

THE BOB DWYER FISHING CLUB MARCH – 2019

President's Corner

Gentlemen, **Opening Day** is on the radar and I'm not talking about the MLB and NY Yankee openers. I'm talking about April **Fool's Day** and the start of the **2019 Trout Fishing Season**. Now the question is:

*"How many of you **Fool-hardy** members plan on going out on opening day?"*

If you do get out before we meet the last week of April, let us know how you make out. Now, just a reminder to mark your calendars as follows:

Spring Dates:

- The 2018 PH Grimes Trophy Period will begin on Saturday (April 27th) and close on Sunday (May 5th).
- The Spring BDFC Fish Fry will be on Friday (May 3rd).
- The BDFC Dinner Meeting and Banquet will be on Saturday (May 4th).
- The 2018 Bob Dwyer, Perry Dimmick and Ray Williams Trophies will be awarded at the Dinner Meeting.

If you haven't already, please be sure to get your reservations in to **Gary** at the Mountain Brook Inn mountainbrookinn@aol.com or by phone at 607-832-4662.

Fall Fishing Rewind (in brief):

The streams remained high all week due to the heavy rains before our arrival and during our stay. I fished a number of different streams but they all had too much flow to wade across safely, so the fishing wasn't the best.

However, **Peter Snetzko** did manage to catch some. One large enough to supply the gang with some good eating during the Friday night fish fry. That was a 19-inch brown trout (pictured to the right) which he caught out of the upper part of the Delaware River (notice the high water behind him).





The picture above is a view of Vly Creek off Rte-28 in Fleischmanns. As I said, one would be hard pressed to get into the stream anywhere along this stretch.

Rick Dwyer played a little magic with his worm fishing at the West Branch Tailwater in Deposit. Here are two of the trout he caught in the morning. They were 19 ½ & 18 inches respectively. However, **the best was yet to come** which we'll highlight later in this newsletter. His hefty catch contributed mightily to the Friday fish fry.



I would like to take the time to welcome two new members to the Bob Dwyer Fishing Club. Of course, neither are strangers. For you see, both are related to current members.

To the left is **Dan Wilson**, grandson of Charter Member **Len Winstanley**. Above is **PJ Snetzko**, son of our Club Treasurer **Peter Snetzko**.



Am looking forward to seeing you soon,

Tim Flynn

President – BDFC

A Few Reflections



Speaking of **Dan Wilson**, he sent me the picture to the left taken at a bar in Brooklyn, New York. The beer is from the Catskill Brewery which is located at 672 Old Rte-17 in Livingston Manor, New York.

By the way, I want to thank Dan for committing to take the photographs during our stay at the MBI last Fall. The one to the right was from a farm along the upper reaches of Vly Creek. These were yearlings in training.

Dan works as a Producer for a media production company based in Greenpoint, Brooklyn. He and his crew go around the world producing various documentaries. Back in December, he uploaded the power-point that Kevin Grimes put together on the *Early History of the Bob Dwyer Fishing Club*. This was uploaded to a custom YouTube Channel which club members can access here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MUW-HNPPdAI>
Note: If you can't download it, we can discuss as an agenda item at the club meeting for further action to get it into the hands of all members.



Above, **Rick Dwyer** loads up with **nightwalkers** for his afternoon fishing. Although the river was high and treacherous he managed to make it up to the weir (I wasn't going there).

After catching a few small ones over the course of a couple hours, he decided to change lures. It was here on his first cast he caught a 22 ½ brown trout (pictured at right) to ultimately win both the **2018 Bob Dwyer and Ray Williams Trophies**.



What lure did he switch to? ... **A Hopkin's Spoon** ... a bass fishing favorite (at right).



I was walking down the street one evening when I was approached by a particularly dirty and shabby-looking homeless man who asked me for a couple of dollars for food.

I took out my wallet and got a ten-dollar bill. With that, I asked: "If I give you this money, will you buy **booze** with it instead of food?" "No!" he answered, "I stopped drinking years ago."

Again, I questioned him: "Would you spend this on **golfing** equipment?" to which he replied, "Are you nuts? I haven't played golf in twenty years!" Here I asked: "Will you use this money to go **fishing** instead of buying food?" "No, I don't waste my time fishing," the homeless man said; "I need to spend all my time trying to stay alive."

"Well," I said. "**I'm not going to give you any money at all**. Instead, I'm going to take you home for a shower, a chance to wash your clothes and have my wife cook you a terrific dinner." Here, the homeless man was astounded. "Won't your wife **be furious with you** for doing that?"

