



# WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS *Fly Fishermen*

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## Monday January 20, 2020 Meeting Notice

We will conduct our January 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 Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanza, 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 “newbees” get off to a good start. We couldn’t do it without you.
- Treasurer’s report is available at the meeting. See Don Vacon.
- January 8<sup>th</sup> is the FLY TYING EXTRAVANZA held at the Chicopee AMVETS, Montgomery St. WMFF is an active supporter of TU. We have members Harold and Manny tying Demo Flies at the Extravaganza.
- Our Bylaws are out for review by the officers and Board of Directors to finalize the document
- Bob shared some great info from the Mass Wildlife meetings and the Quabbin Advisory Board meetings
- Dan tied some terrific flies at the meeting and gave a great presentation on fishing the Big Horn River

### 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.



HENDRICKSON HACKLED  
COMPARADUN  
Hook - standard dry 12-14  
Thread- 8/0 uni grey  
Tail - blue dun hackle  
Body - hendrickson pink dubbing  
Wing - natural wood duck  
Hackle- blue dun



Dick Talleur 's favorite streamer  
pattern  
Hook- 2 xl long streamer/nymph  
hook 8-10  
Bead - gold  
Thread fl. pink  
Body - gold tinsel  
Wing - nat. woodduck  
Collar blue dun hen



PARTRIDGE N PEACOCK soft  
Hackle  
Hook - standard wet 14-18  
Thread - 8/0 red uni  
Body - peacock here  
Hackle - partridge  
With this pattern he will show us how  
to use oversize partridge feathers to  
tie small soft hackles

Guest Speaker: Kate Abbott will give an informative presentation on River Restoration Through Dam Removal. She is currently a PHD student in the Mass Cooperative Research Unit at UMASS Amherst. She is conducting research and studies on the recovery of small rivers and streams as a result of dam removal. She loves the outdoors and her favorite challenge is catching brookies in small streams.

### Field Notes From Our Local Fly Fishers:

Be careful if you venture out on the ice. Some spots are thinner than others!