

Capital City Fly Fishers



10th Anniversary Newsletter

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August 2012

From Our Prez

Ginger and I will not be at the meeting next Tuesday as we are headed out to the International Fly Tackle Dealers Show in Reno, NV and then going to see how many Western trout we can terrorize for the next 2 weeks. It looks we're leaving just in time for nicer weather here in MO. Fishing has been good on the White and Taneycomo lately so get out and catch some fish.

While we're gone we will be hoping and praying for some much needed rain for Mid-Mo. area that needs it so much. On a lighter note, I will personally be blowing enough hot air out West to create a t-storm or two and sending them your way.

You just gotta keep smiling, we will get some rain.

Til September, Good fishing and 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 July 19th session was fly tying and there were some very good wooly buggers tied up.

The subject for the August 16th session will be "Thinking Like a Fish" and "Basic Entomology."

The class will be at Runge for this session. It will meet at 5:30pm in the Forrester Room of Runge.

Mark announced at the last session, that the class will have an outing at Montauk State Park on Sept. 22. The group will meet at the lodge at 6:00 am to get permits and prepare for the mornings fishing. They will fish until noon. The class members are to bring rods and waders if they prefer to dry wade.

Mark has requested that members of the CCFF assist him with this outing.

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.

Reed's Cabins Healing Water Event: The Reed's Cabin Resort at Montauk State Park will be holding an event on Sept. 28-29 to benefit the Project Healing Waters Program. There will be instruction by FFF Casting Instructor Tom Timmerberg, music by the Cole Family Bluegrass Band, raffles and drawings and Van Patten will be filming a show at the event.

Call 573-548-2222 or e-mail Kelly@reedstrout.com for more information.

Sounds like a lot of fun and will benefit a very good Program.

August Meeting: The August CCFF meeting will be held at the First Baptist Church of Jefferson City at 7:00pm on Tuesday, August 14. **An important Board of Directors will begin at 6:00 pm.**

Our program for the evening will be a speaker from the Missouri Department of Conservation who will talk about one of the many projects he is working on. The speaker's name is Phil Pitts and he is one of the most dedicated MDC people that I know. Come hear about some of his work.

Pull for Conservation: The Conservation Federation of Missouri is sponsoring a sporting clay shoot at the River Hills Sporting Clays in Boonville on Saturday, August 11, 2012.

Registration begins at 8:00am. See www.confedmo.org for further details.

Reports from Bennett and Montauk

Pat Murphy, a friend from church, reports that he had a good day at Montauk in late July. The flies of preference were the "Dirty Chicken" and the "Bloody Chicken".

Pat, I am sorry, but I can't find the recipe for either on the internet.

Pat says that they are dry flies, size 16, tied with black sparkle chenille and either a palmered furnace hackle or a palmered grizzly hackle. It is tied similar to the Crackleback without the peacock strip down the back.

John Walther has been without his lady for a couple of weeks so he has been down to Bennett. (Burma went out to Washington State to visit her sister) John took the opportunity to get in some fishing.

John's report is that he had some good days stripping Cracklebacks and wooly worms in Zone 2. John said the secret was long, long casts. He said that if you didn't get close to the other bank, you might as well bring it home and cast over again.

Welcome Home Burma!

Calendar

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

September

- 6---** Teach a Vet to Ty 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202
- 11----** CCFF Meeting @ First Baptist Church of JC. BOD meeting @ 6:00 pm Membership Meeting @ 7:00pm

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

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

22---Beginning Fly Fishing from A-Z
Montauk State Park 6:00am to noon

Monthly Fly Pattern



Pink Pookie Foam Hopper

Kent Campbell and Gary Kula made a trip down to the White a couple of weeks ago and had a good day using a “Pink Hopper” pattern. It must have been the female hoppers.

I went online to check out a “pink” hopper and came up with Dean Reiner’s Pink Pookie Foam Hopper. It is difficult to see from my photo but yes that is a piece of pink foam on the bottom of the fly. Dean is out of the Hatch Finders Fly Shop in Livingston, Montana.

One of Kent’s photos looks like all of the foam in the fly is pink. See www.theozarkflyfisher.com

Material:

Hook: Dai-Riki #780 size 8

Thread: UTC Ultra-Thread 140 Denier in Red

Foam: 2mm craft foam Pink for the belly and tan for the wing.

Legs: Medium yellow/black barred rubber legs

Instructions

1. Cut two strips of foam ¼” wide by 2” long. One from the pink and one from the tan foam.
2. Crimp the barb of the hook and stick it through the center of the pink piece in the center and about 3/8” from the end.
3. Place the hook in the vise.
4. Start the thread wrap about the center of the hook and wrap back to the curve of the hook.
5. Pull the pink piece of foam under the hook and put a drop of Zap a Gap where the hook sticks through the foam.
6. Place 2 wraps around the hook and the foam at this point.
7. Fold the foam back and take a couple of wrap on the hook shank to get ¼ th of the way up the shank toward the eye.
8. Place 2 wraps over the foam and the hook shank.
9. Fold the foam back and take a couple of wrap on the hook shank to get 1/2 of the way up the shank toward the eye.
10. Place 2 wraps over the foam and the hook shank.
11. Fold the foam back and take a couple of wrap on the hook shank to get 3/4s of the way up the shank toward the eye
12. Place 2 wraps over the foam and the hook shank.
13. Repeat step 11 to get the thread to just behind the hook eye and place 2wrqps over the foam and the hook.
14. Cut off excess pink foam.
15. Lay the tan foam on top of the pink with the end being back from the eye about ¼th of the hook shank.
16. Wrap the tan foam in at the last wrap that you made behind the eye. After you have made these 2 wraps, take a wrap back to the next segment and take one wrap.
17. Stack a small bundle of hair and measure it to get it to the same length as the body of the fly.
18. Lay this bundle on top of the fly and secure it with a couple of tight wraps.(It should go from just behind the hook eye to end of the body and be

18. tied in at back of the first segment just behind the eye. Add a drop of Zap-a-Gap to the hair where it is tied in.)
19. Fold the tan foam wing back over the body of the fly and secure it at back of the segment with a couple of turns of thread.
 20. Cut 2 pieces of leg material about 1-1/2" long and secure one leg on each of the body at this same location.
 21. Whip finish the fly.
 22. Trim the foam of the body and the upper wing to foam curved end at the back of the fly.

You can purchase tools to form the bodies by stamping the foam but it is expensive unless you are a commercial tyer.

This is just one pattern for hoppers. There are several other such as Charlie Boy Hopper and the Chernobly Ant which are simple also. It is the pink body that amazes me. Try it and you can use it as a strike indicator with a dropper.

Check out the websites:

www.flatshuntercharters.com

<http://www.capitalcityflyfishers.org>