

# THE ROLLCAST

The eNews Letter of Cape Cod T U Chapter 460

November 2018

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## **President's Message**

Salt-water fishing is tapering off for many of us but the sweet-water is going strong. MA Fish and Wildlife completed their Fall Trout Stocking several weeks ago and those fish are now well acclimated and are putting on the feedbag for the coming winter. November and early December fishing should be great.

Tim Flagler put on a great presentation about the various rod lengths available. His presentation progressed from using the standard 9-foot rod lengths and traditional casts up to the longer rods (Switch and Spey Rods) in the 11-15 foot range with their unique techniques and specialty casts. It was a very informative presentation and a style of fishing that I hope to learn and introduce into my own, personal fly-fishing journey.

A dozen fly tyers joined Tim Flagler for a class. He instructed on the tying of a Czech style nymph for streams and rivers and a Half-and-Half (part Deceiver/part Clouser) for salt water applications. This was the biggest turnout we have had for a tying class. Look for additional tying instruction from Tim on the Orvis website or on You Tube and his "1 minute tying tips."

Twenty-seven trees were planted in our beloved Quashnet River several weeks back. A few raindrops did not deter Dan Tobin and I from getting the assigned work completed. Of course, Fran did a whole bunch of preparation by getting 10 yards of loam in place, brush cutting the new tree section, and choosing the best spot for each tree. Thank you Fran and Dan.

Our Embrace a Stream (EAS) Grant application was 100% successful. Trout Unlimited (National) awarded CCTU the full amount requested to purchase river sensors for the soon to be rehabilitated Child's River. Steve Hurley is our SE MA fisheries biologist and helped in the writing of the grant as well as recommending the sensors needed to capture current and future data.

"EAS Challenge" is an additional opportunity for us (our chapter) to raise money for our conservation projects here on Cape Cod. This "challenge" is a one-week (5-11 Nov) competition between the 29 chapters that were awarded grants in 2018. Many opportunities to secure matching cash funds and prizes from Orvis will be part of this on-line donation program. Read more about it in this issue. Bottom line is that I hope all of us that fish here locally or care about our waters and estuaries or simply want to continue to make our community better will be generous in their donation.

Elections are next month. Electing new leaders is critically important as CCTU continues to move forward and excel. Step up, lead, and make an impact on our chapter!

November's Guest Speaker will be Steve Hurley. He will have all the current stream and fish data from each of all our local, native brook trout streams. He always gives a great talk and I hope you are able to join us.

See you on the ponds!

Tim Lynch

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# Upcoming Events

## **November Meeting: Wednesday November 14th at Liberty Hall.**

[Liberty Hall Marstons Mills](#) ( Address: 2150 Main St, Marstons Mills, MA 02648 )

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday November 14th. Our speaker will be Steve Hurley. Of MDFW. **Doors open at 6:00** for coffee , conversation, and some business. Steve's presentation is slated to start at 7:00. All are welcome.

\*\*\* Steve will provide an update on the Wild Brook Trout Streams of Cape Cod and Southeastern Massachusetts: .

## **Join the Southeast TU Chapter at the Westport Watershed Work Parties at Brookside Conservation area in Westport:**

Help restore Bread and Cheese Brook and protect the World renown Salter Brook Trout. Meet us on the first Saturday of every month at the Brookside Conservation Area parking lot 9AM.

The more the merrier.

## **Quashnet River Workday: Sunday November 18th**

We'll be meeting at the Martin Road gate at 9:00. 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! Come and take a tour .



# **TROUT UNLIMITED**

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## Upcoming Events continued...

