

TIGHTLINES

The Monthly Newsletter of the Miami Valley Fly Fishers



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**ARTICLE DEADLINE FOR
NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE:**

**Friday,
January 25, 2013**

**Time to Pay
Your Dues for 2013!**

Next Meeting

January 14, 2013

**Kohler Banquet Center
4572 Presidential Way,
Kettering, Ohio**

Doors open at 5:30 P.M. ,
Dinner at 6:30 P.M.
(RESERVATIONS REQUIRED.)

Directions on Website

RSVP to Mike Wolford at 937-667-9392 or
E-Mail him at: toflyfish@woh.rr.com
by **Thursday, Jan 10, 2013.**
(Note - Dinner Price is now **\$13.00**)

**This Month:
Ethan Simmons,
ODNR Biologist**

(See the article on page 4 for details.)

Membership Renewal Reminder

**2013 Membership Fees
Are Due NOW.**

The membership fee remains unchanged at **\$35.00**. If
you have not yet paid your dues for 2013, please do so
at the January meeting.

The club is counting on you!

The Auction Is Coming.....

That's right; the auction will be here before you know it!

See page 4 for more information...

President's Thoughts



I hope that you all had a great Christmas and a safe and happy new year, and that you also received some shiny new fishing equipment during the holiday season. There is great fishing to be had on the Mad River all winter long. I'm itching to get out to try out some of the gear I unwrapped this week. I am also looking forward to having Ethan Simmons from the ODNR at our January meeting. Ethan will be discussing the ongoing brown trout survey being conducted on Ohio's brown trout rivers. His presentation should be very interesting and informative.

I would like to start by again thanking Ken Hudak and Phil Clay for all of the hard work that they put in to make 2012 a great year for our club. I would like to welcome our new vice president, Joe Nagel, and our new secretary, Matt Mullins. We are currently working to find our new summer meeting site. As of now we are looking at three Five Rivers MetroParks that all offer much better amenities than what we had at Deed's Park. The board is currently looking at the positive and negatives of each of these sites and hopefully we will be able to announce the location of our new summer home sometime in February.

There are several great fly fishing shows coming up over the next few months. The first is the North Coast Fly Tying Expo (website: <http://www.ncff.net>) on January 12, 2013 at Lakeland Community College in Kirtland, OH. Another upcoming show is the Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show (website: <http://www.buckeyeflyfishers.com/EXPO/default.html>) on February 2, 2013 at the Oasis Conference Center in Loveland, OH.

(Editor's Note - see the calendar / ad on Page 5 for a complete list of area shows.)

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If you are interested in volunteering in the MVFF booth for either of these shows please contact a board member. All requests will be on a first-come basis and please only volunteer if you firmly plan on attending. As of now we only have a few volunteers for the North Coast Fly Tying Expo, so please let a board member know ASAP if you would like to travel up north to represent MVFF and tie some flies. We are also looking for volunteers to head up our TNT program this year along with Project Healing Waters. Please let me, or another board member, know if you would like to lend a helping hand with either of these projects.

In closing, remember that your 2013 membership dues are due. Please contact Matt Mullins immediately if you are unsure of your current membership status or if you have any questions regarding dues payment. Once again, thank you all for your hard work over the past twelve months and let's make 2013 another great year.

Thank You,
Brian Furderer
MVFF President

2012 Club Award Recipients

Dick Matson Award	Dale Stephens
Founder's Award	Mike Wolford
Jake Jaeger Award	Jeff Warden
Outstanding Member	John Young
President's Award	Joe Nagel

Recipients of Certificates of Merit, for Service to the Club

Tom Arnold	Alan Ashley	Bill Bennett
Dave Brown	Bob Cain	Jim Calvert
Phil Clay	Jim Corbin	Kathy Courtney
Tom Courtney	Bernie Fritz	Brian Furderer
Joe Gilmore	Becky Grove	Tom Helbig
Ken Hudak	Shawn Johnson	Kelly Kingrey
Gerald "Lash" Larue	Ron Lewis	Gordon Mackenzie
Carl Markstrom	Dan Matousch	Matt Mullins
Dave Oertel	Dick Quigley	Steve Rader
Jerry Redford	Paula Smith	Heather Statt
Dale Stephens	Karen Stokes	Marty Vandenbrock
Everet Vanatta		

2012 Casting Competition Winners

First Flight:	Matt Taylor
Seniors:	Dan Matousch
Masters:	Mike Wolford

Congratulations to all of the 2012 award winners! Thank you for your continued service to the club!

