

# THE ROLLCAST

A large Atlantic salmon with a silvery body and dark spots is lying in a wooden fishing basket. The basket is placed on a rocky riverbed. The fish is facing towards the bottom right of the frame.

The eNews Letter of Cape Cod T U Chapter 460

December 2016

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## Presidents Message

Well it's hard for me to believe that 2016 has seemed to pass so quickly and another fishing season is almost over. A CCTU we have had a busy year planning meetings and events. We had a good banquet in April. In June a group of members went fishing to the legendary Catskill river's in New York. We had productive workdays on the Quashnet River throughout the year. And we made another significant contribution along with other Trout Unlimited Chapters to a land purchase protecting habitat for native trout in the State.

Don't forget our meeting monthly on Wednesday December 14<sup>th</sup> is our annual holiday party starting at 6:00pm. This is a no cost event and we will have plenty of food, desserts and beverages available for all, so come hungry. We will have some of the donated fly tying materials for sale if there might be something that you are looking for to tie up some flies during the coming winter months. We are also requesting that you bring an unwrapped toy to be donated to the U.S. Marine Corps "Toys for Tots" program.

Our December meeting is also the annual business meeting of the Chapter. This will take occur at 7:00pm that night. This is the time vote for the officers in the Chapter. A proposed slate of officers is shown here in the Rollcast. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

My two years as president has passed so quickly. There are so many people to I want to thank for their efforts throughout the year to keep Cape Cod Trout Unlimited moving. Thanks to all the members of the CCTU Board who meet attend monthly board meetings and get things done all year. Thanks to Howie Strathie, the author of the Random Casts section of the newsletter despite some personal challenges this year. Thanks to Wayne and Barbara Miller who put together our annual fishing trip and play a leading part in organizing our annual fund raising banquet. Thank you to Fran Smith for your never ending efforts leading the Quashnet River restoration project.

And a BIG THANK YOU to all who contribute with your donations and efforts on behalf of keeping Cape Cod Trout Unlimited a productive conservation and fishing group here on the Cape

May you have a wonderful holiday season and a very happy start to 2017!

Best wishes,

Dan Tobin

President Cape Cod Trout Unlimited



## *Random Casts* for December 2016

### **Gossip, News, B.S. & Assorted Twaddle from Red & the Staff of Random!**

*New and archived Rollcast's can be read at the CCTU website: CAPECODTU.org (The Massachusetts Environmental Police Radio Room 1-800-632-8075—on alert 24/7)*

\*\*\*\* Red is having computer problems..... *Random Casts* will not be the same until he's back on-line. We're all hoping the issue is resolved soon! \*\*\*\*



Snowy Owl Red River Beach, Harwich

# Upcoming Events

## **December Meeting:**

A reminder that our December Holiday meeting will be held on Wednesday December 14th. This will be the CCTU Election and will also have plenty of free food. Also we will be looking for members to contribute an unwrapped gift for the "Toys for Tots".

## **Winter Fly Tying Nights: Dates are in! Bring a friend.**

The CCTU fly tying nights will start in January. If you have never tied a fly before or have been tying for many years come out and join in. There is no cost for this and equipment and materials are available if needed. Tying will be from 6:00pm to 8:00pm or even later if there's interest to stay. These events will be held at Liberty Hall on the 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of the month starting in January: January 18th, 25th February 15th, 22nd March 15th, 22nd

## **Quashnet River Workday:**

The December Quashnet River workday will be on **Sunday December 18th starting at 9:00am.** We'll be meeting at the Martin Road gate. Come on down and join the gang as we continue to work to improve the habitat for wild native brook trout in this river. The work to preserve wild fish is very important here on Cape Cod!

## **Spring Banquet:**

Plans are underway for the CCTU Annual Banquet. We need folks to step up and help plan the event. Look for more details in future Rollcast Newsletters.

## **Fly Fishing School: Spread the word!**

The date for Our 2017 annual CCTU Fly Fishing School has been announced. It will be held at the Oak Crest Lodge in Sandwich from Friday May 5th to Sunday 7th. This is our great school that includes lodging and meals with the same low price. Look for more details ahead and think about someone that you might know that would really enjoy learning to fly fish at this school. See the flyer at the end of this newsletter.