I replied, "Don't worry about that. But it's of utmost importance, that she sees what **happens to a man** after he gives up **drinking, golfing and fishing!**"



What a beautiful hole that is



Go ahead Len, give it a try



"Bingo" – nice brookie



A little French onion soup, some corn on the cobb, the main course - plus a toast from the Chairman of the Board



John Knoepfel checking out the happy hour offerings along with the Misselnicky/Snetzko father and sons

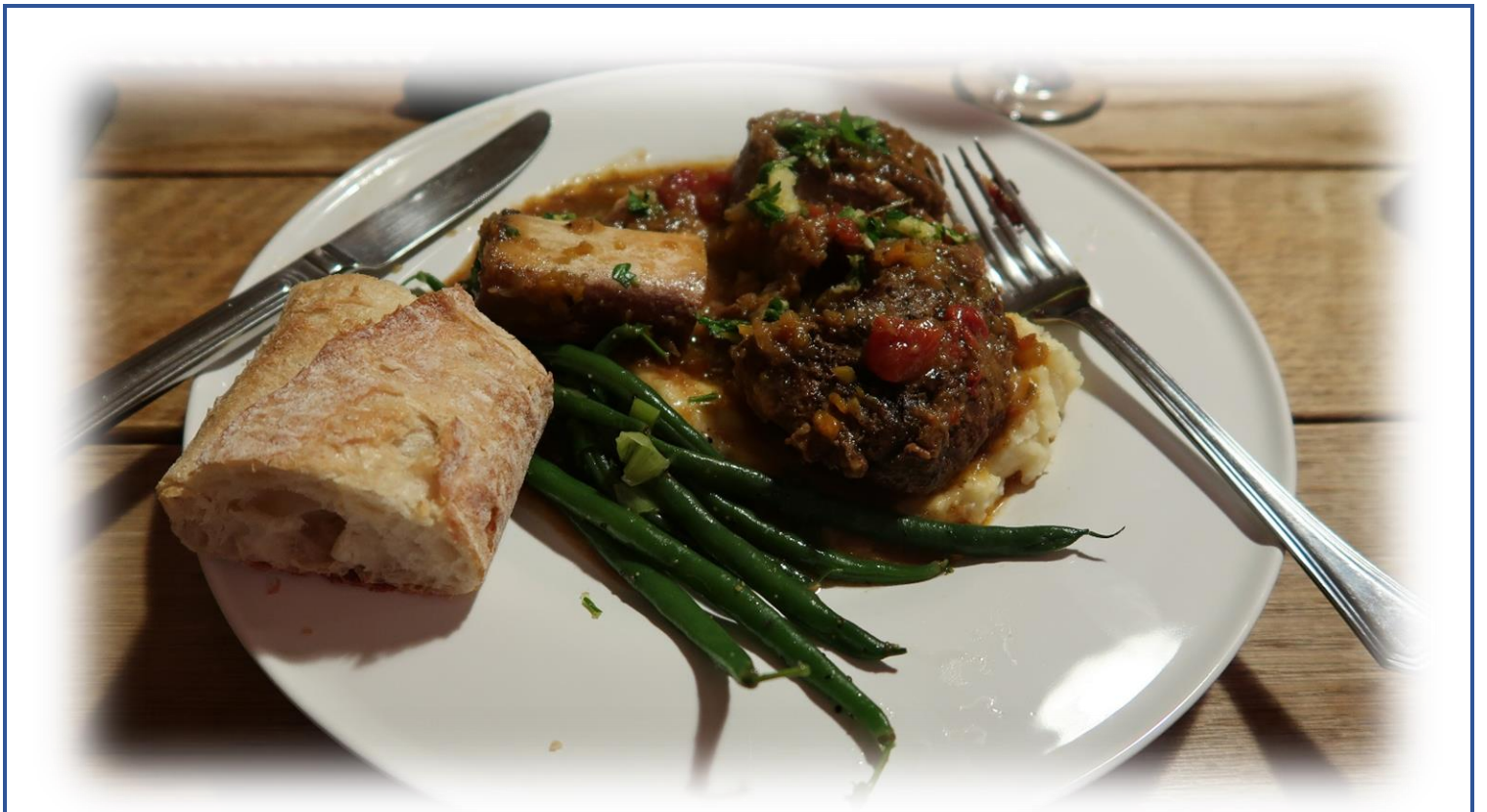


The two "Tims" checking out the crabcakes, Jon & Lenny share a martini while Danny stands - waiting his turn



DINNER TIME

**(Left to Right) Jim Flynn, Bob Dwyer, Jon Dwyer, Tim Flynn, Tim Christopher, Rob Crowley, Chris O’Gorman
Brian Grimes, Rick Dwyer, Dan Wilson, PJ Snetzko, Matt Snetzko, Peter Snetzko, Len Winstanley and Kevin
Grimes**



MAIN COURSE - BRAISED SHORT RIBS

After Dinner Awards Time





Kevin Grimes accepts the Patrick H. Grimes Trophy from last year's winner Chris O'Gorman on behalf of this year's winner (his son) Dwyer Grimes. This trophy is awarded to the Club Member who caught the largest trout during the Spring outing ... Dwyer won with a 20-inch brown trout.



Bob Dwyer presents BDFC President Tim Flynn with the "Tom Keating Sportsman Award." This award is given to the member who has best lived , promoted and conducted himself to the benefit of the BDFC values.



What a way to finish off the evening ... a beautiful fire, lovely music and a fine cigar ... doesn't get any better



As Fall gives way to winter, we bid farewell to Gary and his MBI team for another year ... see you in the Spring.



I pray you all have a Blessed and Holy Easter

Jon Dwyer

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