

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

With lawn sprinklers whirling and AC units humming it was a tough summer for coldwater fishing in the Northeast. The very low water levels and high temperatures made me very reluctant to fish the deep pools where the fish are in their comfort zone. Pulling a fish from 60 degree water through 75 degree surface water has to have a detrimental effect on fish. So I limited my approach to fishing the early morning Trico hatches and evening midges.

Our August meeting was very informative. Andrew and Rodney from East Coast Spey put together a fairly thorough demonstration. Almost everyone there had an opportunity to try his hand at spey casting.

The September Saltwater trip was successful too. The weather was great and everyone had fun catching the small blues. I would like to thank Tim Egan for providing transportation from the point back to the parking lot. This should become an annual event.

Last week I helped out at Square Circle's Ladies day. This is an annual event where women can enjoy trap, pistol, archery, rifle and fly fishing. Even with a heavy wind it was fun. I'd like to thank Jerry Martina for helping out.

October is a busy month. By mid month the "Trout In The Classroom" program kicks off with the delivery of the eggs and food to our three schools. Jim Nash is our coordinator with the State TU. Jim does a great job but could use some help. I'm planning to help but we could use some more interested people. If you are interested let me know.

The Salmon River Trips are set. Dan Pelly's trip is Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> and Tim Egan's for Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>. If your schedule allows, they are both great opportunities to catch big fish if the weather cooperates. By that I mean the Salmon River is suffering from "Low Flow" (100cfs) too, pray for rain.

The October meeting is scheduled for Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> and the program is "Fly Fishing Maine". The program was put together by Dan Pelly and he will be providing the slide show and narrative. Thanks Dan.

Our 2008 meeting schedule is in the works and as soon as it's approved I will be publishing it in the Newsletter so you can mark you calendar.

See you at the meeting October 31st.

Bob Powell