

MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ

Thank you to all who made it out to the banquet. Great food and fellowship. Congratulations to Lee Kudrna who received the President's Award and Jeff Trigg for being recognized as Past President. Bill Stroessner is to be congratulated on winning the fly rod. Debbie Smith won the ladies' attendance prize - a gift card to The Schaefer House.

There was a great representation of the CCFE at the Sowbug held in March in Mountain Home.

Upcoming events include Tri-Lakes Fly Fishing Expo on April 14. The event is located at 5403 Hwy F at Brighton, MO. On May 12, J Cook is having an open house in Salem, MO. On July 27-28, Springfield Fly Fishers are hosting a fly tying event in Branson. They are looking for fly tiers. I have the form if you are interested in tying at the event.

We will be talking about our April outing at our regular meeting. We will also be discussing options for our May, June and July outings.

Planning is under way for the annual club fishing trip to Arkansas, scheduled for October 19-21. We are still looking for a cook. Please contact me if you are interested.

*See you at the meeting
Mike*

STREAM TEAM UPDATE

If you want to learn what fish are feeding on so you can imitate it, plan to help monitor our stream.

The fish are getting active, so we will bring rods.

I will ask for volunteers to join me at Saline Creek soon.

It is a chance to have a good time with friends and make a contribution to fishing.

Sign up for the introductory water quality class in Jefferson City at the MDC Central Office

2901 W Truman Boulevard on Saturday, April 28 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Register by Wednesday, April 18.

[Click here to register](#) or go to <http://www.mostreamteam.org/>

Jeff Holzem, Stream Team Coordinator

Update: *Water Quality Monitoring at Saline Creek will be this Saturday, April 14. We will depart at 8am from the Assembly of God Church parking lot. Lot is just off Route C. Due to a death in the family, Jeff will not be able to make it, but there will be capable people to get the job done. Please save a prayer for Jeff's family.*

We would be happy to have more volunteers come out and help and you might even have some fun. I can take up to 5 people in my van if needed.

For those thinking about taking the class on April 28, let me know. I am trying to free up my work schedule to take the class as well. I should know this week. Thanks, Greg

SOWBUG ROUNDUP

Sowbug was another great experience again this year. I went down with my cousin for the third year in a row and it did not disappoint! We spent one day at the Sowbug and one day fishing with a guide.

If you are like me, you are thinking about next year already. So here is the front of the 2018 event catalog that shows the dates for the next two years.



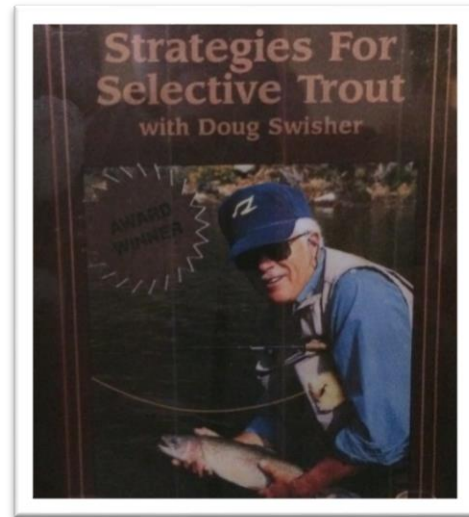
WINNER, WINNER

If you were at Sowbug when they announced the winner for a new kayak, you heard the name Lee Kudrna. Please congratulate Lee for winning while only purchasing one ticket.



TIPS TO CATCH TROUT

The feature presentation for this month's meeting will be a video that Jerry Forck has mentioned a few times.



It should have tips and techniques that can help improve your success rate. Well, at least my success rate could use some help anyways.

FISH PHOTO

Anybody else catching any fish out there? Don't be afraid to share your successes. I hope to see more photos with the anticipation that the weather will break. Big fish, small fish, old or new photos, funny fishing photos, or something interesting photos are all appreciated.



19" Brown caught on White River 2/23/18