



# NEW JERSEY MAINSTREAM

JUNE 2003

## JUNE 10, 2003 MEETING PRESENTS: RICHARD JOGODNIK

FISHING COLORADO, THE BLUE, ARKANSAS, COLORADO, WILLIAMS FORK, MIDDLE FORK OF THE SOUTH PLATT, EAGLE, GORE CREEK, ROARING FORK, AND FRYING PAN RIVERS. A HUGE NUMBER OF RIVERS IN CLOSE PROXIMITY FOR EASY ACCESS AND WITH DIFFERENT FACES.



CJTU is one of New Jersey's leading advocacy and conservation groups leading the fight to protect trout, cold-water fisheries and their environments. Our 700 members represent a diverse cross-section of New Jersey and its surrounding areas, but all of us are joined together by a love of trout fishing and a commitment to preserve cold-water fisheries for future generations.

Our mission is to conserve, protect and restore New Jersey's cold water fisheries and their environments. In order to achieve our goals, we conduct habitat improvement projects, stream clean-ups, and educational programs among other activities. We strive to educate the next generation about the importance to preserve clean water and wild trout. While engaged in conservation efforts, we manage to have a lot of fun, whether at monthly meetings, chapter fishing trips, or stream projects. We invite you to join us.

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

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Dear CJTU Members,

June has always been my favorite time of year for trout fishing. The crowds have thinned out, the bugs are on the water in greater numbers and the fish are very active and aggressively feeding. If you are one of the many anglers who only fish the first few weeks of the season I encourage you to get out and...wait a minute. Forget what I just said. In fact I was lying; the woods are filled with bears and snakes this time of year. They wait along the stream banks waiting to pounce on unsuspecting anglers.

In all seriousness this is a great time to be out on our waters in search of trout. As much as I would like to have the streams to myself it's unfair of me to try and scare people away. True...the State is no longer stocking the waters but there is still good fishing to be had. A good number of fish still reside in most of the stocked waters, and there are also a few waters that have populations of holdover fish. The State's Trout Conservation Waters would be a good place to start looking. There are other waters but most are guarded secrets. Find someone in the know and try and get them to divulge the locations of these waters or better yet, just get out there and start fishing. With a little luck you may just stumble onto your own little secret water.

As you can tell from my absence at the last two meetings I have been pretty busy these days, a little too busy. Unfortunately things have been a little too hectic for me to free up much time to wet a line recently. Hopefully things will slow down a little and I will be able to enjoy some time on the water this month.

Despite the busy schedule I managed to book a trip for the upcoming week to central Pennsylvania. I am going out on one of the many trips that Harvey Roberson has planned for CJTU members this year. If you have been thinking about participating in one of these trips I highly recommend them. I have heard nothing but positive comments from members that have taken one of these trips in the past. So don't hesitate if you think you

would be interested in a future trip and remember, there is usually only limited space available and they fill up very quickly.

One of the things I was meaning to do this spring and never got around to it was to conduct an awards ceremony to honor members of CJTU that have gone "above and beyond" in supporting our chapter. We conduct these awards ceremonies periodically and we are long over due. So we will be having an awards night sometime in the fall...stay tuned.

Last year at this time Ted Ferfecki stepped down as the editor of Main Stream. Ted had been our editor for 15 years. He did an outstanding job for all those years and thanks to our new editor Louis DiGena, we continue to bring you a quality newsletter. I want to take this opportunity on behalf of the chapter to thank Ted for the work he did in the past and Lou for the outstanding job he is doing now. Without these and the other members of CJTU that work behind the scenes, this chapter would not exist. I encourage all members to become more involved in the activities of the chapter. We are always looking for help.

This month's meeting will be our last until September. Our speaker will be Richard Jogodnik. His program will be on trout fishing in Colorado. We do not have general membership meetings or send out newsletters during the months of July and August. So make sure you get out to this month's meeting. I will see you there.

Tight Lines



Jack Leavette

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# POLITICAL BEAT

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By: Louis DiGena (digena@last-tree.com)

It is good to see that the governor is keeping his commitment to clean water and open space. As far as the bills in session I have nothing new to report. It is hard to keep up with the bills in session recently because there are problems with the NJ Legislature website.

