TROUT UNLIMITED SQUAN-A-TISSIT CHAPTER

Squan-*a*-Tissit NEWS

News from our chapter of Trout Unlimited.
Champions of sport and conservation on two northeastern Massachusetts trout watersheds: The Squannacook & The Nissitissit .

November 2026

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CHAPTER MEETING

Join us for the November Chapter Meeting, Tuesday, November 10 at 7 pm at the Albert Harris Senior Center, 37 Nashua Road, Pepperell

For this month's meeting we will view an informative film discussing the controversies surrounding Salmon Farming in Newfoundland and Labrador.



JOIN US !

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Squan-*a*-Tissit Chapter Notes

Squan-a-Tissit Chapter Contacts:

Officers:

President
John Deery

Vice President
Michael Lauritzen

Treasurer
Tom Burke

Secretary
Tim McDaniel

Directors:

Paul Apgar
Dave Armstrong
Chip Detwiller
Steve Hogan
Scott Hraba
Jim Nugent
Jan Polex
Kirk Reynolds
Michael Rosser
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squanatissit.org

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Want to help with a small donation to the Squan-a-Tissit Chapter?

Hello TU Chapter members and friends,

Fall can be a busy time with leaf raking and preparations for winter. Set aside some time to get outside and enjoy the fall before the flurries start to fly !

Join us this coming Tuesday, November 10. We plan to get together, view a film that may change your mind on salmon farming, and continue to plan the coming year, including some chapter fishing trips next spring.

The Chapter will be providing pizza and drinks.

TU Chapter meetings are open to the public, and anyone may attend,

See you there !



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Squan-*a*-Tissit Calendar of Events

NOV

Chapter Meeting, Tues, Nov 10 @ 7 pm
Location: Pepperell Senior Center
37 Nashua Road, Pepperell

BOD Meeting, Tues Nov 24 @7pm
Location: Zoom Meeting

NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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DEC

Chapter Meeting, Tues, Dec 8 @ 7 pm
Location: Pepperell Senior Center
37 Nashua Road, Pepperell

BOD Meeting, Tues Dec 22 @7pm
Location: Zoom Meeting

DECEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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JAN

Chapter Meeting, Tues, Jan 12 @ 7 pm
Location: Pepperell Senior Center
37 Nashua Road, Pepperell

BOD Meeting, Tues Jan 26 @7pm
Location: Zoom Meeting

JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Project Updates

WCVB 5 and the Chronicle program had spent time in Pepperell in the past and were interested in producing a segment for their Mainstreet and Backroads feature. They really liked the town based on the past visits. Topics of interest were agriculture, business, history, etc. plus conservation and the outdoors.

Paula Terassi was asked to help setup the latter parts, and she reached out to Michael Rosser to see if he would highlight the fishing in an interview with the host Shayna Seymour. He agreed and wanted to include words about the Chapter's conservation efforts with our partners in addition to the great fishing.

On Wednesday, Oct. 28th the Mainstreet's crew met up with Michael and Paula at the Henry Columbo WMA where Michael was interviewed onstream and gave some casting instruction to Shayna. Tim McDaniel and Jan Polex were also there for some additional onstream b-roll shots.



It was a great opportunity to have the Chapter's goals and work mentioned on a very popular show. The hope is that viewers will take a deeper interest in general and in our Chapter's work specifically. The air date has not been set yet but is expected in the "coming weeks".

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Squan-*a*-Tissit Chapter

Chapter Elections

The following is a list of current Squan-a-Tissit officers and BOD members and a potential slate of electors for 2027. The yellow boxes are positions to be voted. Chapter elections will be held at the December Chapter meeting on 12/8.

Position	***2027 Status***	
Officers		
President	*John Deery*	
Vice President	*Open*	
Secretary	*Tim McDaniel*	
Treasurer	*Tom Burke (Nominee)*	
Board of Directors		
Director (2026, 2027)	*Dave Armstrong*	
Director (1-year automatic)	*John Deery*	
Director (1-year)	*Chip Detwiller*	
Director (1-year)	*Steve Hogan*	
Director (1-year)	*Scott Hraba*	
Director (1-year)	*Kirk Reynolds*	
Director (1-year)	*Paul Apgar*	
Director (2026, 2027)	*Jan Polex*	
Director (2025, 2026)	*Jim Nugent*	*2027, 2028*
Director (2024, 2025, 2026)	*Michael Rosser (Nominee)*	*2027, 2028, 2029*
Other Roles		
Newsletter	*Dave Armstrong*	
MA Council Delegate	*Tim McDaniel*	
Financial Reviewer	*Scott Hraba*	
Website	*Paul Apgar*	
Annual dinner	*Tim, Michael, Jan, Scott*	
Social Media		
On-line Auction		

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Jan Polex is organizing a Chapter fishing trip for next spring. Reach out to Jan if interested in joining !

