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ARTICLE DEADLINE FOR
NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE:

Monday,

June 26, 2017

Next Meeting

June 12, 2017

Dayton FOP Shelter /
Casting Pond
4275 Powell Road
(Directions on Website)

NO RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Meal Price - \$10.00

The fun starts at 5:30 p.m.

Join us for our next outdoor meeting and enjoy a grilled meal, camaraderie, and the casting competition!

Upcoming BUFF Meetings

We at the Buckeye United Fly Fishers (BUFF) want to make sure MVFF members are aware of upcoming events on the calendar for June and July. We have special speakers scheduled for both months and we hope that MVFF members can and will attend these meetings. As usual they will be held at the Ronald Reagan Lodge in the VOA Park in the West Chester area. (7850 VOA Park Dr, Olde West Chester, OH 45069. You may want use 7847). Dinner starts at 6:45 p.m., preceded by a social hour. The speakers present their program at about 8:00. Anyone wishing to attend, needs to register online at our website after the 20th of the month.

<http://www.buckeyeflyfishers.com>

June's meeting on the 14th will feature Charity Rutter from R&R Fly Fishing. Charity is an excellent speaker and she will be talking about fishing the Great Smoky Mountains; plus she has agreed to do a fly casting clinic prior to our meeting. She will put on the clinic starting at about 4:00 p.m. at the VOA Park. We are encouraging as

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President's Thoughts



"Trout fishing isn't just fishing for trout... It's subscribing to the proposition that what's good for trout is good for trout fishermen and that managing trout for the trout rather than for the trout fishermen is

fundamental to the solution of our trout problems. It's appreciating our trout, respecting fellow anglers and giving serious thought to tomorrow." Art Neumann helped found Trout Unlimited and was the last surviving founder of Trout Unlimited. He passed away last year. Still, his words remain as true today as they did 57 years ago when he spoke them. Art also said, "Take care of the fish, and the fishing will take care of itself." I mention that specifically because we have so many members who do not fly fish for trout. But the idea still holds true for all fish.

If you can't join in on the scheduled river clean ups, please do your part in picking up trash wherever you find it wherever you go to fish. It's good stewardship and it also is a good example to others who are fishing nearby. When someone sees someone fishing that walks around and picks up trash and puts it in a bag, or takes it to a nearby trash can, it makes a statement. I always thank anyone I see doing that when I am out fishing, and let them know how much I appreciate it. That also makes a statement. It all goes back to what Art Neumann said about respecting our fish and our fellow anglers.

So. Here we are, June, and halfway through the year already. The Ohio Power outing is happening as this edition is coming out. Hopefully a lot of you were able to go for some, if not all, of the time there, and enjoyed a great event. Others, such as me, were unable to attend due to work, but will

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Fly Fishers International Announces Organization-Wide Rebranding

(Livingston, MT) Fly Fishers International (FFI), formerly known as the International Federation of Fly Fishers, has completed the first phase of an organization-wide rebranding, including changing its name to Fly Fishers International.

Established in 1964 as “the voice of fly anglers, tiers, and casters,” FFI is headquartered in Livingston, Montana, where the organization also oversees the Fly Fishing Learning Center, Fly Fishing Museum and other operations that include educational programs and conservation actions.

The rebranding was spurred by discussions and research among members, past members, and the greater fly fishing community, who saw that the organization’s current membership was aging, while its presence among a younger and more diverse angling population had diminished over the years.

“We know that our core mission—to support, enhance and preserve fly fishing opportunities through education and conservation—still resonates strongly,” says Len Zickler, president of FFI. “However, we felt like our brand and messaging could more accurately reflect that mission, and better position us for growth so we can continue to make a positive impact on behalf of fly fishers around the world.”

The rebranding effort began with the circulation of several surveys, followed by in-depth discussions with key stakeholders and partners. A branding and marketing agency was engaged to facilitate the conversation and to make recommendations based on results analysis and strategic positioning.

The name Fly Fishers International was selected by the Board of Directors from numerous options.

A refined message that centered around the development of three ‘mission pillars’—conservation, education, and community—was also fundamental to the rebranding efforts.

The first phases of rebranding were introduced publicly in April of 2017, beginning with a new company identity, logo, and website, as well as redesigned supporting informational and promotional materials.