Please write, e-mail or call our legislators to let them know how you want them to vote. Our legislators do listen to their constituents who get involved. We cannot be silent. Our legislators pick the issues that they are willing to defend or oppose based on public support. It is crucial to get involved. To find out your state legislators, I recommend visiting (<http://www.njleg.state.nj.us>) or write to your representatives either in care of:

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P.O. Box 099  
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or in care of

New Jersey General Assembly  
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When addressing mail to a legislator, the title "Honorable" should precede the representative's full name. The letter's salutation should read "Dear Senator" or "Dear Assemblyman/woman."

## Bills CJTU Supports:

**Assembly Bill No. 929** "The Steep Slope Protection Act." *Status: 1/8/02 Introduced And Referred To Assembly Environment and Solid Waste Committee.*

**Assembly Bill No. 982** "Provides a gross income tax deduction from the State gross income tax for donations of certain environmentally sensitive or undeveloped lands, or an interest therein, to the State of New Jersey." *Status: 5/13/02 Transferred To Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.*

**Assembly Bill No. 1143** Allocates at least \$100 million from the Garden State Green Acres Preservation Trust Fund for coastal and inland Blue Acres land acquisition projects in flood-prone areas. *Status: 1/8/02 Introduced And Referred To Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.*

**Assembly Bill No. 1144** "Appropriates \$200,000 to the New Jersey Commission on Environmental Education for programs to promote an environmentally responsible citizenry." *Status: 1/8/02 Introduced And Referred To Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.*

**Assembly Bill No. 1377** "Appropriates \$1 million to the DEP for watershed education grants". *Status: 1/8/02 Introduced And Referred To Assembly Environment and Solid Waste Committee*

**Assembly Bill No. 1590** makes a supplemental appropriation of \$3,400,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Environmental Protection to support the cost of stream bank stabilization, restoration and stream bed stabilization for Spruce Run Creek projects in Hunterdon County. *Status: 1/8/02 Introduced And Referred To Assembly Environment Committee.*

**Assembly Resolution No. 132** "Urges U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to adopt management plan for resident Canada goose populations as soon as possible". *Status: 6/6/02 Introduced And Referred To Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.*

**Senate Bill No. 142** provides for designation of goose management areas for resident Canada geese populations by providing grants to municipalities for non-lethal management of the geese. This Bill is currently referred to Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee. *Status: 1/8/02 Introduced And Referred To Senate Environment Committee.*

**Senate Resolution No. 36** This resolution urges the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to allocate additional resources to address problems associated with the resident Canada goose population in New Jersey. The resolution urges the USDA to dedicate an additional wildlife biologist to the department's New Jersey office to assist the State's agricultural community and municipalities in identifying non-lethal harassment techniques and to facilitate applications to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service for additional management options when the harassment techniques are unsuccessful. *Status: 9/30/02 Passed Senate (Voice).*

**Senate Resolution No. 37** This resolution urges the United State Fish and Wildlife Service to take all available steps as soon as possible to authorize additional hunting opportunities for resident Canada geese in New Jersey, by increasing the number of available hunting days, increasing the area in which winter season hunting is allowed in the State, or increasing bag limits, or by such other methods as may be deemed appropriate. *Status: 2/21/02 Introduced And Referred To Senate Environment Committee.*

## Bills CJTU Opposes:

**Assembly Bill No. 479** "Prohibits black bear hunting for five years; requires development of plan for bear population control; and appropriates \$95,000." *Status:*

*11/8/02 Introduced And Referred To Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.* This bill takes away management of black bears from the Division of Fish and Wildlife to the Legislature or Governor. Management of fish and wildlife should be handled by biologist not the Legislature or Governor. Identical Bill Number: **S1219.**

**Assembly Bill No. 2246** "Authorizes DEP to reduce or waive certain water pollution penalties". Mandatory penalties are in place to deter would be offenders. *Status: 5/9/02 Introduced And Referred To Assembly Environment and Solid Waste Committee.*

## Bills Under Review by CJTU:

**Assembly Bill No. 477** "Appropriates \$2 million to the Division of Fish and Wildlife for bear management". *Status: 1/8/02 Introduced And Referred To Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.*

