

Fly of the Month

Adams Parachute



Hook: Dry fly, size 10 - 16
Thread: Gray
Tail: Brown and grizzle hackle
Wing/Post: White Antron or calf tail
Body: Gray dubbing or muskrat fur
Hackle: Brown and grizzle hackle
Head: Gray thread

Comments: The Adams is the most popular dry fly in North America. It imitates a broad range of mayflies and should be in every fly box.

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Upcoming Events

Indian Hollow Fishing/Camping Trip & MA/RI Council Meeting
Friday, May 16th through Monday, May 19th

May Chapter Meeting
Tuesday, May 27th
Dave Armstrong & Michael Rosser, "Wild Brook Trout Initiative"

Chapter's "Day on the River"
Saturday, June 7th, at the Bertozzi Area in West Groton

September Chapter Meeting
Tuesday, September 23rd

Operation of ATVs is illegal in Wildlife Management Areas.

To report violations of off-road recreation vehicle, environmental, or wildlife laws please contact the Environmental Police Radio Communications Center
1-800-632-8075.

Monthly Meeting

The Squan-a-Tissit Chapter of Trout Unlimited holds monthly meetings for chapter members and guests on the fourth Tuesday of the month (Sept. through May) at the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Hall, Route 113 & Leighton Street, Pepperell, MA. Meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m., however members and guests are encouraged to arrive earlier and participate in informal fly-tying. Bring your own vice and materials.

Directions:

From Rt. 3: Take the Rt. 113 Exit (Tyngsboro, Dunstable) and proceed west on Rt. 113, 6.5 miles, through Dunstable and into Pepperell. The VFW Hall will be located on the left side of Rt. 113, opposite a small center island with a stone monument and three flagpoles.

From Rt. 495: Take the Rt. 119 Exit (Littleton Common) and proceed west on Rt. 119, 9 miles, through Groton and into Pepperell. Turn right onto Rt. 111, and proceed 2.7 miles to a rotary. Turn right onto Rt. 113, and proceed 1.5 miles. The VFW hall will be located on the right side of Rt. 113, opposite a small center island with a stone monument and three flagpoles.

From Rt. 2: Take the Rt. 111 Exit (Ayer, Harvard, Clinton) and proceed north on Rt. 111, approximately 12 miles (total, to the Pepperell rotary), through Ayer and Groton to Pepperell. Route 111 merges with Rt. 119 in Groton. Once in Pepperell, Rt. 111 bears to the right (off of Rt. 119). Turn right onto Rt. 111 and proceed 2.7 miles to a rotary. Turn right onto Rt. 113, and proceed 1.5 miles. The VFW hall will be located on the right side of Rt. 113, opposite a small center island with a stone monument and three flagpoles.



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The newsletter for the Trout Unlimited chapter that champions sport and conservation on two northeastern Massachusetts trout rivers: The Squannacook & The Nissitissit.

May Meeting
Tuesday the 27th at 7:00 pm

with

Dave Armstrong & Michael Rosser

presenting the Chapter's

"Wild Brook Trout Initiative"

Visitors Welcome!

Chapter News

• River Workdays

Efforts to remove sand from the mouth of Sucker Brook are planned for the first week in June. The exact day will be determined by availability of state equipment and the weather. MDFW will supply and operate a backhoe to remove the sand from the river bed. Volunteers are needed to move the sand away from the river in preparation for removal at a later date. If you are interested in helping and can handle a wheelbarrow please contact Michael Rosser at 978-433-6418. One to two weeks later volunteers will again be needed to plant vegetation and lay stone on the riverbank.

• River Stocking

The Chapter, in conjunction with MDFW, float stocked the Nissitissit River from the NH border downstream to Shattuck Oil Company on May 8th. Over 1,100 rainbow and brown trout in the 12"-16" range were released. The Squannacook River was also stocked by MDFW in Shirley and West Groton on May 9th with rainbows and browns. For the latest stocking updates visit www.mass.gov/dfwele/dfw/dfwtrout.htm.

