

TIGHTLINES

The Monthly Newsletter of the Miami Valley Fly Fishers



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**April ISSUE
DEADLINE:
Friday,
April 22, 2011**

**Outdoor Meetings
Begin Next Month!**

Next Meeting

April 11, 2011

**Kohler Banquet Complex
4572 Presidential Way,
Kettering, Ohio**

Doors open at 5:30 P.M. ,
Dinner at 6:30 P.M.
(RESERVATIONS REQUIRED.)

Directions on Website

RSVP to Mike Wolford at 937-667-9392 or
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by **Thursday, April 7, 2011.**

This month:

Jim Teeny

When the words Fly Fishing Innovator come up in conversation, one of the first names that should come to mind is that of Jim Teeny. First there was the Teeny Nymph, which he designed at age 16 for large, cruising trout at Oregon's East Lake. As he experienced growing successes with his Teeny Nymph fly pattern, Jim began to experiment with different color variations of the fly and was able to have increasing success even on other species of fish. As a result, Jim started the Teeny Nymph Company in July of 1971. This was the start-up of what is now Jim Teeny, Inc., the business which Jim and his wife, Donna, now run from their HQ's in Gresham, Oregon.

Innovation was to become a habit with Jim. He conceived of an idea for sinking fly lines which resulted in his T-Series sinking tip fly lines, a concept what was welcomed all across the fly fishing community. Jim has, subsequently, designed a full line of specialty fly lines that range from full floating lines to deep sinking salt water lines.

Jim has appeared on many television shows teaching and sharing his innovations and techniques with interested fly fishers from all across our land and other countries. He has authored articles in major fishing publications and been featured in articles by other authors as well. He has authored several books and is featured in many DVD's.

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President's Thoughts



It is really nice to see warm temperatures, green grass and all the signs of spring after such a cold winter. The fishing is picking up, ODNR has started stocking ponds in the area with the spring supply of trout and those who hibernate during the winter are starting to stir around the waterways. Please remember the water flow can be fast and the water temperatures very cold as you venture out.

March was a very busy month with the conclusion of the fly-tying classes and, of course, our great MVFF auction. Thanks to Marty and Steve we had a great outcome. I will let Marty tell more about the auction but I do want the club to know that the income from the sale of flies tied by the instructors and students in the beginner and intermediate class brought in over \$1,300.00. This means that the income from the flies tied by our classes exceeds the expenses for the classes. This helps promote the quality and availability to maintain this program and does not place a burden on our finances. At this time, I do not have a list of causal fly-tying dates for this summer. Dates will be posted on our web site when finalized. Remember, in the casual classes, each participant must bring his/her own materials as the club does not spend any money, or supply materials, for these events.

April is full of events and as a reminder; John Young is in charge of our speakers this year and we will be hosting Jim Teeny at our April 11, 2011 meeting. John will have a write up on Jim but I want to encourage you to sign up for the fly tying session Jim will have during the afternoon of our meeting date. I have sent information to BUFF, Central Ohio Fly Fishers and Northern Kentucky Fly Fishing clubs to invite them to join us. If the demand is there, we will meet in the large banquet room (where we had the auction) otherwise, we will meet in our regular meeting room. Remember Spring Fling as Dave Oertel has many very nice items for you to try to obtain. Bring a lot of money (perhaps what you did not spend at the auction) and invite friends and family to attend. Don't forget to let Mike Wolford know if you will be eating dinner with us by making your reservation.

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Continuing in April is the Wright Patt Outdoor Adventure on the 16th. Project Healing Waters starts on the 19th at the VA hospital. Contact Dave Oertel if you wish to help, or make a donation. Last year the club (and a few who donated money) funded this endeavor. Another very important event is the TU Mad River Days which will be held on April 30th and May 1st. Please support their effort by going to the following web site to register and gain more information:

<http://www.tumadmen.org>

Remember, we move our meetings to Deeds Park starting in May. Practice your casting as the prizes for the casting competition are the new fly boxes like we had (courtesy of Ken Hudak) at the auction. Brian Furderer is working on the schedule for the TNT this summer but still needs help on some of the dates. Contact Brian, or myself, if you would like to help.

As a final note, you will never really appreciate how great our organization is until you get involved. You will find out that the more involved you become, the more rewarding it will be.

See you on the water,

Tom Courtney, President

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One of Jim's proudest moments was taking the Gold at the "Pacific Rim Fly Fishing Tournament" held in B.C. Canada, September 2007.

We have extended invitations to other regional fly fishing clubs for this special event. Jim's presentation is free to MVFF members. If you are not an MVFF member and would like to attend the presentation, the cost is \$30. Additionally, there is a buffet meal provided, at a cost of \$12 (reservations required).

Jim is also teaching a fly tying class from 1PM to 4PM on Monday April 11 at the Kohler Banquet Complex. Cost is \$30. This fee also includes admission to Jim's presentation that evening.

If you are interested in attending the presentation or fly tying class, please contact John Young by phone at **937-890-2578**.



