



# WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS *Fly Fishermen*

146 Old Enfield Road, Belchertown, MA 01007

## Monday December 16, 2019 Meeting Notice

We will conduct our December meeting at 7:00 pm right after the Fly Tying Demo, at the Ludlow Elks Club, 69 Chapin Street in Ludlow MA. Hope you all had a great Thanksgiving and enjoy this "Holiday" Season!

### Meeting Minutes:

- REMEMBER, Fly Tying Classes Begin on January 9<sup>th</sup> and will continue for 8 consecutive Thursday evenings.
- Please get the word out and if you need posters, contact Gil
- We appreciate all those members who can volunteer to help our "newbies" get off to a good start
- Treasurer's report is available at the meeting. See Don Vacon.
- January 10<sup>th</sup> is the FLY TYING EXTRAVANZA held at the Chicopee AMVETS, Montgomery St. Our Club is an active supporter of TU and we have members tying flies at the event.
- Our Bylaws are out for review by the officers and Board of Directors to finalize the document

### Fly Tying Demo:

Dan will be demonstrating how to tie the following flies at our meeting on Monday night beginning before (6:30) the scheduled meeting. Thanks Dan.



Gary LaFontaine BUZZ BALL

Hook- standard dry fly any size  
Thread - camel brown uni 8/0  
Body - Lt. dun hackle, orange hackle any size  
Wing - Grizzly 1 1/2 hook gap



PURPLE HAZE CRIPPLE

Hook- standard dry any size  
Thread - uni purple 8/0  
Tail - brown antron  
Body - purple antron dubbing  
Wing - white poly, calf tail, or CDC  
Hackle - Grizzly



FLYING SQUIRREL NYMPH

Hook- nymph 2 xl  
Gold bead - to size  
Tail - Woodduck fibers  
Body - Whitlock fox squirrel nymph-blend ,abdomen  
Rib - small gold wire  
Legs - woodduck fibers  
Thorax - Whitlock fox squirrel nymph blend - thorax

Guest Speaker: Our own Dan Trela will give us a presentation on a recent trip out West to fish the Big Horn River. He has a few "fish stories" for us!

### Field Notes From Our Local Fly Fishers:

"Baby its cold outside..."! FROSTBITE alert! Please remember to cover bare skin during these low temperature days. It doesn't take to long for frostbite to set in.