

Capital City Fly Fishers



10th Anniversary Newsletter

Piscator non solum piscatur



July 2012

From Our Prez



It's been so hot that the fishing hasn't been good - but we did find this one guy at the MO. Botanical Gardens in St. Louis this last week. Asked him what he was using and he said "Ancient Chinese secret...." :)

There is an exhibit at the Gardens until August 19 of Chinese Lanterns that is well worth your time if you're inclined to that type of thing!

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone this Tuesday at Binder Lake pavilion. We'll be serving hamburgers and hot dogs. Bring a covered dish to share. Fish if you're inclined - and if the weather is a bit better.

Just a reminder that the August meeting will move back indoors. Hope by then the weather is better!

Tight lines,
Kent

Reports from Activities

Fly Fishing A-Z classes: This course is a six week course that is held at the Runge Nature Center and it is sponsored by the CCFF. It was open to the first 20 people to enroll. Enrollment took less than one week to fill up the class.

The subject for the June 21st session was casting and the class was held at the Cole County Lake.

The July 19 session will be *Beginning Fly Tying* and Kent has already “fessed up” to not being a Tier so Mark may need some help with a class this size. The class will go back to Runge for this session. It will meet at 5:30pm in the Forrester Room of Runge.

New CCFF Member: The Club has obtained a new member. Her name is Julie Ann Downs. Christian Downs and Julie Ann Koester were married on July 17. Congratulations Chris on the “Fine Catch.”

Monthly Fly Tying: meets at HYVEE for a “free will fly tying session” on the third Thursday of the month at 5:30pm in the Banquet Room. Everyone interested in fly tying is invited.

The format will be as follows: if you have a technique that you want demonstrated, contact John Walther and he will attempt to find someone familiar with the technique to demonstrate it at the next meeting.

Other than that, these sessions will be “free will tying.” (Everyone brings their own materials and ties whatever pattern he feels like doing that night)

If you have any questions, contact John Walther @ 6802286.

If anyone needs to borrow CCFF tying tools, please notify John ahead of time.

Thank Tom Crane for obtaining a location for these sessions.

July Meeting: The July CCFF meeting will be held at the old bait shop of Binder Lake. We will be cooking hamburgers and hot dogs that night. The hamburgers/hot dogs, chips and tea/water will be provided.

If you have a dish or desert that goes with the afore mentioned items, please feel free to bring it along.

We will plan on eating at about 6:30pm. Bring your rod and get in some casting.

August Meeting:

The CCFF August meeting will go back to the First Baptist Church on August 14, where we will hear from Phil Pitts of the MDC. Phil will be talking about one of the many research

projects that he is working on at the present time. The meeting time will go back to 7:00pm but there will be a Board of Directors meeting beginning at 6:00pm

Reports from Bennett and Montauk

Many friends report that the fishing is very good in both of the Parks lately even though the temperature has been very hot in the afternoon. These were friends who have taken their families to the parks and stayed in the cabins. They are saying that the cabins are full but it is too hot for most of the campers and so the number of people fishing is lower than normal.

I had friends at both locations who said that it was one of their better vacations and attributed it to the smaller number of people at each of the parks. All were reporting limits of fish even by very young first timers. Their plan has been to fish early in the morning or very late in the afternoon and go to the pool or the room when it gets too hot to fish. The real benefit is fewer campers.

Calendar

July

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

10---- CCFF Meeting (Location to be announced). 6:30pm

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

19 ----Free Will Fly Tying Banquet Room of HY VEE 5:30-7:30

19---Beginning Fly Fishing from A-Z Runge Nature Center 5:30-8:00pm

August

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

14---- CCFF Meeting @ First Baptist Church of JC. BOD meeting @ 6:00 pm Membership Meeting @ 7:00pm

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

16 ----Free Will Fly Tying Banquet
Room of HY VEE 5:30-7:30

16---Beginning Fly Fishing from A-Z
Runge Nature Center 5:30-8:00pm

Monthly Fly Pattern



Halfback Nymph

John Walther found this one on the Internet and it was submitted by Brian Agopsowics. It is a simple nymph pattern and takes very few materials or very little time to ty.

Recipe:

Hook: Mustad 9671 or 9672 size 8-16

Thread: Uni thread 6/0 or 8/0 black or olive

Weight: Lead substitute

Tail: Pheasant tail fibers

Ribbing: Silver or gold fine wire

Body: Peacock herl

Wing Case: Pheasant tail fibers

Thorax : Peacock herl

Legs: Pheasant tail barbs or brown hackle

Instructions

1. Crimp the barb and place the hook in the vise.
2. Start the thread at the front of the hook and wrap to the curve of the hook.
3. Secure the tail fibers and the ribbing.
4. Add the weight to the thorax and secure it with the thread.

5. Ty in the body herl and wrap it up to the 2/3 position on the hook shank. (To protect the herl, you might wrap the thread around the herl as you wrap it around the hook)
6. Reverse wrap the ribbing over the herl and secure both.
7. Ty in the wing case pheasant tail fibers at the 2/3 position to cover the thorax.
8. Ty in the herl and wrap the thorax. Trim the excess.
9. Fold over the wing case and secure.
10. Fold back the excess to create legs on each side to the fly and secure while building the head.
11. Whip finish and cement the head.

Be sure to leave enough room to build a small head on the fly. It is awful easy to crowd the eye of the hook.

Check out the websites:

www.flatshuntercharters.com

<http://www.capitalcityflyfishers.org>