• Last Newsletter Until the Fall!

Our next newsletter will be in September. The first fall member's meeting will be on Tuesday, September 23rd. The B.O.D. wishes everyone a safe and enjoyable summer. For news and updates during the summer months visit the Chapter website at <http://www.squanatissit.org>.

“Wild Brook Trout Initiative”

Join us at our member's meeting on May 27th, when Michael Rosser and Dave Armstrong will update us on progress of the Chapter's Wild Brook Trout Initiative.

Squan-a-Tissit's “Day on the River”



It's all about you...

9:00 am

Peter Bertozzi Area
West Groton

June 7th

It's a great day to be out on the stream. Bring your family and fishing buddies to our “Day on the River”. Enjoy some great fishing and noontime BBQ.

19th Annual “Day on the River”

The *Squan-a-Tissit* Chapter's 19th annual “Day on the River” will take place on Saturday, June 7th. This outing is our way of thanking the membership for their support throughout the year. All members of the Chapter, their families and friends are invited to attend at no cost. The outing coincides with Massachusetts' free fishing weekend, so no fishing license is required. The event will take place this year on the Squannacook River at the Peter Bertozzi area in West Groton. This area accommodates spin fishing as well as fly casting.

The day will begin at 9 am with coffee, muffins, and donuts. A noontime cookout at river's edge will feature hamburgers and hot dogs from the grill, salads and desserts. Cold drinks will be available throughout the day. A prize will be awarded at noontime for the biggest fish caught during the morning.

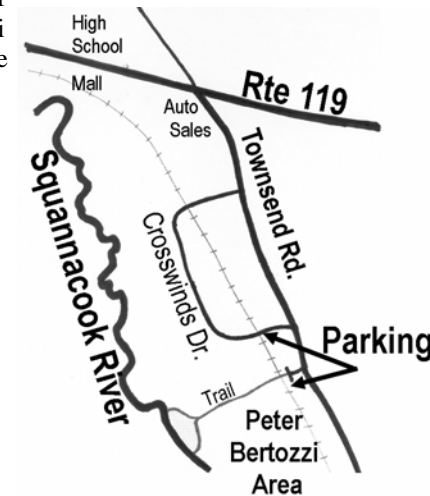
Come out to the Squannacook with the kids for a day of relaxation, fun and enjoyment on one of the best fishing rivers in the state.

Direction to the Peter Bertozzi Area in Groton:

From Groton/Pepperell follow Route 119W and turn left onto Townsend Rd at Book Value Auto Sales. Follow Townsend Rd. for 1 mile to the Bertozzi area entrance on the right.

From Townsend follow Route 119E and turn right onto Townsend Rd at Book Value Auto Sales (just past the Harbor Village Shopping Plaza). Follow Townsend Rd. for 1 mile to the Bertozzi area entrance on the right.

Park in the lot and follow the trail to the river. Additional parking is available on Crosswinds Dr. Park near the railroad crossing and follow the railroad tracks to the gate and trail.



Indian Hollow Camping and Fishing Weekend

The MA/RI Council's camping/fishing trip will be held Friday, May 16th, through Monday, May 19th, at Indian Hollow campground in Chesterfield, MA. No reservations are required and there is no fee. The campground borders the beautiful Westfield River. The facility is equipped with restroom facilities, a hot shower and fresh water. Most campers bring tents or trailers. On Saturday the Council will provide a free noontime lunch and will kick off the evening entertainment with a large bonfire.

The Westfield River offers some of Massachusetts' best trout fishing. The area adjacent to the campground is designated “Catch and Release” and usually gets a healthy stocking by MDFW just prior to the event. The campground is also located at the south end of the stunning Chesterfield Gorge known for its scenic hiking trails. Visit http://www.thetrustees.org/pages/291_chesterfield_gorge.cfm for more information on the gorge area. Driving directions and more information on the Council's fishing weekend and can be found at <http://www.ma-ri-tu-council.org/Indian-Hollow.html>.



Campsite at Indian Hollow