

Monthly Newsletter NOVEMBER 2018

MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ

The end of catch and keep leads us into catch and release. I was fortunate to spend the last 4 days of the season at Bennett Spring State Park. For the most part, weather was wonderful and I think I could have cast an empty hook and caught my limit. Lots of fun!

December meeting will be replaced with our annual Christmas get-together. Bring a snack to share and a gift to exchange (approx. \$10). Please make sure your gift is one that you would like to receive.

If you haven't already paid your dues, we are going to start cleaning up the e-mail list the first of January.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our November meeting, November 13. For those unable to come, Karen and I wish you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving!

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

On November 13, 2018 the Capital City Fly Fishers will be holding annual elections. Election of Officers and Board Members will be held during the regular November meeting at the First Baptist Church. If you would like to be considered for a position, there is still time to put your name in. Please come out to be part of the vote. Your involvement does make a difference!!!!

STREAM TEAM UPDATE

Greg Curtin, John Wenzlick and I attended the TU meeting Tuesday. Jeff Whitten and Michael Riley spoke on how climate change impacts fishing. Jeff said the biggest concern at the national meeting in Redding was climate change. 80% of TU members compared to 70% of all Americans are concerned about climate change. Check it out, <u>TU on Climate</u>. Michael shared the TU climate policy:

"TU understands that avoiding the severe harmful effects that climate change will have on coldwater fisheries and their watersheds requires both a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from existing energy production as well as a fundamental shift in energy sources from fossil fuels to low-carbon technologies and conservation. Accordingly, TU supports policies and comprehensive systems mechanisms that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and hasten the shift to low-carbon energy sources and conservation.

However, the harmful effects of climate change on coldwater fisheries and their watersheds are already present. Because of this, and the deleterious impacts to coldwater fisheries that are expected as a result, TU's primary focus has been and will be to advocate policies and approaches that make communities and landscapes more resilient to the effects of climate change and to do so in a way that benefits wild and native coldwater fisheries and their watersheds."

Jeff Holzem, Stream Team Coordinator



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ROSTER AND DUES

The club is going to put together a roster list for 2019 membership. The goal is to have a list compiled by early 2019. To be on the active membership list you must have your \$15 family dues paid. The club is asking to have your dues paid by the end of December 2018 to be placed on the roster. There are 2 club meetings you can attend before the end of the year to make this payment or contact someone that can help you out. I've said many times, for a \$15 annual membership, for the family, you get a lot of perks. If you have any new member possibilities, be sure to bring them along to the meetings. Besides, I need people to go fishing with!!!!!!!!

REDINGTON HOME WATERS

Even though we battled rain throughout the day, I thought the Redington Home Waters event back in October was a success. There were special events, information, and reduced price products for sale. The CCFF was well represented with a fly tying tent to draw in attendees with the hope of finding new members. You could also find the MDC and the Conservation Federation there to talk on Missouri waters and other Conservation issues. The Redington group, which includes Jeff Trigg, did a great job to organize this event and I look for bigger and better things for next year.

ARKANSAS TRIP

Not many people were able to make the trip to Arkansas this year, but for those of us able to make it, it was a very enjoyable and successful experience. We arrived mid Friday morning and were met with rain all day. This did not stop us from going on a road trip to explore the many access points on the White River. Time well spent for future endeavors to the White.

On Saturday, skies were dry and it was time to fish. We started up by the dam and things were slow. As we moved down towards to state park things picked up. Both morning and afternoon groups each caught in the double digits of fish. The feast for Oktoberfest afterwards was also incredible. If you didn't get enough to eat it was your own fault.

Sunday, John Walther and I, decided to take another guided trip. We went to an area that was not as busy. The whole time we fished, there might have been 4 or 5 boats go by and only 2 waders in the area. The best part is we had a 50+ fish day. I'll take that anytime. What it comes down to is if you can get down to the White River, do it. If you can go with companions that enjoy the same thing, even better. Sign me up!



Not the biggest fish on the river, but he thought and fought like he was.



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HOLIDAY CHEER

As Mike stated in his opening message, the December meeting is the club's annual Christmas celebration. Bring a dish, dessert, or side dish to share with everyone. And what would a holiday celebration be without gifts. Bring a gift to exchange and/or steal away! Not all gifts have to be related to fishing, just make sure it is a gift that you would want to receive yourself.

FISH PHOTO

This Rainbow was caught the day of the Redington Home Waters event. Had I caught it earlier in the day, I might have been in contention for some prizes during the one fly competition. Either way, it was a fun fish that made it back home in the Niangua. Went around 18" and plump.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov	
1	McKay Park Fishing
9	Start of Catch and Release at Trout Parks
13	Club Meeting at First Baptist Church
15	Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
22	Thanksgiving
Dec	
6	Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
11	Club Christmas Meeting
20	Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
Jan	
3	Fly Tying Classes
8	Club Meeting at First Baptist Church
10	Fly Tying Classes
15	Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
<i>17</i>	Fly Tying Classes
24	Fly Tying Classes
26	Streamerfest in Arkansas
31	Fly Tying Classes

REMEMBER TO SEND IN YOUR PHOTOS, STORIES, EVENTS, OR ANYTHING ELSE THAT MIGHT BE OF INTEREST TO FISHING FANS. SEE YOU AT THE MEETING.