Where - Moose River Maine / East outlet Kennebec River
When - May 17-20
Loding - Airb&b in Rockwood
Fly Shop - could not find one
Guides - Maineiac Outfitter 207-299-0700
Must have Maine fishing Licence
Only 2 Spots Left

The Moose River, near Jackman in western Maine, is an 83-mile river that threads through Wood Pond, Attean Pond, Long Pond and Brassua Lake before emptying into Moosehead Lake as part of the Kennebec watershed

The East Outlet is the headwaters of the Kennebec River system where it departs the east side of Moosehead Lake, Maine. It runs about three and a half miles from a release-controlled dam into Indian Pond

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Squan-a-Tissit TU supports the efforts of these allied non-profit organizations

Casting for Recovery

CfR provides healing outdoor retreats to enhance the lives of survivors and thrivers of breast cancer through wellness retreats that connect women to each other using the therapeutic sport of fly fishing and providing oncology medical and psychosocial support.

https://castingforrecovery.org/

HEALING THOSE WHO SERVE

PROJECT HEALING WATERS EST. 2005

Project Healing Waters guides veterans in need to healing through camaraderie, connectedness, and fly fishing. Project Healing Waters helps active military service personnel and Veterans in need through a dedicated, developed curriculum of fly fishing, fly casting, fly tying, and fly rod building.

https://projecthealingwaters.org/



The Mayfly Project supports children in foster care through fly fishing and intro-duces them to their local water ecosystems, with a hope that connecting them to a rewarding hobby will pro-vide an opportunity for foster children to have fun, build confidence, and develop a meaningful connection with the outdoors.

https://themayflyproject.com/

ADAM'S PARACHUTE



Adam's Parachute is dedicated to bringing the therapeutic benefits of fly fishing to the community of addiction and recovery. Through our free programs, we empower those in recovery from addiction, those working in the high-stress field of addiction care, and their loved ones to find healing, focus, and peace.

https://adamsparachute.org/

Fly of the Month

Fly: Blue-winged olive (BWO)
Hook size: 16 – 24
Tail: Coq de Leon fibers
Abdomen: Olive dun thread/CDC
Thorax: Olive dun Superfine dubbing
Wing: Light dun CDC feathers



Photo: Jim Nugent

Insect Source:
https://www.troutnut.com/common-name/8/Blue-Winged-Olives



JOIN TROUT UNLIMITED TODAY !

Fill out the name, address and other required fields and you are IN.

Any amount can be given above regular membership as an additional gift to help Trout Unlimited promote coldwater conservation.

Trout Unlimited is a 501c(3) organization. Membership fees and other contributions to TU and the local chapter are tax exempt to the extent allowable by law.

Steelhead, Salmon River, NY — Jan Polex





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Trout Unlimited - Our Vision

By the next generation, Trout Unlimited will ensure that robust populations of native and wild coldwater fish once again thrive within their North American range, so that our children can enjoy healthy fisheries in their home waters.

Monthly Meeting

The Squan-*a*-Tissit Chapter of Trout Unlimited holds monthly meetings for chapter members and guests, typically on the Second Tuesday of each month (Oct. through May) at the Pepperell Senior Center, 37 Nashua Rd,, Pepperell, MA.

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Meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. However, members and guests are encouraged to arrive earlier (6:30) and participate in informal fly tying. Bring your own vice and materials.

Meeting confirmation/updates are sent via email and posted on Facebook and the Chapter website and include on-line meeting attendance information.

Directions

From Rt. 3: Take the Rt. 113 Exit (Tyngsboro, Dunstable) and proceed west on Rt. 113, 9.2 miles, through Dunstable and into Pepperell. At the traffic circle follow Rt. 111 north, and proceed 1 mile, The Pepperell Senior Cener will be located on the right side.

From Rt. 495: Take the Rt. 119 Exit (Littleton Common) and proceed west on Rt. 119, 9 miles, through Groton and into Pepperell. Turn right onto Rt. 111, and proceed 2.7 miles. At the traffic circle take the 2nd exit to stay on Rt 111, and proceed 1 mile, The Pepperell Senior Cener will be located on the right side.

From Rt. 2: Take the Rt. 111 Exit (Ayer, Harvard, Clinton) and proceed north on Rt. 111, approximately 12 miles (total, to the Pepperell rotary), through Ayer and Groton to Pepperell. Route 111 merges with Rt. 119 in Groton. Once in Pepperell, Rt. 111 bears to the right (off of Rt. 119). Turn right onto Rt. 111 and proceed 2.7 miles. At the traffic circle take the 2nd exit to stay on Rt 111, and proceed 1 mile, The Pepperell Senior Cener will be located on the right side.

Google Maps: https://maps.app.goo.gl/oFkn3ZMQR3Xre6YV8