This Month's Fly – January 2013 Edition

TWO BIT HOOKER

Instructions by Bill "Woody" Woodward
Photograph by Bob Cain



Recipe

Hook.....Wet, size 18-22
Beads..... Two to match hook size
Thread.....Red, 6/0 or 8/0
Rib.....Black thread, 6/0
Thorax.....Rusty dubbing
Flashback.....Flat tinsel, pearl
Legs.....Hen hackle fibers, brown
Tail.....Hen hackle fibers, brown

Instructions:

1. Place 2 beads on the hook and slide them up to the hook eye, then place the hook in the vise. Start the thread (Red) behind to beads and wrap it back to the hook bend, forming a tight thread base.
2. Tie-in 4-5 hen feather fibers at the hook bend as a tail. (The tail should be ½ the hook shank in length.) Keeping the fiber butts on top of the hook shank, wrap thread forward over them to the back of the beads. Remove any excess fiber butts. Let the thread hang.
3. Cut a 6" piece of black thread and tie it in by one end behind the beads with the length of it going back toward the hook bend. Keeping the black thread (ribbing) on top of the hook shank, wrap the red thread over it back to the hook bend. DO NOT CUT THE REMAINING BLACK THREAD AS IT WILL BE THE RIB.
4. Now wrap the red thread forward to the back of the beads, creating a slightly tapered thread abdomen as you go.
5. Take the black thread and wrap it forward over the abdomen in evenly spaced turns and tie it off behind the beads. Remove any excess black thread
6. Tie in a 2"-3" piece of tinsel by one end on top of the hook shank right behind the beads and wrap thread over it back to about 1/4" behind the beads. The length of the tinsel should be extending back over the hook bend. Let the thread hang.
7. Dub the thread and wrap it back to behind the beads forming a dubbed thorax, then slip the dubbed thread over the backmost bead and fill in the space **between** the two beads with dubbing. Remove any excess dubbing and let the thread hang between the beads.
8. Select a clump of hen back fibers and separate them into two bunches.
9. Tie one bunch in on either side of the hook shank **between** the two beads with several tight wraps of thread. The fibers should extend back to about the hook point. Remove any excess fiber butts and let the thread hang.
10. Now bring the tinsel forward and tie it off between the two beads with 2-3 tight wraps of thread. Trim off any excess tinsel.
11. Do a whip finish and cut the thread.
12. Coat the top of the flashback with epoxy or UV resin as an option.

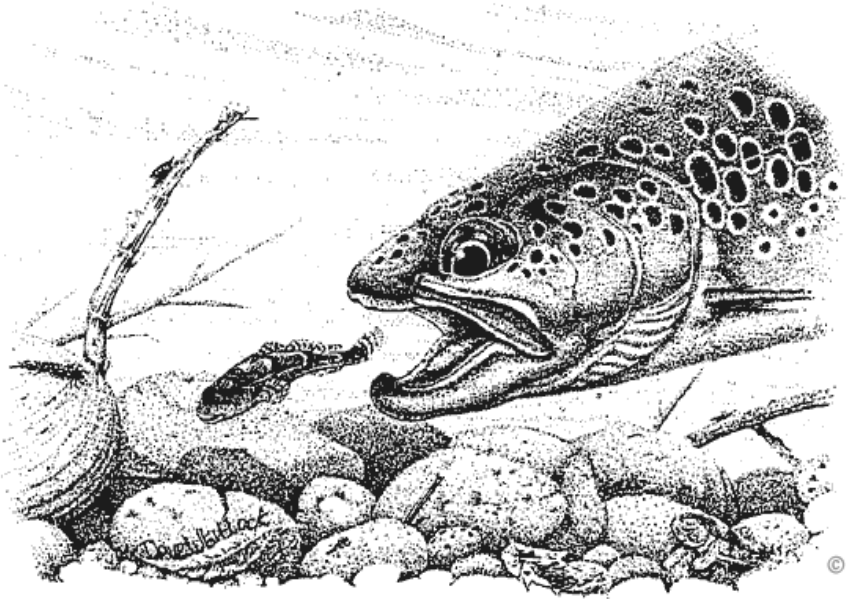
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We are starting the new year off right with our speaker for the January meeting!

