

Capital City Fly Fishers



10th Anniversary Newsletter

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May 2006

From the President...

As you can tell, the club has been very busy and education-centered since I last wrote. I want to personally thank all club members who took time out of their personal schedules to help in any way, either big or small. Without your support and effort the club could not accommodate all that it does. Together we make a difference in our community, region and state.

Outdoor Writers' Association's Collegiate Workshop

Gary Eaton conducted fly-casting and tying workshops at the 2nd Annual Collegiate Workshop on May 22 in Columbia, which was sponsored by the Outdoor Writers' Association. Gary recently has become a FFF Certified Casting Instructor.



Gary Eaton practicing his casting technique on the Current River.

Spring River Outing

Lee Kudrna informed me that this was the best outing he had ever been to with fellow club members. He attributed it to staying together with other and doing similar activities. Four club members made it down to Mammoth Spring for the outing. Gaihel Blankenship, Lee Kudrna, Chris Downs and Eric Downs went on the Arkansas trip.

Wayne E. and Catherine Moore Youth Day

John Stanford, Rob Souden, Jim Kramel, Mary Stone, and Reggie Evers assisted me with the fly-casting, fishing and tying basics training. Kara Wehmeyer was the perfect model for what a properly dressed fly fisher would wear while on the Missouri streams.



The Cole County Sheriff's Department, lead by Lt. Joe Essen, invited members of the DARE program to attend our basic course as a reward for their active participation during the past school year. Flies provided by Scientific Anglers were shared with each of the students. No rain delays occurred when fly-casting and fishing time came around.



Landon Alley, Claudia Alley, Kara Wehmeyer, Rebecca Essen, Austin Bequette, Alex Connell and Jacob Woodling – participants of the fly casting, fishing and tying basics training at United Sportsmen's Club and Binder Community Lake.

Hooked on Fly Fishing Not on Drugs (HOFF) Conclave

Dwayne, George, and Helen Abbott; Mark and Regina Van Patten; Bob Smerek; Jerry Kemple; Mike Clark; Lee Kudrna; John Walther and I conducted the HOFF Conclave. There were multiple activities planned for the HOFF students to accomplish. Three types of casting – accuracy, distance and tripping the mousetraps were available. Fly tying stations were much in demand as a prime source of interest by the HOFF youth. Several club members demonstrated the finer points of tying quality fly patterns, often giving helpful tips, advice recipes and the tied patterns. Lanyard making was also included as a station to visit. Drain the Clown, aka Dwayne Abbott, tied balloon characters and objects for each HOFF student.



Above is the group photograph for the HOFF Conclave held at South Callaway R-II Middle School. Shown are CCFE club members, HOFF members and sponsors, and parents who attended.

HOFF Prairie Fork CA Outing

Club members - Bob Smerek, Lee Kudrna, Dwayne Abbott, Mark Van Patten and myself - accompanied Regina Van Patten and the HOFF members to Prairie Fork CA. We met up at Mokane at the South Callaway R-II Middle School parking lot. A school bus transported the students to the site just south of Williamsburg on Route D in Callaway County. The conservation area is currently owned by the Missouri Department of Conservation. They have a life-long agreement with the current owner to use the property for education purposes for the time being.

Fly-fishing equipment was assembled and flies tied onto leaders. Thanks to the generous donations secured by Kent Campbell from Scientific Anglers,

each student received a fly box with more than enough fly patterns to try out for the day's fishing. Snacks and lunch were enjoyed on the grounds at nearby picnic areas. Several students caught largemouth bass and bluegill on their new flies.

These HOFF students to each other and to the adults showed a tremendous amount of gratitude and politeness. It was awesome to see. Several of the club members stayed after the event was over to discuss the club's options and future with the HOFF program. At the July meeting, our board will discuss how we can continue our sponsorship with this excellent program as it goes into its fifth year.



Regina Van Patten, school sponsor, and members of the Hooked on Fly Fishing Not on Drugs Program enjoyed a morning of testing newly acquired skills fishing for largemouth bass and bluegill.

Wonderful World of Water

Lee Kudrna, Ginger Koziatek, Kent Campbell and Tom Stokes attended the Stream Team event at Washington Park. Rain caused low turnout for the event. However, several citizens were eager to talk with our club about flyfishing. A few opportunities may come to fruition because of their efforts. We missed Harvey Morgan at the event. Our friend has been diagnosed with cancer and had to give up this activity due to his treatments. And he has resigned as a 2nd-year board member. Our best wishes are extended to him & Sharon during this intense medical battle.

Remember to not be afraid to let your line or your efforts go into the backing.
Larry Murphy, President

Volunteerism Always Pays

This is an article to introduce club members of Capital City Fly Fishers to a program that Wal-Mart sponsors for its employees. This program is called Volunteerism Always Pays or VAP, for short. This program gives not-for-profit organizations money if an employee of Wal-Mart volunteers more than 25 hours of time in a six-month period to that organization. Since Capital City Fly Fishers is a not-for-profit organization and Dwayne Abbott volunteers his time to the club we are eligible for 250 dollars every 6 months. Thanks Dwayne for your efforts.

