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From Our Prez.

Winter is a good time for learning, sharing, and catching up on things you planned to do last fall – like filling the fly boxes so you have more time to fish when the weather warms up. And we certainly have been and are currently enjoying many opportunities for such activities. The fly tying sessions on Thursday night has been very successful this year and the weather has been just bad enough to get a few extra flies tied at home. The casting class is in full swing with 7 members participating this go-around and we are learning a lot.

Coming up in the near future, we have several opportunities for sharing. One of the best ways to share the fly fishing experience is to go fishing with somebody who is either inexperienced at fly fishing, or has never seriously considered it as a method of fishing. The club has equipment that can be checked out if need be and I can think of no better way to share our passion than to go out and have a great day on the water in the beautiful spring weather. In addition to taking somebody fishing, members are also welcome to help with the Hooked of Fly Fishing club at South Callaway Middle School. Although I understand that the timing is usually not real convenient for most folks, if you have time the club meets on the last Wednesday of the month at South Callaway Middle School. For more information about the Hooked on Fly Fishing club, you can talk to Jerry Kemple, Larry Murphy, or me.

Another way to share is to attend the spring banquets for TU and CCFF. Trout Unlimited has their banquet coming up later this month on February 22nd and tickets area available from

John Wenzlick. Our annual banquet is in April this year and will be a smaller club banquet held at Donita's. Although there will not be a live auction at this banquet, there will be a silent auction and maybe a bucket raffle. If you would like to donate to the banquet – flies, used equipment, a vest that has "shrunk" over the years and no longer fits, or anything else, please feel free to contact Jerry Kemple or me.

On a final note for this month, I would like to say how relieved I am that Regina Van Patten is recovering from her illness. Regina is the person who first told me about the club that I am now President of and a very talented teacher and fly fisher. She and Mark are wonderful people and I know they appreciate all of our well-wishing, thoughts, prayers, and support.

- Jim Farthing

February Activities

Mc Kay Lake

The trout are being caught. They are taking them at least four at a time. I was over there Monday and there were about 2 dozen fishermen. Someone had a fish on most of the time. When I walked up there were 3 fishermen leaving with their limits. I was only there about 15 minutes but did not have time to do any fishing. Most everyone was using Power Bait. I saw one fish over 14". There are some big ones left in there.

One of the fishermen told me that MDC was shocking the lake earlier that day. I contacted Phil Pitts to see what the creel consisted of. He stated that MDC was only interested in taking 15 trout

from the lakes involved in the Winter Stocking Program. Phil reported that they were able to get most of the fish that they needed when they got to one of the new brush piles. He mentioned that he was surprised that more people were not fishing the new brush piles that Kevin Hempen of the MDC had put in Mc Kay and Binder. *Thanks Kevin*.

Phil reminded me that the clean up of Binder Lake is scheduled for April 26th. Please put it on your calendar.

Montauk Trip

I talked to Jim Farthing last night after the gang got back from Montauk. Jim said that there were about nine members who weathered the day to have a good time.

He reports that most all of the folks who went were successful in catching fish. Jim Kramel caught the biggest. It must have been on the new rod that he won at the Banquet last year.

Remember to turn in your attendance nametags for the meetings to have a chance for a rod at the Family Dinner.

February Meeting

The February Meeting of the CCFF will be Tuesday Night at the Runge Nature Center at 7:00pm. This month's speaker will be Tim Wade. Time is a guide who guides in Wyoming in the summer and winters in Arkansas in the winter.

There will be a Board of Directors Meeting at 6:00pm prior to the regular meeting.

Orvis Mid-West Warehouse Sale

Just got a phone call from the daughter in KC. KC Star is advertising an Orvis 70% off Warehouse sale in Overland Park KS on Feb 15-17 at the OP

Convention Center. Hours are 9-6 on Friday and Saturday. 10 to 4 on Sunday.

Tri-Lakes Fly Fishing Expo

The Tri-Lakes Fly Fishers of Bolivar, Missouri will host their 6th annual Expo on Saturday, February 23, 2008 from 9:00 am to 6:00pm. The event will be held at the Brighton AG Church multi-purpose building which is 14 miles north of Springfield on Highway 13.

