

Catskill Rodmakers Gathering 2018

(Schedule subject to change)

Friday, September 7th:

12:00 Registration in the Museum

5:30 Pot luck dinner and barbecue at the rodmakers workshop lawn. This year's dinner will be a simple picnic, with hamburgers, hot dogs, salads, etc. If you can contribute to the potluck, we request you bring appetizers, snacks or a dessert. If in doubt about your contribution to the potluck, please discuss with Tom. He can be reached at (856)889-7440. If bringing something to eat isn't feasible for you, come anyway, there will be plenty.

Saturday, September 8th:

8:00 - 9:00 Breakfast at the Education Center, lower level. Registration continues in the Wulff Gallery Foyer

8:30 Bring Demarest Challenge rods to be registered by the casting staff in the Darbee Pavilion. Casting will be done in that area as well.

9:15 Wulff Gallery: Greetings, announcements, etc in the Wulff Gallery. Bellinger Award presentation, Rodmakers gallery Induction. Kathy Scott on Garrison hardcover book release, David Serfin on the state of the bamboo market

10:30 Rodmakers Workshop: Chet Croco on the Bellinger method of cane rod building

12:00 - 1:00 Lunch at the Education Center, lower level

1:00 – 3:30 Wulff Gallery – Chris Bogart on photographic methods for rodmakers and fly tiers. How to make your work look really good with inexpensive methods. Have your rod photographed.

1:00 – 3:00 Rodmakers Workshop: There will be a series of ongoing demonstrations demonstrating more advanced techniques for more experienced builders. Lathe techniques, See strips made on the Halstead mill by Tom McDonnell and Art Leclair.

3:00: Jed Dempsey will demonstrate knurling techniques

1:00 – 4:00 Darbee Pavilion – Peter Jones – demos using Dennis Bertram's rougher and CNC Mill.

1:00 – 4:00 Demarest Challenge – rodmakers cast their rods.

3:30 – 4:00 Set up silent auction in Wulff Gallery

4:00 – 5:00 Silent auction begins

5:00 BYO refreshments and local beer and wine tasting

5:00 – 6:00 Appetizers served in Wulff Gallery

6:00 Dinner at the workshop and lawn featuring Dave Fitch's smoked meats followed by the auction in the Wulff Gallery.

Sunday, September 9th:

8:00- 9:00 Breakfast at the Rodmakers Workshop

9:00 – gathering picture and Demarest Challenge award.

9:30 – 11:00 Rodmakers workshop: More advanced demonstrations. Making and using a splicing block by Willis Reid.

Tom Smithwick on Fuji Torzite guides. Cast a rod outfitted with them.

10:00 Wulff Gallery – Bob Williams on creating and fishing an effective beetle pattern. Find out why his nickname is “Beetle Bob”

11:00 Wulff Gallery: Panel discussion, recap of gathering, where do we go from here

12:00 lunch: workshop lawn