“We know that changing our name is just one step in what will be a long and complex process,” points out Zickler. “But we’re eager to move into what’s a hugely significant evolution for our organization—and are particularly excited about the role we want to play in cultivating conservation, education, and a sense of community within the sport and art of fly fishing, now and into the future.”

For more information, contact the FFI offices at 406-222-9369 or go to our website -

<http://www.flyfishersinternational.org>

(Notice released by Fly Fishers International)

President's Thoughts (cont'd)

have to live vicariously through all the stories we hear at the next club meeting. Be sure to check in on our Facebook page for anything that might be posted in regards to the trip!

Speaking of the June meeting – don’t forget to come and vote on the Sweet Water Brewery collaboration (see the May Tightlines article) at the June meeting. If you cannot make it, please send your vote via email to ffpclay@gmail.com. At this point I would not rely on the mail option.

For some of you who are not able to come to the meetings or who have missed a couple, Jim Calvert has an opening on his Canada trip. Please contact him for information if you are interested. These trips are fantastic and at super prices! (see the April *Tightlines* for details)

May was our first outdoor meeting of the month and we had a really great turnout. Thank you to all who came and competed in the casting contest, worked with Bill on your casting, enjoyed fishing in the pond, or just sat and visited with each other. The great camaraderie of this club is what keeps drawing people in. Bring a friend with you to the June meeting that you think might want to join and be part of this great organization. There is so much to do and we have great speakers that have a wealth of knowledge to share, as well as many knowledgeable members who pass along what they know to others. And that’s what we are here for – to perpetuate the sport, bring along future generations in the knowledge and passion of clean bright waters for our fish and the environment in which we all live.

Memorial Day is freshly behind us. A time to remember and honor those who fought for our country to help preserve the freedoms we hold dear. I want to personally thank each and every member who has ever served in any capacity in any branch of the military and for the sacrifices both they and their families endured. After all, no one ever serves alone.

Kelly Kingery
MVFF President



June Fly of the Month

Adams Parachute

1. Tie in thread behind the hook eye and wrap back to about mid hook shank, then reverse your wraps and wrap back to a point about 1/3 hook shank behind hook eye. The wraps should be tight and will serve as a thread base for the wing post. Let the thread hang.
2. Cut, measure, and clean a bunch of calf tail as a wing post. Place it in a stacker and align the tips. The post should be about 1 1/2 to 2 times the hook gap in length.
3. Holding the calf tail on top of hook shank with the tips facing out over the hook eye, tie it in with a couple of soft loops at the 1/3 hook shank position where you left the thread. After ensuring the post is in the right position (and holding the wing securely with your fingers), make several tight thread wraps over the butt ends to firmly bind them down. (This will be awkward, but you will only need to hold the wing for the first 3-4 tight thread wraps.) Trim the butt ends of the hair and cover them with thread wrapping back to just over the hook barb.
4. Now lightly dub your thread with gray dubbing and form a SMALL bump of dubbing on the hook shank just over the barb. Clean excess dubbing off the thread and make a couple of wraps right behind the dubbing bump.
5. Now take several brown and grizzly hackle fibers, align their ends and blend them together with your finger tips. Tie in the fibers right behind the dubbing bump with 2 soft loops. Use your finger to splay the hackle fibers over the bump, then make several tight thread wraps over the butts back to where it meets the butt of the wing post. Trim the excess hackle butts and wrap the thread back to behind the thread bump. The tail should equal the hook shank in length.
6. Apply a small amount of dubbing to thread and wrap dubbed thread forward to right behind wing post, forming a tapered body. Remove excess dubbing and let thread hang.
7. Take hold of the wing post and lift it straight up. Take the thread and make several tight turns of thread right up against the front edge of the post. This will make the wing post stand up straight.
8. Now take the thread and make several turns of thread around the wing post to begin to lay down a base for the wing. Let the thread hang.
9. Select one appropriately sized brown hackle feather and one grizzly hackle feather and trim fluff from their bases.
10. Tie in both hackle feathers (with dull sides facing you) standing upright against the wing post. Wrap thread about 1/16 to 1/8" up the

Instructions by Bill "Woody" Woodward
Photography by Bob Cain

Recipe

Hook.....Dry, size 10-20
Thread...Black or Gray 6/0 or 8/0
Post.....White Calf tail
Tail.....Brown and Grizzly hackle fibers, mixed
Body.....Gray Dubbing
Hackle...Brown and Grizzly
Head.....Thread

post covering both the hackle butts and the post. Then wrap the thread back down the post and under the hook shank so that the thread ends in front of the post.