2011 MVFF Auction Re-Cap

The 2011 annual auction was a big hit. For the first time in four years we managed to break the 5K mark with \$5036.00 generated this year. That's almost a 15% increase over last year. This money will fund our speaker program, tying classes and all the other events sponsored by the club throughout the year. Another strong showing from the tying classes. The quantity and quality of the flies offered this year was impressive and a tribute to the quality of instruction that can be received through the MVFF fly tying program. I was also impressed by how well the member guided trips did. Steve Rader, Ken Hudack, Jim Corbin, Ron Lewis and Tom Perry all donated guided trips on local waters that were very well received by all the bidders.

I was very pleased with this year's results and as always these things don't just happen on their own but by the hard work of the members whose effort is to be commended. First off I want to give a big thanks to Steve Rader for his outstanding ability to pull money out of our pockets in a humorous but painless way. Second goes to Juan Gomez who was our cashier again this year. Only a few of us saw the detailed report he made and his attention to detail is very much appreciated. All the members who wrote bid tickets, helped pulling items for bid and distributing the items to the winning bidders. Those members were Tom Courtney, Ken Hudack, Phil Clay, Dave Oertel, Joe Nagel and Howard Guscar. And last but not least is thank you to all the members and guests who showed up to the meeting and donated and/or bid on all the fine items that were offered this year. Through the efforts of all these members we are in a good position for the next year to come.

Thank you for a successful 2011 MVFF Auction!

Marty Vandenbrock, Auction Chair



This Month's Fly – April 2011 Edition

GARTSIDE GURGLER

Instructions by Bill "Woody" Woodward /
Photograph by Bob Cain

Recipe

Hook.....Wet/Streamer/Bass, size 8 -2/0
Thread.....White, 6/0 or 3/0
Tail.....Bucktail or Marabou, white
Tail topping.....Pearl Krystal Flash
Body.....Closed cell foam, white, 1/8" thick
Rib.....White or grizzly saddle hackle
Shell.....Closed cell foam



1. Place the hook in the vise. Tie-in the thread behind the hook eye and wrap a neat thread base back to the middle of the hook shank. Cut off the thread tag.
2. Cut a sparse batch of bucktail (or full tail of marabou plumes) and tie it in at the middle of the hook shank as a tail. (The tail should be roughly 1 1/2 times the length of the hook shank.) Wrap over the hair butts back to the hook eye and remove any excess hair butts. Wrap the thread back to the tail tie-in point. (The rear half of the hook shank should be bare.)
3. Tie-in 5-6 strands of Krystal Flash by their middle on top of the tail at the tail tie-in point, then fold the front half of the strands back over the tail and bind them down at the tail butt with a few thread turns to keep them out of the way. Try to keep the flash that you folded back centered on top of the hook shank as we will later pull it forward over the middle of the shellback. Let the thread hang.
4. Cut a 4"-5" strip of foam approximately 1/4"-3/4" wide (depending on hook size), lay it on top of the hook shank with one end just behind the hook eye, and tie it in with several firm thread wraps at the same point as the tail. (About 2"-3" of the foam should be laying over the rear of the hook shank and tail.)
5. With firm thread wraps, wrap the thread forward toward the eye making 4-5 distinct and evenly spaced segments, cupping the foam around the hook shank as you wrap the thread forward. When you move the thread forward from one segment to the next, ensure that the thread cross over points are on top of the foam body (and not visible from the sides or bottom). When you reach the hook eye, wrap the thread back to the foam tie-in point, keeping the wraps in the same locations as the first wraps, crossing over on top of the body and tightening the wraps as you go back. You should now have 5 distinct body segments and the thread should be back at the foam tie-in point.
6. Now select an appropriately sized saddle hackle, strip the barbs from one side, and tie it in on top of the foam body at the same point where you tied-in the foam. Wrap the thread forward again to behind the hook eye, making sure to keep the thread wraps at the same points as when you formed the body segments. Palmer the hackle forward between the body segments and tie it off behind the hook eye. Remove any excess hackle and let the thread hang behind the hook eye.
7. Now grasp the rear flap of foam and pull it forward over the foam body and tie it off tightly behind the hook eye. **DO NOT CUT OFF THE EXCESS FOAM.**
8. Go back to the tail and grab the 5-6 flash strands of Krystal Flash that you initially folded back (see step 3) and pull them forward over foam shell and tie them off directly behind the hook eye. (Be sure to keep the strands centered on top of shell.) Trim off any excess flash.
9. Lift the forward remaining segment of foam and bring the thread under it directly behind the hook eye, do a whip finish, and cut the thread.
10. Pull the remaining foam forward over the hook eye, and with your scissors just in front of the hook eye, cut straight across the foam to form a head. At your option, you may round the edges of foam head. You can also coat the Krystal Flash on the top of the body with super glue for additional durability if desired.

2011 Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing

Again this year we will be sponsoring a Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing class at the Dayton Veterans Hospital. Last year we had 10 veterans participate and this year, 12 have signed up.

