



MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ

June was a very active month for the club. I am happy and proud to say that we had a lot of members show their support at several events. Thank you all for the incredible response every time help is needed. We sponsored an outing for Veterans, Represented at the Kid's Fishing Derby, sent a delegate to the CFM banquet, had the club's June outing, tied flies at the VA Hospital, and continued to see members show up to the informal Tuesday gatherings.

With more events coming in the future, be sure to follow the "Calendar of Events" to see where you can be involved. Being involved can be as easy as just showing up. We have our last summer outing in July, the club banquet in August, Women's Fishing Day in September, as well as our regular VA Hospital visits, Monthly Members meetings, and informal gatherings. We might even find some time to plan a fishing trip!!

Most of my fishing in June has been spent closer to Jefferson City. Fortunately, I have been able to get out of town on a couple day trips this month. Thank you to Mark Javersak, for inviting me along to fish Roubidoux Creek in Waynesville, MO. Neither of us had ever fished this water before and I was excited to give it a try. I had asked a few people about where to fish, but since we were both in unfamiliar territory, it was decided to stay around the city park area. The hits were few and catches even less, but it was a great half day on the water trying our best. This just left us ready to come back to try the red ribbon area next time. The photo to the right is my first Roubidoux Rainbow. For the other half of the day, we journeyed over to Lane Spring Recreation Area south of Rolla, MO. Lane Spring is a section of the Little Piney and provides the possibility to catch wild trout. I had fished there once before with unsuccessful results, so I was eager to get back and get a catch. With a number of river goers, a summer weekend is probably not the best choice to visit, but that is what the schedule allowed. We each caught some fish and enjoyed our time on the water. Thanks again, Mark, it was a great day.



The second day trip was a day at Montauk State Park. Phil Curtin, Jeff Holzem, and I met Mike Dean on the water at Montauk State Park for a day of fishing. As we drove into the park to get our daily permits, you could see the people lined up along the way. After seeing that, I was surprised to find the area we wanted to fish was not busy at all. If you know the area, we fished from the big rock hole down to the high water approaching the dam. People worked their way through the area, but you were not jam packed. I worked that area back and forth a few times. Jeff started up toward the spring and worked his way downstream. After a lunch break we headed back to the same area and then thought we might work our way all the way to the dam. That idea quickly shifted when we saw how many people were in that area. We ended up fishing the same spot again. There was nothing wrong with that because there were fish present. Mike fished all morning and into the early afternoon then after a malfunction, he called it a day. Mike ended up with bragging rights with the biggest fish landed. We continued to fish past 6:30 pm before calling it. Another great day!!!!

Fish On and Catch Some,

Greg Curtin

WELCOME

I want to welcome Jarod and Ralph, our newest members. Both have joined since our June outing. Here is some basic information for you guys:

- 1) Regular members meetings take place the second Tuesday of every month. The meetings are at the Knights of Columbus Hall (with a few exceptions) on Tanner Bridge Road in Jefferson City. We typically use the lower level meeting room, but once in a while might be upstairs. Meetings start at 7 pm.*
- 2) When it is not the second Tuesday of the month, we have informal gatherings that take place at the Knights of Columbus Hall on all the other Tuesdays. We begin at 6 pm and run until about 8 pm.*
- 3) In January and February, we have more formal fly tying sessions every Tuesday. Someone will demonstrate a fly pattern, materials will be provided, and fly tying equipment is available if you do not have your own. We have a beginners session and a regular session.*
- 4) There are a lot of experienced and helpful people that are happy to get you started. Don't be afraid to ask questions or get involved. We do some community activities throughout the year as well.*

Glad to have you with us!!!

NEW STRUCTURE

If you haven't been to Binder Park in a while, you might not have seen the new dock that has been put in. It is just to the left of where people launch their kayaks. Here are some photos!



AUGUST BANQUET

With the summer season in full swing, calendars fill up and people get busy. This no doubt affects the number of people able to attend special events. We have seen the August 5th banquet response influenced! According to the American Legion, we will need to pay for a minimum of 30 meals. To date the number of tickets sold have not hit that mark. If we can not get to 30 tickets sold by the July 11th outing, we will have to make a decision on how we want to proceed. We will look at options if it becomes necessary. Canceling the banquet all together is one option and would cost the club the \$100 booking deposit.

If you know you are going, please reach out to Jack Kramer or Greg Curtin to get your tickets. The American Legion has always provided some great food and for \$25 a ticket you will get your fill. We will have the participation fly rod drawing and maybe a few other items available for bidding on. Must be present to win.

Basic Banquet Information-

Date: Saturday, August 5th, 2023

Time: Social Hour 6pm

Dinner 7pm

*Location: American Legion Post 5
1423 Tanner Bridge Road
Jefferson City, MO 65101*

Price: \$25 per ticket

*Meal: Main Course offerings - Fried Chicken and Pot Roast - Both delicious!!
With sides and dessert*

JULY OUTING

*The **last club outing** for the summer is less than 2 weeks away. We will have our annual Pizza outing at Jaycee Park (County Park) on Tuesday, July 11th starting at 6 pm. At that time, we will take a head count and order the pizzas. The club will supply the Pizzas, granola bars, ice tea, and water. If you would like something else please bring it along. Bring along a chair, as seating has been limited in the past. Most importantly, bring your fishing equipment and give the lake a try!*

If you are running late the day of the pizza outing let us know. We can then make sure you are counted in the pizza order.

