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Website: www.crossroadsanglers.com

Meeting Date: Tuesday, May 25, 2010: (Mtg. Start Time: 6:30pm & Ends at 9:30pm)

FROM THE PRESIDENT

The first club fishing trip of the year was held in somewhat less than ideal weather but, was attended by several diehard club members. The day started with heavy rain and claps of thunder off in the distance. The rain let up and we had an hour of fishing before a front went through and the wind picked up, blowing off of our right hand shoulder which made a normal cast all but impossible. There was an abundance of bait but very few fish to be seen. Several of our fellow fisherman reported that the fishing was very good earlier in the week. Has anyone heard that story before? Watch and use the message board for information on future trips.

This month's meeting will be the annual cookout at Writings Pond a big thank you to Ben for setting it up. Bring a friend enjoy the hotdogs and burgers, summer in here.

David Ferretti

The May 25th Mtg./Annual Club Picnic:

This month's club picnic will be held once again over at Whiting's Pond in North Attleboro, MA and which is scheduled for Tuesday, May 25th. Plan to join us for some good picnic food and good company over near the main gate and the beach area. A few of us will arrive as early as 5pm and some members are planning to bring along their canoes or kayaks or even do some wade fishing from shore which can be productive. So, feel free to arrive early before we begin cooking the food and cast a line since, the gate is always open. It is important to note, that since, Whiting's Pond is stocked regularly with trout in the Spring, you will need a MA State fishing license & trout stamp.

This pond has a nice beach area and boat landing area with plenty of room along the shoreline in order to gather and sit while we cook & eat. However, it might not be a bad idea to bring along a portable chair to sit on and some bug spray too just in case. Food will be

provided but, feel free to bring along either an appetizer or desert to share if you are so inclined. In addition, guests & non-members are welcome to join us as the more the merrier for our annual club picnic. Please note, that everyone is responsible for their own safety and that there will be a fly-rod demonstration and rods available for trying out courtesy of Temple Fork Outfitters. If any member has a canopy or tarp and would not mind throwing it in their car in the event of a little rain that would be helpful.

I have been told to inform everyone that in the event of a heavy soaking rain storm throughout the day, the plan **will be to** simply switch the meeting location from Whiting's Pond to our normal meeting site back over at the South Foxboro Community Center beginning at 6:30pm. That way, we can cook and eat the food indoors out of the way of a driving rain storm if we are unlucky in terms of the weather that day.

Directions: *Check map quest and or google for directions to this location in North Attleboro, MA.*



AGENDA

5pm: Early arrivals to begin wetting a line and trying their luck for some trout courtesy of the State of MA & DEM.

6:30pm: We will begin cooking the food and enjoying good company while perhaps, casting a line in Whiting's Pond afterward.

7pm: Catch the evening hatch...

UPCOMING CLUB FISHING TRIPS FOR 2010: FRESH & SALT-WATER

Please refer to the dates found on the Crossroads Anglers website for the various upcoming fresh & salt-water fishing trips. In addition, I suggest that you check in with the Bear's Den in Taunton, MA in order to learn more about their regular Wednesday night salt-water fishing trips to local hot spots beginning May 12th and continuing through the Summer.

On **Tuesday, June 8th** the members of Crossroads Anglers are planning to travel down to Narragansett, Rhode Island in order to fly-fish the Narrow River for striped bass. The plan is to meet at the Sprague Bridge along the Narrow River at 7pm. Or perhaps, you may wish to join a group of us who will be meeting ahead of time at the Triboro Plaza located in North Attleboro (at Exit 5 off Route 95) at 5:30pm in front of the Shaw's Supermarket in order to carpool and drive down together to fish. This will be a nice opportunity to do some wade fishing in the salt-water with good company, learn a new spot to fish and perhaps, connect with a few nice fish too? There will be plenty of instruction available from members for those new to salt-water fly-fishing.

Suggestions of what to bring include: bug spray, flashlight, waders, stripping basket, floating and sinking or sink tip line and your favorite 8 or 9 weight fly-rod. A camera would not be a bad idea either as this is a pretty spot to fish even if the fish do not cooperate.

"Its' worth noting that saltwater fishermen in Rhode Island need to either register for the federal registry or pick up a Rhode Island saltwater license. The saltwater license is \$7, and is available only at www.saltwater.ri.gov. Signing up for the federal registry is free, at countmyfish.noaa.gov. However, only the Rhode Island license will be valid in other state waters that have a reciprocal agreement with Rhode Island.—this update is provided courtesy of, [On The Water Media Company](http://OnTheWaterMediaCompany.com).



On the Water website:

**Be sure to check out the MA & Rhode Island fishing reports for up to date fresh & salt-water fishing opportunities each and every week by visiting their free on-line fishing report at www.onthewater.com*

Bear's Den Update:

As previously mentioned: The Bear's Den Fly Fishing Company has asked me to mention the following reminder about the return of their popular "COME FISH WITH US", Wednesday night fishing outings (Spring – Fall):

Starting May 12, our Wednesday night groups are heading out again! Meet us at the shop by 6pm. The group stays within 1hr drive of us to hit some great spots. It's not a guided trip, but is a great opportunity to learn new spots and meet like minded folks. For questions, email us at scott@bearsden.com, or just show up!

COMING SOON...

Crossroads Anglers club hats priced at \$20.00 a piece and weather proof stickers for your car with the club logo priced at \$2.00 a piece will also be available in the Fall of 2010!

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:

1. Michael Brucato, Northeast Fly-Fishing: Guiding & Instruction for Trout Fishing Fishing the Blackstone & Wood Rivers in Rhode Island or the Eel and Westfield Rivers in MA or the Salmon, Willimantic & Farmington Rivers in CT.

LET'S DISCUSS YOUR EXPECTATIONS...20% Discount for Crossroads Anglers

Cell Phone: 1-774-644-5192

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2. 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

Members 401/392-1919,

<http://www.riverandriptide.com>

3. Capt. Tom W.

Private Charters for both Fresh & Saltwater guide service

Conventional & Fly-fishing

15% discount for Crossroads Anglers members

Phone ##: 1-781-408-1215

4. Captain Vern (Rob) Robinson & Son, Rock-NReel,

85 Seymour St., Berkley, MA 02779,

508/822-6756.

5. Captain Gary Swanson, Striper-Charters

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