

TIGHTLINES

The Monthly Newsletter of the Miami Valley Fly Fishers



February Meeting

Our next meeting is February 12th

Kohler Banquet Center
4572 Presidential Way
(Directions on Website)

Meal Price - **\$15.00**

Fun begins at 5:30 p.m.

Dinner reservations are required. There are no standing reservations. You need to make a reservation each month. You can also cancel your upcoming reservation by going to the same page listed below.

Please make your reservation at
<https://mvff.us/reservation/>
by 9:00 p.m. on February 8th

February Speaker

Our speakers will be Doug and Dan Daufel. Doug and Dan are Lifetime MVFF members. Below is background information.



Dan and Doug Daufel have been fly fishing for the past 40 years. The identical twins, originally from Dayton, Ohio, grew up fishing the limestone and freestone waters of Pennsylvania. They joined MVFF when they were 15 years old and were the youngest members in the club for many years. Their mother, Dorothy Daufel, drove them to the club meetings in the beginning and was the first female member. They enjoyed building rods every year in Dr. Jim Corbin's rod building class. They started tying commercially in their teens and tied for shops around the country for 13 years. Over the same time period, they were instructors for MVFF's fly tying classes and also tied at many of the East Coast fly fishing shows.

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President's Thoughts

Welcome to February 2024.

MVFF welcomes its new members. So exciting to see new faces at each meeting and men and women that are interested in getting out and fly fishing with the club.



I hope you will be heading down to the Cincinnati BUFF show February 3, 2024. The hours are from 9:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. It's held at the Oasis Conference Center, 902 Loveland-Miamiville Road, Loveland, OH. Parking is free. Admission is \$10. We will have a booth (#64) there with 74 other exhibitors, vendors, and more. Yours truly will be there at the Cari Vota Women's Fly Fishing Open Forum at 12:00 p.m. in the Teaching Room. Stop by, we have a lot of fun. It is not just for ladies, men are welcome, too. There is a lot to see and learn at the BUFF. They always have great speakers to give good tips on fly fishing.

Great to see things are starting to happen in the community. We have been contacted by several public libraries in our area that are interested in having our club present on fly fishing.

February 12, 2024 is our next meeting. Make sure you put in your dinner reservations. We have some important things to discuss regarding the upcoming year. Hope to see you there.

March 11th is the MVFF Annual Auction. Our auctioneer for this event will be Ken Hudak; he has done a great job in past years. Thank you, Ken, for volunteering; your time is much appreciated. This auction brings a lot of yearly revenue to MVFF. It gives us the opportunity to do so many things for the club and the ability to donate to the

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February Speaker (cont'd)

For the past 30 years, they have fished the waters around Yellowstone Park. Their river of choice is the Ranch section of the Henry's Fork. In their early twenties, they worked for Blue Ribbon Flies in West Yellowstone, Montana for 5 seasons. One of their patterns, the Improved X or X2 Caddis, is carried by Umpqua Feather Merchants and highlighted in Craig Mathews and John Juracek's book Fly Patterns of Yellowstone Vol 2.

Dan and Doug live in Bozeman, Montana and work for Glacier Bancorp, Inc. They are both still extremely avid fly fishermen with more than 100 fishing days each season. In 2020, they started a fly rod company, Montana Brothers Rodworks. MBR is a small fly rod company specializing in softer action dry fly rods.

They will be doing a presentation on fishing three of their favorite Yellowstone rivers, the Firehole, Madison, and Henry's Fork and also talking a little bit about rod design.

Here's a link to Montana Brothers Rodworks

www.mbrflyrods.com

Hope you will be able to attend this special presentation.

~ John Young

President's Thoughts (cont'd)

charities we support. Please tie some flies to donate or donate fishing gear and other items that can be sold at the auction. If you have a donation but cannot bring it, contact a board member and we will make arrangements.