GUEST SPEAKERS

We will be getting back to our regular monthly members meetings in August, September, October, and November. If you can think of any guest speakers that the club might ask to come in for a presentation, please let me know. It would be nice to have some new and interesting people come to share their stories. Thanks

WOMEN'S FREE FISHING DAY AT BENNETT

*Women's Free Fishing Day is the next big community activity we will be involved with. We will need volunteers to help make it another successful event. Women's day will be on Saturday, September 30th at Bennett Spring State Park near Lebanon, MO. We will need help at the event and before the event as well. Every year we provide 100 fly boxes to be handed out to the women attending the event. **At the first informal gathering after the July outing, we will start to put together the fly boxes. Anyone that would be willing to come help organize, is welcome.** At the event, we would like to have members do fly tying demos, handing out the fly boxes, helping the women who ask for help, and any other general help needed. If you can help with any of these areas, we would love to have you at the event. We will go from 9 am to around 2 to 3 pm. If you are there by 8 am, it should give us plenty of time to get ready.*

FISH PHOTOS



Impressive catch!! 7.62 lbs



On private pond



Bennett provided today

JUNE EVENTS RECAP

Veterans outing

Thank you to Jerry Kemple for organizing the event and everyone that came out to help at the club sponsored Veterans Cookout on June 1st. We provided brats and more for the group to enjoy. Club members were there to demonstrate the different facets of fly fishing and let all interested participate. I was able to get there after work about half way through the event. I heard several comments on how appreciative the veterans group was to have this event. Thank you all for a job well done.

On a side note, Uldis took a little spill that day. If you hadn't heard, after some tests and a few stitches, he was good to go. He was out and about that same day. He has already been fishing several times since.

Kids Fishing Derby

I'm not sure what the true official count at the Kids Fishing Derby was, but it falls between 120-140 kids. Another great turnout of families and I hope future fishers. The event ran for about 4 to 4 ½ hours and was a great way to get outside.

Have I told you how proud I am of the CCF group and how they showed up to represent at the Kids Fishing Derby on June 10th. We had 18 people come out to help that day. That was half of the entire volunteer force. We were involved in several parts of the day. We had people at the registration tables helping families get signed in. We had people during the fishing contest and casting contest helping to record the results. Others helped hand out snacks, tally results, and even hand out trophies. I can't say enough how proud I am of the club and the members that took part!!!

CFM lifetime members banquet

From Michael Collins...

I recently had the honor of going to the Conservation Federation Of Missouri's annual Banquet for Lifetime Members on behalf of the club! What a great honor it was to go and talk about our club, as well as everything we do for the community, conservation, and the great sport of fly fishing! Part of my job that night was to highlight the awesome fly tying scene that we have here in Jefferson City! I had CFM members asking all sorts of questions and learning what it is that we do!

For dinner, we had some delicious pork steaks, and dessert was home made ice cream!! YUM!

***Thank you Michael, we appreciate you going to the banquet and spreading the good word about CCF. Here are a couple pictures from the event.*

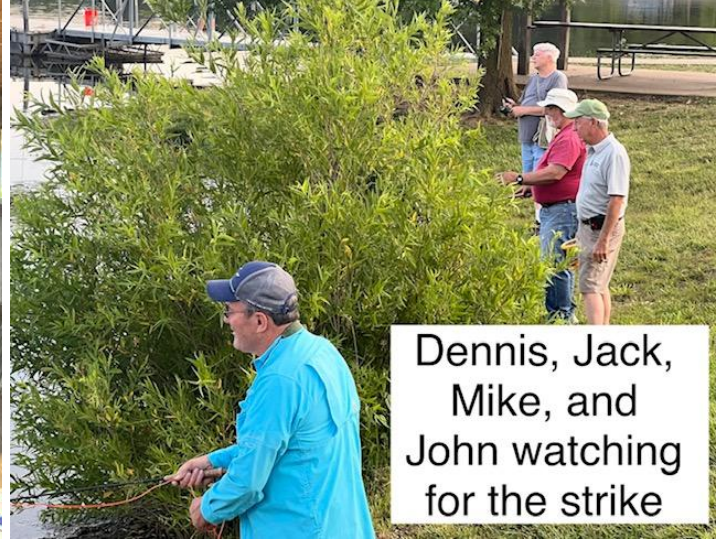


Club outing

After the counting was done, we had 38 people attend the June outing at Binder Park. We thoroughly enjoyed John Walther's pulled pork and the many other potluck items that everyone brought. Thank you all for the wonderful food. Fortunately for us the hot weather hadn't hit yet and the high temperature was in the mid 80s. After everyone had their fill, many club members got out some fishing equipment to try their hand at some fly fishing. I also saw a lot of people catching fish so I had the urge to give it a try myself. With a shiny slow sinking made up fly, I was able to catch fish on a fairly consistent basis. I couldn't ask for a better time, with my belly full and my heart happy. Thanks all!



