

MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ

With the catch and release season firmly underway and local waters filled with rainbow trout, I have made it a point to get out and fish. The bite is currently on at McKay Park here in Jefferson City. They have are hitting most things that are presented to them. I was there on Thursday, November 18, 2021 and had 30+ fish caught in about 2 hours. Not sure how long it will last, so get out there and have some fun.

I will be heading down to Branson, Sunday, November 28th through Tuesday, November 30th, for some fishing. If you are looking for a last minute getaway and would like to join me, I'm always looking for friends to fish with. Please contact me for details. Let's fish!!!

If you were not able to attend the November 9th meeting, we had a great guest speaker and we were able to take care of some essential club business. Ahead in the newsletter you will read about most of the topics we discussed. If there is ever a topic you would like to discuss, please feel free to let me or one of the board members or other officers know.

Thanksgiving is just a few days away, so I wanted to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. I'm fortunate to be spending the day with family and will even try to sneak in a couple hours of fishing. Enjoy your holiday!!

Hope to see you all at the December Christmas meeting,

Greg Curtin

ELECTIONS

Elections were held at the November 9th club meeting. Congratulations and thank you to all the new and renewing Officers.

Here is a list of those elected for 2022:

Officers

President – Greg Curtin

Vice President – John Goad

Treasurer – Jack Kramer

Secretary – John Wenzlick

Board of Directors - Jerry Forck

Board of Directors - Melvin Schulenberg

Board of Directors - Jeff Trigg

Board of Directors - Terry Smith

Board of Directors - Ray Bloomer

Board of Directors - Dennis Stieferman

Webmaster/Newsletter Editor – Larry Murphy

Stream Team Coordinator – Jeff Holzem

Education – John Wenzlick

Past President – Mike Jaegers

A big thank you to all of those who help with the continued success of the Capital City Fly Fishers. We need everyone's help to keep things moving forward. As an Officer, event volunteer, or even working behind the scenes, it all helps. Thank you All!!!

THANK YOU DANNY

Danny Barker was our guest speaker on November 9th. When you listen to his history of growing up, you come to appreciate the wealth of knowledge he has to share with the fishing community. Fishing methods and adapting to condition were learned at a young age. Developing those techniques were a key to his growth and success. Whether you use other successful methods or not, by the guide reports he puts out every week, you see the results.

There are a few things I would like to thank Danny for. First, for coming to Jefferson City to speak to the club. Second, for the stories and information shared during the presentation. Third, for donating some hats for the drawing at the meeting. And last, but certainly not least, Danny has donated a half day guide trip for the banquet in February.

If you are looking for Danny Barker's contact information because you want to take a trip down to The White River or The Norfork near Mountain Home, AR, here is is:

Buffalo City Guide Service

*White & Norfork River Trout Fishing
Fly Fishing with Nymphs
Spin Fishing with Jigs*



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Thanks for the visit Danny. We really enjoyed meeting you and your amigo Paul.

DECEMBER MEETING

*Are you ready for some Christmas cheer? I hope you are because we will be having a **potluck** Christmas party for the December members meeting. It was decided that the meeting would **start at 6 pm** with a potluck style supper. Please bring a dish, dessert, or side to share with everyone. The meeting is set for Tuesday, December 14th, at the KC Hall's basement meeting room on Tanner Bridge Road.*

After eating, we will have our traditional gift giving. For those who are not familiar with the gift giving process, here's how it goes:

Each person that brings a gift will be eligible to receive a gift. Gifts should be something that you yourself would want to receive. Gifts can be anything, not just fishing related. Not only have we had fly fishing related gifts, but also household items, foods, decorations, clothing, crafts, and many other items.

Gifts should be around \$10. They can be higher as long as you understand that not all gifts will have the same higher value.

Gifts should be wrapped so no can see what it is. Everyone will draw a number to determine the order of selecting gifts. Once the first person selects the next number in sequence is up. That person can select a gift off the table or have the option to steal a previously selected gift. After the second steal of a gift, that gift is frozen and can no longer be stolen. It's yours!

If your gift is stolen, you then have the option to pick something off the table or steal someone else's pick. If you draw off the table you could have that item stolen in the future as well and you will go once again.

