

Capital City Fly Fishers



10th Anniversary Newsletter

Piscator non solum piscatur



October 2014

From The Prez

Fall is here and what a great time to go fishing. Back when I started fly-fishing my main fly was the woollyworm [woollyworm was my handle on the CB radio, I had to go to a different handle because the truckers made rude comments about my handle woollyworm} and I always looked forward to Fall because it was a great time to fish Woollys. When the leaves fall, so do the woollyworms. That's when the woolly worm flies would come out and we landed lots of fish. We had so many great days with such a simple fly. I will never forget the first time a guy gave me a crackleback I looked at the fly and said [Looks like a woollyworm to me} I still can't believe how people can take a established Fly and put a new name on it change a few colors and call it a original.

I had a chance to fish the White River in Arkansas a couple weeks ago. My good friend Wayne Simpson called and we had two great days on the white. Saturday we both landed about thirty fish. Sunday was a bad day for me only landed about six fish Wayne was the KING and landed about twenty. I was fishing and my strike indicator went under and the fight was on. Our guide Ryan said east-easy let some slack out be careful-be careful looks like a Big Brown and all of a sudden the excitement went downhill and Ryan said it's a carp@#%&^*@#!@!!! Actually it was a record sucker. I can only say one thing; I landed one of the largest suckers ever on the white river. When Wayne is around I will tell the rest of the story.

If you are going on our Fall fishing trip be sure to bring some North Fork Specials size ten and

twelve and pheasant tail nymphs sizes fourteen and sixteen. Saturday the water was fast and the N. F. Special was good the fourteen P.T. worked. Sunday the water was slower and the sixteen P. T. worked good. You might want to bring some egg patterns along also.

-----John Walther

October Meeting

The October meeting will be at the First Baptist Church on October 14. There will be a BOD meeting at 6:00pm and a Members meeting at 7:00pm.

Phillip Pitts and Mark Van Patten of MDC will be at our meeting for a presentation on Tuesday night.

Nomination of 2015 CCFF Officers

Tom Crane has put together a slate of officers for the CCFF election at the November meeting. He will announce the slate at the meeting next Tuesday and open the floor for nominations from the floor.

CCFF Tying Kits

At the beginning of the Tying Sessions last year John Walther put together 4 very nice wooden boxes of fly tying tools to be used for the sessions. While preparing for the upcoming sessions we discovered that 3 of the kits were missing. These kits were put together for the use of persons to use at the session who might not have tools but they

were also loaned to people who might not have acquired their own yet. If you have one of these boxes or know of someone who has one, please notify John and either bring it to fly tying or return it to John. **Thanks**

2015 Club Dues

If you have \$15 burning a hole in your pocket, I am sure that Bill Stroessner will be glad to take your annual dues if you haven't already paid him.

Stream Team

Stream Team/CCFF will go down to the Saline Valley Conservation Area to do a stream clean-up / water quality monitoring of Saline Creek on Tuesday, October 21. We will leave JC at 8:00am. We will meet at the First Assembly Church parking lot and carpool down to the stream.

When the CCFF became a stream team we selected this stream because it was close and we hoped that we could do a good job of keeping it clean. The stream is about 1-1/2 miles long on the 4875 acre MDC area. During the last couple of years when it has been so dry and the flow was so low, we have done very little to make regular visits to the stream. There was not enough flow to do much monitoring.

It should only take 3 or 4 hours to do the water monitoring and clean-up if we have enough help. We will take some brats along and cook them for lunch before we come back. Please come join the outing. You will need boots.

New Lodge and Website

Gregg Lamb came by our September meeting to introduce himself and bring info about a lodge that he and Janice are opening down at Steelville. They offer lodging, fishing and floating. The name of their Lodge is Meramec Scenic View.

Check out the website www.mscenticvview.com.

CCFF Fall Outing

Again this year the CCFF will be going to Copper John's Resort on the White River in Arkansas. We will be there October 24-26.

Ryan says that they are still hitting some hoppers along with the pheasant tails and north fork specials.

Calendar

October

- 2--- **Teach a Vet to Ty** 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202
- 3-5—**Southern Council FFF Fair** Mountain Home AR
- 14--- **Monthly Meeting at First Baptist Church** BOD 6:00pm, Members 7:00pm
- 16-- **Teach a Vet to Ty** 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202
- 21—**Saline Creek Stream Team Clean-up** Leave J. C. at 8:00 am
- 24-26- **CCFF Fall Outing** Copper John's Resort on the White River in Arkansas

November

- 6-- **Teach a Vet to Ty** 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202
- 11- **Monthly Meeting at First Baptist Church** BOD 6:00pm, Members 7:00pm (Election of 2015 Officers)
- 20- **Teach a Vet to Ty** 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202

Monthly Fly Pattern



Pheasant Tail

One of the flies that Ryan of Copper John's Resort has recommended that we bring with us is the Pheasant Tail Nymph. It is a pretty simple ty and is very productive on the Current River as well as on the White.

Material:

Hook: Mustad size 12-16
Thread: Olive 8/0
Tail: Pheasant tail fibers
Body: P T fibers
Thorax: Peacock herls
Rib: Copper wire
Wing case: P. T. fibers
Legs: P. T. fibers.

Tying Instructions:

1. Crimp the barb and place the hook in the vise.
2. Start your thread just behind the eye and wrap back to the curve of the hook.
3. Select a group of 4 to 6 P. T. fibers and ty in for the tail. The fibers should be about 1/3 the length of the hook shank.
4. Clip off excess fibers
5. Secure the ribbing wire.
6. Select another group of P. T. fibers and ty them in by the tips.
7. Wrap the thread to the $\frac{3}{4}$ point on the shank.
8. Wrap the body fibers to the $\frac{3}{4}$ point on the shank and secure with the thread.
9. Wrap the ribbing over the body in the opposite direction that you did the body P. T. fibers and secure it with the thread. (Don't remove the excess P. T. fibers as you will use them to make wing case and legs if they are long enough)
10. Ty in a couple of peacock herls and wrap the thorax.
11. Secure the peacock herls and trim excess.
12. Fold the P. T. fibers from the body over the top of the thorax and secure just behind the eye of the hook.
13. Fold back a couple of these fibers on each side of the body to resemble legs.
14. Whip finish the fly.

I often weight my P. T. by adding a few wraps of wire under the thorax or a bead at the front. I also like to add a drop of UV glue on top of the wing case.

These flies work very well as a dropper behind a Kruse leach at Montauk.

Check out these websites and videos

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IDw5HH6Tf>

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<http://www.orvis.com/news/fly-fishing/video-how-to-tie-kens-crazy-ant/>

[Freestateflyfishers.org/flypatterns](http://www.freestateflyfishers.org/flypatterns)

www.thetyingbench.com

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

www.askaboutflyfishers.com

www.flyandguides.com

www.flytying123.com

www.thargrove.com

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2_e7djaYzyg