A good crowd & good food



Dennis, Jack, Mike, and John watching for the strike



Bring back that delicious cake!



Jeff showing his fishing skills

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

As stated in the bylaws, The president and vice-president cannot serve in excess of four (4) consecutive terms. Which means that we need to start thinking about who will be able to take on these roles and possibly other board positions for the 2024 term and beyond. There are so many people here that support the club and make it successful. You will take on some responsibilities, but you are never alone. Who is ready for the next step to support the club and keep things running?

STREAM TEAM UPDATE

John Wenzlick and I went to Bennett Sunday afternoon and set up our tents. It was really hot until we got into the water with leaky waders. The stream was the lowest I have ever seen, but that is not surprising since we are 12 inches behind normal on rain over the last year.

We actually did some stream team work, picking up gobs of discarded spinning line and tippet. I did retrieve one fly when I pulled a tippet from a branch over the water. We only saw two locations to recycle the line, but one was totally full. John loaned me a "trash troll" to clip on to my vest. It is like a small trash can to put tag ends or pieces of tippet. There is so much plastic in the ocean it is getting into fish. Mono takes hundreds of years to break down and fluorocarbon never does.

Many fish were in the 11 inch range, but we caught a few nice ones. There was a caddis hatch in Zone 1 below the last handicapped pier and another in Zone 2 above the whistle bridge. My favorite techniques were stripping cracklebacks like the JF Special (ask Jerry Fork how to tie it.) with a sink tip leader and also drifting caddis, and adams dries.

We did not carry phones in the stream, so we have only one picture. We kept a couple and fried them one evening. If you plan to release a fish TU suggests keeping it in the water. A TU friend sent me a picture of a pretty brook trout he caught and photographed in shallow water in Maine.

It was a good time, but I am glad we got home before it hit 102 with a 106 heat index. We rarely ever got that hot even in August.

Hope you get a chance to fish and stay cool on these scorchers.

*Jeff Holzem
Stream Team Coordinator*





MISSOURI STREAM TEAM

2023

VOLUNTEER WATER QUALITY MONITORING TRAINING

Join a network of thousands of citizen scientists collecting biological, chemical, and physical assessment data on Missouri's wadable streams. Training is free and certified monitors will receive equipment to measure biological and chemical data and stream flow.



LEVEL 1* TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Fall 2023

Certification requires completion of virtual training and a stream-side field training. There are no pre-requisites or costs to attend the Level 1 training.

Step 1. Virtual training

Complete all Level 1 training videos to be eligible to attend the stream-side field certification. These are self-paced and can be watched anytime.

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLBQMlfy_cD4DQe07cir0nipWVrbQ2npVy

Step 2. Stream-side field certification

During the field certification, you will practice monitoring methods at a stream site under the direction of Stream Team staff. Locations of these trainings include Kansas City, Saint Louis, Columbia, Neosho, Saint Joseph, and Springfield. Registration closes one week prior to the training.

<https://mdc-event-web.s3licensing.com/Event/AllEvents?EventTypeId=21>

*Starting in 2023, the Introduction to VWQM Level and Level 1 are combined as Level 1.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

- 4 We will **not** have a Gathering due to the holiday*
- 6 Fly Tying for Veterans - Columbia, MO*
- 11 July Outing - JayCee Park (County Park) 6 pm*
- 18 Informal Gathering - 6pm start*
- 20 Fly Tying for Veterans - Columbia, MO*
- 25 Informal Gathering - 6pm start*
- 27-29 Branson Fly Fishing Expo*

AUGUST

- 1 Informal Gathering - 6pm start*
- 3 Fly Tying for Veterans - Columbia, MO*
- 5 **Club Banquet** - 6pm social hour 7 pm supper*
- 8 Monthly Members meeting - 6pm board meeting - 7 pm regular meeting*
- 12 Summer's End Kids Free Fishing Day - Montauk State Park*
- 15 Informal Gathering - 6pm start*
- 17 Fly Tying for Veterans - Columbia, MO*
- 19 Kids Free Fishing Day - Roaring River State Park*
- 22 Informal Gathering - 6pm start*
- 29 Informal Gathering - 6pm start*

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Informal Gathering - 6pm start*
- 7 Fly Tying for Veterans - Columbia, MO*
- 9 Veterans Free Fishing Day - Montauk State Park*
- 9 Women's Fishing Day - Maramec Springs State Park*
- 12 Monthly Members meeting - 6pm board meeting - 7 pm regular meeting*
- 15-16 Fly Fishers International - National Fly Tying Group Rendezvous - Branson, MO*
- 16-17 Missouri Trout Fisherman's Association Tournament - Montauk State Park*
- 19 Informal Gathering - 6pm start*
- 21 Fly Tying for Veterans - Columbia, MO*
- 26 Informal Gathering - 6pm start*
- 30 Women's Free Fishing Day - Bennett Spring State Park - **Volunteers Needed***