

Capital City Fly Fishers



10th Anniversary Newsletter

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August 2009

From Our Prez



As many of you know, I will be participating in the MR340 that runs from Kansas City to St. Charles in early August. Hopefully, a few people who are available have signed up with Jerry to help out with the checkpoint on Wednesday night.

Other than being crazy, going through a mid-life crisis, and any other excuse I can come up with to do this race, there are some real beneficial factors to having the longest non-stop river race in Missouri.

First, it promotes tourism in our state. People have always come from all over the world to float the Missouri River. An event like the MR340 draws attention to the river, the Katy Trail, and all the beauty that Missouri has to offer. While they are here, they stay in our hotels, buy food and gas, and find places to return to.

Second, attention is also paid to the quality of the water in the river. As I've floated down the river in my training runs, I have noticed trash here and there. As more people see and encounter this, the more will be done to prevent littering and clean up the river.

Overall, this race does a lot to benefit the cause for conservation and tourism in Missouri. Hope to see some of you as I crawl on shore at Noren late on Wednesday night.

Jim

Congratulations to the Prez



“Hope to see some of you as I crawl on shore at Noren late on Wednesday night.” Well Jim missed this by about 12 ½ hours but he did make it to St Charles in about 78 hours. About 75 of the 250 boats that left KC did finish the race.

Now Jim you will really have something besides the birth of your first to talk about in the rest home in the future years.

Again, from the kids in the bleachers, Congratulations on a job well done.



Generous Joe Wilson

Noren Access or "Build It And They Will Come "

As I was driving into the parking lot of the Noren Access, between the tall rows of standing corn, a group of kids stepped out of the field. I know that Lewis and Clark didn't find such a beautiful field of corn as they travelled through nor did they find a park as nice as the one that is at the top of the Noren Access boat ramp.

I have heard some of the user of the ramp say "this aint no boat ramp." They believe a boat ramp should smell like yesterday's shad bait, be covered with beer cans or any other trash that they leave behind.

Into this picture I bring "Generous Joe Wilson". Joe has spent many years on the river and in the City of Jefferson. Joe truly believes that there is more than one way to enter Jefferson City and that one of those ways is the way Lewis and Clark first saw it, from the river.

As in the movie where the Iowa farmer built a ball diamond so the players would come back, Joe believes that some of the ancestors of Lewis and Clark will come back to Jefferson City. Joe spends many hours trying to prepare the door that leads to the Capital from the river. For many of the folks, who came by way of the MR340 Race, this was how they had to make their first impression of what Jefferson City had to offer them.

As I visited with the racers and their support teams and heard their comments about how nice it was at the Access, I couldn't help but be proud of the support from Jefferson City Parks and Rec , JC Fire Department, The Brick House Deli, JCPD, MDC, and the folks who manned the check point. But especially I want to thank Joe Wilson for keeping the Noren Access from being just another old smelly boat ramp.

If you have never been down to the ramp, go by. If you meet a man with a dog or two, that will probably be Joe. If you tell him that you want to interview him, he will probably excuse himself until he can go to his truck and get his teeth.

Stand proud Jefferson City and show that you have something to be proud of.

Thanks to Randy Holliday, Kent Campbell, Lee Kudrna, and Chester Doughty for serving as checkers at the Checkpoint.

August Meeting

Well I hate to admit it but it may be time to move indoors for a while. The August meeting will go back to the Runge Conservation Center. The BOD meeting will be at 6:00pm and the Membership meeting will be at 7:00pm. Bring a friend, a fishing partner or just someone who might be interested in fly fishing.

Remember that Jim is looking for a "Few Good Men" to step forward to serve as officers in the 2010 year. You don't even have to turn your head and cough. Remember, the CCFF is your club.

We will have a film presentation on the Jacks Fork and Current Waterways. Don't forget the fly raffle and the 2010 dues are due starting next month. Ron will take them early.

Conclave

The Federation of Fly Fishers Southern Council Conclave is just about two months away. Where did the summer go? I got my copy of the

Long Cast with the entire schedule of events listed. Man! What a list of events and speakers.

Put Oct 1-3 on your calendar for a trip to Mountain Home, the Conclave and a possible trip on the White or the Norfolk. Better get your reservations in soon.

Calendar

August

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

11- CCFF Monthly Meeting 6:00pm BOD Meeting. 7:00pm Member Meeting

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

September

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

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Fly of the Month



The C-R Gold

I found this fly on the Ozark Fly Fisher's Website ozarkflyfishers.org. They have a very neat site.

Materials

Hook:

Mustad 9672, Size10

Thread:

Black

Tails:

Rubber legging material - Fine

Antenna:

Rubber legging material - Fine

Weight:

.025 lead wire

Carapace:

Peacock Herl

Hackle:

Indian Furnace saddle hackle reverse palmer wrapped

Body:

Gold Sparkle Wool from India or Sparkle Yarn

Tying Instructions

1. Mount the hook and wrap on appropriate amount and size of lead. Stop the lead at a point just above the point of the hook. Be sure to leave about two eyes lengths behind the eye of the hook clear.
2. Start thread and secure the lead in position.
3. Tie in two pieces of rubber legging material at the eye of the hook being sure that the rubber legging material separates. This will be the antenna.
4. Pull the rubber legging material taut and wrap it secure to the hook all the way to the end of the body (a point just above the barb of the hook). The rubber legging material should be tied to the sides of the shank so that the material separates. This will be the tail.
5. Tie in the gold orange antron material (If the material is three strands, separate it and use only one strand). Advance the thread to just above the

point of the hook or to the end of the lead.

6. At a point above the point of the hook tie in three or four pieces of peacock herl.
7. At this same location tie in the hackle to be mounted palmer fashion wet style. Bring the thread to the front of the hook.
8. Wind the antron yarn forward being sure to have a snug wind behind and in front of the herl and hackle. Tie off the yarn at a point behind the eye.
9. Pull the peacock herl over the body to form a carapace and secure it at the eye of the hook.
10. Advance the hackle forward in palmer fashion and tie it off at the eye of the hook. As the material is tied off at the eye of the hook be sure that the rubber legging material stays separated to maintain the antenna look.
11. Form a head and tie off. Cement, if desired

going down to fish the Meramec and would give it a try. He fished it with much success and asked me if I had given it a name yet and I said not really. He offered to name it the C.R. Gold and the rest is history."

As told to Ed Story, Ozark Fly Fishers

CCFF website is
www.capitalcityflyfishers.org.

The pattern was first tied by Saint Louis tier Dick Ryan. On a cold winter evening after experiencing an ample dose of cabin fever, "I got out my fly tying materials and started imaging what if I took the impressionistic qualities of the wooly worm and modified it to look more like a stone fly. I wanted a fly with lots of movement and could represent a number of food items to the fish. It was first tested at the Ozark Fly Fishers Current River outing back in the mid-eighties. There was a massive cicada hatch erupting in the Ozarks at that time and the river was loaded with eager trout. The timing was perfect. If I had tried the C-R Gold when the river was not so cooperative, the fly may never have had a second chance.

I was talking to Ed Story at Feather-Craft a short time later and mentioned it to him and gave him a few samples. He said he was