

MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ

First, I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! I definitely think the older I get, the faster time goes by. I thought we just got rid of turkey leftovers last week.

Tuesday night's meeting will feature a special guest speaker. Ben Havens, hatchery manager at Bennett Spring State Park, will be here to make a presentation. I hope to have a good representation at the meeting. Ben is always a wealth of information regarding conservation activities.

Club shirts and hats will be available Tuesday night for pick up. If you order a shirt or hat, please stop by to pick them up. Hats are \$10 and shirts start at \$25.

Catch and release at the trout parks is in full swing. Check park regulations regarding days and times. During catch and release at Bennett Spring State Park, several fly shops are keeping store hours. Call ahead if you plan to stop to confirm business hours.

See you Tuesday, Mike Jaegers

TUESDAY'S MEETING

There are a few things going on during the November club meeting. As Mike stated, Ben Havens the Hatchery Manager for Bennett Spring State Park will be the guest speaker. If you ordered a hat or shirt, they are ready for pick up. Please remember to bring funds to pay for your order. The election of officers and board members will be held. You still have time to get on the ballot. Come Tuesday, and be a part of the evening.

STREAM TEAM UPDATE

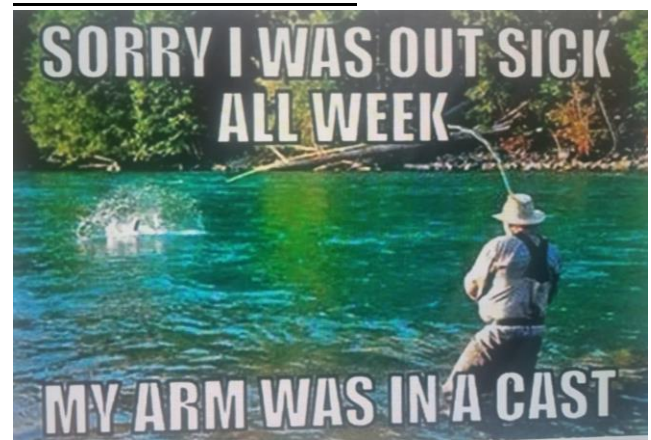
Greg, Rich, Raymond, Uldis and I monitored Saline Creek October 17. We saw several smaller fish, including an 8 inch bass. The stream is fairly healthy, but every time we go out there are more downed trees. Flood waters had been probably 8 feet above the normal water levels.

It was a nice day, monitoring went well and the donuts were good. If you have not been out, this is an opportunity to visit with club members and learn about insects that attract fish. It was great to have veterans, Greg and Rick, along with Raymond on his second outing and Uldis for his first time. Plan to join us in the spring for an enjoyable time and to do something for the stream.

Greg, John and I attended the TU meeting Tuesday and we set a date for tree planting on the North Fork of the White. We will go down Friday, March 6 and plan to plant, fish and camp over the weekend. TU members from the Missouri/Kansas chapter and possibly others will come too and I want to get an idea how many of our members want to go.

Jeff Holzem, Stream Team Coordinator

FUNNY PAGES



CATCH AND RELEASE

I was checking on the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) website on information about the Catch and Release season at the trout parks.

*Bennett Spring State Park
Maramec Spring Park
Montauk State Park
Roaring River State Park*

All four parks had the following information listed:

During the November through February catch-and-release season the annual trout permit replaces the daily trout tag.

*November 8, 2019 - February 10, 2020
Trout fishing is allowed from 8 AM to 4 PM
Fridays through Mondays.
Catch-and-release fishing only. (Fishing permit and annual trout permit required.)
Allowed lures: flies only*

SAVE THE DATE

*I look forward to the Christmas party every year! It's a time for friends, food, gifts, and games. What better way to close out another great year and look forward to the next. I hope everyone can make it on **December 10th**.*

If this is your first year attending, it's a potluck event. Some will bring a main dish, some bring sides or appetizers, while others desserts. Share one of your specialties, if you like.

Each person will bring a gift for exchange. Gifts should be around \$10 and a gift you would want to receive yourself.

MCKAY PARK

There Here! Around noon on November 1, 2575 trout were released into Sunset Lake at McKay Park. 5 Lunkers included. I have been out a few times since the 1st, but have yet to crack the code on the best way to catch large quantities of fish. Most of the fish are being caught close to the shoreline with a variety of flies. If you make it out to McKay and see me, please let me know the secret.



You could say that John Goad was Johnny on the spot to catch the first fish out of McKay Park for the Catch and Release season.

FLY TYING SESSIONS

Fly tying sessions are quickly approaching. Thank you to those who arranged for the club to use the same facility again this year. Check the calendar of events for all the dates. It's same as always, ever Thursday in January and February. Two sessions at 4:30 and 6 pm. If you are new to fly tying sessions, we will be in the strip mall next to Concord Baptist Church (across the road from Hy-vee) and next to nail salon.

TRIP TO ARKANSAS

Since I have been with the Capital City Fly Fishers, I look forward to going down to The White River down in Arkansas. I make the trip at least twice a year. Once for the Sowbug Roundup in March and once in October for the Oktoberfest celebration at Copper John's Resort.

This past October, I was fortunate enough to go down with John Walther, Ron Klatt, and Larry Barr. What a great group of guys to be around for stories and opinions. We even had surprise guests when the Cranes showed up on Friday night.

The first two days John and I fished, we met up with our guide, Miles Riley, in the Buffalo City area of the river. Being a first timer to the area, I was amazed how beautiful it was. The river, the wildlife, and the incredible bluffs. Not to mention the almost perfect weather we had all weekend. We got rained on for what I would say amounted to about 15-20 minutes. After that we had highs in the 60's and 70's. You can't ask for better than that for fishing.

On the third day we went out with Ryan McDonald the owner of Copper John's. We stayed up by the dam this time. Things started a little slow, so we moved around a little bit. With the water being up a little, we were able to get back behind Cane Island to fish. This is where I had the most fun that day. The picture shows a double that John and I had behind Cane Island. A chubby bow and a beautiful brookie. Great Trip!!



Oh, by the way, the food was great too! We ate at Coyoons on Friday night. This is New Orleans style cuisine with Po' boy and Muffuletta sandwiches and many other wonderful choices. To top that we had the Oktoberfest potluck. Too many great selection to name just one. Yum, yum, yum!!! Bring on next year.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November

- 12 Club Meeting – First Baptist Church
- 21 Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia

December

- 5 Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
- 10 Club Meeting – Christmas Party
- 20 Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia

January

- 2 Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
- 2 Fly Tying sessions begin
- 9 Fly Tying session
- 14 Club Meeting – First Baptist Church
- 16 Fly Tying session
- 16 Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
- 23 Fly Tying session
- 25 Streamer Lovefest 2020 - Arkansas
- 30 Fly Tying session

February

- 6 Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
- 6 Fly Tying session
- 11 Club Meeting – First Baptist Church
- 13 Fly Tying session
- 20 Fly Tying for Veterans in Columbia
- 20 Fly Tying session
- 27 Fly Tying session