This will go on until everyone has had a turn and ends up with a gift. I hope everyone will participate.

If you feel that it is safer to stay home, it is completely understood. By no means do we want anyone to be compromised for attending the meeting. Use your own judgement for attending.

Any questions please contact Greg Curtin. Thanks



FLY TYING

Fly tying sessions are now set. There will be one regular session and one beginner's session. All sessions will be held at the Knights of Columbus halls basement meeting room on every Tuesday in January and February.

The beginner's sessions will start at 5:30 pm.

Terry Smith has agreed to be an instructor for the session and I'm sure there will be others to help him out. If you would like to help, please come in for the session. This session is open to those new to fly tying and those who would like a refresher on the basics. If you have fly tying equipment, please bring it. Not knowing how many people to expect, we may be limited on the number of vises and other equipment available for use.

The regular sessions will begin at 6:30 pm.

There will be a different fly pattern presented at each session. The material for the patterns will be supplied. John Walther has gone through a lot of effort to get a lot of the material packets together. He may want some help to finish up packets for some of the future sessions. So, if he does, please be available to help. We will coordinate this with John at the first tying session.

Fly Tying is open to the public. You do not have to be a member to attend. Of course, we do encourage everyone to join. If you know of anyone that may be interested, please share this information.



Fish caught in November during catch and release.

STREAM TEAM UPDATE

On Saturday, October 30, Greg and Phil Curtain, Lee Kudrna, Raymond Bloomer and I monitored our stream, Big Saline Creek. The weather was great and our work went smoothly. We did not find many bugs in the first net set, but got more each of the next two times. Most of them were mayflies, but we got a few caddis, even a case caddis, a couple water pennies and snails along with some aquatic worms. The insect diversity gave us the top fair rating, but below good and excellent. Dissolve oxygen was 9ppm and nitrogen was low. Conductivity and PH were fine. The flow was higher after rain the week before, but the water was clear. We picked up several bags of trash around the parking area. Unfortunately, there was a truck battery and tire below the low water crossing as well as a lot more trash. I will ask the stream team leader to send out a crew to clean it up.

I think the flooding and silting in of pools contributes to lack of smallmouth. Greg and I fished downstream, while Phil and Lee went up. It was good to get in the water, have donuts and catch something (including an 8 inch shad). I think Lee caught the most but we all had a good time.

Looking forward to fishing with you at McKay.

Jeff Holzem

Stream Team Coordinator



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

As a reminder, whether you are renewing your membership for 2022 or joining the club as a new member, the amount is \$15. This includes membership for the entire household. There are so many things you get from being a member. By attending the fly tying sessions in January and February alone, you will get your value out of a membership. If you are just joining us, you can download an application off of our website.

www.capitalcityflyfishers.org

Bring this form with you to a monthly meeting, fly tying session, or mail to:

*Jack Kramer
1731 Overlook Drive
Jefferson City, MO 65109
Checks Payable to:
Capital City Fly Fishers*

Email Greg Curtin with questions. Welcome!!

DONATIONS PAGE

Our Webmaster, Larry Murphy, set up a donations/sponsor page on our website. This will let us recognize and thank all of the businesses and individuals that were gracious in donating something to the club. So, when you bring in your donations for the banquet in February, please also let us know who made the donation. Everyone deserves our thanks.

Jack Kramer has a donations letter if needed for tax deduction purposes. Terry Smith is taking in all the donations to be stored until banquet. We need everyone's help to raise funds for the club.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December

12 Club Meeting – Christmas Potluck 6 pm

January 2022

4 Fly Tying Session 1

11 Combo - Fly Tying Session 2/Club Meeting

18 Fly Tying Session 3

25 Fly Tying Session 4

February

1 Start of Winter Stocking - Catch and Keep

1 Fly Tying Session 5

8 Combo - Fly Tying Session 6/Club Meeting

14 Last Day of catch and release season at Parks

15 Fly Tying Session 7

19 Banquet

22 Fly Tying Session 8

March

1 Opening Day of Catch and Keep at Trout Parks

8 Club Meeting

24-26 Sowbug Roundup – Mountain Home, AR



A younger club member helping an older club member free up his line. And, also catch a fish right away.