

Capital City Fly Fishers



10th Anniversary Newsletter

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December 2011

From Our 2011 Prez

At our last meeting, the officers for the 2012 year were elected. Those elected were:

President: Kent Campbell
Vice President: Dan Bernskoetter
Secretary: Ginger Koziatek
Treasurer: Bill Storessner
Past President: Jeff Trigg
Director of Education: Jim Washabaugh
Stream Team Coordinator: Lee Kudrna
Newsletter Editor: Jerry Kemple
Second Year Directors: John Walther
Bob Rickard
Bob Smerek
New Directors: Jim Kramel
John Wenzlick

Jeff

From our 2012 Prez

6:20 Saturday Dec. 3rd...

I'm sitting at Copper John's waiting for John Walther to finish fixing breakfast and then eat and fish, eat and fish for the rest of the weekend. Needless to say, they'll be fish stories to tell at our December meeting. As usual our Dec. Meeting will entail a gift exchange (bring one with a value of 10 dollars or less), your favorite holiday snack and your ideas for things you would like to see the club accomplish during this next year. I will need as much help as possible from each of you to be anywhere near as successful as Jeff has been over these past 2 years. Looking forward to seeing all of you at the December Party and to those of you who cannot make it I hope you have a happy

holiday season.

Tight lines.

Kent

Report from the White

It sounds like a good time was had by all at Copper Johns over last weekend. The weather cooperates on Friday and Saturday before the rain moved in on Sunday. The river was wadable, all parties caught fish, ate well and no one fell in. Great weekend!

Ron Hadley had a good weekend when he hooked up with a 21" brown. Did he fight, Ron?

It is also being reported that Bob Gaston took a 21 incher. He was lucky to be with Ron Klatt who stopped him from putting his hand in the *walleye's* mouth to retrieve the fly. Great job Bob and Ron. (We will have pictures of the fish at a later date)

December Meeting

The December meeting of the CCFF will be on December 13, 2011 at 6:30pm at the Jefferson City First Baptist Church. The church is located at the corner of Monroe St. and Capital Ave. The meeting will be the annual Christmas Party with snacks and a gift exchange. Spouses are invited. Even though we will be at the church, there may be a little thievery going on. Each participant will draw a number and the person with Number 1 will select, from the gifts, a gift of his choice. The person with the Number 2 may select a gift from the table or he may "steal" the gift that Number 1 has selected. If Number 2 steals the gift from

Number 1, then Number 1 will select another gift from the table. Number 3 then can choose a gift from the table or steal Number 2's gift or number 1's gift. (A gift can only be stolen twice, the second person to steal it gets to take it home.) If the person with Number 1 has not stolen a gift, by the end of the night, he has one chance to steal one at the end from anyone whose gift has not be frozen by being stolen twice. Bring a gift (\$10 or less), a snack and plan for some fun.

Dues

Ron Klatt will be collecting dues for 2012 which were due beginning on September 1, 2011 at the December Meeting. He needs to pay the Federation of Fly Fisher's dues by January 1, 2012 and must send in a list of all CCFE members that are current with their dues. He plans on doing this by December 15.

Heart of America FF Spring Seminar

The Heart of America Fly Fishers has announced the date of their Spring Seminar. It will be held on February 25, 2012. They will have as the quest speaker, Charlie Craven. Charlie is the president of Charlie's Fly Box in Old Town Arvada, Colorado. He specializes in trout flies and designs flies for Umpqua Feather Merchants. Some of his popular patterns include the Charlie Boy Hopper, Ragin' Craven, Poison Tung, Jujubee Midge, JujuBaetis and Jumbo Juju. Put this date on your calendar and plan on making the trip to Kansas City. Many of the members are talking about going up for the seminar.

Runge Event

Lee Kudrna has requested some help with a Fly Tying demonstration to be held at the Runge Nature Center on Saturday, **February 25**
Fly-Tying Fun!
10:00-2:00 p.m.

Walk in, All Ages

Prepare for the spring fishing season by having some fly-tying fun! Enjoy demonstrations and visit with the Capital City Fly Fishers as they tie flies right before your eyes. Learn how to make a simple fly and take one home. Participate in fishing games and activities. Pick up information on where YOU can hook a big one. This event is sure to get you in the mood for some fly fishing fun!

If you can help Lee, please notify him at 694-2871 or lkudrna@embarqmail.com.

2012 Fly Tying Sessions

Dan Bernskoeter has confirmed that he has reserved the Century Link building for our winter fly tying sessions. The sessions will be on Thursday evenings again this year. They will begin on January 5, 2012 at 6:00pm.

John Walter has agreed to head up this program again this year. He is taking recommendations for patterns that the members would like to see and is asking help with the instruction. John's phone # is 893-4820 or 680-2286.

The club will furnish all materials and tools if needed as we have done in the past. Invite your friends who may be new to tying.

The cost of materials is \$15 to none members but if they wish, this \$15 can make them a member and the materials would then be free.

Wayne Simpson has come up with literature that defines what the proportions should be for dry flies and will give it to John for hand-outs at the Sessions

Website

The website is up and running. *Check it out!*

Calendar

December

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

2, 3 & 4---Dec Outing Mountain Home Ar.
13---C CFF/Christmas Meeting 6:30pm at First Baptist Church, Rm. 101
15---Teach a Vet to Ty 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202

January

5---Teach a Vet to Ty 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202
5--- Winter Fly Tying Session 6:00pm at the Century Link Building
12--- Winter Fly Tying Session 6:00pm at the Century Link Building
19--- Teach a Vet to Ty 3:00pm at the Truman VA Hospital Rm. C202
19--- Winter Fly Tying Session 6:00pm at the Century Link Building
26--- Winter Fly Tying Session 6:00pm at the Century Link Building

Monthly Fly Pattern



Copperhead Midge

I always like to put in the newsletter a fly that is easy to ty but has been successful for someone. This midge pupa pattern fits the bill. John Walther, Chris Gates and Ryan Miller can vouch for the success of this pattern after this weekend. They had a great time using the fly last week down on the White.
I recently purchased "Modern Midges" by Rick Takahashi and Jerry Hubka which has over 1,000 midge patterns in it but there was no Copperhead Midge in it. Then I found out that it is an Ozark / White River pattern.

Recipe:

Hook: Tiemco 2487, 2488 or 2499SPBL size 14-22

Thread: Uni thread 8/0 Rusty Brown
Bead: Copper colored tungsten
Rib: Ultra Wire small copper

Instructions

1. Crimp the barb and place bead on the hook.
2. Place the hook in the vise. Wrap the thread from the bead back about half way around the curve of the hook.
3. Lay the end of the rib wire on top of the hook and wrap the thread back up to the bead.
4. Wrap the thread back to the back of the hook and come back to the bead building a slightly tapered body as you come.
5. Wrap over the thread body with the copper wire creating a segmented body and secure the wire with the thread.
6. Cut off the wire and whip finish the fly.
7. Cut the thread and apply a coat of head cement to the entire fly body.

There are very few steps to tying this fly and not many materials needed. The fly should be tied in the 14-16 patterns for summer and 18-22 for winter. It should be drifted under a strike indicator. If trout are dimpling the surface, the fly should be fished within 18" to 24" of the surface. It can also be fished deeper as a dropper of another fly.

Always set the hook as the fly rises at the end of a drift. Many times you will get a strike as the fly rises and "Hook sets are cheap"

See you at fly tying.

Merry Christmas to all and to all, a good night.

Jerry W Kemple