**Assembly Bill No. 520** "Authorizes development of alternative water supply under certain circumstances". *Status: 5/13/02 Transferred To Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.*

**Assembly Bill No. 904** "Appropriates \$250,000 to DEP for costs of well drilling to monitor groundwater quality." *Status: 1/8/02 Introduced And Referred To Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.*

**Assembly Bill No. 926** "Public Surface Water Supply Protection Act." *Status: 5/13/02 Transferred To Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.*

**Assembly Bill No. 2089** "Requires scheduled revisions to New Jersey Statewide Water Supply Plan". *Status: 3/18/02 Introduced And Referred To Assembly Environment and Solid Waste Committee.*

**Assembly Bill No. 2327** "Creates program and provides assistance for repair and remediation of significant and low level hazard dams". *Status: 5/9/02 Introduced And Referred To Assembly Environment and Solid Waste Committee.*

**Assembly Joint Resolution No. 36** "Establishes Wastewater and Grey Water Reuse Study Commission". *Status: 2/6/03 Combined With AJR18*

**Assembly Joint Resolution No. 18** "Establishes "Wastewater Reuse Study Commission." 2/6/03 *Reported Assembly Committee Substitute 2nd Reading*

**Senate Bill No. 733** "Appropriates \$2 million to the Division of Fish and Wildlife for bear management". *Status: 1/15/02 Introduced And Referred To Senate Economic Growth, Agriculture and Tourism Committee.*

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## "CAN YOU RELATE ?"

By Stuart Shafran

Larry and I made plans to fish a stretch of water unfamiliar to both of us. Since I knew the area better, it seemed logical that I played guide. I knew just where to park, where to find the path to the water, and just the right flies. Larry tied on a flashback baetis and a San Juan worm and I tied on a prince nymph and a San Juan worm. I led us along the path until there was a spot that the two of us could fish. I offered Larry the pocket water and I walked just upstream to the upper pool. I thought the pocket water Larry was fishing would be very productive and knew he would catch many fish.

Larry was the first to yell FISH ON! His little brookie jumped at least three feet from the water trying his Damnedest to spit that hook. Shortly after, I caught my first trout. He spit out the hook before I found out which fly he took. But I had him on long enough to shout FISH ON!

After our first few fish the action stopped. I lost several flies and tried new selections. Larry kept on

### Central Jersey TU Seniors and Handicapped Fishing Day.

Saturday, September 6th 12 - 3 PM  
Any senior, or handicapped member, or relatives of members, that cannot handle wading in our rivers and streams, qualifies for this program.

Activity fee for 2003 must be paid. Bring coolers with ice if you want to keep trout.

We need to limit the number of participants, so sign up sooner rather than later.

Contact Ozzie or Bill VanZandt at the May or June meetings. If you have any questions, call Ozzie at (732) 238-2495

fishing his flashback. We were both planted in good spots but no action. Like a good guide, I encouraged Larry to fish upstream in new pockets where I was sure there were several good size fish. Nothing. In fact, I thought he fished the new area too fast. Next thing I know, Larry is standing in the lower end of my pool. Since I wasn't having much luck there I moved to where he was just fishing. "I'll show him where the fish are", I said to myself. Now I'm where he was, and he's where I was.

Before I had the chance to make my first cast, Larry yells "FISH ON!" A thirteen inch jumper. Moments later "FISH ON!" Fish number two. Another jumper. At least twelve inches. "What the hell are you using?" I asked. "Flashback baetis" he replied. This went on for fish number three, four, five, and six. Me, in the spot where I knew there had to be several good size trout, NOTHING.

I enjoyed Larry's success almost as much as he did. I tied and gave Larry the flashback baetis.

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## FLY OF THE MONTH

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### Sulphur Dun Nymph

This fly can be tied on a Mustad 9671 hook in sizes 16-20. It is a creation of Bob Mauro, one of our past members, and it has passed the tests of time. It is very useful during the midday or slow periods on the limestone streams of south-central Pennsylvania. Fish it dead drift or give it a slight twitch as you would for most nymphs.

Tail: Wood Duck fibers

Body: Brown and orange fur blended together in a ratio of 60% orange and 40% brown

Wing: Gray or black goose

Legs: Wood Duck fibers tied as a throat

You can tie the same pattern using yellow in place of the orange. Your choice of fly will depend on the color of the naturals you are imitating.

