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Falling water and hungry fish was the story of the day. The river is finally coming down and the fishing is getting good. Made a run down the middle today just to get on the river before the guide season officially opens next week. It's always interesting to see the changes that occur over the winter.

Some old holes filled in over the winter and there are a few new ones to hold fish.

I didn't really fish hard today, just tried some different things to see what they were responding too. Caught some nice fish dead drifting leech patterns, including a fat nineteen inch bow. As for bugs, there were sporadic caddis, plenty of black midges, and a few march browns, though I was off the water too early to say if the big mayflies are heavy enough to bring the fish up. There were a few fish rising in the slowest pools, but I left them for next week.

The flows should continue to drop for the foreseeable future. The river was at 1500 cfs today at Confluence—a great level for floating. They were running 600 from the dam today which makes for close to ideal wadefishing down to the confluence, and 600 looks to be the number for the next few days so get out and take advantage. With those flows, the fish should be looking up, especially if those march browns hatch in any number. Try to be there in the evening for the spinner fall. Fun stuff.

As always, have fun on the river and be safe.

LHGS

Here are a few pics from a Yough trib trip the other day.

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