fly at the Greenfair.



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