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## NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION - DO'S AND DON'TS AROUND THE HOME

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### HOUSEHOLD CHEMICALS

- Be aware that many chemicals commonly used around the home are toxic. Select less toxic alternatives. Use non-toxic substitutes wherever possible.

- Buy chemicals only in the amount you expect to use, and apply them only as directed. More is not better.

- Take unwanted household chemicals to hazardous waste collection centers; do not pour them down the drain. Pouring chemicals down the drain may disrupt your septic system or else contaminate treatment plant sludge.

- Never pour unwanted chemicals on the ground. Soil cannot purify most chemicals, and they may eventually contaminate runoff.

- Use low-phosphate or phosphate-free detergents.

- Use water-based products whenever possible.

- Leftover household pesticide? Do not indiscriminately spray pesticides, either indoors or outdoors, where a pest problem has not been identified. Dispose of excess pesticides at hazardous waste collection centers.

### LANDSCAPING AND GARDENING

- When landscaping your yard, select plants that have low requirements for water, fertilizers, and pesticides.

- Cultivate plants that discourage pests. Minimize grassed areas which require high maintenance.

- Preserve existing trees, and plant trees and shrubs to help prevent erosion and promote infiltration of water into the soil.

- Use landscaping techniques such as grass swales (low areas in the lawn) or porous walkways to increase infiltration and decrease runoff.

### OTHER LANDSCAPING TIPS:

- Install wood decking or bricks or interlocking stones instead of impervious cement walkways.

- Install gravel trenches along driveways or patios to collect water and allow it to filter into the ground.

- Restore bare patches in your lawn as soon as possible to avoid erosion.

- Grade all areas away from your house at a slope of one percent or more.

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# NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION - DO'S AND DON'TS AROUND THE HOME (CONT.)

- Leave lawn clippings on your lawn so that nutrients in the clippings are recycled and less yard waste goes to landfills.

- If you elect to use a professional lawn care service, select a company that employs trained technicians and follows practices designed to minimize the use of fertilizers and pesticides.

- Compost your yard trimmings. Compost is a valuable soil conditioner which gradually releases nutrients to your lawn and garden. (Using compost will also decrease the amount of fertilizer you need to apply.) In addition, compost retains moisture in the soil and thus helps you conserve water.

- Spread mulch on bare ground to help prevent erosion and runoff.

- Test your soil before applying fertilizers. Over-fertilization is a common problem, and the excess can leach into ground water or contaminate rivers or lakes. Also, avoid using fertilizers near surface waters. Use slow-release fertilizers on areas where the potential for water contamination is high, such as sandy soils, steep slopes, compacted soils, and verges of water bodies. Select the proper season to apply fertilizers: Incorrect timing may encourage weeds or stress grasses. Do not apply pesticides or fertilizers before or during rain due to the strong likelihood of runoff.

- Calibrate your applicator before applying pesticides or fertilizers. As equipment ages, annual adjustments may be needed.

- Keep storm gutters and drains clean of leaves and yard trimmings. (Decomposing vegetative matter leaches nutrients and can clog storm systems and result in flooding.)

## SEPTIC SYSTEMS

Improperly maintained septic systems can contaminate ground water and surface water with nutrients and pathogens. By following the recommendations below, you can help ensure that your system continues to function properly.

- Inspect your septic system annually.

- Pump out your septic system regularly. (Pumping out every three to five years is recommended for a three-bedroom house with a 1,000-gallon tank; smaller tanks should be pumped more often.)

- Do not use septic system additives. There is no scientific evidence that biological and chemical additives aid or accelerate decomposition in septic tanks; some additives may in fact be detrimental to the septic system or contaminate ground water.

- Do not divert stormdrains or basement pumps into septic systems.

- Avoid or reduce the use of your garbage disposal. (Garbage disposals contribute unnecessary solids to your septic system and can also increase the frequency your tank needs to be pumped.)

- Don't use toilets as trash cans! Excess solids may clog your drainfield and necessitate more frequent pumping.

