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A message from the president...Ramblings from Rob

Spring is certainly here and fishing activities are in full swing! John Stanford and I just completed another fly fishing BBOV and it was great fun. We taught with 2 other instructors in the conservation department's program and had 22 women enrolled. The ladies learned a lot and had a great time down on the Current River!

I want to thank every club member who attended the Fly Fishing Conclave at Bennett Spring last weekend and especially thank all of our fly tiers. We had more than 15 people in attendance and about half of those also participated in tying flies. Our club was well represented and provided some good tips on tying and fly fishing to the folks that came out for the Conclave.

Of course the Conclave wasn't all work and no play....even most of the fly tiers got to do a little fishing. Lee Kudrna had a particularly good evening on Friday of the Conclave....I was fishing a dry fly just below the Island in zone one and not catching much when I saw Lee wade into the stream above me. After watching Lee catch eight nice trout in a short period of time I finally yelled at him and ask what he was using...as soon as I switched over to a size 16 beadhead pheasanttail (and Lee caught 2 more fish) the trout decided no more on the pheasanttail!!! Sometimes that's just the way it goes in trout fishing. I understand that later that night Lee did pretty well on some dry flies...WAY TO GO LEE!!!

Tight Lines,
Rob

Club Members Bio's

Board Member Rich Looten

Rich Looten is married to Kathy. They have been married for 26 years with 3 children, Timothy, Joshua, and Jessica Jo. Rich has one master in Jesus Christ. He lives at 1303 Seattle Slew Drive, Columbia, Missouri.

Rich is a sales manager at Pioneer Window Works in Columbia. In his spare time he likes to attend movies, likes cigars, Port wine, and breaking bread with family and friends.

Rich began his Fly Fishing hobby while still in grade school when a friend of his bought a new fly rod and gave Rich his old one.

Rich also announces Hickman High School football in the fall something most people don't know about him. He also used to be a train robber at Silver Dollar City.

His favorite Quote "God prepares great men for great tasks by great trials."

Calendar of Events

Tuesday May 14th meeting held at Cole County Lake. Start Time is 6:00.

May 18th and 19th Club outing to Montauk State Park

June 8th Kids day at binder lake.

Afternoon Trip to Painted Rock (tentatively July 20th)

River of Life trip (tentatively set for Aug 24th and 25th)

Mountain Home trip in November to coincide with the Brown Trout Run

Next Club Meeting

The next club meeting will be held at J. C. Cole County lake starting at 6:00. This is an early starting time to allow more time to do some fishing. The club will provide hamburgers to Bar-B-Que along with condiments.

Fish Tales

Ken Scott and Larry Griffen spent some time floating on the Niangua. Ken said he caught several nice rainbows on Friday. He also caught a 19 inch brown trout on Friday before the conclave.

Lee Kudrna caught several fish on Friday evening before the conclave. He said he had never caught fish like that before at Bennett Springs on a Fly Rod.

Rob had some luck on Friday afternoon using cracklebacks but said he would have had a lot more if he would have had some smaller flies tied up. He said there was a small may fly hatch coming off but he didn't have anything with him that was that small.

Club Outing

The Spring outing for the club is going to be Saturday May 18th and Sunday May 19th at Montauk State Park. The club has rented the new pavilion for Saturday May 18th. This is the pavilion on the left just after crossing the river headed to the store. The Club will provide meat to bar-b-que and the chips to go along with the bar-b-que. The club members will have to supply their own drinks. If a member plans on attending please let somebody know so that enough food can be purchased. The eating time is planned for somewhere around 3:00p.m. This will allow members to fish the evening dry fly hatch that comes off around 6:00 p.m. It also allows those that wish to travel home a chance to get there before dark. Plan on a fun day of fishing and fellowship.

For Sale or Trade

Please send let me know about items that you have for sale or trade. I can be contacted at 573-897-3210 or by e-mail at dca4568@trecomnet.com

Larry Branson has the following

**For Sale: Orvis 8' 6" 2-piece 5-wt Silver Label TL 2-7/8oz. Like New
Orvis Battenkill 5/6 Reel (disc drag) complete combo \$200
Larry Branson 584-9305**

Larry Griffen has a Columbia Sportswear Breathable XL Rain Jacket for sale if interested

call Larry at 893-3729

June MEETING

The June meeting will be held at ABB. It will be the Second Tuesday of June, which is June 11th this year.

Directions: Coming from Columbia go straight ahead onto highway 94 where 63 goes south. ABB is the large plant on your left. Follow 94 for a $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the main entrance. Make a left into the parking lot of ABB. Come in the main doors. There will be someone there to direct you to the conference room.

Coming from Jefferson City go north across the 63-54 bridge take the Mokane exit onto highway 94. Follow 94 for a $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the main entrance. Make a left into the parking lot of ABB. Come in the main doors. There will be someone there to direct you to the conference room.