April 8th is the Spring Fling Raffle; we will have some great items for this raffle. This is for our members only to have fun and give something back to them for all the time and support throughout the year they give to the club. We thank Reel Fly Rod, Mad River Outfitters and Fisherman's Headquarters for helping us out with the great discounts for our members and raffle items. Please support these fly shops in 2024. For those that do not know how the raffles work, the money from the raffles is put back into the raffle to buy items for the members. It is not to make money but to thank our members.

Good Luck with the FB cover photo contest!! The winner and runner-up will get a gift certificate and some other fun stuff.

Fish on!

Paula Smith
MVFF President



Secretary's Notes For January 2024

President Paula Smith opened the January MVFF club meeting to a packed house, welcoming new members Bill Baldygo and Jason Spears. She announced a new contest to reach out to members and individuals on the club Facebook page. The contest would involve photos of the member with a favorite catch allowing friends and family to "like". A new photo will represent the club on Facebook which may change each quarter. The winners will receive a prize.

John Young announced the upcoming fly tying class with Dan and Doug Daufel of Montana Brothers Rodworks on Sunday, February 11th. Dan and Doug will also be speaking at the

February club meeting on the 12th. This is a homecoming as the brothers and their mother were all early members of Miami Valley Fly Fishers.

Treasurer, Walt Konek, gave the expense and income report urging members to update their dues for 2024.

MVFF will be participating in two upcoming expositions, the annual Buckeye United Fly Fisher's Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show, Feb. 3rd in Loveland, Ohio, and the Wagner Subaru/Wright State University Adventure Summit February 9th and 10th in Dayton, Ohio.

Ryan "Buff" Ratliff of Mad River Outfitters shared his tips for the best fly fishing in the old Ohio Power properties in southeast Ohio. This is now state-owned land and is known as the Jesse Owens Park and Reserve. Respectfully, Jeff Davis.

2024 Dues

We are now accepting payments for 2024 dues. The best way to pay is online through our PayPal portal either with your PayPal account or as a guest with a credit or debit card (you do not need a PayPal account). This is also the easiest way for us as it eliminates the burdens of dealing with check and cash deposits.

Only 57% of paying members have paid for through January 31st.

New members - if you joined between October 1 and December 31, 2023 that dues payment is good for 2024!

Dues must be paid by the end of February to keep your membership active.

The payment link is here and at the bottom of the Home page of our website . . . <https://mvff.us>

Member Dues Status

Total Members	196
Lifetime	12
Youth	6
Paying Members Total	178
2024 Dues Paid to Date	101 (57%)

Please help us out by paying your dues today!

MVFF Annual Auction

Get ready for another great event!



Many MVFF members, particularly our long-time members, know all about the Annual Auction and look forward to it each year. However, we have added a good number of new members in the past year and this event will be new to them.

The 2024 MVFF Annual Auction will be here before you know it (March 9th), so it is not too soon to begin preparing! The importance of the auction cannot be stressed enough; the club generates about half of its revenue from this single event, which helps support our speaker program, fly tying classes, and other events and activities of our club.

For the new members and those not familiar, there are a few guidelines. As you begin to gather items for donation it is important to remember - NO JUNK. If you would not pay money for it no one else will either.

Items that sell well are fishing items of course, as well as camping and hunting gear. A sample of your favorite wine or spirits and your favorite patterns of flies are also perennial favorites (so start tying some collections for inclusion in this year's event). This is also a wonderful time to go through all of your gear, pull out the stuff you no longer need or use, and bring it to the auction. One man's junk (but no junk here) is another man's treasure.

If you have a skill or a membership to various clubs, these make excellent items for bid. Examples are members who offer guided trips to their favorite body of water, or a half day of fishing or golfing at a private club. We have had some spectacular trips in the past that have been very popular. Whatever it is you can donate to the auction truly helps support the club. Secondly, be sure to show up and bid on the items! This would be an excellent meeting to bring along a guest or two that have a passion for the sport.

We'll have more information in the March issue.

PayPal Payments Will Be Accepted for March Auction Purchases

At the upcoming MVFF auction in March, you will be able to pay with cash and check as in the past.

In addition, this year we will be accepting payments through the PayPal app on your mobile device. We will have an MVFF QR code (see below) at the check-out area for you to scan. If you have already installed the PayPal app, you can scan the QR code from within the app and easily make your payment.