**2018 CCTU Pond Challenge :** See the tracking sheet on the last page of the Rollcast.

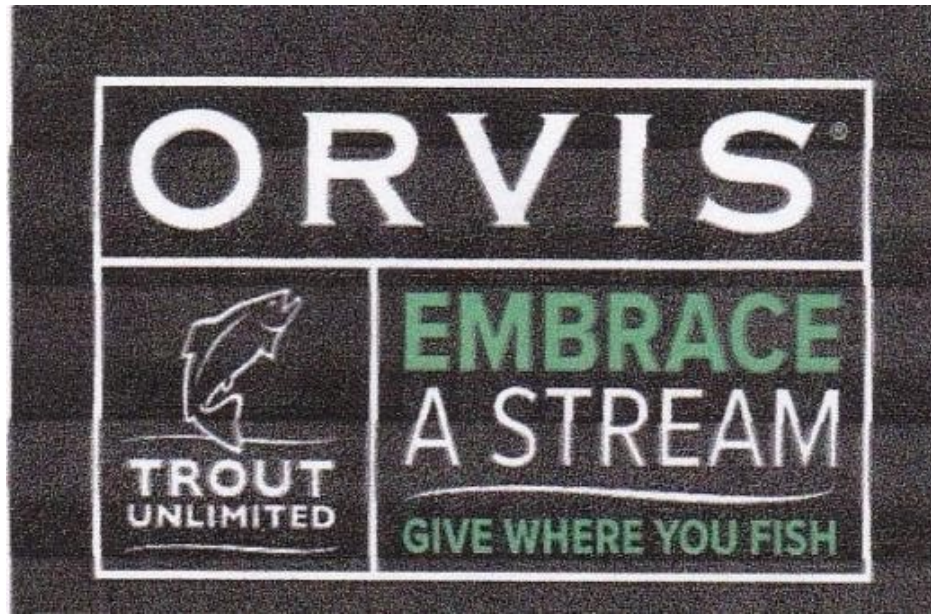
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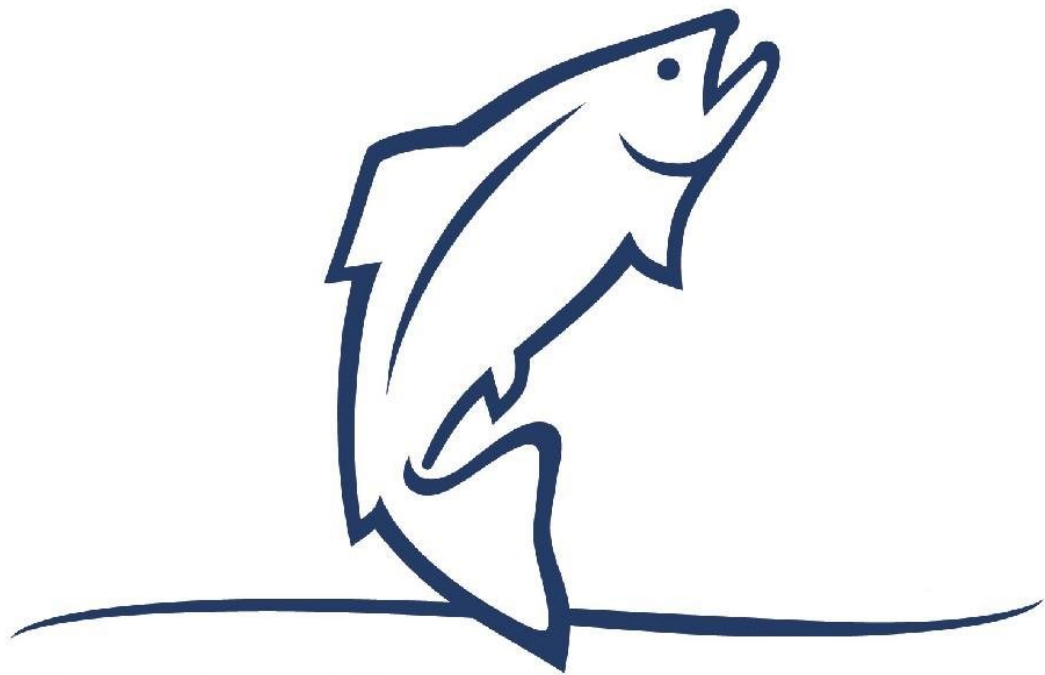


Help us win our share of \$50,000 via the Embrace A Stream Challenge! Cape Cod Trout Unlimited (CCTU) is participating in Trout Unlimited's Embrace A Stream (EAS) Challenge from **5-11 November** and we need your help!

