

MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ

It's hard to believe that we are already more than halfway through the year. Things are moving faster this year with more activities going on. Fortunately, for me, a lot of my activities have included fishing. Aside from a dip or slip now and again, I have enjoyed fishing with a lot of different people this year. Some of the fishing events I speak of are the club outings this summer and others are trips out of town.

Now, we transition in some new events and look ahead to events next year. As part of the transition, we need help from everyone to be successful. I'm sure you have heard me ask many times for help, whether it be for a single event, as a board member/officer, a fly tying presenter, getting donations for the 2022 banquet, coming to the members meetings, or any other place we may ask for help in the future. We could even use Guest Speakers at our regular Members Meetings. If there is something that can relate to the club, we would love to have you come in and speak.

Regardless of how long you have been in the club, we are open to all help and will consider all ideas.

On a little side note, all events are still on. However, with Covid-19 variants moving around, please check all communications on future events. If something changes, we will let you know as soon as possible.

Let's get out and fish sometime! I'm free a lot of weekends and during the week every once in a while. Just let me know.

*See you on the Stream,
Greg Curtin*

ELECTIONS

We have six director positions on our board. Of those six, at least four of them are due for elections this year. I say, at least because I didn't really count last year at all. If I count last year, technically, all positions are up for election. So, this is why I ask for your help/service. Right now, I have two current directors that would renew and one new person that has stepped up to help for 3 of those 6 positions. If you are interested in an officer's position, they will be up for election as well.

Directors have a 2 year term. We discuss topics and decide what should be presented at the members meetings. You would be dedicating a little extra time to the club and be more involved with club decision. From my own viewpoint, I want the club to remain successful, so being an officer is my opportunity to help continue that success. There is a great core of members that have been doing the same thing since before I was a member. We need everyone. Thank You.

BANQUET

What can I say that I haven't already? Keep getting donations. This is what will help us keep the club going and allow us to help other organizations that could use our assistance. The more diverse the donations, the bigger the opportunity to sell more tickets to the banquet to non-members. We are happy for whatever you can come up with. Gift certificates from restaurants or retailers, electronics, home & garden products, travel, arts & crafts, clothing, food, fishing, or anything that could draw interest from both men and women. Please start turning in donations, so we can start to record and categorize. If you need help, call.

STREAM TEAM UPDATE

It is now very easy to get more water quality training. The classes will be a combination of one-line (instruction) and in person (on a stream bank).

*The Introduction to **Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring** is the entry level of monitoring. This includes training for watershed mapping, site selection, stream discharge, and biological monitoring (for stream macroinvertebrates). Starting in 2021, this workshop consists of a 2-part virtual learning and field training. After completion of the virtual learning, volunteers are eligible to attend the field training to become certified as a water quality monitor. Certified Introductory monitors will receive equipment for measuring stream flow and biological monitoring. Step 1. Register for Virtual Learning - **Click Here***

*If you have completed Introduction to VWQM and would like to take your data to the next level? Here is your chance!
Level 1 VWQM builds upon knowledge learned at Intro to VWQM. This includes training for chemical monitoring and visual survey. Starting in 2021, this workshop consists of a 2-part virtual learning and field training. After completion of the virtual learning, volunteers are eligible to attend the field training to become certified as a Level 1 water quality monitor.
Certified Level 1 monitors will receive equipment for monitoring water chemistry.*



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OZARK NATIONAL SCENIC RIVERS

If you have not commented on the Ozark National Scenic Rivers plan, please consider doing so. TU also sent out an alert. Greg sent Mark Van Patten's suggestion for alternative B, which would allow some new development. TU prefers A, which would not add any new accesses.

*Stay safe and keep catching fish,
Jeff Holzem, Stream Team Coordinator*

As Jeff said, please consider commenting on this subject. I shared one point of view (in a previous email) so everyone was aware of the possibilities that could affect the fishing area in the future. Trout Unlimited has another preference. Please take this to help decide your own stance and comment accordingly. Comment period ends on August 18.

