

TIGHTLINES



The Monthly Newsletter of the Miami Valley Fly Fishers

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October Meeting

Our next meeting is October 12th

Kohler Center
4572 Presidential Way
(Directions on Website)

Meal Price - **\$15.00**

Fun begins at 5:30 p.m.

Dinner reservations are required. You can also cancel your upcoming reservation at the same link below..

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

Final 2026 Mid-Week Event

Cedar Lake at Carriage Hill MetroPark on
October 13th

4:30 until dark (come anytime)
([see more](#))

President's Thoughts



October means we're moving indoors, and it also signals the start of nominations for board officers and other club positions. A strong club doesn't happen by accident — it happens because people step up. Officers, committee leads, and volunteers

keep meetings running smoothly, organize outings, welcome new members, and handle all the behind-the-scenes details. When these roles aren't filled, clubs can and do fold, so your involvement truly matters.

Volunteering is also one of the best ways to feel connected. You meet more people, learn new things, and become part of the team that keeps our traditions alive while helping us grow. Whether it's a board role, helping with the raffle, planning outings, or joining a committee, we're strongest when more members share the load. October is the perfect time to step forward.

Since becoming president, I've talked a lot about bringing more women into the club and connecting with other women's fly-fishing groups. I'm still surprised when people think it's unusual for women to love this sport. Anyone who has spent time in MVFF knows better. Women have been learning, teaching, mentoring, and casting right alongside everyone else. The support I've received here is a big part of why I care so much about welcoming more women into our community. I also love sharing the club with my husband, and I hope all of you feel comfortable bringing your spouses or partners to join us.

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President's Thoughts (cont'd)

This summer, your board updated our bylaws to use clear, modern language that protects the club, defines leadership roles, and helps new members understand how we operate. It's more than paperwork — it's about making sure every member sees themselves reflected in the organization they support.

We'll post the proposed amended bylaws to our website and email them soon to all members in October. Members will have at least 30 days to review before members vote at our November meeting. Please take a look, share your thoughts, and cast your vote so we can move forward together with rules that support everyone.

Thank you for being part of a community that keeps growing, adapting, and caring for one another. I'm grateful every day for the chance to serve as your president.

Karen B. Via, MVFF Club President

October Speaker

Drake Perry – Owner, Little Miami River Outfitters

Drake Perry is the owner and founder of Little Miami River Outfitters, a fly-fishing outfitter based in southwest Ohio. Growing up along the banks of the Little Miami River near Milford, Ohio, Drake developed a passion for fishing at an early age that eventually turned into a career in the fly-fishing industry.

After attending the University of Denver, Drake began spending more and more time chasing fish on the fly and ultimately found his way into the guiding world out west. He began his professional guiding career as a float guide, spending time on some of Colorado's most well-known rivers, including the Colorado, Roaring Fork, and Eagle Rivers. Those years on the water helped shape his approach to guiding, teaching, and pursuing fish with a fly rod.



Eventually, Drake brought that experience back home to Ohio and founded Little Miami River Outfitters. Today, LMRO specializes in warmwater fly fishing and exploring the diverse fisheries throughout the region.

Drake's passion on the water revolves around chasing aggressive freshwater species, particularly **smallmouth bass, musky, largemouth bass, and hybrid striped bass**. From throwing streamers for hard-fighting smallmouth to pursuing musky and other apex predators, Drake enjoys introducing anglers to the variety of opportunities available close to home.

Through Little Miami River Outfitters, Drake's goal is not only to put clients on fish, but to help them become better anglers by teaching casting, fly selection, presentation, reading water, and the techniques needed to successfully pursue these species.

What started as a passion for fly fishing has grown into a career built around the rivers, lakes, fish, and people that make the sport so special.

<https://littlemiamiriveroutfitters.com/>

John Young

Secretary's Notes

September 14, 2026

Vice President Dave Williams said they would be working with a scouting request to get their badges out at Spring Run.

Secretary Kelly Kingery made a call for volunteers for the upcoming fly tying classes. Sign-ups to happen soon.

Treasurer Jim August reiterated the need for signing in at meetings is to comply with the club bylaws and for Fly Fishers International. He also reported that both Casting for Recovery and Reel Recovery had sent nice comments in thank you cards for the financial donations the club made to support participants at the retreats.

