

Capital City Fly Fishers



10th Anniversary Newsletter

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November 2007

From Our Club Activities

CCFF Members attend VA Welcome Home

On November 3, CCFF Members Jim Kramel, Lee Kudrna and Larry Murphy manned a booth at the "Welcome Home" Event held at the Truman VA Hospital. The event was held to furnish information for Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom active duty service members and veterans on the services provided by the VHA.

The CCFF members demonstrated the fly tying techniques that are taught each month at the Teaching A Vet to Ty classes. The first and third Thursdays of each month CCFF members go to the Truman Veteran Hospital to work with veterans in the alcohol and drug rehabilitation program. The participants are taught to ty a Woolly Bugger or a Foam Spider at the recreation therapy sessions. Any CCFF Member who has a free Thursday afternoon to spent with a Vet can contact Jerry Kemple for details at 690-5922

CCFF Members Build New Fly Rods

Twelve members were able to build news fly rods from the blanks that were purchased from the Federation of Fly Fishers. The blanks were Reddington blanks and were furnished with reel seats, handles and guides. Mark Van Patten furnished instructions and details needed to finish the rods. Karen Morris is still working on hers but it is really going to be sharp when she gets done. I think that most of the rest are about done.

If you decide in the future that you want to build a rod, the Club has the tools that are needed and these are available to member.



Mike Clark is finishing the wrap job.

Hooked on Fly Fishing not Drugs Makes Trip to Stinson Creek

On October 31, members of the Mokane Hooked on Fly Fishing not Drugs along with sponsors Regina and Mark Van Patten and CCFF Members went to Stinson Creek in Callaway County to do a macroinvertebrate count. Larry Murphy, Lee Kudrna and Jerry Kemple went with the class to help with the count.



Get that one before he gets away

The class was able to identify several varieties of insects and the stream showed an excellent rating of 29.

November Activities

Winter Stocking of Trout Completed at Mc Kay

The trout were delivered in two batches this year. Half were delivered on November 1 and the other half was delivered on the next day. There were approximately 2600 delivered. The trout came from Westover Hatchery at Steelville again this year.

Fishing is on a catch and release basis until Jan. 31, 2008 on artificial lures only. Beginning Feb. 1, fish may be taken at the rate of 4/day with a possession limit of 8. A trout license is required to retain trout.

November Meeting

The monthly meeting will be held on November 13 at 7:00 pm at the Runge Nature Area. The speaker will be Nick Girondo of the MDC. Nick will be bringing us an update on the Sky Hook Project on Mill Creek.

We will also be electing officers for the year 2008 at this meeting. There will be a BOD meeting at 6:00 pm.

Don't forget to bring a fly or \$2 for the Fly Exchange.

Other November /December Upcoming Events

Winter Club Outing on November 31 and December 1&2

John Walther has got a deal for you!!! He is working on the December Club Outing to Mountain Home AR. John feels that he can get you two nights lodging and food for about \$100. We would go down on Friday Night and come back on Sunday. We will try to carpool. The cost would not include the cost of the meal on Friday night or on Sunday afternoon.

John will have a sign-up sheet at the meeting and *will be taking money.* Hurry and get your reservation for a good time, excellent food and great fishing.

Annual Christmas Party / Gift Exchange

The December meeting will be our Annual Christmas Meeting / Gift Exchange. It will be held at the Runge Nature Center at 6:30 pm. *Note change of time.*

Bring your less than \$10 gift and a snack. The gifts will be exchanged and may be swapped or stolen for someone else's. Come prepared for a fun evening. *Spouses are invited*

Upcoming Calendar.

November 2007

- **1 Teach a Vet to Ty** 3pm @ Columbia Veterans Hospital (Conference Room C201)
- **1 Trout Delivery to Mc Kay Park and First Day of Winter Trout Fishing**
- **3 Welcome Home** 10am @ Columbia Veterans Hospital
- **11 Veterans Day** "*If you are able to read this, thank a teacher and if you are free to read this, thank a Veteran.*"
- **13 Club Meeting** @Runge Nature Center @ 7:00 p.m.
- **15 Teach a Vet to Ty** 3pm @ Columbia Veterans Hospital (Conference Room C201)
- **28 Hooked on Fly Fishing and Not on Drugs** 3pm @ South Calloway R II Middle School, Mokane
- **30 Winter Outing** Mountain Home AR. Contact John Walther @ 680-2286 for details

December 2007

- **6 Teach a Vet to Ty** 3pm @ Columbia Veterans Hospital (Conference Room C201)

- **11Club Meeting** @Runge Nature Center @ 6:30 p.m. Christmas Party and Gift Exchange
- **20 Teach a Vet to Ty** 3pm @ Columbia Veterans Hospital (Conference Room C201)

Fly of the Month

The Trout Crack

This is one of John Walther's go to flies for Bennette Springs. He generally tys it in tan but says other colors should work also, He is going to ty some in green for the trip to AR. You will notice from the instructions *directly from John* that he uses the German Descendant Method of tying. (Backwards)

Materials:

- Hook:** Scud Hook size 14-18
Thread: Tan 8/0.
Shell Back: Black holographic tensil
Body: Tan antron dubbing

Instructions

- Step 1* Crimp down the barb of the hook. It is not needed and will only cause problems if it gets stuck in you or a friend.
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- Step 2* Place the hook in the vise as normal. Place a layer of thread on the hook and put the tensil on top of hook. Wrap forward over the tensil to the eye of the hook
- Step 3* Dub the antron body by wrapping the thread with the antron fibers and wrapping the hook with the dubbed thread. Start at the front and wrap to the rear of the hook
- Step 4* Lay the tensil over the top of the body and rib it by wrapping the thread forward

sparingly in ribbing fashion to the eye of the hook.

- Step 6* Whip finish the fly and cement the thread.

I believe that John fishes this as a dropper fly under a dry or hopper pattern.

John will demonstrate his German Descendant Technique at the Winter Fly Tying sessions.

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