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Website: www.crossroadsanglers.com

Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 24, 2012: (Mtg. Start Time: 6:30pm & Ends at 9:30pm)

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Annual elections of board members will take place at the January meeting. I will be stepping down from the office of president and I would like to thank all of the members who have helped over the years to make this club the success that it is. We need to thank all of the people who step up and take time out of their busy lives to pass on the joy and knowledge that is fly fishing.

"Skill at the riverside, or at the fly-table, never came, nor ever will come to any of us by any road then that of practice." (George Kelson 1895)

These words ring as true today as they did one hundred years ago. Therefore, may you be blessed to always cast your line with confidence.

David Ferretti

Note to members: Dues will be collected at the January meeting, with our goal of having everyone paid up by the March 2012 meeting. The annual dues are \$30.00, same as last season. Please see me at each meeting to indicate your attendance, confirm your contact info, and pay your dues. Thank you.

-Russell Glen, Membership

Newsletter Editor's Update for January 2012:

- 1. Don't forget to mark your calendar for the Marlboro, MA Fly-Fishing Show scheduled for Friday, January 20th, Saturday, January 21st, and Sunday, January 22nd. I always find this show enjoyable and a welcome break from the dead of Winter. Be sure to stop by the fly-tying tables and talk with the tiers to learn more about the various patterns they are tying. It is also a great time to stock up on fly-tying materials and other fishing related items. Who knows you might just bump into other Crossroads Anglers members at the show too?
- 2. **The Bear's Den Annual Show** will take place on Saturday, February 25, 2012. Once again this year we are asking for club members who would be willing to volunteer to work the table at the show in shifts. I will be there tying flies...and talking to prospective club members along with other board members from the club. The more the merrier. Please note, that this show is a nice opportunity to sign up new club members to join Crossroads Anglers.
- 3. Please note, that at each regular club mtg. we will be offering a free door prize and that the winner of the door prize at the November 2011 meeting was **David Gale**.
- 4. The plan for the January through April club meetings this year is to have a run of good fly-fishing speakers join us as our guests. This will give all of us the opportunity to listen and learn more about one of our favorite pastimes. The lead guest speaker in 2012 will be Paul Pezza.

BIOGRAPHY:

Retired college professor **Paul E. Pezza** has has fly-fished throughout the Americas, North, Central, and South, as well as New Zealand. Like most of us, however, most of his fishing takes place close to home.

PRESENTATION TOPIC:

PROSPECTING FOR WILD TROUT IN SOUTHEASTERN NEW ENGLAND

Many local waters support the reproduction of wild trout. Come out for our next meeting and hear about fishing for stream-bred brookies and browns in your neighborhood. This presentation will include how to locate wild trout waters, when to fish them, appropriate equipment and flies, and lots of photos.

Available for 2012:

Crossroads Anglers club hats priced at \$20.00 a piece and club stickers for your car with the club logo are priced at \$2.00 a piece are now available for sale. Support your fishing club!

FLY OF THE MONTH:

Baby Bunker Fly for Salt-Water Fly-Fishing



This is the small bunker imitation of the baitfish with a wide profile such as baby Bunker, small Butterfish, small Porgies, small Spot and Croaker, small Snapper Blues, etc.

Size: 4-5 inches in length

Hook: Size 1/0-2/0

by: Howie DeBeck

Special Savings for Crossroads Members

Discounts will be offered to members of the Crossroads Anglers who show their club membership cards to the following businesses when they reserve their date out on the water:

1. Captain David Porecca, River & Riptide Anglers
Fly & Light Tackle Charter and Guide Service,
Fly fish the Wood & Farmington River or chase Striped Bass, Bluefish, & False
Albacore. 10% discount for Crossroads Anglers Members 4 0 1 / 3 9 2 - 1 9 1 9,
h t t p://www.riverandriptide.com

2. Capt. Tom W.Private Charters for both Fresh & Saltwater guide serviceConventional & Fly-fishing15% discount for Crossroads Anglers membersPhone ##: 1-781-408-1215

3. Captain Vern (Rob) Robinson & Son, Rock-NReel, 85 Seymour St., Berkley, MA 02779, 508/822-6756.

4. Captain Gary Swanson, Striper-Charters 13 Harbour Hill Run, S. Yarmouth, MA 02664, 508/353-4009, CaptSwanson@Striper-Charters.com

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