May 5th, 6th, and 7th 2017

## Upcoming Events—continued

### **CCTU Spring Fishing Trip:**

Our CCTU spring fishing trip will be going back to Grand Lake Stream in Maine. The dates will be the first week in June 2017 from roughly June 3rd to 6th. Look for more information on this in the newsletter and at upcoming meeting

### **Share a Story with Our Readers:**

We're looking to see if some members would want to share a short story of experiences they have had. Or perhaps an upcoming event that the chapter maybe interested in. This can be anything from a couple sentences, paragraphs to a couple of pages. If you have something you would like to contribute please email it along . We would love to included here. Email to: [ccturollcast4@gmail.com](mailto:ccturollcast4@gmail.com)

**RED BROOK** workdays are held on the 1st Saturday of the month meet @ the Lyman Reserve parking lot, Head of the Bay Road in Wareham 9am-ish. Those of you who cannot make the Quashnet Workday due to it being held on Sunday can get your conservation “fix” on a Saturday! This project is an ongoing MA/RI Council conservation project staffed mainly by South-eastern MA Tuer's. Red Brook info? Warren “Windknot” Winders @ 781-878-1074. CCTU-ers! It is highly recommended that you call the “Windknot” before trekking all the way to Red Brook. Cutting edge **QUASHNET** info ? [Capecodtu.org](http://Capecodtu.org)

## 2017 Fly Fishing Shows

√ **THE FLY FISHING SHOW — Marlboro, MA — January 20, 21, 22**

√ **The FLY FISHING SHOW — Somerset, NJ — January 27, 28 & 29**

√ **The BEARS DEN SHOW 19th Annual—— Taunton, MA —February 25th...FREE!**

√ **FLY FISH NEW HAMPSHIRE SHOW— Manchester NH — February 25, 2017**

*(Use Google for more up-to-date info on these shows)*



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CONSERVING, PROTECTING AND RESTORING NORTH AMERICA'S COLDWATER FISHERIES AND THEIR WATERSHEDS

## Mass. Rivers Alliance Annual Meeting and Dinner Invitation

Greetings –

I am forwarding an invitation to attend the Mass. Rivers Alliance annual meeting and dinner coming up in early December. This is a terrific opportunity to hear an excellent program and to connect with old friends and new who share our passion for protecting streams, rivers, and watersheds. Even if you can't make it, I urge you to watch this video and check out the Mass. Rivers Alliance website. <http://massriversalliance.org/about/if-rivers-could-talk/>. Additionally, useful tools for your conservation efforts can be found at <http://massriversalliance.org/resources/>.

All the best,  
Mark Burton  
MA-RI Council

**You are invited to our Annual Meeting and Dinner!**

**December 7, 6 - 9 pm**

**First Church in Belmont, 404 Concord Avenue**

Dear river advocates,

Our annual meeting is always a festive affair and as Mass Rivers has grown so has this wonderful event.

This year we are delighted that **Jamie Williams**, President of the [Wilderness Society](#) will be our featured speaker. Jamie is a national leader in protecting land and water, and will share with us his stories about preserving the environment in the current challenging political climate - something we can all relate to!

We are also pleased to honor our local heroes for their work on behalf of the state's rivers:

**EkOngKar (EK) Singh Khalsa**, former Executive Director of the Mystic River Watershed Association and **Kathy Baskin**, former Director of Water Policy for the Commonwealth.

There will be delicious food and a friendly crowd.

Please [buy your tickets now](#) for what we expect to be a sell out event. **Please share this invitation with your staff, board members, volunteers, friends and family.** This is a party for everyone who loves rivers.

See you on December 7th!

# Fly of The Month

## Black Midge



### Black Midge - tied by Ted Patlen

**Hook:** this is a size 20, a long shank nymph style but more importantly the body length is 3/8ths inch long.

**Body:** built up black thread

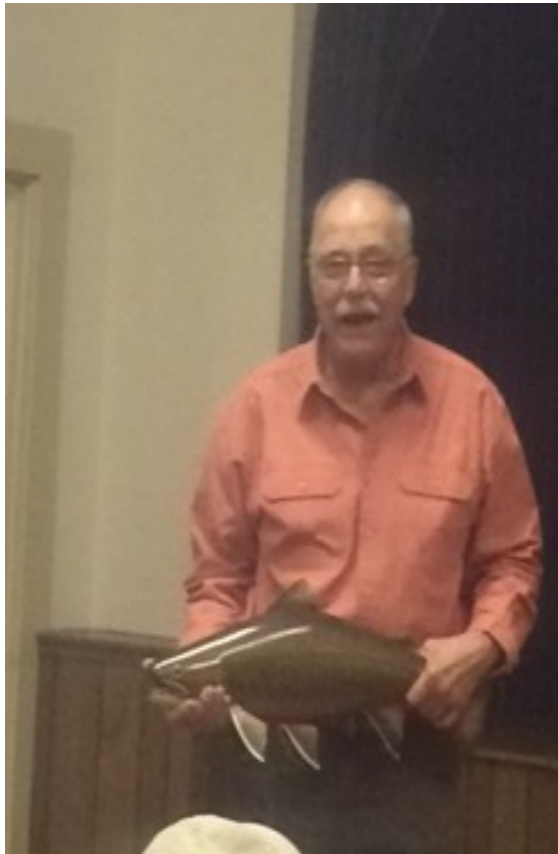
**Wing:** any synthetic wing material...very sparse , as long as the body