2024 Canada Fishing Trip Openings

We will be going back to Waterfalls Lodge this spring on June 1st – June 8th, 2024. At this time, we have 5 openings for the trip. If you haven't fished in Canada in the springtime, you are missing a great time.

This trip is a great bargain for what you get, and the price includes a bass boat for every 2 fishermen. The chain of 7 lakes is full of bass, pike and assorted other fish to keep things interesting. And the fish love topwater flies at this time of year. We caught about 1,000 fish there last year and plan to exceed that this spring if the fishing gods allow it.

If you are interested, let me know and check out the Lodge on the net at www.waterfallslodge.com in Ontario, Canada. If you have a

January Raffle Winners

Here are the January meeting winners . . .

- TFO NXT Black Label Fly Rod 9' 6 wt. Complete Outfit - James August
- Complete Fly Tying Kit: Super Bugger and Stonefly Prince Nymph - John Young
- Fishpond Dakota Carry-On Bag - Jason Turpin
- Six Pack of Stella Artois Plus Two Trout Glasses - Doc Balazs
- Mystery Box: Frog's Fanny Floatant Plus LOON Ergo Quick Release Tool - Dave Williams

~ Lew Hofmann

Lew Hofmann is looking for an assistant to run the raffle when work takes him away on the second Monday of the month. This is uncommon, but without help the raffle can't happen. He will take care of preparing tickets, procuring the raffle items, and getting everything to you. You'll need to take the raffle items to the site, run the raffle, and hold on to the leftovers until Lew can gather them back from you. If you are able to assist, please contact him at lewhof@mac.com or 301-503-2398.

fishing partner, bring them along as well. They do not have to be a club member for this trip. This is a great way to start off your spring fishing.

I have 4 cabins reserved for the group and would like to fill them if we can, but there is no set number we must have for the trip. I will be at the February meeting and would be glad to answer any questions you might have then. See you at the February meeting.

Jim Calvert
937-925-1211



Facebook Cover Page Photo Contest

February 1st through March 24, 2024.

The purpose of this contest is to replace our cover photo. We wanted to make it fun for our members. Members will submit a picture for the contest. The winner's picture will be featured as the cover photo for the MVFF's FB page. (Prizes will be awarded at the club meeting in April for the winner and runner-up)

The Rules:

1. Photos may only be submitted by Miami Valley Fly Fishers members who are currently active members or any new members who join the club before close of business (5:00 p.m.) February 1, 2024.
2. Each photo must clearly show the entire fish and the member's face.
3. Voting will be open on the photos throughout the entire period outlined above. (HINT: The sooner you send in your photo, the longer it will have to gather votes!)
4. Photos submitted will be posted to the contest no later than close of business the following day. Once you find your photo on the contest page, share it on your FB PAGE, encourage any of your FB friends/family to vote, share it on their page, and encourage their friends and family to vote as well to help you get even more votes. Yes, non-members can vote, follow and like our page!! Voters must come to the MVFF FB PAGE, Follow, Like, Comment under the member's picture they are voting for. Example: "I vote for Joe Jones Bass picture." Or you can use an emoji.
5. Each member may only submit one picture.
6. Voting will be accomplished by Following, Liking, and Voting for a photo. One Vote per Voter. Members can place one vote for themselves. Multiple voting per Voters will be removed.
7. Winners are determined by the most votes and will be calculated by Paula Smith, President, and Ken Davy, Vice President.

Please send the pictures via email to Ken Davy at tiggr75@gmail.com in jpg or png format. Pictures may also be sent by text message attachment to 937-671-3778 or instant messenger to Kenneth A Davy on FB.

The President and Vice president will not be competing for votes, we are just counting them.

Good Luck everyone!! Find those pictures, get ready to share, vote and win!!! This should be fun and it's Free.

~ Paula Smith

The Billion Dollar Impact of North Carolina's Mountain Trout Fishing *State Releases Insightful Trout Fishing Economic and Socioeconomic Data*

(Member Bill DeShurko shared this information. Those of us who have fished North Carolina and Tennessee, dropping a good bit of money on each trip, certainly have a sense that this industry contributes substantially to the economy, but probably did not know the extent of its impact.)