LAKE OF THE OZARKS PUBLIC WATERSHED MEETINGS

Editor's Note: This may include our watershed area where we monitor water quality on the Big Saline Creek. However, it could not be confirmed due to the state observation of Harry S Truman's Birthday on May 8th.

Two public meetings will be held to provide information and allow discussion about forming a watershed group in the Lake of the Ozarks area.

Tuesday, May 16, 6:30 P.M. at the Osage Beach City Hall, 1000 City Parkway, Osage Beach

Monday, May 22, 6:30 P.M. at the Laurie Bank, Hwy 5 and Route O in Laurie

Local officials, leaders of other watershed groups, and agency personnel will give short presentations and have displays and handout information. Then there will be plenty of time for questions and discussions. Please come to learn and voice your opinions.

For more information, please contact Victoria Lovejoy, Department of Natural Resources, at (800) 361-4827 or (417) 891-4380.

Special Thanks to Scientific Anglers

Next time you have the opportunity to speak about Scientific Anglers, please do so with a positive reference. Let others know what they have done for our club in its effort to educate youth in our community. Without the continued support of commercial vendors like them, the fly fishing

education programs would struggle. Remember the fly rods we were able to give to some of our young people at the banquet? They were responsible for those.

And again when it came time for our education classes this spring with other young people, they did not hesitate to donate a large collection of tied fly patterns for distribution at our discretion. We chose to give them to the young people participating in our highlighted programs.



A collection of fly patterns including Adams, Royal Coachman, Mosquito, Irresistible Adams, Prince Johns, Pheasant Tail Nymphs, Blue Wing Olives, Tan Elk Hair Caddis, Hare's Ear Nymphs, and Renegade,

Take an opportunity and write to Randy Swimmey of Scientific Anglers (a 3M company) to express our gratitude for their generosity and help in our education efforts. His email address is rmswinney@mmm.com.



Another collection of fly patterns including bass poppers, pan fish flies, muddler minnows, Joe's Hopper, wooly worms and wooly buggers and other streamer patterns.

Also a special thank you is extended to our own Kent Campbell for acting as liaison with Scientific Anglers on the club's behalf. Without his contribution of effort this would not have occurred.

Club Calendar

May 2006

- 09 -- **Club Mtg** 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. @ Jaycee – Cole County Park Lake, Pizza and soda furnished. Bring your fly rod and flies to fish the local community lake for bluegill and/or work on your casting skills. In case of rain, the event will be held at Lakewood Subdivision's lake off Route C (Jerry Kemple's subdivision.) because they have a pavilion available for shelter.
- 11 -- **Missouri Stream Team 760 Outing**, Saline Valley WA on Big Saline Creek, 5:30 p.m. at Schulte's IGA parking lot. Brats, chips and soda provided.
- 13 – **Kid's Fishing Day** at Bennett Spring State Park, Lebanon and Pony Express CA, Northwest MO.
- 20 -- **Club President's Meeting (FFF)** Rim Shoals (Catch and Release Section) on White River, Mountain Home, AR
- 20 – **Kid's Fishing Day** at Maramec Spring, Montauk and Roaring River State Parks; also August A Busch Mem. CA.

June 2006

- 10-11 -- **Free Fishing Days** statewide (MDC). **Kids Fishing Derby** @ Binder Lake has been officially cancelled for this year.
Bennett Spring State Park Conclave - Volunteer club fly tyers are needed at Bennett Spring SP. See Bob Gaston for more information.
- 13 -- **Club Mtg** 5pm @ Runge Nature Center. Larry Griffin, featured speaker, will present steelhead fishing in Michigan.
- 24-25 -- **Quarterly Outing** @ Van Meter State Park. Bring your belly boats and flyfishing equipment and join in on the bluegill fishing fun. [Tentative]

July 2006

- 11 -- **Club Mtg** 7pm @ Runge Nature Center

August 2006

- 08 -- **Club Mtg** 7pm @ Runge Nature Center

September 2006

- 12 -- **Club Mtg** 7pm @ Runge Nature Center
- 16-17 -- **Quarterly Outing** Montauk State Park. We need a chief planner for the event – a volunteer club member. Responsibilities include arranging for camping and cabin reservations, food selection for common meals and planning of activities and schedules.

October 2006

- 05-07 -- **Southern Council FFF Conclave** Mountain Home AR
- 10 -- **Club Mtg** 7pm @ Runge Nature Center Nominations for club officers and board members will occur.

November 2006

- 7 -- **Club Mtg** 7pm @ Runge Nature Center (Please note that this is one week earlier than our typical meeting night. The change is due to meeting rooms being unavailable for our regular night.) Election of club officers and board members will occur.

December 2006

- 12 -- **Club Mtg** 7pm @ Runge Nature Center, Christmas Gift Exchange and Party.

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