President Karen Via had a grand appreciation, shown by applause and hoots and hollers, for the grill cooks that have labored over the heat to provide the steaks and chickens for the summer meetings, and to the Quartermaster team for the rest of the meals and drinks every month. Thank yous went out also to the registration team. It takes a village to have a meeting. It was announced that the October meeting will commence the indoor meetings and a reminder that you MUST PRE-REGISTER since there is a caterer managing the meals for us.

The bylaws changes were discussed and will be presented to the members at the October meeting as well as being emailed and posted to the website for review at least 30 days prior to the November meeting. We will then vote for the changes in November, meeting the 30 day notice requirement.

The Wagner Subaru Outdoor Experience is October 3rd & 4th – please sign up to take a 2 hour shift to either tie or talk to people about the club that stop by the booth. There's also the opportunity to help with folks wanting to try to cast a rod. Please check often for email updates. A lot of folks will be in Michigan for the salmon run – BUT NOT EVERYBODY! Let's represent the club in fine form. We have been doing this event for decades.

The F4 (Fly Fishing Film Festival) October 16th has moved from Nocterra (closed) to Standardized Brewing, 5920 Evans Farm Dr, Lewis Center, OH 43035 (close to Nocterra).

The Nominating Committee for the 2027 elections consists of Jodi Hoover and Loryn Bryson. The job descriptions will be posted for both the Vice President and President – however the club will only be voting for a new VP since the VP assumes the President position the following year. The Nominating Committee will bring forth the names for consideration at the October meeting and the election will take place at the November meeting.

Mid-Week Fly Fishing attendance has been slim, so the request has gone out to think about ways to motivate people to attend. Please submit those ideas to Ken Davy or any Board member. Ken has also been tasked with documenting the process of how the Mid-Weeks are created, places we fish, etc. so that when the torch is passed, people know what all is entailed in running the Mid-Week outings.

Jim Calvert announced the Lodge is full for the trip to Michigan, but there are lots of camping/cabin options in the area.

John Warner is **definitely stepping down** from running the raffle at year's end. PLEASE consider volunteering. This is a great opportunity for a newer member who has been looking for a spot to fill, and John is more than happy to sit with you and show you what has been done in the past. Just hit repeat! AND – you get to spend the club's money!

Kelly Kingery

What will you give?

We all paid our dues.

But what will **you** give?

An hour, a day, a year or two,

Gifted and skilled will you share what you know.

Your talents may be few, but what will **you** do...

To honor the few who for years have given so much that those who follow...**YOU**...may do the same,

What will you give? What will you do?

Michelangelo was asked how he made such beautiful sculptures, he replied..."I saw an angel in the marble and carved till I set him free."

You never know what value you may add to someone else's life till **you pick up the 'hammer'**.

What will you give?

Miami Valley Fly Fishers needs **YOU**!

(Thanks to Jeff Davis for this.)



Storage Unit Lock Change Notice

The Board has approved a change to the locks on the club's storage unit/locker in Xenia. To improve security and maintain an accurate record of authorized users, the locks will be replaced by the end of the year.

You will still be able to access the unit. Club members who currently use the storage unit and wish to maintain access should contact Jim August or any member of the Board. Jim can be reached at:

- Email: jeva18a@gmail.com
- Phone: (937) 344-1416

Thank you for your cooperation as we complete this important security update.



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September Raffle Winners

Our lucky winners

- Fly Tying book – Allen Berg
- Honey - Joe Garland
- MFC Poly Fly Box – Jason Turpin
- Bass Fishing Gift Pack – Amy Judd
- Box of Veggies and Flowers, and Tippet Spool holder – Dave Williams
- Simms Taco Bag – Ashley Fernandez
- Net – Gary Reece
- Fishpond Flint Hills vest, and Tying plyers – Dave Atkins
- Pursuit light – Loryn Bryson
- Bubba 5" Lucky Lew folding knife – Walt Konek
- \$50 Gift Certificate, Mad River Outfitters – Phil Ritter
- Cortland Fly Rod 9ft, 7wt, 4piece – Gary Reece
- \$50 gift certificate, Kroger , and Thingamabobs – Randy Evans
- Fishpond Rod and Reel travel case – Jodi Hoover
- Riseform Rod, 8ft, 4wt, 4 piece, and mug – Sam Brown

~ John Warner

OWOTF Hatchery Trip

September 19, the morning broke cloudy, with a chance of staying cloudy. Heavy rain-laden clouds. But the [Ohio Women on the Fly](#) (OWOTF) would not be deterred from their much anticipated destination of the Castalia State Fish Hatchery! A tour and fishing the hatchery's rainbow trout from the stream brought about 18 women, converging from all different directions of Ohio, to enjoy a fantastic day fly fishing. Newer anglers were helped by the more seasoned, fly tying sessions allowed the curious or tentative to tie – maybe their first ever fly, casting lessons were available for anyone needing a tweak, and a streamside filleting table for the ones who wanted to learn how to fillet, or those simply wanting to process their fish for the drive home. Three different rain showers could not dampen the excitement of great food, fishing and fun!

