

Capital City Fly Fishers



10th Anniversary Newsletter

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Reports from Activities.

May 2013

Ringo's Wellness Class

Originally the class was scheduled to begin on April 8 but when we got to Binder that morning, we discovered that the old Tackle Shop had been reserved by another class for the next two weeks. So Plan B was to start our class on April 22.

April 22 was a pretty day but the weather changed the next day and we moved into Runge for a couple of days while the weather settled down and then we went back to Binder.

We had 13 students for the week. The class was 6 girls one day and 7 the next or 7 boys one day and 6 the next. We spent more time tying flies than we did casting due to the weather.

Some days we had to ty flies with the whole class because the weather would was not suitable for casting instruction.

Some of the reels that were purchased for the class 6 years ago were beginning to have problems so a request was made of the Columbia Bass Pro Shop Manager Shawn Scott. He was able to donate four new Hobbs Creek fly reels to replace the defective ones that the class had. *Remember their generosity the next time you visit Columbia Bass Pro.*

Capital City Fly Fishing Class

The first three sessions of the class have gone by. We have covered the equipment associated with fly fishing in the first session, the knots that are needed to be successful for fly fishing during the second session and did some fly tying during the third night.

John Walther did his usual excellent job of leading the fly tying session and several of the CCFF members were on hand to aid with the instruction. The students were able to ty up at least four flies that they will be able to use on the last night of the class. We will be going to a local farm pond that belongs to one of the students on June 27 in pursuit of bream and bass.

The May 23 session will be lead by Mark Van Patten who will speak on the entomology of the insects that fly fishers typically try to replicate when they select flies to use to catch various species of fish. Mark has written the book that the CCFF has used as an outline for the course that we are doing at the Runge Nature Center.

Upcoming Events

May Meeting

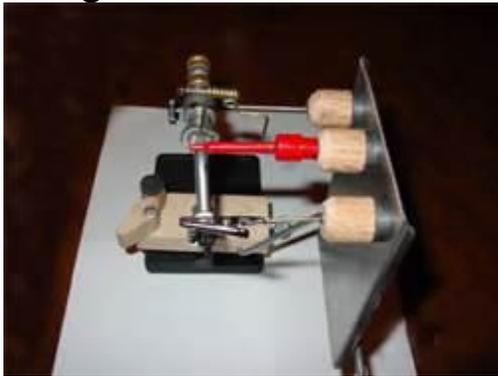
The May meeting will be held at the Tackle Shop at Binder Park. It will begin at 6:30 pm and pizza and soda will be served. Bring your rods and some blue gill flies. Mike Clark

reports that they are doing pretty good out there. We will eat on the back porch if weather requires.

June Meeting

The June meeting of the CCFF will be held at the Phillips Lake in Columbia. This is the lake on the left hand side of Hwy 63 as you are entering Columbia. Exit on Research Rd and go west to get to the lake. Kent has agreed to feed us sub sandwiches. We will meet at 6:30pm. This lake has some very large bass. It has a ramp for anyone who might want to take a pontoon or kayak.

John Walther Demonstrates Use of Evergreen Hand Tools



The Federation of Fly Fisher has started a program to provide fly tying tools to help Vets who may only be capable of using one hand with which to ty flies. A group of tiers from Fort Lewis Washington developed special tools for this purpose and they are providing these tools to the FFF for distribution. The CCFF has obtained a set of these tools for demonstration and education. John Walther has volunteered to demonstrate the methods/tools to the staff and patients at the Harry Truman Veterans Hospital in Columbia on May 16, 2013.

It is the desire of the CCFF to inform the Hospital staff of the FFF Program and of the often overlooked opportunities for these Vets.

Jim Merten's Memorial Kids Fishing Tournament

The annual Kid's Fishing Tournament that is held each year at Binder Park has been designated the Jim Merten's Memorial Kids Fishing Tournament this year. It will be held on June 8 and will begin registration at 7:00am with fishing beginning at 8:00 am and ending at 9:00am after which there will be awards presented.

CCFF members will assist the J. C. Parks and Rec. with the sale of hot dogs and soda during the tournament. The proceeds from this sale go to the Parks and Rec. to support the Winter Trout Stocking Program at Mc Kay Lake. Melvin Schulenberg will be coordinating the project for CCFF so if you can help for a couple of hours that morning, please contact Melvin at 694-1913. He can use the help and you will enjoy the task.

If you have children or grandchildren 16 or under, take them with you and get them registered for the tournament. Wal- Mart will give away some great prizes.

The J. C. Crappie Club will be in charge of registration and recording the catches. Be sure to thank them for the job that they do.

Calendar

May

2--- Teach a Vet to Ty 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202

9--- CCFF Fly Fishing Course Runge Nature Center 6:00pm to 8:00pm

14--- CCFF Meeting @Binder Park Tackle Shop 6:30 pm

16--- Evergreen Hands Program 2:00 pm at the Truman VA Hospital

23---CCFF Fly Fishing Course Runge Nature Center 6:00 to 8:00pm

June

6--Teach a Vet to Ty 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202

8--- Jim Merten's Kids Fishing Tournament Registration @ 7:00am, Fishing@ 8:00am

Prizes @ 9:30am

11--CCFF Meeting @ Phillips Lake,
Columbia, Sub Sandwiches 6:30pm

13--CCFF Fly Fishing Course Runge
Nature Center 6:00 to 8:00pm

20--Teach a Vet to Ty 3:00pm at the Truman
VA Hospital Rm. C202

27--CCFF Fly Fishing Course Fishing at
1917 Hwy 179 @ 6:00 to 8:00pm

Monthly Fly Pattern



Girdle Bug

This is one of the flies that John taught the class to ty on Tuesday night. It makes a pretty easy pattern for bluegill around here as well as a good brown trout on the North Fork of the White where a variation is tied and is known as Pat's Rubber Legs.

Material:

Hook: Mustad 9672 size 6 to 10

Thread: Black 6/0

Body: Medium Black chenille

Tail, Antenna and Legs: Gray Rubber

Weight: 0.20" dia. lead or substitute

Tying Instructions:

1. Crimp the barb of the hook and place hook in the vise.
2. Start the thread just behind the eye of the hook and wrap back the curve of the hook.
3. Place 8 to 10 turns of weight on the hook depending on the size of the hook.

4. Wrap back over the lead to secure it.

5. Lay 2 strands of the rubber on top of the hook so that they stick out about 1/4" in front and 1/2" behind the hook and wrap over them.

6. Prepare the end of the chenille and wrap it in.

7. Wrap the thread and the chenille up 1/3 of the way toward the front of the hook.

8. Ty in the first set of legs.

9. Wrap the thread and the chenille to the 2/3 way up the hook.

10. Ty in the second set of legs.

11. Wrap the thread and the chenille to the eye of the hook, wax the thread and whip finish.

You can use different combinations of chenille for the body such as chartreuse, white, brown, or even variegated. You can also change the color of the legs. Be sure to make your legs long enough to provide action in the water as the fly settles.

Try it. You may like it.

Check out the websites:

<http://www.capitalcityflyfishers.org>

www.thetyingbench.com

<http://www.flyflinger.com/midge.php>

www.askaboutflyfishers.com