Cape Cod Trout Unlimited recently received a 2018 Embrace A Stream Grant for \$3825 to support the Childs River Restoration Project. This grant will be used to purchase temperature and dissolved oxygen sensors that will collect baseline and post restoration river data. Now we have a chance to raise even more for our local rivers that will directly benefit our native, salter brook trout!

Additional matching funds and prizes are available by competing in the EAS Challenge. The "Challenge" is a 7-day online giving event to "Give Where You Fish." Thanks to Orvis and Trout Unlimited, your donation will help unlock prizes and matching funds from a \$50,000 prize fund.

Your donation of \$10 or more can help us unlock these additional funds and prizes for the important work being accomplished by CCTU volunteers. All donations given to the "Challenge" in the name of our chapter will go to our restoration projects (with the exception of the standard credit card processing fee). Please visit and make a donation at: <https://www.embraceastream.org/organizations/cape-cod-chapter-of-trout-unlimited>. Thank you for your support.



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# CCTU October Meeting

## With guest speaker Tim Flagler

Below are a few pictures from the Flt Tying session.







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## Wild Brook Trout Streams of Cape Cod and Southeastern Massachusetts: 2018 Update

Steve Hurley, Southeast District Fisheries Manager will give an update on the status and management of the wild brook trout streams of Cape Cod and Southeastern Massachusetts. Steve will provide information on ongoing PIT tagging and restoration efforts as well as results of recent electrofishing surveys and other monitoring efforts.

### Steve Hurley

Southeast District Fisheries Manager  
Massachusetts Division of Fisheries & Wildlife  
195 Bournedale Road, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532



# Quashnet River *News*

**The next Quashnet River Restoration work day will be November 18th**

This is a quick recap of the workday—(A good outing on the Quashnet) **Sunday October 21<sup>st</sup>**.

Tim Lynch and Dan Tobin planted 27 trees.

## **Quashnet Volunteer Fishing Trip**

I wanted to give a quick report on the fishing up in NH and ME. Recall that Fran Smith invited current, Quashnet volunteers up to his camp in ME for some landlocked salmon and brook trout fishing. He wanted to say thanks (by way of a fishing trip) to all the hard working volunteers that continue to make our river one of the best salter brook trout streams (certainly in MA).

I took Fran up on the offer and the 2 of us fished the Connecticut River in the Pittsburgh, NH area. There we caught dozens of browns and rainbows on soft hackle and dry/dropper rigs. From there we went to ME and fished the Roach River (flows into Moosehead Lake from the east) and we caught salmon and brook trout. It was a great trip and lots of new water was explored. Thanks Fran for your generosity in hosting the trip (and for your long standing leadership on the Quashnet).

Tim Lynch



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# Quashnet River *News continued*



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# Quashnet River *News continued*

These are additional shots of fishing on the Roach River. The Moose is a cow with something I have never seen before. She has a white face ! When Tim sent his photos and his note he, being very modest, didn't mention that he landed a landlocked salmon that weighed seven pounds! We will do this again next year! The tree is a red spruce with my hat hanging on the trunk. I estimate it to be 30 plus inches in diameter. Probably a seedling when the Pilgrims landed in Plymouth !

All The Best,

Francis



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# Fall 2018 Cape Cod: River Electroshocking Results

Here are some preliminary results from this falls brook trout electrofishing and PIT tagging. Numbers of trout were up from 2017 except for the Santuit River. The transplantation of trout from the Mashpee River to the Santuit River in 2017 had good over summer survival, but no trout were captured in May of 2018 and in September only one brook trout was recaptured, an apparent young-of-year. It appears that some reproduction may have occurred but the adults either returned to the Mashpee River or were eaten by predators. A culvert in the lower river is scheduled to be removed soon and further brook trout restoration efforts will be considered after this habitat improvement. I will provide more information about the tagging efforts and restoration activities in my November 14 talk to the chapter.

