

MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Bennett Spring outing, Saturday April 21. I heard fishing was good and the weather was perfect. Little bird told me John Walther won the fly tying competition.



Photo taken by John Walther at Bennett Spring Lodge

Upcoming club sponsored events:

***Tuesday, May 8**, we are having a fish fry at the Lakewood Pavilion. Fish, French Fries, baked beans, cole slaw, table service and drinks will be provided. Bring your lawn chair, fishing equipment and a healthy appetite. Please bring a side dish to compliment the main menu: vegetable, salad or dessert. We will eat at 6:00.*

***Wednesday, June 13**, is our fishing outing at Copeland's lake on Hwy 179 north of Jefferson City. Pizza, drinks and table service will be provided. Bring lawn chairs and fishing equipment. Again, we will eat at 6:00.*

VOLUNTEERS REQUESTED

JC Parks and Recreation together with the Elks Club has requested help at the annual Kid's Fishing Day at Binder on June 9. Details will be provided at the fish fry on May 8.

REEL RECOVERY- by Mike Jaegers

Each year, we make a donation to Reel Recovery – this is an organization that offers a 2 ½ day trout fishing retreat for men living with cancer. Recently, one of our members, Wayne Simpson, served as a mentor. One of our neighbors at Bennett Spring was a participant. Karen and I got to visit with Don after his return. Don was so excited to share his experience with us. At nearly 82 years old, he learned new fly fishing techniques and was excited to tell us about the new friendships he made. He is already out on the stream recruiting the next attendees. Money well spent!



Wayne, thank you for being such a great ambassador for fly fishing and the CCFF!!!



LAST MINUTE GIFT

Looking for a last-minute Mother's Day gift? Come on down to J Cook's fly shop in Salem on Saturday, May 12. Fishing equipment reps will be present. CCFE will be tying flies. If you want to tie, come on down to Salem.



WE HAVE A WINNER!!!

As Mike mentioned, John Walther entered a fly tying contest during veteran's day at Bennett and well, I'll use John's words to tell the tale.

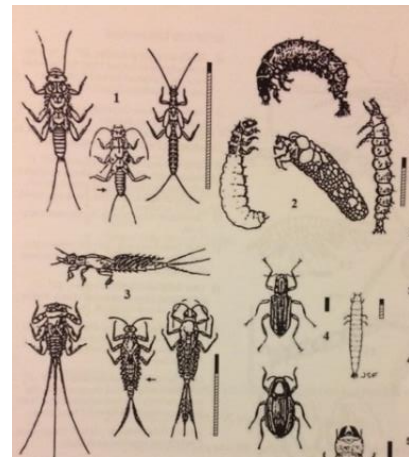
"The veterans had an Ironman Fly Tying contest. Each person was given a bag with five materials. You had to use a minimum of three of the materials. They had extra materials on the table you could use also. The time limit was 1/2 hour. I won both contests and as you can see ugly flies can win a contest."



Congratulations, John! Creative as always.

STREAM TEAM UPDATE

After starting out on a waiting list, I was fortunate enough to get in to the introductory Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring (VWQM) class. I thought it was a great class to get a little more information on the importance of watersheds, stream discharge, and examining biological diversity (the bugs) to determine water quality. If you can't get to one of the classes when they come up, you can still go out and monitor with the group. I think it's a great way to gain some perspective on water quality and can even help your fishing knowledge.



FLY PATTERNS

Have you found a new fly pattern that you think could be a good one for the next round of fly tying sessions? Then please submit it as soon as you can. We would like all submissions in by the end of July. This will give enough time to gather the required material and allow time to learn the patterns. If you would like to teach a new pattern, I'm sure that can be arranged as well.



WHERE CAN I FIND THIS FISH?

The following photo was submitted by someone who wishes to remain anonymous. I will call him, Earl S.

Earl S, caught this Sunfish in a local pond (which he would not divulge) on an 8' 6" length 5 weight fly rod. He was using 5X tippet with a number 12 ginger wooly.



If you know where to find this fish and need a fishing partner, please let me know. I'm in!!!!

APRIL VIDEO

Thank you Jerry Forck, for supplying the video watched at the April meeting. I know I would like to watch the whole thing sometime.

PHOTO SUBMISSIONS

I wanted to thank everyone for all the photos that were submitted. Please keep them coming. I even have a fantastic photo saved for next month's newsletter. Don't worry Jerry, I will spotlight your catch next month.

CALENDAR

May

- 8 *Fish Fry at Lakewood Pavilion*
- 12 *J Cook's Fly Fishing Event – Salem, MO*
- 17 *Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia*
- 26 *Charlie Reading's Fishing Expo*

June

- 7 *Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia*
- 9-10 *Free Fishing Weekend – Bennett Spring*
- 13 *Pizza Party at Copeland's Pond*
- 21 *Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia*

July

- 5 *Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia*
- 10 *Binder Lake Outing*
- 19 *Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia*
- 27-28 *Branson Fly Fishing Expo*

Aug

- 2 *Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia*
- 14 *Regular Meeting back at First Baptist*
- 16 *Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia*

Sept

- 6 *Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia*
- 20 *Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia*
- 29 *Ladies Fishing Day –BSSP (Club has been asked to provide assistance –See Mike Jaegers for details)*

Oct

- 5-7 *Redington Home Waters Event*
- 13-14 *Holland Derby – BSSP*
- 19-21 *Club fishing trip to Arkansas*