Each dollar anglers spend to fish for mountain trout in North Carolina returns \$1.93 to its economy and results in a \$1.38 billion impact, according to new data from the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission (NCWRC).

Read more at <https://www.ncwildlife.org/Portals/0/Fishing/documents/2023/NCWRC-Trout-Report-Final.pdf>.

The Unabashed Angler's Dictionary (Part 7)

O continued

One More Cast – the terminal point of any outing, the last cast before one reels in, breaks down his or her rod, and leaves the water. One more cast can also develop a similarity to a Bag of Holding or a TARDIS, being that the period of time required for one more cast may vary greatly. It may take only a few seconds, or it may expand to hours. The reason for the variance seems to be the ability of the angler to correctly identify whether a cast truly is a last cast. Some anglers are very skilled at this type of recognition, while others nearly always require some other angler to make this determination.

P

Palmer – wrapping hackle in spiral the length of a fly.

Pool – a depression in the bottom of a stream or river where the water slows, and the surface becomes calm. Fish like to rest in pools, due to the decreased current. The upstream end of a pool often draws the most and biggest fish since this is usually the point where the most food accumulates. If there is a line of current at the head of the pool, make sure to fish the seam where the current line enters the pool.

Popper – a floating fly, usually composed of a head of foam, Styrofoam, or wood, with a skirt of rubber, feathers, fur, or synthetic materials tied to the hook behind the head. Poppers are terrific for panfish, smallmouth, or largemouth bass, or northern pike. The biggest problem people have with poppers is getting a good hook-set. Always wait for the tug when a fish takes your popper!

Q

Quit - fly anglers don't quit, they pause, sometimes for years but usually only for food, sleep, or other such ancillary items.

R

Rise – what happens when a fish comes up from its hiding place to eat a fly or insect. This usually results in a surface disturbance known as a rise ring.

Rod – the part of the fishing gear that propels the line to the target and provides leverage for fighting the fish until it can be landed.

Run - 1. Noun - another type of river feature, much like a pool, but with a current line running its full length, 2. Noun - a lateral burst of energy from the fish, 3. Verb - what the fish does when it goes on a lateral excursion.

~ Ken Davy

Mad River Drift

Here is a link to the archive of the Trout Unlimited Mad River Chapter newsletter. When you open the link it gives you access to the current and previous newsletters. You can also subscribe here.

<https://us20.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=8049cc4f0cf9c67bcac699302&id=e41b50e209>

Ohio DNR Education Registration

The Department of Natural Resources regularly has educational opportunities on a variety of outdoor, wildlife and sporting topics. Check out the link below and click on Register to read more about particular events you might be interested in attending . . .

<https://apps.ohiodnr.gov/wildlife/educationregistration/>

Trout Unlimited Mad River Chapter Update

The Mayfly Project - Columbus uses fly fishing as a catalyst to mentor and support children in foster care. Nocterra & Public Lands have teamed up to support this important mission.

Come join us for a fun social hour & raffle on February 15th. <https://www.facebook.com/share/4sGUu897M871vLRj/?mibextid=9I3rBW>

With the match from Public Lands, \$4 from every pint of Nocterra's Take A Hike beer sold during February will be donated to The Mayfly Project - Columbus. It's a great opportunity to meet other fly fishing enthusiasts and raise money for a helpful cause. Raffle tickets will be sold at the social and online with the top prize to be announced soon. There also will be a silent auction. Learn more about the Take a Hike program here:

<https://nocterrabrewing.com/take-a-hike/>

Learn more about The Mayfly Project & get involved here: <https://themayflyproject.com/columbus-ohio-project/>

Follow them on Facebook and Instagram <https://www.facebook.com/The-Mayfly-Project-Columbus-OH-110128968244463/>

Here are some upcoming activities and events for your consideration:

February 3rd - BUFF-Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show

February 15th - Mayfly Project fundraiser at Nocterra Brewing in Powell, Ohio

March 22nd - Ohio Rivers Symposium in Columbus

April 20th - TU Mad River Chapter Annual Meeting followed by monitoring of Mad River.

