



THE BOB DWYER FISHING CLUB SEPTEMBER – 2025

President's Corner

Dear BDFC Brothers,

The sun is setting a little earlier these days, the cool nights are returning, and the air carries a crisp promise of change. Soon, the Catskills will trade their lush summer green for a mosaic of gold and crimson. And as the leaves begin to turn, so do the thoughts of our annual Fall fishing trip. It's time for the "*Great Fall Fill!*" When the brown and brook trout grow hungry and prepare for their spawning runs, making the clear cold waters of Delaware County a truly special place to be.

I am excited to announce and remind you of our upcoming dates. The Ray Williams Trophy fishing period will be from Saturday, September 20th through Sunday, September 28th.

The schedule will be familiar, but the memories will be all new. We will start with Thursday's tradition at Castle Grimes, followed by the legendary Fish Fry on Friday. Saturday will be dedicated to our annual Club Business Meeting and, of course The Grand Banquet – a time for feasting, stories and friendship. We'll depart on Sunday, ready to face the year ahead.

As we look forward to these days of camaraderie and fellowship, let's take a moment to reflect on the friendships that bind us. We've had the joy of welcoming new members to our ranks this year, and we've also felt the deep loss of friends who have cast their last line. Their spirit remains a part of this club, and we will honor their memory as we share the water and the riverbanks, we all love so much.

The fellowship we share is the "*True Catch of the Season!*" It is a privilege to be a part of a club that is more than just a place to fish; "*It's a Family!*" I can't wait to see your faces, share a drink, play a little pitch, maybe some music and create new stories with all of you.



It is never too early to book your reservations with David Ho at the Mountain Brook Inn. David's contact numbers are as follows: Cell Phone: 650-269-4382
Email: david@mountainbrookinn.com

See you at the - Mountain Brook!

Rob Crowley President – BDFC

Week in Review

Another BDFC week was in the books and what a week it was! After a disappointment last Spring. The week proved to be exceptional beyond compare as witnessed by the following:



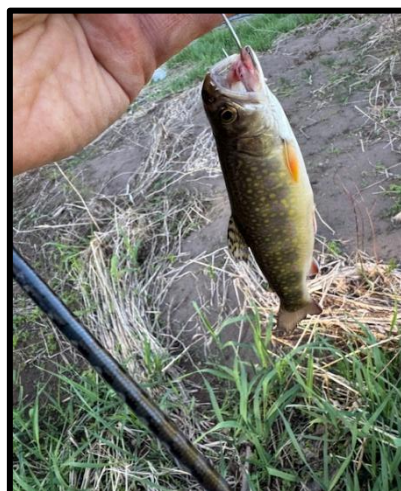
Kevin and Brian Grimes, after enduring three days of rain, fished together over the Memorial Day weekend and conditions were ideal, with big browns active all morning and pounding Pins Minnows.



Kevin Grimes 20 ½ incher on May 24th and Brian Grimes 22 incher the same day which he released.



At left, is Rob's hefty Small Mouth Bass
Above is Tim's nice West Branch Brown
At right, is a Brookie of 12 plus inches



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In remembrance of the last Shelburne Road resident and an original member of the BDFC – “Len Winstanley!”

I must say he never swayed in his love for certain things. Like for instance:

Budweiser Beer, Buick Motor Vehicles, Extra Dry Martinis, Sail Boats, Brook Trout, Louis Jadot Beaujolais and sharing his life with each one of us - May he rest in peace.

Further Reflection from Last Spring

A grand time was had by all those at the BDFC Spring outing. While the fish were not jumping into our nets, We did catch a few brookies and some feisty small mouth bass though it was a shame they weren't in season. The true stars of the trip were the big, beautiful brown trout. A number of which measured over 19 inches. Many of those appear in the pictures on page-2 above.

Beyond the water, camaraderie remained strong. Some of us enjoyed great golf, plenty of terrific cigars and kept the competitive spirit alive with some very interesting Pitch Games throughout the night.