Thanks, Greg Curtin

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

The September meeting is not too far away and that is the month we start taking membership renewals for next year. The amount has not changed. It's still \$15 for the entire household. So, anyone in the family living at the given residence will be covered under that membership. All family members are welcome! If you prefer to mail in your renewals or have new people interested, please send your check to:

*Jack Kramer
1731 Overlook Drive
Jefferson City, MO 65109*

Payable to:

Capital City Fly Fishers

New Member Applications can be found on our website: www.capitalcityflyfishers.org

FLY TYING

*So what do you want first, the good news or the bad news. Actually, there really isn't any bad news. Barring any future health risk changes, we will have **live** fly tying again. We just have to work out all the details. Location, materials, dates, and times are all being looked at right now to give the best possible sessions.*

It looks like 8 weeks of patterns for January and February. Now is the time to submit a pattern. This will give enough time to collect the materials and figure out the pattern.

John Walther has agreed to tie patterns for us again, but it sure would be nice if we had a few others present and give John a break once in a while. I would say that we could use at least 3 more volunteers to help lead the tying sessions. Please let John Walther or Greg Curtin know that you are able to help. Thanks!

VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

During the August Members Meeting, I sent around volunteer sign-up sheets requesting help for a couple of events. I will pass the sheets around at our next meeting as well. The requests for help are for Ladies Fishing Day on September 25 and the Redington Home Waters event on October 2. There are a few names on the lists, but we could use more. I know not everyone can make it to the meetings, so if you are able to help please let me know by email, text, or phone call.

Mike Jaegers will coordinate Ladies Fishing Day during the event, so let's give him as much help as we can. Our main focus will be fly tying demonstrations, but we will need others to hand out fly boxes and help if anyone requests assistance on the water. It's also a great way to promote the club. If you need more information about either event, please let me know. Thanks in advance, Greg.

SHIRTS AND CAPS

Since we didn't have many club activities last year and have gained a few new members over the last couple of years, we thought it would be a good time to gauge how much interest there would be in club shirts and caps. Last run we did a baseball cap and polo shirt with our name and logo. Please let me know if you are interested in a new run. We are in the process of gathering cost information and hope to have more details at the September meeting.

BENNETT TYING GROUP

If you are looking for something to do during the week and want to incorporate fly tying and fishing, then this might be right up your alley. John Walther and Wayne Simpson are part of a Bennett Spring fly tying group that meets every Wednesday at 9 am in the old hatchery building at Bennett Spring State Park. It's an informal get together for people to meet and learn about flies, fishing, or simply just to shoot the breeze. Not to mention, there is fishing right in front of you. Not a bad combination at all.

FISH PHOTOS



Ron Klatt finding a nice batch from Bennett!

FISH PHOTOS



Mike Dean fighting a nice rainbow on Taneycomo



Jeff Holzem with a nice handful at Montauk 7/22



Montauk 8/7

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST

- 21 *Kids Free Fishing Day – Roaring River*
- 27 *Mayfly Project – Check ahead may be cancelled*

September

- 11 *Veterans Free Fishing Day – Montauk*
- 11 *Women's Fishing Day - Meramec*
- 14 *Club Meeting*
- 14-15 *Bennett Spring Weed Cutting*
- 17-18 *FFI Southern Council Conclave – Mtn. Home*
- 18 *Veterans Free Fishing Day – Roaring River*
- 18-19 *MTFA Tournament - Montauk*
- 25 *Ladies Fishing Day – Bennett Spring*

October

- 1-2 *Redington Home Waters Event*
- 2-3 *58th Rose Holland Trout Derby – Montauk*
- 9-10 *Clarence Holland Trout Derby – Bennett Spring*
- 12 *Club Meeting*
- 31 *Last day of Catch and Keep Season*

November

- 1 *Start Catch and Release – many cities*
- 9 *Club Meeting*
- 12 *Trout Parks Re-open for catch and release*

Don't forget to send in your photos, stories, or events to add to the calendar.