Miami Valley Fly Fishers was nicely represented by several members; Angela Chavez, Ashley Fernandez, Jodi Hoover, Karen Via and Kelly Kingery. Prior to the event, Ashley had caught her very first, and only, fish on the fly at the OWOTF's Annual Summer Picnic. A little bluegill. But when it comes to excitement – size did not matter. She'd caught her first fish on the fly!!! Castalia provided her next fish – a nice, much larger rainbow! She then proceeded to max out her limit of 5 fish. ALL the ladies of the club maxed out their limits! No one caught a small fish that day, but Jodi claims the biggest fish award! It was BIG and affectionately named Hank the Tank on the spot. Kelly still maintains hers would have been bigger if it hadn't popped loose at the net by the bank. LOL. She'll have to revel in the memory of the tussle instead.

I feel I can speak for the ladies and say that we all look forward to our next Castalia outing, and want to encourage other club ladies to consider joining us!

Check out [Ohio Women on the Fly's Facebook page](#) and [Instagram](#) for information on the group and their activities! A special thanks to the Ohio Department Of Natural Resources, and the dedicated staff of the Castalia State Fish Hatchery.

Kelly Kingery



OWOTF at Deer Meadow

On Saturday, September 26, Ohio Women on the Fly sponsored a women's fishing meet up at Deer Meadow Park in Dayton. Several members of MVFF were present as well as a few new friends. While we didn't catch anything like what they'll be catching in Michigan this week, a great time was had by all.

Thank you, Loryn and OWOTF for sponsoring these events.

How Ohio's Mad River became the state's premier trout stream

Dayton Daily News | August 10, 2026 | Devin Meister

Devin Meister, a DDN contributing writer, wrote this article that appeared August 10th in the Dayton Daily News. It is an important read for all of us who treasure the Mad and want to preserve it for future generations.

His editor made the link to the story accessible for free, no paywall.

https://www.daytondailynews.com/sports/how-ohios-mad-river-became-the-states-premier-trout-stream/article_564db26a-f23a-5c07-b952-cf7ab41a7339.html



(This is one of the best articles ever written about the Mad in my 40 years plus time of working on its protection. I hope it motivates people to get involved! This unique and valuable watershed should be around for our grandkids and their kids to enjoy! ~ Tom Allen)

2026 Wagner Subaru Outdoor Experience



Saturday, October 3rd, 11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 4th, 11:00 a.m - 5:00 p.m.

Eastwood MetroPark

The Wagner Subaru Outdoor Experience is a FREE adventure festival celebrating outdoor lifestyle and culture. This multi-day event features competitions, live music, food trucks, gear shopping, pro-athlete shows, activities to try, camping, and much more! This is a dog-friendly event with an off-leash dog park, dog activities, dog shows, and supervised pooch parking so you can explore and try new activities. This is a WASTE-FREE event, so please bring your own beverage vessel or plan to buy a steel cup.

More info at . . . <https://outdoorx.metroparks.org>

*MVFF is back with a booth this year! Members
will be casting, tying flies and more!*

Women's Stuff

Buckeye United Fly Fishers

Ladies, Cari Vota, coordinator of women's activities for BUFF has invited us to participate in outings and other activities with our fly fishing sisters to the south. Here is an event worth considering.

- October 7, 2026 – October 11, 2026 – Women's Fall North Carolina Trout Trip

To see this and other events - <https://buckeyeflyfishers.com/events/categories/womens/>

Contact Cari for more information at vota@zoomtown.com

OWOTF Events

There are a number of Ohio Women on the Fly happenings that you might be interested in. Check them out

<https://www.ohiowomenonthefly.com/events>



There some great resources through FFI Women Connect. You can easily subscribe to be alerted to new issues and events.

<https://mailchi.mp/flyfishersinternational.org/january-2026-programs-12934062?e=fd808e749d>



IF4 - The International Fly Fishing Film Festival Film Tour

Fly Fishing. Cold Beer. Big Prizes. Epic Films.

The International Fly Fishing Film Festival IF4 is October 16th - don't miss it.