At left all are gathered for “Family Grill Time” at Castle Grimes on Tunis Lake. The hot dogs, hamburgers, Italian sausages, mushrooms, baked beans, and the selection of various beers and wines made for a lovely evening.

Many thanks to the Grimes family for their kind hospitality.



Here is the newest little **Brookie** in the Bob Dwyer Fishing Club a baby boy named Xavier Malachi **Brooks**.

Congratulations to the proud parents Brandon and Amanda **Brooks**.

Congratulations to the proud Grand Parents as well, BDFC member **Deacon Steve and Dawn Rhodes**.



Starting with Prez Rob Crowley going around the table to the left we have Ken Vigiletti, Wayne Cerinetti, Peter Snetzko, Zach Cerinetti, Kevin Grimes, Rob Dwyer, Jack Flynn, Jon Dwyer, Bob Dwyer and Brian Grimes.



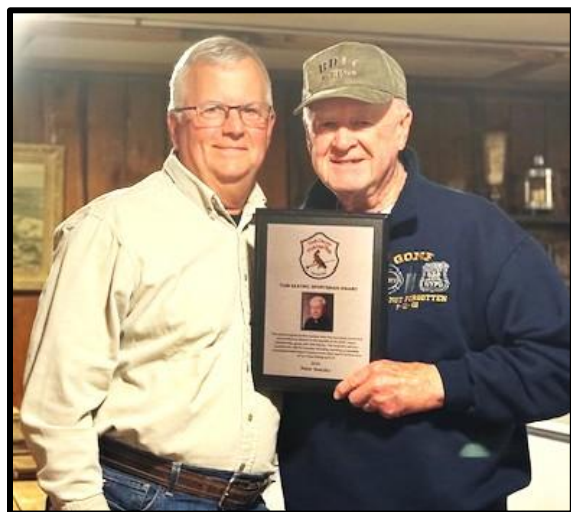
PJ Snetzko, Matt Snetzko, Peter Snetzko and Rob Dwyer Flexing their “*Mussels!*” while awaiting Chez Gary’s main entre “*Welly’s!*”



Far left is a view of the trees towering over Gary Simmon's mountaintop Mansion. What a sight.



Then we have Tim Flynn Presenting Bob Dwyer with the 2023 PHGrimes Trophy for his 19 1/2 inch West Branch brown Trout



Bob Dwyer presenting Peter Snetzko with the long overdue 2020 T.F.Keating Award for his 10 years of excellent work as the Bob Dwyer Fishing Club's Treasurer



Bob Dwyer presenting Kevin Grimes with the 2024 Bob Dwyer Trophy for the 22 1/2 inch Brown Trout he caught in the Little Delaware

Rob Dwyers 22 1/2" Brown he caught on a # 9 Panther Martin (black with gold blade) at the West Branch near Bloomville where he walked in from Hwy-10 at Sackrider Cemetery. He said

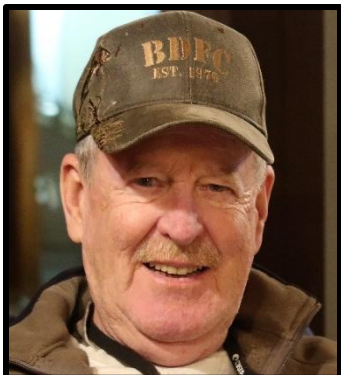
I was standing stream level on a little beach. My cast was a bit of an afterthought, one of those, *"maybe just one more cast before I move on!"* With that "Wham!" I knew it was a big one, never used my net. I beached it instead. I know this doesn't make for an epic fish tale, but my heart was racing all the same.





Like Prez Rob said: the music flowed as freely as the good cheer, and the food was simply outstanding. We'll be talking about the family grill time at Castle Grimes for years to come, and the Friday Fish fry and Saturday's "*Welly's*" at Chez Gary were true feasts.

A final breakfast at the Mountain Brook sent us home with full bellies and even better memories.



**May brooks and trees and singing hills join in the chorus too
and every gentle wind that blows, send happiness to you.**

Jon Dwyer

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