The first class will be April 19, 2011. The class starts at 6:00 pm and finishes at 8:00 pm. The schedule calls for us to meet each following Tuesday for 10 weeks.

Woody Woodward will again be teaching the class and two flies will be tied at each class.

As in last year's program, there will be a couple of classes on casting and 4-6 fishing outings spread out over the summer and fall.

We would like to have a club member to work with each veteran in the class. As of this writing we have 6 volunteers and need 6 more. With Woody leading the class and one-on-one assistance, the classes are well received by the veterans participating.

Actually, the volunteers from last year will say that they received as much out of the experience as did the veterans. It was one of most rewarding experiences that any of us had been a member.

We will also be planning some outings during the summer for last years class members.

If you know how to tie flies and have Tuesday nights available join us for fun and the opportunity to give back something to those that have served our country.

Give me a call if you have questions or can volunteer for the program.

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2011 TNT - Volunteers Needed

I will once again be heading up the TNT program for 2011, but I will not be able to host nearly as many events as I did last summer. Looking at the schedule now we still have **six** open Thursdays. Because of this we need more volunteers to host events this summer.

The following dates are still open for the 2011 TNT season:

June – 16, 30
July – 07, 28
August – 04, 11

Feel free to choose one of your favorite ponds, lakes, rivers, streams and ideally should be within a 40 minute drive of the Dayton metro area.

Please contact me if you are interested in hosting a Thursday TNT outing and I will ensure that all of the important details get updated on the MVFF message board and in Tightlines.

Phone: 970-333-4240
Email: brian@midwesternflyfishing.com
Thank You,
Brian Furderer



Membership Dues Reminder

As you may know, membership fees for the club are due by January 1. Unfortunately, there are several members that have not yet turned in their 2011 dues. If you are one of these members, please pay your 2011 membership fee as soon as possible to remain in good standing. The price for an individual membership is \$35.00.

Please contact Phil Clay (Club Secretary) with any questions:

Phone: 937-206-3720
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MVFF CALENDAR For April, 2011

- 11 - **MVFF Indoor Meeting** (Note: Reservations **Are** Required - See Page 1 for Details)
- 15 - Outdoor Adventure - Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
- 19 - Project Healing Waters 2011 Begins - VA Hospital (See Article on Page 4 for Details)
- 22 - Deadline for Articles for Next Month's Issue of **Tightlines**
- 30 - Beginning of TU's Mad River Days (Visit <http://www.tumadmen.org> for more information).

MVFF Message Board

The MVFF Message Board now has over **400** registered members!

Also, you can now read messages without registering or logging in. Just go to the club's web site at <http://www.mvff.us> and you will find a link to the board on the upper left-hand side of the home page.



MVFF Email

Miami Valley Fly Fishers is trying to improve communication with members by making greater use of email. To be sure our messages reach you, please put the following address in your email address book:

mvffemail@gmail.com

Then send us an email subject "Email Address Check" to be sure we have your correct email address. Don't forget to include your name.

REMINDER FOR CLUB PURCHASES

ALL CLUB PURCHASES MUST RECEIVE PRE-APPROVAL IN ORDER TO BE REIMBURSED. AMOUNTS OVER \$50 REQUIRE BOARD PRE-APPROVAL. AMOUNTS UNDER \$50 CONTACT TREASURER, JUAN GOMEZ, FOR PRE-APPROVAL. PLEASE BE SURE TO USE THE EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT FORM, WHICH CAN BE FOUND ON THE CLUB'S WEBSITE AT THE FOLLOWING LINKS:

http://mvff.tripod.com/Resources/AP_Form.pdf OR http://mvff.tripod.com/Resources/AP_Form.xls

2011 MVFF Spring Fling Raffle

The April 11 meeting signals the return of the Annual Spring Fling Raffle. This year we have put together an outstanding group of fly-fishing items that will appeal to everyone in our club.

Once again, Jim Corbin, our talented rod builder, has made a Sage rod that will give the outstanding performance expected from Sage and Jim.

ReelFlyRod.com, owned by member Todd Mikesell, has allowed us to purchase several items at a significant discount to the normal retail price.

And as in the past, Roger Shyrock of Gander Mountain has donated two excellent items. Either one of the float tubes will increase the number of places that are available for you to try your luck.

The total estimated retail value of the raffle this year is \$2500. Remember you can buy as many tickets as you want and distribute them as you chose among the items available.

2011 Spring Fling Raffle Items

1. Sage Rod - 9ft, 5 wt, 4 piece - built by Jim Corbin
2. Sage Rod - 9ft, 6wt, 4 piece with case
 - Sage1600/1800 large arbor reel loaded with
 - Rio WF6F line. (From ReelFlyRod.com and MVFF)
3. Simms G4 Wading Jacket (from ReelFlyRod.com and MVFF)*
4. Simms G3 Guide Stocking Foot Waders (from ReelFlyRod.com and MVFF)*
5. Two Float Tubes (donated by Gander Mountain)

* - Simms Wading Jacket and Waders can be exchanged for correct size.

See you at the Raffle!





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