Standardized Brewing Co.
5920 Evans Farm Dr., Unit A
Lewis Center, OH 43035
(Location change)

Hosted by:
Mad River Trout Unlimited
Read all about it here -

A promotional poster for the IF4 - International Fly Fishing Film Festival. The poster has a dark background with a large, colorful, abstract illustration of a fish's head in the center. The text 'FLY FISHING' is at the top in a bold, white, sans-serif font. Below it, 'ORVIS' is written in a smaller font. The main title 'IF4 - International Fly Fishing Film Festival' is prominently displayed in a large, bold, white font. Below the title, there is a section titled 'Events in Ohio' which lists 'IF4 - International Fly Fishing Film Festival' and provides the date and time: 'Fri, Oct 16 at 5:30 PM (EDT)'. The location is listed as 'Standardized Brewing, Lewis Center, Ohio'. At the bottom, it says 'Questions? Contact Event Host'.

<https://tu.myeventscenter.com/event/If4-International-Fly-Fishing-Film-Festival/>

Community Calendar

There's a LOT going on in our fly fishing, conservation, and outdoor community—and that's a great problem to have!

We kept seeing events pop up everywhere and thought: Wouldn't it be nice if there were one place to find them all?

So, we built one.

Our new community calendar brings together events from organizations across the area. We used publicly available information to get it started and have already included your organization.

What's in it for you? More eyes on your events—with no cost and no ads. Your events are clearly identified as yours and link people back to your own event page. Visitors can subscribe to your organization's events—or the entire community calendar—in Google, Apple, or Outlook, and they can even request an email reminder the day before an event.

And if you already publish an online calendar we can sync with, there's nothing extra for you to maintain. Events can also be emailed to us or added directly by a designated contact.

Most importantly, your event stays your event. We don't collect your member data or contact your members, and events are moderated before appearing on the calendar.

Check it out at <http://events.tumadriver.org>. We hope you're happy to be included!

And while we're talking about getting together, we'd love to see you at some of our upcoming Mad River Chapter events: stream monitoring October 10, the International Fly Fishing Film Festival (IF4) October 16, and the Mad River Cleanup October 17.

There's a lot happening out there. Let's help each other spread the word!

Pam Allen, Vice President
TU Mad River Chapter

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We're adding this Community Calendar to our website, where it will be available soon. It's a valuable resource. Read about how this works at <http://events.tumadriver.org/about.html>. Our MVFF calendar events are already in Google Calendar and the Community Calendar syncs with that to include our events. It is often hard to keep on top of everything that might be going on and this brings it all together. You can search, apply filters and more. Take a look.

Many thanks to the TU Mad River Chapter and particularly to Jeremy Reger (TU Mad River Chapter Webmaster), Pam Allen, Stephen Shewan, and Tyler Wright for making this resource available to everyone.

Tom Arnold

The screenshot shows the 'COMMUNITY FLY FISHING EVENTS' website. At the top, it says 'ONE CALENDAR · EVERY CHAPTER' and has links for 'Calendar', 'About', 'How to post', 'Post an event', and 'Embed'. Below this is a navigation bar with 'MONTH', 'LIST' (selected), 'TILES', and 'UPCOMING'. A search bar is present. A dark blue banner indicates '82 events in the next 3 months from 13 organizations', with sub-banners for '+84 FURTHER OUT' and '+11 FROM OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES'. The 'NEXT UP' event is 'Rod Building — Mon, Sep 28, 7:00 PM'. Below this are filter sections: 'SHOWING' with 'UPCOMING' selected, 'PAST', and 'EVERYTHING'; 'HOW FAR' with '3 MONTHS' selected, '6 MONTHS', and 'ALL DATES'; and 'ORGANIZATIONS' listing various fly fishing groups with their event counts, such as 'BUCKEYE UNITED FLY FISHERS (BUFF) · 14' and 'MIAMI VALLEY FLY FISHERS (MVFF) · 16'.

Mad River Cleanup

The Mad River Chapter of Trout Unlimited annual Mad River Cleanup is Saturday, October 17th.

We all know that the Mad River is a vital coldwater fishery and a beautiful community resource but keeping it healthy requires a team effort. Each year, volunteers remove hundreds of pounds of trash, clear debris, and work to restore the natural habitat.

Lets go MVFF members. We would love to see some of our members participate in this very important event. It is a great way to be involved in protecting this magnificent resource. (see the DDN article about the Mad on page 6.)