~ Tom Allen

Save the Dates

Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show

The Buckeye United Fly Fishers (BUFF) will host the annual Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show, Saturday, February 3, 2024, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. It will again be held at the Oasis Conference Center, 902 Loveland-Miamiville Road, Loveland, OH.

<http://www.buckeyeflyfishers.com/buffsql/index.asp>

The Adventure Summit

Wright State University Student Union Center
3640 Col. Glenn Hwy.
Dayton, Ohio 45435

Friday, February 9th: 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Summit Soiree - paid event)

Saturday, February 10th: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Free)

<https://theadventuresummit.com>

Midwest Fly Fishing Expo

Macomb Community College Sports & Expo Center
14500 E. 12 Mile Road
Warren, MI

Saturday, March 9th: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 10th: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

<https://midwestflyfishingexpo.com/>

2024 Ohio Rivers Symposium

Friday, March 22 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Villa Milano Conference Center in Columbus.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN.

<https://ohiodnr.gov/discover-and-learn/safety-conservation/about-odnr/nature-preserves/ohio-rivers-symposium>



Mid-Week Fly Fishing 2024

Ken Davy has once again put together a list of fishing spots and a schedule from March - October. Ken has also included info on the fishing potential of these waters and suggested flies. There are links to a map for each location.

These events are on the club Calendar page of our website and Facebook page as well (Events).

Lots of fishing spots and links to maps here. Go on the scheduled date and you can meet up with fellow members. Or just check out some of these places when you choose. We're hoping to get even better turnout this year.

They start at 4:30 p.m. If you have specific questions about events contact Ken at tiggr75@gmail.com.

Location	Date	Special Considerations	Map	Fishing Info
Possum Creek Ponds	3/20/2024		https://goo.gl/maps/dBKMawZhb3aHFwDR6	Fishing for stocked trout and early season crappies.
Eastwood Lagoon	4/11/2024	Kayaks	https://goo.gl/maps/7LSKUazx8fYWboSu5	Bass, crappies and bluegills. Olive Woolly Buggers, Zoo Cougars, and Marsh Hares for the bass. Many SMB in this water.
Deer Meadow Park	4/23/2024		https://goo.gl/maps/CquLJXGsKM7Ug1766	Fishing for early season bass, and big bluegills.
Oak Grove Park	5/8/2024		https://goo.gl/maps/iBV9FWiR2wJTtXsR6	Fish quartering out from shore with poppers or foam bugs for big bluegills, or with Clousers, Buggers, or Zoo Cougars for bass. Some big bass in here. What to do for crappies is anybody's guess.
Arthur Fisher Park	5/21/2024		https://goo.gl/maps/X45ziDf6FYLZvb36	Fishing for early season bass, and bluegills. Olive Woolly Buggers, or Muddlers for the bass, poppers or foam beetles for the bluegills. Cast about 5 feet from shore for gills, up to 10 feet for the bass.
Possum Creek - Argonne Lake	6/6/2024	Kayaks	https://goo.gl/maps/dBKMawZhb3aHFwDR6	Kayak opportunity! Bass tanking up for spawning and bluegills on their beds. Topwater heaven! You will definitely need a kayak or canoe for large bass.
Delco Park	6/11/2024		https://goo.gl/maps/pgK7CeQVD5wclJ2Mo6	Tiny streamers or mayfly nymphs for the crappies. Foam beetles or beadhead nymphs for bluegills. Bushy marabou streamers or crawdad imitations for the bass.
North Park	6/19/2024	Boats, Kayaks	https://goo.gl/maps/JDUzia3Z85zSAMxy7	This one is primarily for the kayak and boat crowd. The bank fishing here is very tough. Boats are allowed but these ponds are very narrow and shallow, so you'll want to stay with the trolling motor. I have fished here a little, but I have not been able to discern any patterns as of yet. UPDATE: in 2023, the smaller of the two ponds was stocked with trout by the ODNR.
Lofino Park	6/27/2024		https://goo.gl/maps/nfzb6JGFax84Nejs6	Fishing for early season bass, crappies and bluegills. Olive Woolly Buggers, Zoo Cougars, and Muddlers for the bass, both LMB and SMB. Green Wienies or tiny streamers for the Crappies. Popper and dropper for the bluegills. (Or, if you're Shawn, a sponge spider and a Higga's SOS.)
Rip Rap Road Park	7/10/2024	Wading, Kayaks (long portage)	https://goo.gl/maps/79oLpdMUDLkNyGWQA	Bring you waders and/or your kayaks! This one is on the Great Miami River in July. Kayakers, bring your portage wheels because it's about 300 yards from the parking lot to the river.
Rosewood Park	7/23/2024		https://goo.gl/maps/D8UQYWmoxhcDGMRA	Bluegills, some are large, reports of bass
Centennial Park	8/7/2024		https://maps.app.goo.gl/3dwGErQAeDytK1tb7	At least bluegills and carp, possibly bass and catfish
Miami View Park	8/20/2024		https://goo.gl/maps/to6qZjp9aqVDi3uM8	Bluegills, catfish and bass
Fuggin Pond	9/5/2024		https://maps.app.goo.gl/ha93VqBtqDNXqJh49	Bluegills and largemouth bass
Huffman Metropark	9/17/2024	Kayaks, canoes	https://maps.app.goo.gl/mCu8cqTxV3cSR93n6	Bluegills, crappies, Largemouth Bass and Smallmouth Bass. Kayaks, canoes.
Carriage Hill - Cedar Lake	10/17/2024	Kayaks, canoes	https://goo.gl/maps/Syz7GDdJr9uSaGiu5	Fishing for early season bass, crappies and bluegills.

