# President's

At our June 4 meeting Karen
Brand gave a presentation on her recent western
trip where she spent a week in guide school
learning to be a fishing guide. If you missed the
meeting you missed a great presentation by a
very enthusiastic lady. However, ask her about it
- she will be glad to fill you in.

Kevin Cohenour and Terry McCormick spent a week at the Boy Scout camp teaching scouts fishing and flyfishing. They claim to have had a real nice time and enjoyed working with the scouts and will be recruiting other club members to go "camping" next year.

Welcome to new member Bill McLaughlin. Bill lives near our club house and joined at the urging of his son who wants to learn how to cast.

We have a new book in our library, "The Fly Tier's Benchside Reference". This is not a book you will sit and read cover to cover. It is instead a bench manual with lucid instructions, logical arrangement, and first-rate pictures that will help you expand your range of skills and solve problems at the fly tying vice.

And speaking of fly tying - the bull sessions and fly tying on the second Thursday of each month and the third Saturday tying and casting clinics are becoming ever more popular thanks to the excellent instruction given by VP Kevin Cohenour and Jerry Aldridge. Do join us (if you can find a seat) and feel free to bring a guest. If you have a tying vise and tools bring them. If not come anyway, your club will provide everything you and/or your guest will need. Also the third Saturday of each month join us for casting practice and free lunch. John Brand will continue his fly casting instruction at the Saturday clinics. John teaches a different casting technique each month and will work with individuals to help them improve their basic and advanced casting techniques.

Of interest to those of you who fish North Carolina's trout streams, revised maps of North Carolina's trout streams are available online at no cost. Hatchery-supported, delayed-harvest



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andcatch-and-release streams are designated by color. The 25 new maps - one for each county with trout water - reflect regulations as of July 1, 2001. Viewing the electronic maps requires Adobe Acrobat which is free on-line. To view the maps, log on to www.ncwildlife.com. Under the sub-topics menu on the top of the page, open maps, and you'll be there....Tom

## **FLIES & LIES VIA E-MAIL**

Computer whiz Kevin Cohenour has figured out an easy way for you to receive "Flies & Lies" via e-mail in the format of a "PDF" file. Your computer will probably already read a PDF file with Adobe Acrobat or similar software. If not, free downloads are available.

We will send the next several issues via mail and e-mail on a trial basis, Thereafter, if you choose, we can send your copy by e-mail alone. This would save our club money (postage, printing) and all the pictures and fly patterns would be in living color!

Club members will be queried later on their preference.

### ZIP CODE CHANGE

Please note that the zip code for the FFNWF downtown post office box has changed to 32591. We collect the mail just 2 or 3 times monthly so if you need to reach a club officer more quickly, try something faster than our PO box.

# Tyer's Corner... Jerry Aldridge

The flies for July are the Surfin' Wooly and the RS-2 emerger. Kevin gets triple duty this month - he will teach these flies at the bull session and clinic and publish the August issue of Flies and Lies. Thanks, Kevin.

The RS-2 was first tied by Rim Chung to entice the picky trout of his home river, the South Platte, one of Colorado's famous tailwater streams. It has since become very popular throughout the west and beyond, especially for selective trout of spring creeks and tailwaters. Originally tied to imitate the emerger stage of blue wing olive mayflies, the RS-2 works just fine for other hatches when tied in the appropriate color and size.

The RS-2 can be fished throughout the water column, down deep with split shot or in or just below the surface film. My favorite method is to fish it as the "dropper" with 2 or 3 feet of tippet from the eye or bend of a larger parachute dry fly. The dry fly serves as the "strike indicator" as well as an attractive fly itself.

The RS-2 is a particular favorite of mine. It works just as well on North Carolina's Nantahala as it does on Idaho's Silver Creek. My largest trout on the Nantahala, a 23" brookie, took a size 22 RS-2 trailed behind a parachute dry.

Ask John Brand to show you the size 32 (not a typo, size thirty-two) RS-2s he tied for the Green River in Utah. He has already caught a 22" brown on a size 22 - I guess the next logical step is a 32 incher on a size 32. Good luck!

# Around the Bay....and Further Away

This column, like the rest of the newsletter, is pretty short this month. It's tough to tell tall tales when visions of Silver Creek and Yellowstone Lake keep filling my thoughts. Just a few more days until Westward Ho!

Several folks continue to catch lots of specks under the lights including some big ones. Trudy White (long-time-no-see) caught several **over 5 pounds** in fairly recent evenings. Her note was farly vague on location - come on out and tell us about it, Trudy! A nice red around 7 or 8 pounds took Travis Akins' popper in Santa Rosa Sound the other day. It sounded like the bottom fell out of a full bath tub. A little later, I got a nice blue on a Deceiver I must have tied at least 5 years ago (the white hackles and head had both turned a musty yellow). Tom Ferretti took a fly rod to the old country -any tales to tell, Tom? Still have not heard Regis Galbach's report on fishing in northern Arkansas but am looking forward to it. Kevin Cohenour is off on a Colorado jaunt, not too close to the flames, I hope.

See you in August. May all your drifts be drag-free....Jerry Aldridge.

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BUSINESS MEETING - 1ST TUESDAY, 7 PM BULL SESSION - 2ND THURSDAY, 6:30 PM CLINIC - 3RD SATURDAY, 9 AM BOARD MEETING-4TH THURSDAY, 6:30PM FISHING TRIPS - AS SCHEDULED

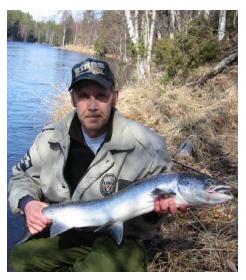
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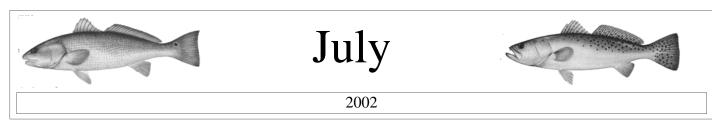




No, Tom Finkle did not catch all these fish, although he reports great fishing for brookies in the frozen north woods of Maine. What species are the fish and where were they caught? Hint 1 - I plan on catching several out west of the same species but even larger than the one in the middle photo. Hint 2- Think of the ancestral home of one of our most active members.



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