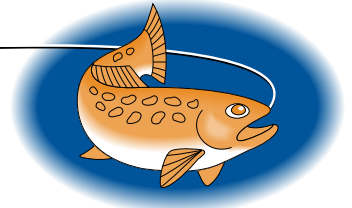


# TROUTLINE



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## SEPTEMBER MEETING



### DETAILS

**September 3, 2015**

**6:45 p.m.** Fly tying demonstration

**6:45 p.m.** Boy Scout Merit Badge group

**7:30 p.m.** Chapter meeting

### WHERE

Flame Room of Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center Street, SE, Vienna.

### GETTING THERE

Chain Bridge Road (123) becomes Maple Avenue in Vienna. Turn south on Center Street. Continue on Center Street past the athletic field on the left; note the fire station on the left at the intersection with Cherry Street. Turn left on Cherry and park behind the building. Go in the side door at the corner of the building and proceed up the stairs to the meeting room.

### SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

**Dean Naujoks**  
Potomac River Network

### SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

**3:** Chapter Meeting

**5:** FWAM trip to North Fork of the Shenandoah (VA)

**10:** Board Meeting

**26:** FWAM trip to Patuxent (MD)

## WHAT'S COMING OFF

DEAN NAUJOKS

# Potomac Riverkeeper

Our September 3 speaker will be **Dean Naujoks**, who joined the Potomac River Network of regional riverkeepers as the new Potomac Riverkeeper this year. He began his non-profit career in 1991 with the NC Wildlife Federation. After graduating from NC State University, with a self-created degree in Environmental Policy and Sustainable Development, he was hired as the first Upper Neuse Riverkeeper, serving from 2001 to 2008. He became the first Riverkeeper on the Yadkin



River with Yadkin Riverkeeper, Inc. in 2008, also serving as Executive Director until 2014.

Dean has been awarded River Network's 2009 National River Heroes Award. River Network's River Heroes Award celebrates rivers and those who protect them by recognizing victories and honoring those who provide leadership and inspiration along the way.

Yadkin

Riverkeeper also won the 2011 North Carolina Wildlife Federation Governor's Achievement Award Water Conservation Organization of the Year.

## Honoring New Members

We would like to welcome aboard our newest members! We look forward to seeing you at our Chapter events.

**Megan Alexander**, Oakton, VA  
**Ali Amini**, Oakton, VA  
**Charles Arnold**, Vienna, VA  
**Taylor Baroody**, Lincoln, VA  
**Brian Berry**, Vienna, VA  
**Earl Boehl**, Sterling, VA  
**John Boran**, McLean, VA  
**Marc Boran**, McLean, VA  
**John Brett**, McLean, VA  
**Phillip Brooks**, McLean, VA  
**Spencer Brooks**, McLean, VA  
**Matt Campbell**, Arlington, VA

**Michael Cirelli**, Herndon, VA  
**Pam Collier**, Centreville, VA  
**Derrick Edwards**, Vienna, VA  
**Allen Evans**, Chantilly, VA  
**Abby Fine**, Arlington, VA  
**John Finney**, Arlington, VA  
**Bob Franklin**, Fairfax, VA  
**Charlie Fumagali**, Falls Church, VA  
**Mark Gardiner**, Vienna, VA  
**Susan Westrup**, Washington, DC  
**Rob Whitaker**, Sterling, VA  
**Matt Wruter**, Vienna, VA

TRIP 1

# North Fork of the Shenandoah

VIRGINIA

**When:** September 5, 2015  
**Depart:** 8 a.m.  
**Return:** Whenever  
**Contact:** George Paine  
 www.nvatu.org  
**Meet:** Dick's Fair Lakes parking lot

The first trip will be determined by water conditions. This unusual summer has created opportunities and challenges. Usually water is low in September so we have gone for Smallmouth Bass.

The Shenandoah Park streams, which usually are low and warm in July were at better than usual levels this summer. If we get some good rains before the trip we'll go to a brook trout stream. Conversely, the "good rains" will muddy the big

smallmouth rivers so we'll avoid them.

As always, check with me at ppafish@hotmail.com the day before if you are unsure which tackle to bring ... or bring equipment for either scenario.

TRIP 2

# Patuxent River

PENNSYLVANIA

**When:** September 26, 2015  
**Return:** You decide  
**Meet:** North of Vienna Fire House Parking Lot

SELF-GUIDED TRIP

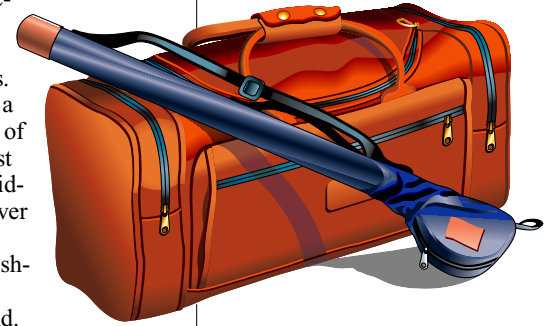
The second trip this month is to the Patuxent River in Maryland. There are two special regulation areas on different branches of the Patuxent. I suspect you will be going to the catch and release water above Triadelphia reservoir. This stretch must be over ten miles long and it forms

the boundary between Montgomery and Howard counties.