**Hackle:** sparse black or dark dun hackle...these flies have the hackle cut off the bottom...or tie a parachute style

Guess what fly enticed the Rainbow on our cover?



For those that couldn't attend November's meeting missed a good one. Our speaker Joe Swaluk with some of his beautiful trophies.





## The 2016 CCTU Executive Board:

### Officers:

Dan Tobin – President

Patrick Grenier – Vice President

Tim Lynch – Treasurer

Bret Bokelkamp – Treasurer

### Board Members at Large:

Dan McGovern

Alan Alai

Dave Palmer

Roberta Mazzoli

Steve Williamson

Charles Orr

Not a member of our board. An avid fly fisherman who happens to pitch every fifth day for our Boston Red Sox. Congratulations to Rick Porcello AL 2016 Cy Young

### Rick Porcello



Rick Porcello shows off a fall landlocked salmon from a Western Massachusetts tributary.

## ***Become a Contributor to The Rollcast***

If you would like to write an article on fishing, fly tying, trout, or share a picture, fishing tip, or write a short story, we welcome your contribution. Let us know about a recent trip, outing, etc...

Contact David Palmer at

***ccturollcast4@gmail.com***

# **Cape Cod Trout Unlimited**

## **Proposed Slate of Officers for 2017**

**President: Tim Lynch**

**Vice President: Patrick Grenier**

**Treasurer: Charles Orr**

**Secretary: Bret Bokelkamp**

**Board Member: David Palmer**

**Board Member: Roberta Mazzoli**

**Board Member: Steve Williamson**

**Board Member: Alan Alai**

**Board Member: Tom Planert**

**Board Member: Jim Driscoll**

**Past President: Dan Tobin**



Russian River Rainbow Trout caught this Fall by one of our members

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**Cape Cod Trout Unlimited (CCTU)**

# ***Fly Fishing School***

***May 5, 6, 7, 2017***

***Oak Crest Lodge, Peters Pond***

***Sandwich, Cape Cod, Massachusetts***



- Experienced, enthusiastic instructors
- Hands-On Learning with lines, knots, fly tying & fly casting
- Techniques for fly fishing streams, ponds, and saltwater
- Trout stream entomology, conservation, and restoration

**All instruction, meals and lodging for one very reasonable fee**

*Additional information and application at [www.capecodtu.org](http://www.capecodtu.org) or contact:*

**Alan Alai**

Cell: 508-468-5194

Email: [CCTUflyfish@aol.com](mailto:CCTUflyfish@aol.com)

# Classifieds

**1982 Trout Unlimited stamp in protective plastic case.....\$20**

**Mint (plastic did not photograph well)**

**Contact: Paul Richards [striper239@gmail.com](mailto:striper239@gmail.com)**



**Used ORVIS Belly Boat - Caddis Fins - ORVIS compact anchor w/carry bag - \$30**

**Contact: [stevepetruska@hotmail.com](mailto:stevepetruska@hotmail.com) or 508-385-2014**

**Saltwater Tackle including sand spikes, fluke rigs, blue-fish rigs, sinkers, terminal tackle, rods & reels, lures, etc. Will sell individually or as one lot.**

**Contact: [stevepetruska@hotmail.com](mailto:stevepetruska@hotmail.com) or 508-385-2014**

**Complete trolling package with: Invader Down Troller (gunnel mount) with depth counter - Ocean City 8'6 trolling rod w/Penn Baymaster 180L reel - 8 lb Cannon Ball (Green) - Roemer Releases (3)  
(Photos available on request) \$100**

**Contact: [stevepetruska@hotmail.com](mailto:stevepetruska@hotmail.com) or 508-385-2014**