11. Grasp the tip of the first hackle feather with hackle pliers and wrap counter-clockwise down the post over the thread wraps (3-4 wraps are sufficient) to the hook shank and tie it off against the hook shank just at the bottom of the post. Repeat this step with the second hackle feather. (Note: Try to avoid tying down hackles of the first feather by "wiggling" the second hackle feather between the fibers of the first as you wrap it down the post.)

12. Now apply a small amount of dubbing to the thread and dub in front of the wing post to behind the hook eye. (You can avoid tying down the hackle fibers of your wing by simply grasping the wing and post and bending them back over the hook shank out of the way.)

13. Remove the excess dubbing, form a thread head, whip finish, cut the thread, and apply head cement. (In forming the thread head, you will find that you will be wrapping the thread over the dubbing to a small extent - that is just fine.)



Fly Tying Class Location Needed

As some of you may know the Gander Mountain location will no longer be available for our tying classes. The Gander Mountain business has been acquired by Camping World and while the actual location in Huber Heights will continue to be open (at this time it appears that it will be rebranded as Gander Outdoors), it will be reconstituted with a different mix of equipment and the meeting room we have used for a good many years will be needed for their new operations.

Thank you to Gander Mountain for their support in allowing us to use their facilities. It was a great space for this activity and their staff and management have been highly supportive of us over the years.

The MVFF Board is seeking to identify another location for this very popular club activity. Some possible sites have already been tossed around, but nothing has been decided. If you have any ideas, please let a MVFF Board member know.

Casting Competition News!

The outdoor meetings have started - time to dust off those casting skills! Come on over and cast a bit...regardless of your skill level. We have great news about your new judges! Bryan Spink and Bob Zitney have stepped up to take over the casting competition. Congratulations, Thank you and Welcome!

The only thing required to participate in the casting events is for you to show up, and - Please - show up EARLY! You don't even have to own a fly rod (although, if you do, you can cheat by practicing at home – just don't tell the judges; they might, no – they will – give you a hard time). There is no age requirement or limit, no height requirement, and no previous casting experience is needed. Everyone is welcome!

CASTING COMPETITION CUT-OFF TIME

Casting will be held ONLY from 5:30 PM to no later than 7:00 PM. No casting will be allowed after 7:00 PM. The cut-off time will help ensure we are not holding up the meeting with scoring, etc., so come on over and cast early. It should help allow us enough time to eat dinner too.

Judges Comment: If NO Participants are at the casting location, at our discretion, we may close up BEFORE the 7pm deadline.

Here are the results for the May Dry Fly:

Special note: Last Month's scoring is a mess due to a "glitch" in the system, Nathan Via was't moved to the Masters Division on our score sheets after he won the Seniors Division. Nate is not the Seniors winner of the Dry Fly competition as announced during the meeting. Instead, it makes him the winner of the Masters Division and not Bill Bennett as announced in the meeting. Correct scores are below and score sheets have been corrected.

First Flight, Winner: John Davis (94)

Seniors, Winner: Sam Hudak (93)

Masters, Winner: Nathan Via (96)

Casting Competition – this month is the Bead Head Nymph.

Here are the rules for casting the nymph.

You will start with the fly in target #2.

You will pick up the fly and have unlimited false casts to target #1.

You will then only be allowed 1 (one) false cast to each remaining target.

Casting Competition Guidelines:

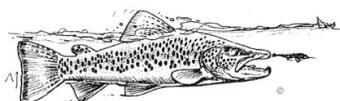
The monthly competitions, Divisions, and scoring guidelines can now be found on the club web site at the following link:

http://mvff.tripod.com/Reference/MVFF_Casting_Competition_Guidelines.pdf

Remember - although we do keep score and everyone would like to win, the real point of doing this (other than to just have a good time) is to improve our casting abilities.

Good luck!

Jeff Warden



Watch for TNT Events

Spring is here, and I know that we are all ready to hit the waters!

Stayed tuned for monthly TNT events throughout the spring and summer. TNT events are held on an evening during the week at a local park and a chance to meet up with fellow club members for a nice evening of fishing. They are a great way to meet folks and to maybe find a new place to fish.