There are also a couple of miles of delayed harvest water on the Middle Patuxent River further east.

You will be fishing in mostly wooded parkland. The stream is accordingly less steep than those in Shenandoah Park. The stream is stocked with rainbows and browns, and there are some naturally reproducing browns. You can expect to see a predominance of brown trout.

Four- and five-weight rods will be the order of the day, with most anglers preferring them in the shorter lengths. Hip boots will suffice, but I recommend lightweight chest waders. Look for fallen trees and other obstacles or tangles with overhead cover. Don't neglect overhang-



ing banks either. Terrestrials and midges will be the flies of choice on top. As an alternative, try drifting a large, dark, wet fly by their noses.

No mention of the Patuxent River would be complete without reference to a favorite local fly, the Patuxent Special. This fly is a cousin to a Woolly Buzzer and with the oversized hackle and fox-squirrel tail it is a pretty good crayfish imitation. If you prefer flies with marabou, try a #10 or #8 Eddie Shenk's White Streamer. Don't hesitate to experiment. ( a vintage Mike Daly article)

# Fish and Explore for Kids

John Lipetz's company, Fish and Explore, is dedicated to developing programs that are structured around elements that naturally excite children – ani-

mals, water, and a little dirt! Jdlipetz@fishandexplore.com Their programs build confidence in a natural way, by providing guided instruction to

introduce kids to the outdoors while allowing them to explore their abilities. They are always looking for volunteers and staff. If you have a college age child

that would like summer work, or to work a little yourself, John is looking for good people to help youth get involved in our sport.

SEPTEMBER FLY OF THE MONTH: DEMONSTRATED BY JOHN HADLEY

## Kreelex



In the continuing fly tying techniques and materials series John Hadley will be tying the Kreelex. William Heresniak of Easter Trophies Fly Fishing made a presentation at our May 2015 meeting and stated that this is the best fly for catching big trout.

He has the pictures to prove it! You can also use it to catch smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, shad and other species of fish. The fly is a Clouser style tie but uses synthetic materials.

**Originator:** Chuck Kraft

**Techniques to be learned:**

- How to use Kreinik flash materials

**RECIPE**

**Hook:** Streamer 2, 3X #2 to 8  
**Thread:** Yellow 6/0  
**Eyes:** Brass Dumbbells  
**Tail:** Silver Kreinik  
**Body:** Silver Kreinik  
**Wing:** Gold Kreinik  
**Options:** add lead weight to shaft, use other colors of Kreinik, use other materials such as Flashaboo or Krystal Flash.

**Fishing Tips:** This is a great fly for dark and clouded water. If the water is deep add weight 6 to 12 inches ahead of the fly to get the fly down to the bottom fast. In moving water cast across, let sink and be drawn through the water by the current; then use short strips to retrieve the line for another cast but be ready for a strike and set at any time.

In still water use as a searching pattern or cast to a likely lie; let sink then use short rapid strips to retrieve the fly but let the fly sink again between each stripping in of the line.



# TIC Schools Top 1,000 New Brookies Released



Thanks to the dedication of 18 Northern Virginia teachers and their students, ranging from elementary to high school, over a thousand brookies ranging from 1 1/2 to 4 inches are swimming in Wildcat Hollow Run in the Thompson Wildlife Management Area, and Little Passage Creek in the GW National Forest. Kudos also go to Chuck Hoysa, our DGIF coordinator who is retiring this year, Gary Beard and Roger Brown of our chapter.

It's worth noting that Chuck, who wears many hats in the Virginia Council and Rapidan Chapter, will continue to support this end of the state as a volunteer.

The photos from Dogwood Elementary in this issue tell one part of the story.





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**CONSERVATION CALENDAR**

**Unless otherwise noted:**

- **Chapter meetings:** Vienna Volunteer Fire Station, 7:30 p.m.
- **Board Meetings:** Century 21 Office, 6631A Old Dominion Drive, McLean, VA, 7:30 p.m.

**JANUARY**

- 2:** FWAM trip to Hughes (VA) from the top
- 7:** Chapter Meeting
- 15:** Board Meeting
- 30:** FWAM trip to Conewago Creek (PA)

**OCTOBER**

- 1:** Chapter Meeting
- 3:** FWAM trip to White Oak Canyon (VA)
- 8:** Board Meeting
- 31:** FWAM trip to Morgan Run (MD)

**NOVEMBER**

- 5:** Chapter Meeting
- 7:** FWAM trip to Little Stony (VA)
- 12:** Board Meeting
- 28:** FWAM trip to Gunpowder (MD)

**DECEMBER**

- 3:** Chapter Meeting
- 5:** FWAM trip to Rose River (upper) Final trip for 2015
- 10:** Board Meeting



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**MEMBER ALBUM**



**DELAWARE DUO:** Mid-summer on the West Branch of the Delaware River Vice President Kiki Galvin and TroutLine designer Gary Visgaitis hooked up with big beautiful browns and bows. Kiki using a sulphur pattern (left), and Gary on an ISO emerger (right).