

Thoughts from the Professor Vol. 3 Chapter 4

This month I am reviewing a couple of items from the Library. The first is a book called **Ultimate Fresh Water Fishing** by **John Bailey**.

Fishing for Tench, Rudd, Roach and Chub. Yes this book covers a wide variety of fishes. It of course included the trout and salmon and bass we all think of when we consider fishing but it covers a number of those unique fish. What is more important is that the book focuses on each species giving information about each specie as to habitat, food sources and excellent pictures and description of each species. It is definitely and interesting book especially if you want to learn about each specie. Perch for example species include yellow perch, Barramundi, Tiger Fish and the Great Nile Perch which can weigh up to 500lbs, Oh by the way what we call perch are really white bass. What I liked most about this book was that it was concise giving a little information about each of the species included. The coverage include excellent photos and concise information of the species and each major species include something on their habitat and the methods of fishing for the species.

This is one of those books where you get some good information on the species you fish regularly. Just as important you learn some information on species you may never heard and it's interesting just on that is e face of it.

The other item I am reviewing is one of the **New Fly Fisher DVD's**. The DVD I reviewed is **Season 3 Disc 1**. The titles on this are **Musky on a Fly, Trout River Tactics, Sault Saint Marie Pink Salmon** and **Small Stream Fly Fishing**. In all of these shows they show the equipment, flies and techniques unique to each of the fisheries. However the titles are tied to a

½ hour show that was aired on TV. In actuality it amounts to about 20 to 22 minutes. Therefore each show has something unique. In the musky show they catch a few bass and land few muskies although they have some on the rod. Stream tactics focus on types of tying but see the host catching a sucker as well. The Salmon Video on Pink Salmon has almost as many Chinook caught but not landed as they were big fish and the host was using a 6 wt. rod. Small Stream fishing is just what it purports to be small trout and lots of techniques.

Regardless of the show they are interesting and certain a good watch for beginners and enjoyable for the experienced fly fisher both because of the information, situations and the scenery that each show brings.

I thing the DVD's and the book are worth the time and effort so until nest time.....

Tight Lines
From the Professor