River	Dates	Total Catch	YOY	Adults	Tagged	Recaptures	length/range Inches	
Childs River	19-Sep	71	58	13	64	6	3	11
Coonamessett	20-Sep	38	24	14	34	4	3.9	11.5
Santuit River	21-Sep	1	1		1	0	5.2	
Quashnet	September 24 and 25	345	93	252	232	24	2.8	10.4
Red Brook	September 26 and 27	243	95	148	145	14	2.3	13.1
UT-Third Herring Brook	28-Sep	12	1	11	11	1	3	8.1
	Total	710	272	438	487	49		

## Steve Hurley

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## JUVENILE DIABETES FOUNDATION FUND RAISER

In the last few years, CCTU has supported the efforts of the NMD FOUNDATION (No More Diabetes) to raise money for the JUVENILE DIABETES FOUNDATION. We have donated flies (mostly salt) tied by our members. Our last donation in 2017 raised about \$750.

We are, again, planning to be involved in the 2019 fund-raising effort of NMD. The event, in Hilton Head, SC, will be held on June 1, 2019.

If you would be willing to donate one or more of your favorite hand-tied flies, please bring flies to our monthly meetings (Nov. through May), and attach them to a foam board that will be near the raffle table. I will bring the flies to the event in June and donate them in the name of CCTU.

This past September, 31 supporters from Mass. flew South to support the fund raiser, and we have a similar commitment for 2019.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Al DiCarlo



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# **Test your Fly Fishing Knowledge, History and Folklore**

**1 The originator of the Black Ghost streamer fly is credited to**

Carrie Stevens

Herb Welch

Art Brodie

**2 The Battenkill River's most famous fly tyer is Lew Oatman. One of his most successful patterns is called the "Shushan Postmaster", Lew's fishing buddy. Who was the post-master?**

Al Prindle

Lew Oatman

Jack Atherton

**3 Who is credited as the originator of the Woolly Bugger ?**

Bob Jacklin

Dave Whitlock

Russell Blessing

**4 What is the Paterson Rod and Gun store most famous for?**

Joan Salvato

Leonard bamboo rods

Home of the latex wader

**5 What was the "Orange Pit"?**

A famous fly pattern originated in the Ken Lockwood Gorge, NJ

A deep pool in the Ramapo River in Sloatsburg, NY

A hot dog/hamburger stand in Hackettstown, NJ

**6 Who is known as the “Sage of the Schoharie”?**

Preston Jennings

Ray Smith

Art Flick

**7 The Catskill Fly Center and Museum opened it’s door as a museum in**

1968

1972

1983

**8 This author was a favorite of Theodore Gordon but also referred to as the “Ray Bergman of his time”**

Thaddeus Norris

Francis-Francis

RB Marston

**9 What is Bernard “Lefty” Kreh’s real middle name”**

Vernon

Leonard

Val

**10 Today’s tippetts and leaders are listed by numbers and letters such as 5x which refers to the silk gut used before the advent of nylon. “5x” tippet stand for**

A tippet 5 times thicker than 1x

A tippet measured at 5 pounds breaking strength

A tippet thickness of .007 of an inch

**11 What is the proper name for a “spinner”**

Sub Imago

Imago

Pupa

**12 To paraphrase a famous author, “a fisherman goes through various stages. First he wants to catch a fish, then lots of fish, then a big fish, then many big fish then a special fish.” Who said this?**

Lee Wulff

Frederick Halford

Edward R Hewitt

**13 A “Pheasant Tail” nymph is usually tied differently from how Frank Sawyer originated it. How so?**

He didn’t use pheasant tail

He didn’t used thread

He didn’t intend it as a sub-surface pattern

**14 The first time it was recorded that a fisherman made a “fly” as we know it today was reported by writer from what country?**

Italy

Greece

Great Britain



# Conservation

## Sea Run Brook Trout Coalition .

Check out their web-site (<https://www.searunbrookie.org>) and

Like them on Facebook.



