

STREAMLINES

Annual Festival of Fly Fishing

The fourth Annual Festival of Fly Fishing sponsored by R.L. Vallee Inc. will be held on Sunday, February 17, 2013

When: 10 AM to 4PM

Where: "The Field House" located at 166 Athletic Drive Shelburne Village, VT.

As in past years there will be casting lessons, fly tying lessons, a fly tying contest, a casting contest, rod building lessons, and knot tying lessons. There will be raffles, silent auctions and prizes just for trying! Seminars to date are: **Jesse Haller** - Fishing the New Haven, Otter Creek & Furnace Brook areas. **Bob Shannon** - Tips & tactics for fishing for Vermont Trout. **Mark Wilde** - After the casting lesson, what do you do next? Our seminar line-up continues to grow.

Admission is free and accompanied by a door prize ticket. Casting lessons will cost \$10, seminars \$5, and there will be a small charge for food. Proceeds from this festival help support Green Mountain Conservation Camps, Project Healing Waters and Casting for Recovery.

Come on down and have some fun – bring a friend.

Annual Fund Raising Banquet

We are returning to the Elks' Club, 925 North Avenue, Burlington for our annual fund raising banquet.

When: Saturday, March 23rd, 2013

Cocktail hour: 5 – 6:30PM – a chance to catch up with folks, fill the buckets with raffle tickets, bid on the silent auction items and plan your strategy for the live auction. **Dinner** will be served at 6:30.

This year's guest speaker will be Lori Simon. Lori is a member of Sisters on the Fly (www.sistersonthefly.com). In her talk entitled "**Fork in the Road: How Restoring a Vintage Trailer Can Restore Your Soul**", Lori will show us how she lovingly restored a vintage trailer and share photos from her first fishing trip as a Sister on the Fly.

Bill Grover has again generously offered one week's use of his cabin in Silver Gate MT which will be our **grand raffle prize** along with \$500 to help buy a plane ticket or rent a car. Tickets for this prize are \$20 each or 3 for \$50.

This year's **special rod raffle** is the "Brook Trout Special" rod and reel outfit. It is an Orvis Clearwater, 7' 6", 3wt, 4 piece fly rod, with case. It is matched with an Orvis BBS II reel with a Cortland Precision Trout WF3F fly line and backing. Tickets are \$10 each or 5 for \$40.

Tickets for both raffles will be on sale at CVTU meetings and at the Classic Outfitters.

Lake Champlain & Tributaries Restoration Fund

In December 2012, for the 3rd year, the LCTR Fund made grants totaling nearly \$50,000 to three Vermont projects. This fund started with \$500,000 awarded as a result of the struggle to remove the Peterson Dam on the Lamoille River. Although the dam still stands, CVTU can be proud as our chapter is one of five trustees (the other four trustees are VT Fish & Wildlife, US Fish & Wildlife, Vermont Natural Resources Council and a representative from the electric utility which owns the Peterson Dam) which oversees the fund. Once a year this group distributes money to qualified restoration projects.

This year we are pleased to announce the three projects which received grants from the LCTR Fund:

1. Friends of the Winooski River Brook Trout Habitat Connectivity Project - \$25,000 for culvert work retrofits on Crossett Brook and Beaver Meadow Brook.
2. Vermont River Conservancy for Lamoille River buffer enhancement - \$10,000 for an ongoing project with the Vermont Land Trust to obtain riparian buffer easements from the 30 landowners with the high priority parcels that have been identified by VRC/VLT.
3. Poultney Mettowee Natural Resources Conservation District - \$14,080 for the Mettowee River aquatic habitat improvement project- year 2 expansion.

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