Learn all about the event at <https://tumadriver.org/river-cleanup/>.

Meeting at the [36 Bridge](#). From the north side of West Liberty Park (Lions Ball Park on Maps) to Mad River River Gorge Park in Clark County, covering 18 access points into the river.

The first 40 people to register for the Cleanup will get a free t-shirt guaranteed to be their size, as long as they fill out the form.

And consider adding <https://tumadriver.org> to your bookmarks, as well as signing up for the TU Mad River Chapter newsletter to keep current on activities and projects at <https://mailchi.mp/f9f328204f05/mad-river-drift-june2026>.



TU Mad River Chapter Update

Here is the link to the TU Mad River Chapter events. <https://tumadriver.org/#News>

MVFF members may be interested in the updates to our website developed by our administrator Jeremy Reger. One example is how USGS gauge information for the Mad is provided.

<https://tumadriver.org/river-monitor/>

Tom Allen

Fly of the Month: Streaking Caddis



Instructions by Bill “Woody” Woodward
Photography by Bob Cain

Recipe

Hook..... Curved Caddis, size 12-14
Thread..... Color to match body, 6/0 or 8/0
Body..... Spikey dubbing, your choice of color
Wing..... Deer hair
Head..... Deer hair

1. Attach the thread in the middle of the hook shank and wrap a tight thread base back to halfway down the hook bend.
2. Dub the thread and wrap a tapered body forward on the hook shank to slightly in front of the hook point. Tie off the dubbing and remove any excess. The thread should now be at the front of the dubbed body.
3. Cut, clean, and stack a small bunch of deer hair as a wing and tie it in on top of the hook shank at the end of the dubbed body using a pinch wrap and several tight thread wraps. The hair tips should project back to or slightly past the hook bend with the hair butts projecting over the hook eye. **DO NOT LET THE HAIR SPIN AROUND THE HOOK SHANK.** Pack the hair back against the dubbed body and bring the thread in front of the hair.
4. Cut, clean, and stack another bunch of deer hair. Trim off the hair tips and **SPIN** this hair in front of the hair wing. Pack the hair back and repeat this step until the spun hair reaches the back of the hook eye.
5. Now do a whip finish behind the hook eye and cut the thread.
6. Brush the butt ends of the hair upright and trim it into a tapered bullet head back to the hair wing. The hair on the bottom of the head should be trimmed flat in line with the bottom of the dubbed body.

New Email Address is Official!

As we reported previously, we received our approval and activation from Google Workspace for Nonprofits. This allows us to use our new email address - **admin@mvff.us**! This will improve the delivery of emails to members, avoiding many of the issues we had been experiencing in using a Gmail account.

One Quick Favor...

To make sure you never miss an update, please take a quick second to add admin@mvff.us to your contacts or safe senders list. It makes a huge difference in ensuring our emails land safely in your inbox.

Tom Arnold

Mid-Week Fly Fishing 2026

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. (come anytime). If you have specific questions about events contact Ken at tiggr75@gmail.com.

Date	Location	Special Considerations	Map	Fishing Info
19-Mar	Delco Park		https://maps.app.goo.gl/iUgIXwx2Rx19tNwRA	Tiny streamers or mayfly nymphs for the crappies. Foam beetles or beadhead nymphs for bluegills. Bushy marabou streamers or crawdad imitations for the bass.
7-Apr	Lincoln Park		https://maps.app.goo.gl/RAuwMRdYH7IMXsxV9	This pond is new in the rotation, Still collecting intel.
23-Apr	Beaver Lake		https://maps.app.goo.gl/nyuVgiETgaVdxD62A	Also access to Beaver Creek.
5-May	Eastwood Lagoon	Kayaks	https://goo.gl/maps/7LSKUJazx8fYWboSu5	Bass, crappies and bluegills. Olive Woolly Buggers, Zoo Cougars, and Marsh Hares for the bass. Many SMB in this water.
21-May	Oak Grove Park		https://goo.gl/maps/iBV9FWjR2wJTtXsR6	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.
9-Jun	Argonne Lake - Possum Creek MetroPark	Kayaks	https://goo.gl/maps/ALMcXCTFBLkVVhfK6	Panfish, bass, crappies.
25-Jun	Arthur Fisher Park		https://goo.gl/maps/X45ziIDf6FYLZvb36	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.
7-Jul	Miami View Park		https://goo.gl/maps/to6qZjp9aqVDj3uM8	Bluegills, catfish and bass.
23-Jul	Rip Rap Road Park	Wading, Kayaks (long portage)	https://goo.gl/maps/79oLpdMUDlKnyGWQA	Bring your 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.
4-Aug	Fuggin Pond		https://maps.app.goo.gl/ha93VqBtqDNXqJh49	Bluegills and largemouth bass.
20-Aug	Deer Meadow Park		https://goo.gl/maps/CquLJXGskM7Ug1766	Fishing for bass and big bluegills.
8-Sep	Wellfield Park		https://maps.app.goo.gl/imxBay3ZpyTDeyam6	This pond gets deep abruptly. It holds anything that is in Stillwater River.
24-Sep	Lofino Park		https://goo.gl/maps/nfzb6lGFax84Nejs6	Fishing for 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.)
13-Oct	Carriage Hill - Cedar Lake	Kayaks, canoes	https://goo.gl/maps/Syz7GDDjR9uSaGiu5	Fishing for bass, crappies and bluegills.

