



Nashua Fly Casters

May 10, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Nashua Fly Caster members and guests arrived at the Nashua Country Club around 6 PM for social hour. Dinner and the meeting followed. There was no speaker due to a death in his family.

The following members were in attendance: Robert Broadhurst, Bob Cox, Steve Descoteaux, Seth Harris, Kare Karlsen, Keith Clements, Kelly Merryfield, Harry Mink, Molly Mink, David Mitchell, Brenda Philippon, Ray Philippon, Tom Ryan, Alan Sherburne, Mariel Sherburne, Mark Thornton, and Burr Tupper. We welcomed Andy Dressel and Rick Parziale as new members. Michael Merryfield was our guest.

NEXT MEETING

June 7, 2018

5:00 PM

Cross Way Church Pond

Program: Annual Pond BBQ

Treasurer's Report:

As of May 1, 2018, cash balance: \$2627.
expenses (stocking the pond): \$1,070
income included (from dinner and dues): \$1533.
paid members: 58

Reported by Kare Karlsen and approved by the members.

Molly Mink won the dinner raffle and will collect at the next meeting at the Country Club, September 13.

The April meeting minutes were approved.

Old Business: The opening day raffle item, a TFO Lefty Kreh 9q5 weight, fast action fly rod, donated by Charlie Shadan of Evening Sun Fly Shop, was won by Russ Bartlett.

New Business:

Kelly Merryfield has updated the facebook page. The site needs your fishing pictures and notes. If you need help posting to the site, please contact Kelly.

In addition, minutes of club meetings will be posted on our web-site on a quarterly basis.

Mark Thornton reports that the pond was stocked with 115 rainbows, 40 browns, 5 rainbows over 5 pounds, and 20-30 extra fish that were a bonus to us for taking fish last fall as a favor to our supplier. There are 5 tagged fish. Kelly Merryfield caught the first one, and won a free dinner at the next meeting at NCC..

Poaching continues to be a problem. Cameras have been installed to record visitors to the pond. Future action with poachers will depend on how the church wishes to handle the situation. It would be helpful if members could monitor the pond for anyone fishing illegally. Steve Descoteaux will have more club buttons made for member identification. Ray has emailed the pond rules to all members to have on hand when challenging strangers.

Burr Tupper proposed holding a %Three Fly Fishing Tournament+as a fundraiser. It was agreed to hold the tournament on Saturday, June 2, from 8 . 11 AM. The entry fee is \$20. Fishermen will only be allowed to fish with one set of three flies. Fishing stations will be located around the pond, and participants will fish from three different locations. The person who catches the most fish wins. Catching a tagged fish will be a tie-breaker. The proceeds will be split 50/50 between the club and the winner.

The June meeting will be a BBQ held at the pond at 5 PM on June 7. Families are invited. Please email Ray if you plan to attend so we can plan the food.

The kids fishing derby will be held July 28, 9 AM - noon for families of Crossway Church. Mark Thornton will contact Zebco for Rods and Reels for the kids. Volunteers can bait hooks and give the kids fishing pointers. We need help with food, drinks, grills, and general hospitality. As usual, we can't do this without you! Mark your calendars and plan to spend the morning with us.

Burr Tupper is seeking help with a casting instruction class, May 12, Lake Massabesic, NH.

Fly Tying will be held 6 PM May 21, at the Church. The date was changed due to Memorial Day Weekend.

There will be a pond clean-up Wednesday, May 16, 9 AM. Bring rakes to attack the knotweed.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry Mink, Secretary

"Most of the world is covered by water. A fisherman's job is simple: Pick out the best parts."

Charles Waterman