February Fly of the Month

The Doc Spratley

Instructions by Bill "Woody" Woodward
Photography by Bob Cain



Recipe

Hook	Mustad 9671/9672 or equivalent, size 4 - 14
Thread	Black or brown, 6/0
Tail	Guinea hen
Body	Black wool yarn or equivalent
Rib	Silver or gold tinsel, flat medium
Throat Hackle	Guinea hen
Wing	Pheasant tail, natural or brown
Head	Peacock herl

1. Place the hook in the vise and tie the thread in behind the hook eye. Wrap a tight thread base back to the hook bend and let the thread hang. Remove any thread tag.

2. Cut 6-8 guinea hen hackle barbs, even the tips, and tie them in at the hook bend on top of the hook shank as a tail. (The tail should be about 1/3 the hook shank in length.) Wrap over the feather butts with thread and return the thread to the hook bend.

3. Cut a 4"-5" piece of black wool yarn and tie it in by the end on top of the hook shank at the hook bend. (The length of the yarn should extend out over the hook bend.)

4. Cut a 3"-4" piece of tinsel and tie it in by one end at the hook bend to use as a rib. (The length of the tinsel should extend back over the hook bend.) Wrap the thread forward to slightly behind the hook eye.

5. Grasp the wool yarn and wrap it forward in touching turns to behind the eye and tie it off. Trim off any excess yarn.

6. Now counter wrap the tinsel forward in evenly spaced turns to the end of the yarn body and tie it off. Remove any excess tinsel.

7. Cut a small bunch of guinea hen barbs and tie them in as a throat on the bottom of the hook shank behind the hook eye. The barbs should reach back to around the hook barb. Trim off any excess barb butts.

8. Cut a small bunch of pheasant tail barbs to use as a wing and measure them so that they reach from the hook eye back to the middle of the tail. Once you have the barbs measured, tie them in on top of the hook shank slightly behind the hook eye. (Take care not to let the wing barbs spring up as you want them to lay flat and parallel along the top of the body.) Trim off any excess feather butts.

9. Now cut another smaller bunch of pheasant tail barbs and tie it in as in step 8 on top of the first wing bunch. Trim off any excess barb butts and cover the remainder with thread wraps.