Save the Dates

Mad River Stream Water Quality Monitoring

October 10 - 9:00 a.m.

West Liberty Lions Club Ball Park
West Liberty, OH 43357

<https://tumadriver.org/news-and-announcements/>

MVFF Monthly Meeting

October 12 - start at 5:30 p.m.

Kohler Center, 4572 Presidential Way,
Kettering, Ohio 45429

Make your reservation now at <https://mvff.us/reservation/>

Mid-Week Fly Fishing Event

October 13, 4:30 till dark (come anytime)

Cedar Lake at Carriage Hill MetroPark (see page 11)

Mad River Cleanup

October 17 - 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Meeting at the [36 Bridge](#)

<https://tumadriver.org/news-and-announcements/>

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 Council Newsletter

Ohio Council's Winter 2026 Newsletter is linked below for everyone's reading enjoyment. The periodic newsletter is OHC's ongoing attempt to keep fly fishers in Ohio up to date on regional matters and events. This email is being sent to all of the current FFI members in the Ohio Council. Feel free to forward this email to other FFI affiliate club member and fly fishing friends who are not FFI members. The OHC officers hopes that everyone will enjoy these newsletters; and please consider joining us by becoming an [FFI member](#) if you are not already.

If anyone has note-worthy content that they would like to contribute for future newsletters; please send an email to our [Newsletter Editor](#) for consideration. Use the link below to access the newest newsletter to read or download.

https://mcusercontent.com/38c4ba82eb8cd3357490ee92c/files/1e8f5d76-534b-331e-1fec-a4613d493ee1/Winter_2026_3.pdf



Ohio Fly Tying Guild Fly Tying Demos

Join us each month at the Ohio Fly Tying Guild Zoom meeting for live online fly tying and techniques demonstrations. These events will be held the 3rd Friday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Eastern time. So mark your calendars to plan ahead. If you missed the first sessions, you can view the recordings at the following YouTube link:

<https://www.youtube.com/@OhioFlyTyingGuild>

Subscribe and you should get notices when new videos are available.

Fly Fishers International member Gary Begley from the Buckeye United Fly Fishers club near Cincinnati, Ohio will be leading the sessions. Topics of discussions and demonstrations will cover tying tools, materials, hooks, and the techniques to put it all together to create a fly that will catch fish. These are interactive events, so don't be afraid to make comments, or to ask questions. We hope to see you at the meetings.

If you are an FFI member you can subscribe to the Ohio Council of FFI at the link below and you will get notification of the next session with the Zoom invitation.

<https://mailchi.mp/bb30fc8451a5/ffi-ohio-council-newsletter-10328552?e=e08d356fda>

[FFI / Ohio Council Winter 2026 Newsletter](#)



Little Miami Watershed Network

Visit our website for updates on activities and opportunities to support us in volunteering.

Keep in touch at . . . <https://lmwn.org>

Below is the link to Little Miami Watershed Network newsletter (current and past issues) 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/?>



OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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/>

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>



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>

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.

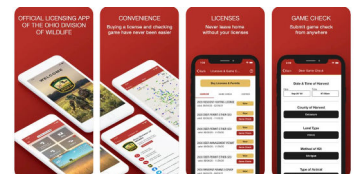
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Remember, you can find many photos of MVFF happenings on our [Facebook](#) page.

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Did You See the 2026 Canada Trip Photos?

Another great trip!. See the story in the July 2026 issue of Tightlines and check out the photos from this trip and many others on our Facebook page - -

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

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 by emailing me at admin@mvff.us.

~ Tom Arnold, Editor

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