## BARNSTABLE WATER QUALITY ASSISTANT

Ron Lasko, CCTU member and Author of **A TALE OF TWO RIVERS**, has been working with the Town of Barnstable as a **Water Quality Assistant** collecting water samples from the town's freshwater Lakes & Ponds including the managed trout waters: **Lovells, Hathaway, Hamblins & where Ron resides, Shubael Pond**; along with conducting laboratory analysis. Ron says he is honored to be doing work in his own town that protects public health, the watersheds and the fish & animal life. The Town of Barnstable has 182 freshwater lakes & ponds of which 24 are classified as 'Great Ponds' and four are managed as trout fisheries. Ron finds that the knowledge & experience he is gaining in this endeavor will be of great value in his review of trout watersheds everywhere. Overall Cape Cod has more than 1,000 freshwater Lakes & Ponds and 30 managed trout lakes & ponds.

## Southeastern Massachusetts Trout Unlimited

Chapter Stream Team - Westport River Watershed

John Kokoska and Steve Angers, both of Red Brook Fame, have started a new restoration effort in the Westport River Watershed. The Westport River Watershed encompasses the towns of Westport, Dartmouth, Fall River, and in Rhode Island, Tiverton and Little Compton. We meet on the first Saturday of the month at the Brookside Conservation area off of Route 177 in Westport. This gives TU the access to Bread & Cheese Brook. B&C will be the initial restoration focus as there are 2 breached dams that need to be removed. All funds donated will be used for this effort. If you live on the South Coast and are looking for a dynamic project to join the Westport River Watershed will be the place to donate your time, effort, and money.

# ELIZABETH ISLANDS ADVENTURES



A WATERMAN'S  
VIEW

WOODY MILLS

**CCTU member Woody Mills has just released a new book that our members may be interested in.**

*Elizabeth Islands Adventures, A Waterman's View*, 5.5 x 8.5, 125 pages, retails for \$16.95. Available on Amazon, or locally at Isaiah Thomas Books in Cotuit, or Titcombs Bookshop in Sandwich.

The first half of the book is devoted to the natural history of the three private islands owned by the Forbes Family, Naushon, Pasque, and Nashewena, and two public islands—Cuttyhunk and Penikese. It also covers the Audubon tours that he conducted to Cuttyhunk for 19 years, from 1985 to 2004.

Subtitle: *A Waterman's View*, chronicles 12 high risk, high reward surf stories. While immersed in the ocean, the author carefully describes the exceptional natural phenomenon happening from moment to moment. Readers can follow the author on some of his 400 adventurous boat trips to the islands to ride hurricane swells from 1978 to 2017. The book contains 60 photographs depicting the scenery of the Elizabeth Islands. Woody Mills is also author of: *Fly Fishing The Worm "Hatch,"* 5.5 x 8.5, 165 pages, retails for \$19.95.



# KAYAK CLEAN-UP October 7th

**Wellfleet, Gull Pond, October 7, 2018**

Update, Beautiful day at Gull Pond, only found 2 lures, no trash anywhere the pond must be cleaned constantly. No boats only kayaks allowed, I went back into two smaller ponds that are connected, still no trash. The fishing on the main pond was not good, fish were just stocked, the fishing on the two attached smaller ponds was excellent. Pickerel, 4, two were big, perch 10, trout 2 , no pressure as no other access, except kayaks.

Thanks!

Tom Planert



Photo of yellow water lilies from Kayak Cleanup at Gull Pond, one of those remote places only accessible with a kayak that has not been damaged, there were hundreds of them. Tom Planert

# **Cape Cod Trout Unlimited**

## **2018 Officers and Board Members**

**President: Tim Lynch**

**Vice President: Roberta Mazzoli**

**Treasurer: Charles Orr**

**Secretary: Michael Howard**

**Board Member: Fred Monahan**

**Board Member: David Palmer**

**Board Member: Brett Bokelkamp**

**Board Member: Pat Grenier**

**Board Member: Alan Alai**

**Board Member: Tom Planert**

**Past President: Dan Tobin**



# Classifieds

Mystic Reaper 4wt fly rod and case.

9ft, 4pc.