10. Cut two peacock herls and tie them in by one end on top of the wing behind the hook eye. (The length of the peacock herls should lay over the top of the wing and reach back to the tip of the wing.)

11. Now cut 1-2 peacock herls and tie them in right against the front the wing. Twist them together with the thread into a herl rope and wrap it forward to the hook eye, forming a neat head, and tie it off. Trim off any excess "rope", whip finish, and cut the thread.



Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing



Keep Up to Date

You can find the latest news out of national PHWFF at . . .

<https://projecthealingwaters.org>



FFI has made strides to grow the fly fishing community through the launch of a dynamic new Fly Fishers International website, including the revamped FFI Learning Center, accessible to anyone with a passion for the sport. This modern new website is easier to navigate and highlights FFI's strength in fly fishing education with an incredible repository of videos, articles, and manuals on casting, fly tying, conservation, and fly fishing skills.

<https://www.flyfishersinternational.org/Learn/Learning-Center-Resources>

New for 2023, *The Connection* is the official quarterly newsletter of FFI Women Connect. FFI Women Connect encourages female leadership in FFI Clubs and the fly fishing industry by creating a platform where women can develop fly fishing skills, network with other women fly fishers, and come together for fly fishing experiences.

<https://www.flyfishersinternational.org/Get-Involved/FFI-Women-Connect>

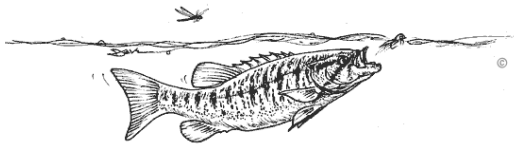
Looking for another way to dive into the world of fly fishing? Try *Fly Fish Forever*, the official podcast of Fly Fishers International. Find *Fly Fish Forever* on [Apple Podcasts](#), [Spotify](#), and [Amazon](#), or your favorite podcast source.



Little Miami Watershed Network

Below is the link to Little Miami Watershed Network newsletter (current and past issue) and where you can subscribe. Learn how you can join our network in caring for the well-being of this beautiful river.

<https://us5.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=d0849e781ada00f84ee13de0b&id=cdf41a0888>



OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Find All Fishing Reports

Fishing reports are broken down by region – Lake Erie, central, northeast, northwest, southeast, and southwest – all of which can be found online.

<https://ohiodnr.gov/wps/portal/gov/odnr/buy-and-apply/hunting-fishing-boating/fishing-resources/fishing-reports-forecasts>

Backyard Wildlife Documents

Some nice resources to check out . . .

<https://ohiodnr.gov/wps/portal/gov/odnr/discover-and-learn/safety-conservation/about-ODNR/wildlife/documents-publications/backyard-wildlife-documents>

DOW eNewsletter

Subscribe to the Ohio DNR Division of Wildlife eNewsletter by filling out the form below. Once submitted, check your email to confirm your subscription.

<https://go.ohiodnr.gov/downnewsletter>

Mobile App

HuntFish OH is a mobile path for Ohio's hunters, anglers and shooters to licensing, game check, regulations, and communication with the Ohio Division of Wildlife.



<https://ohiodnr.gov/wps/portal/gov/odnr/buy-and-apply/hunting-fishing-boating/hunting-resources/huntfishoh-mobile-app>

MVFF

Miami Valley Fly Fishers Inc., established in 1975 and re-organized in 2016 as a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization, is a non-profit organization dedicated to the improvement and preservation of fly fishing in Ohio. Our goal is cleaner water and brighter streams.

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CALENDAR

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Did You See the 2023 Michigan Trip Photos?

A great trip. See the story in the November 2023 issue of Tightlines

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There are lots of other photos and albums on the FB page.

Help!

I always need and appreciate member-submitted material for this newsletter. So if you have been on a fishing trip and want to write an article and share pictures, please send info my way. Maybe you have tactics, equipment tips, a new fly pattern or some other knowledge you would like to share. We would welcome the contributions. If you have ideas on what you would like to see in Tightlines let me know. My contact information is on this page.

~ Tom Arnold, Editor

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