

MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ

We were well-represented at the Sow Bug Roundup held the last weekend in March in Mountain Home, Arkansas. We had members tying and several attendees all 3 days. I am not sure how much fishing was done as the weather was not great.

There are a number of agenda items for membership discussion at our April 9 meeting. Please be there to add to the discussion. We will be making decisions about an outing at Bennett Spring (April) and finalizing plans for our summer outings.

Our banquet is just around the corner. Jack Kramer has tickets. We will need to turn in our count on April 18. Get any donations for the live/silent auctions to John Wenzlick as soon as possible. At 4:00, April 27, we will be setting for the banquet at the American Legion. We need all the help we can get. Remember this is our only fund-raiser and it only occurs every other year.

John Walther will be presenting our program on Tuesday night. His program will feature his favorite flies for fishing Bennett Spring. John guarantees success, the club takes no responsibility for failure.

Jeff Trigg sent me a note to confirm Redington Home Waters Event and F3T for 2019 will be October 4-5 at Hidden Valley Outfitters in Lebanon, MO.

The Tri Lakes FF Expo is April 13 in Brighton, MO. Details are on Facebook.

Mike Jaegers, President

MAYFLY PROJECT

If you read the last newsletter or were at the last meeting then you know about the Mayfly Project at Bennett Spring. CCFF members turned out to provide support and also to learn the ways of fly tying. Thanks to Wayne Simpson, Mike Ross, and Mike Jaegers for helping out last Friday. It's a great opportunity to take part, network, and socialize.



Wayne and Mike Prepare



Ray Bloomer learning a new fly



How many fly tiers does it take to load a hook in a vise?



BANQUET



April 27, 2019 Social Hour 5:30 p.m. Dinner at 7 p.m.

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Tickets! Banquet Tickets! Get your Banquet Tickets! There is still time to get banquet tickets. You can purchase them at the meeting this Tuesday or get ahold of Jack Kramer by April 18th so we can finalize the attendance. If you need Jack's phone number, please email me and I will send it.

FISHING

John Goad reported from Bennett Spring last Thursday that the water was up a foot, but clear at 5 feet. You could almost see bottom off big bridge. John sent photos of the elusive snub-nose trout.



FISHING (cont.)

What Mike Jaegers mentioned about limited fishing during the Sow Bug Roundup due to weather and high water was very true. However, there were some windows of opportunity which led to the following:



Temps were low to mid 40's



Fishing a caddis imitation under indicator

CONTENT

With the fishing season kicked off and more activities going on, please share your photos, stories, events, and anything you think would be a good fit for the newsletter. Maybe you want to share a new experience, a new product, something funny, a great catch, or an event date that might not be listed. Please send content for the newsletter because it will help keep things fresh.

THANKS IN ADVANCE !!

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STREAM TEAM UPDATE



Greg, Rick, Raymond Bloomer, a new member, and I did water quality monitoring at our adopted stream, Saline Creek. There was a whole lot more water than in September, 62 feet wide instead of 9 feet. Last time the reading for dissolved oxygen was 7.6 ppm. This time we recorded 10 ppm of dissolved oxygen possibly because the water was flowing so much. We found a lot fewer insects and think the fast water may have washed them out of the riffles. Even with all the flow, water was still very clear. Even though we did not catch fish we enjoyed getting out in the water. Raymond and Doug Grove, another new member will take the water quality class on April 13. It is great to have more people taking what I think we all agree is a very worthwhile class.

The Trout Unlimited CEO, Chris Wood, said, <u>The time</u> <u>for band-aids is past / Trout Unlimited</u> so we should take bigger steps to protect trout and salmon. He supports the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act, HR763, which will put a price on carbon.

I gave a presentation at the April 2 TU meeting on that bill and a new role called Climate Change Coordinator, which I volunteered to take on for the chapter.

At that meeting we also talked about tree planting on the North Fork of the White. Several TU members volunteered to help and it will be great if our club has good turnout too. The conservation nursery only provides trees for spring planting, so we will plan on planting in February or March.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April

- 9 Club Meeting First Baptist Church
- 10-11 Weed Cutting Bennett
- 12 Disabled Angler Clinic Maramec Spring
- 13 CCFF club outing Bennett Spring
- 13 Tri-Lakes Fly Fishing Expo Brighton, MO
- 18 Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
- 22-24 Reel Recovery
- 27 Veterans Fishing Day Bennett
- 27 CCFF Banquet at American Legion

May

- 2 Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
- 4 Kid's Free Fishing Day Bennett Spring
- 4 Kid's Free Fishing Day Montauk
- 10 Mayfly Project Bennett Spring from 6-8 PM
- 12 Club Meeting Location to be Determined
- 16 Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
- 18 Kid's Free Fishing Day Roaring River
- 18 Kid's Free Fishing Day Maramec Spring

June

- 1 Veteran's Free Fishing Day Maramec Spring
- 6 Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
- 7 Mayfly Project Bennett Spring from 6-8 PM
- 8 Family Fishing Fair Branson, MO (Hatchery)
- 8-9 Free Fishing Days Statewide
- 11 Club Meeting Location to be determined
- 20 Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia

Jeff Holzem, Stream Team Coordinator