As new

\$149 cash & carry

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





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## **BAMBOO ROD RESTORATION**

CCTU Member Ron Lasko & author of **A TALE OF TWO RIVERS** advises he completed the full restoration of two **Granger** 9' Bamboo rods of the 1920's vintage models similar to those portrayed in the movie **A RIVER RUNS THROUGH IT** along with a high quality **Asian Bamboo Rod** that is a 8' 3" piece rod that converts into a 6' 3" rod. Ron reports that the owner used the restored 6' 3" rod successfully recently on the Quashnet River fishing the dry fly upstream. Ron is near completion of a quality 9' **Montague** rod, circa 1915, and will then move on to final work on a 9' 1900 **Fred Devine** and a 8.5' 1930 **Hardy Deluxe** currently in various stages. Once these are completed Ron will be next restoring a 10.5' **FE Thomas** Salmon Rod. Ron Lasko is offering **free estimates** for repair or restoration to any TU member. So if you have a heirloom rod you want restored and preserved or would like to be able to fish a bamboo rod that is in need of TLC or restoration contact Ron Lasko at phone 508-428-2128 or email him at [rflasko.author@gmail.com](mailto:rflasko.author@gmail.com)



## *Random Casts* for May 2018

**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](http://CAPECODTU.org)*

**Cover Photo:** East Sandwich Beach October 29th 2018



# Fishing Photos

See Peter Schilling's photos below from his recent trip to Iceland.  
. Margaree / Lake Thingvallavatn. Incredible Fish!



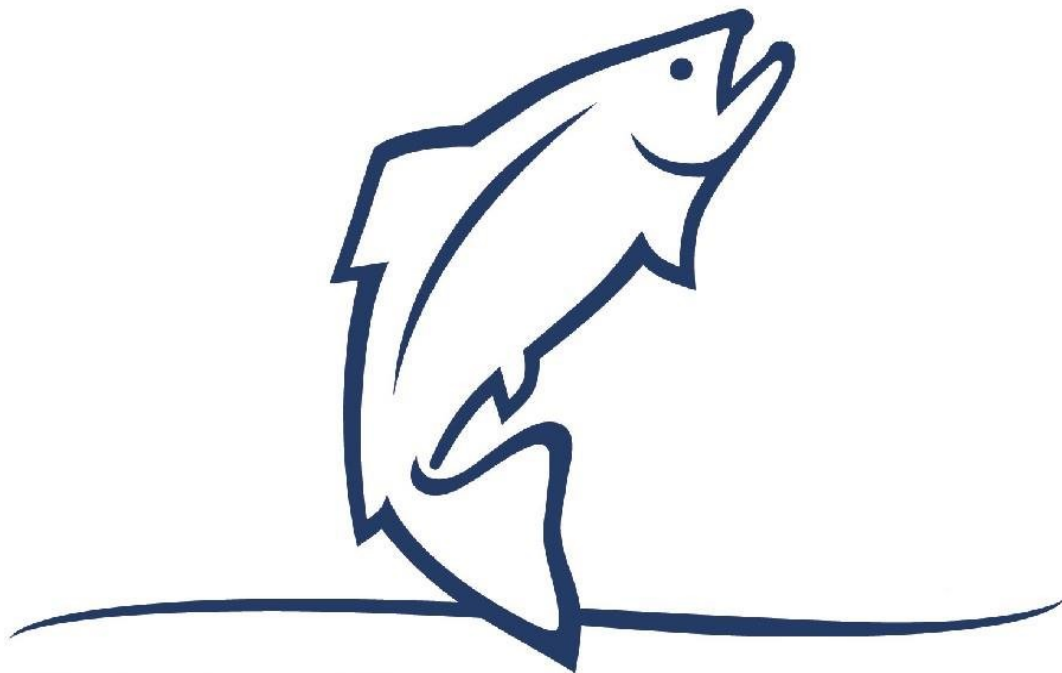


# 2018 CCTU Pond Challenge

	Date	Pond	# of Trout	Flies Used	TU Fishing Partner
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