## WATER CONSERVATION

Homeowners can significantly reduce the volume of wastewater discharged to home septic systems and sewage treatment plants by conserving water. If you have a septic system, by decreasing your water usage, you can help prevent your system from overloading and contaminating ground water and surface water. (Seventy-five percent of drainfield failures are due to hydraulic overloading.)

- Use low-flow faucets, shower heads, reduced-flow toilet flushing equipment, and water saving appliances such as dish and clothes washers.

- Repair leaking faucets, toilets, and pumps.

- Use dishwashers and clothes washers only when fully loaded.

- Take short showers instead of baths and avoid letting faucets run unnecessarily.

- Wash your car only when necessary; use a bucket to save water. Alternatively, go to a commercial carwash that uses water efficiently and disposes of runoff properly.

- Do not over-water your lawn or garden. Over-watering may increase leaching of fertilizers to ground water.

- When your lawn or garden needs watering, use slow-watering techniques such as trickle irrigation or soaker hoses. (Such devices reduce runoff and are 20-percent more effective than sprinklers.)

## OTHER AREAS WHERE YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

- Clean up after your pets. Pet waste contains nutrients and pathogens that can contaminate surface water.

- Drive only when necessary. Driving less reduces the amount of pollution your automobile generates. Automobiles emit tremendous amounts of airborne pollutants, which increase acid rain; they also deposit toxic metals and petroleum byproducts into the environment. Regular tuneups and inspections can help keep automotive waste and byproducts from contaminating runoff. Clean up any spilled automobile fluids.

- Recycle used oil and antifreeze by taking them to service stations and other recycling centers. Never put used oil or other chemicals down stormdrains or in drainage ditches. (One quart of oil can contaminate up to two million gallons of drinking water!)

(Taken from an EPA Journal article, Nov./Dec. 1991, EPA 22K-1005) By: Robert Goo

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### ALLAN JOHNSON SCHOOL OF FLY CASTING ON JUNE 14,15, 2003

We operate out of a nice Hunting & Fishing Lodge on the Main Branch of the Delaware. We are now up to 10; we can handle 12. I would like (2) Standbys.

### FARMINGTON RIVER, CONNECTICUT FOR JULY 10,11, 12, 2003

We are filled and have 3 Standbys.

### SPRING CREEK FALL TRIP, OCTOBER 10,11,12, BELLEFONTE, PA. WITH DON BASTIAN & FRIENDS.

We may add some fishing at Big Fishing Creek or others in the area. We have (8) signed up and we can handle (4) more plus (2) Standbys.

### LAST MINUTE RUSH/CJTU TRIP TO NY STATE

### SEPTEMBER 18,19,20, 2003 (LAST DAYS ON YOUR NY LICENSE)

We would like to run a Do It Yourself Trip for those wanting to fish the Delaware (Main, West Branch, East Branch, Beaverkill and Lower Willowemoc). There are several lodges where we could get group pricing – I would like to keep this to 8. Sign up, also whether you will double up for the two nights. This will be a very reasonable trip.

Please check the Bulletin Board at our regular Meetings or give me a call:

**Harvey Roberson**  
**(908) 232-8010 or (908) 233-5546**

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## CLASSIC TU PATCH GIVEAWAY

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The chapter has a supply of the classic TU patch which is being phased out by TU National.

While our supply lasts, these will be available on a first come basis to chapter members who have paid their activity fee. Present your activity card at the merchandise table at future meetings to receive your patch.

**Limit of one per member.**

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**NEW JERSEY MAINSTREAM**  
**Central Jersey Trout Unlimited**  
P.O. Box 55  
Pluckemin, NJ 07978

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### Meetings and Directions

The CJTU Board of directors meet on the first Tuesday of every month at 8:00 P.M. General meetings, open to the public, are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 8:00 P.M., except July & August, at the Dunellen Knights of Columbus Hall on South Ave. and Grove Street.

**(A) From Rt. 22:** Washington Ave. Exit to Rt. 28; Right onto Rt. 28; Left at next light; **(B)** Left at end of block. Knights of Columbus on your left.

**North on 287:** Dunellen exit, Right on Stelton Rd; Right on Washington Ave; Left on Rt. 28; Follow **(B)**.

**South on 287:** Rt. 22 exit to NYC; Follow **(A) & (B)**.