The featured speaker will be Mark Van Patten. In addition there will 35 tyers, seminars on casting, a bamboo rod building class along with bucket raffles and a live auction. Admission is free. This sound like it may be a good day trip for CCFF.

Upcoming Calendar

February 2008

- 7 Teach a Vet to Ty 3pm @ Columbia Veterans Hospital (Conference Room C201)
- 7 Winter Fly Tying Session 6-8 pm @ Runge Nature Center, Forrest Room
- 12Club Meeting @Runge Nature Center @ 6:30 p.m.
- 14 Winter Fly Tying Session 6-8 pm @ Runge Nature Center, Forrest Room
- 14 Take Your Spouse Fishing Day (TYSFD)
- 17 Mass Funeral for Those That Went FishingWithout Their Spouses on TYSFD
- 21 Teach a Vet to Ty 3pm @ Columbia Veterans Hospital (Conference Room C201)
- 21 Winter Fly Tying Session 6-8 pm @ Runge Nature Center, Forrest Room
- 22 Trout Unlimited Banquet@ Stone Creek Inn, Columbia, MO
- 23 Tri-Lakes Fly Fishing Expo 9-6@Brighton AOG Multipurpose Building

- 27 Hooked on Fly Fishing Not Drugs 3:00 pm @ South Calloway R-II Middle School
- 28 Winter Fly Tying Session 6-8 pm @ Runge Nature Center, Forrest Room

March 2008

- 1 Trout Season Opens Statewide
- 6 Teach a Vet to Ty 3pm @ Columbia Veterans Hospital (Conference Room C201)
- 6 Winter Fly Tying Session 6-8 pm @ Runge Nature Center, Forrest Room
- 11Club Meeting @Runge Nature Center @ 6:30 p.m.
- 13,14 & 15 Sow Bug Roundup @ Mountain Home,AR
- 13 Winter Fly Tying Session 6-8 pm @ Runge Nature Center, Forrest Room
- 20 Teach a Vet to Ty 3pm @ Columbia Veterans Hospital (Conference Room C201)
- 26 Hooked on Fly Fishing Not Drugs 3:00 pm @ South Calloway R-II Middle School

Fly of the Month

The Simple Beaded Scud

This recipe tell how to dub material by a couple of methods and something about materials that can be used for shell back.

Materials:

Hook: Scud Hook Tiemco 2487 size 14-18

Thread: Red, tan, olive, grey, or black 8/0 or 14/0

Bead: Gold 3/32"

Body: Rabbit fur, squirrel fur, muskrat fur or

synthetic dubbing material

Rib: Fine copper wire

Shell back: Zip lock bag, Cabela's or BassPro shopping bag, newspaper delivery

bags or scud shell back materials.

Instructions

- **Step 1** Crimp down the barb of the hook. It is not needed and will only cause problems if it gets stuck in you or a friend.
- Step 2 Place the bead on the hook and put the hook in the vise as normal. Place a layer of thread on the hook stopping at the back of the hook. Rather than cutting off the tag end, make a loop to form a tail later on.
- Step 3 Attach both the shell back material and the copper wire at the rear of the hook.

 The shell back material can be prepared by cutting an 1/8" wide strip out of the materials listed in the recipe.
- Step 4 Wrap the dubbed material around the thread and then wrap the thread around the hook to the bead. The dubbing material can be prepared by cutting the fibers to a length of 1/8" and then attached to the thread in a dubbing loop or by sticking it to the thread using Dubbing Wax.
- Step 5 Fold the shellback over the top of the body and secure just behind the bead.
- Step 6 Wrap the ribbing wire forming a segmented body and secure the wire just behind the bead.
- Step 7 Whip finish the fly and cement the thread.
- Step 8 Split the loop formed from the tag loop to create two tails.

There are several combinations of colors that work for this fly. You can get many colors of shell back materials as well as getting natural or dyed colors of dubbing materials. Check your favorite Fly Shop to find out what the local successful scud patterns are.

Sale of the Month

Jim Kramel has some used equipment that he would like to sell.

He has a Regal Clamp Vise that he would like to sell for \$65 vise and a Wulff 6Wt triangle taper fly line that he will take \$35 for. He can be reached at 635-1921.

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