If anyone has a favorite local pond that has public access and wants to suggest it for a TNT event, please let Steve Hamilton (akhammy67@gmail.com) know, and we will get it on the schedule!



BUFF Meetings (cont'd)

many women anglers as possible to attend this meeting. There will be no problem having lots of men attend to learn more about fishing the Great Smoky Mountains and for tuning up their casting.

July 12th is our combined meeting for area fly fishing clubs. Alex Bell from the Silva and Cherokee area of North Carolina will be our speaker. The title of Alex's talk is "Fishing the North Carolina Trout Trail and the Tuckasegee River".

We are hoping for a large registration for both featured speakers. BUFF is excited about sharing these programs with you.

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PHWFF Update

The PHWFF program this spring is well underway. Beginning April 12th, we began fly tying and we have another great group of participants, including some "repeat offenders" who are continuing to improve their tying skills. We have already had one very successful outing at a private pond. Fishing that day was absolutely amazing with everyone bagging a bunch of impressive fish.

On May 23rd we conducted a special casting clinic with a group of visually impaired veterans that Karla Riste of the Dayton VA has been encouraging to participate. The guys did a remarkable job and they are looking forward to also getting out to the fishing events.

Casting instruction/practice and a great line-up of fishing outings are planned from now till the fall

By the way, the rods the veterans built this past winter have been returned after being submitted to the national PHWFF office for judging. While no one from our group won in the national competition, we did have some very nice rods built by this group of veterans. We've provided rod tubes, reels, fly line and leaders to all those who completed their rods, so all are fully outfitted for the fishing season.

We still could use some more volunteers; this is particularly the case when it comes to the fishing outings. As participation in the outings has risen so has our need for volunteers. So think about getting involved. Contact Bill Grimpe if you want to help. His contact information is on page 1 and also can be found on the Contacts page of the MVFF website.

Mad River CleanSweep

June 10th is the next scheduled bi-annual Mad River CleanSweep and we need your help. Please plan on attending for all or part of the CleanSweep. Our past efforts have been very successful and we need to keep it going . . .

Saturday, June 10, 2017

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Meet at the 36 Bridge

***Dress for the weather; bring work gloves, pickup trucks, drift boats, and canoes needed.

Check in at Ohio Trophy Trout Hunter on Facebook, www.tumadmen.org or call Ron Lewis at 937-608-7183 for more information.

CALENDAR

June 2-4	Ohio Power Outing
June 3-10	Canadian Fishing Trip
June 3	Kleen Sweep of the Little Miami River
June 6, 13, 20, 27	PHWFF Fly Fishing Program Dayton VA, 4:00-6:00 p.m.
June 10	Mad River CleanSweep
June 12	MVFF Outdoor Meeting, Dayton FOP Shelter/Casting Pond 4275 Powell Rd., 5:30 p.m.
June 14	BUFF Monthly Meeting
June 17	Mad River Monitoring/Sampling Rt. 36 Bridge, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. http://www.tumadmen.org
June 26	Deadline for July Tighlines articles
July 12	BUFF Monthly Meeting

Check our Facebook
Events page for updates & details

<https://www.facebook.com/MiamiValleyFlyFishers/>

Looking For Volunteers

As I am sure most of you know, MVFF has a lot of various opportunities throughout the year for members to volunteer their talents and time in outreach, education, and goodwill efforts. In an effort to make sure that we are putting the word out to all who are interesting in helping, we are creating a list of members that wish to volunteer and what they would like to volunteer for...

So, if you are interesting in volunteering, please send the following information to Steve Hamilton (akhammy67@gmail.com):

- Name
- Phone Number
- Email Address
- Things you would like to volunteer for (fly tying, outreach, education, rod building, casting, etc.)

Thank you all for your time, your talents, and your commitment to the club and to the community!

~ MVFF Volunteer Committee

Got Photos?! In addition to needing written material for this newsletter, we need photos. Everyone likes photos! If you've been on a recent fishing trip, think about writing an article for *Tighlines*. At the very least send some pics (and give us some details we can post with them). We will get them on the website and on the club's Facebook page as well. We would welcome the contributions.

If you have ideas on what you would like to see in *Tighlines* or added to the website let me know. My contact information is on page 1. Thanks.

~ Tom Arnold

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