

Arlington Anglers

"New" Product or Just Another Retread



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Ninety-five per cent of the "new" fishing products you see advertised are not really new. They are just re-makes, modifications, or "knock-offs" of existing products. Some examples of pseudo-new products might be: 47 colors of plastic worms never seen before in Nature, jumbo tackle boxes with 137 compartments, giant muskie lures with 6 inch cowbells, Snoopy rod and reel in shocking pink.

In February, Steve New of Anglers International Resources, took time to point out to the Arlington Anglers that these retreads really probably would not help us catch any more fish. He did however, introduce the Anglers to a few revolutionary items could make a difference out on the water.

Steve showed us the new The Solution Round Tackle Box. It is about ten inches in diameter and 3 inches deep. It has up to 35 compartments of varying size and depths that can be customized to meet your needs. A lanyard can be used to carry it on your hip or 4 boxes can be stacked in a five gallon bucket which makes it perfect to carry while fishing from shore, pier, boat, or ice. It is made in the USA and even has a rust preventative insert with a built fish attractant scent.

We also witnessed a great new product called the Bait Flare. Salt water fishermen have used chum to attract fish for years. The Bait Flare product is an attractant for fresh water fish. It consists of a small biodegradable and water soluble bag of special ground fish mixture that creates an algae/plankton bloom with scent, sound and heat. It creates a 4'x4'x4' cloud that lasts for 2 hours. It works in open water, off a pier, or thru the ice. The product was invented by a local Fox River Grove fisherman. Check out the action on

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1cXm70_PhQ

The last new product was an amazing Click2Knot Machine. Forget about that crazy brass knot tying pen experience that required three hands and four years of intense practice to use. This little device ties perfect uni-knots with mono or fluorocarbon in less than 10 seconds for the first time user. If you have arthritis or eyesight problems, this could be a life saver. If it's cold, leave your gloves on... not a problem.

Steve New runs Anglers International Resources, a unique fishing experience where consultants behind the counter are willing to share their knowledge and match up customers with products that will help both the novice and serious fishermen. The store can be found at 1272 E. Dundee Rd. in Palatine (just west of Route 53, 847-991-3200). More information about Anglers International and their unique products can be found at fishingurus.com. March is a great time to seek out and try out a new club after you hit the big fishing shows. You have a no-risk opportunity to see first hand what a club can do for you. Attend our Arlington Angler's meeting on March 16th. Our speaker will be Dan Dziedzina, TV Show host and Chicago Tribune writer.

Dates to remember: March 13 - Club Booth at the Fishing Flea Market at Rolling Meadows HS; March 16 -



Steve New of Anglers International Resources demonstrates the improved action on a plastic lure using a new titanium weight to the Arlington Anglers (Stafford Machas, John Krickl, and Jim Patterson) at their Feb. 16th meeting
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Meeting and Speaker Dan Dziedzina (TV Host and Tribune Writer); April 10 - Inter Club Outing at Spring Valley on the Illinois River; April 17 - Outing Chain of Lakes at the State Park; April 20—Meeting and Speaker Richard Burton, Water Critters Guide Service; April 29-May 2—Outing at Clinton Lake and Camp Quest.

Come to one of our meetings to find out more about our club, activities and outings.

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. We meet at Dick's Sports Store (Flr.1-NW) near Woodfield Shopping Center in Schaumburg, IL, .5 miles north of Higgins, on Martingale Road. Door prizes, speaker, raffles, fishing reports: Give it a try!

For further information call our President Tom Curtin at 847-639-7858 or visit our website at <http://arlingtonanglers.com>