Come hear about the recently started research project on Ohio's brown trout program. **Ethan Simmons**, fisheries biologist with the Ohio Division of Wildlife, will discuss the overview and goals for the project, and get into some of the details regarding what they have found over the first couple of sampling seasons. If you have ever or will ever fish the Mad, Clear Creek or Clear Fork Rivers in Ohio, you won't want to miss this presentation!

Ethan Simmons is a fisheries biologist with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife, at the District One office in Columbus. Ethan started with the Division as a part-time Creel Clerk on Hoover and Delaware Reservoirs in 2004. He was hired fulltime in the spring of 2006 as a fisheries technician and was promoted to fisheries biologist in October 2009.

Ethan has also held internships with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Ohio River Valley Sanitation Commission, and The US Fish and Wildlife Service, where he learned a great deal about the diversity and resilience of Ohio's great fishery resources. Ethan, among other duties, is in charge of stream management for District 1 and has spent many hours in the cold waters of the Mad River. In his spare time, if he is not on his patio barbecuing, he can be found on Hoover Reservoir dipping jigs for crappies or dragging worms for saugeye.



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The 2013 Auction will soon be here, so now is the time to begin preparing! The importance of this meeting cannot be stressed enough; the club generates about **half of our revenue** from this single event, which helps support our speaker program, fly tying classes, and all the other events participated in by the club.

Many of our members are familiar with this annual event. For the new members and those not be familiar, here are a few guidelines. As you begin to gather items for donation it is important to remember - **NO JUNK**. A good rule of thumb is - if you wouldn't pay money for it, most likely no one else will either.

Items that sell well are fishing items of course, as well as camping and hunting gear. A sample of your favorite wine or spirits and your favorite patterns of flies are also perennial favorites. If you have received well intentioned gifts that failed to hit the mark, then perhaps this would be the perfect time to recycle that gift and generate some money for the club. This is a great time to go through all of your gear and pull out the stuff you no longer need or use, and bring it to the auction. One man's junk is another man's treasure. If you have a particular skill or a membership to various clubs, these make excellent items for bid. Examples are members who offer guided trips to their favorite body of water, or a half day of fishing or golfing at a private club. These have been very popular in recent years.

Whatever it is you can donate to the auction, the most important thing is to make a donation. Secondly, be sure to show up and bid on the items! This would be an excellent meeting to bring a guest or two that have a passion for the sport. They will have an opportunity to pick up many items of good quality at a good price. The more members and guests that show up the more funds will be generated for the club.

Rod Building Class for 2013

We are happy to report the rod building classes for 2013 have been filled! A big "Thank you!" to all of the participants who registered early!

If you are still interested in the rod building class but have not signed up, hope is not lost. Contact Jim Corbin - he may be able to fit you into the appropriate class. Or, if there is enough interest, he may also schedule an additional class to be held on Sunday.

Jim may be contacted as follows:

Phone: (937) 767-1326 (Local call from most Dayton exchanges)

E-mail: jlcorbrods@aol.com

MVFF CALENDAR For January, 2013

- 5 - **Indiana on the Fly** - <http://www.freewebs.com/reelwomen/indianaflyfishingshow.htm>
- 8, 15, 22, 29 **Beginner's Fly Tying Classes**
- 10, 17, 24, 31 **Intermediate Fly Tying Classes**
(Note - **All** Classes at Gander Mountain, 8001 Old Troy Pike, Huber Heights, OH 45424, 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm)
- 13 - **North Coast Fly Tying Expo** - <http://www.ncff.net/>
- 14 - **MVFF Indoor Meeting** (Note: Reservations **Are** Required - See Page 1 for Details.)
- 18 - 27 - **Cincinnati Travel, Sports & Boat Show** - <http://cincinnatiboatshow.com/>
- 25 - Deadline for Articles for Next Month's Issue of **Tightlines**

MVFF Message Board

The MVFF Message Board now has over **460** registered members!

Also, you can now read messages without registering or logging in. Just go to the club's web site at <http://www.mvff.us> and you will find a link to the board in the upper left-hand corner.



MVFF is now on Facebook! Follow us at:
<http://www.facebook.com/MiamiValleyFlyFishers>

MVFF Email

Miami Valley Fly Fishers is trying to improve communication with members by making greater use of email. To be sure our messages reach you, please put the following address in your email address book:

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Then send us an email subject "Email Address Check" to be sure we have your correct email address. Don't forget to include your name.

REMINDER FOR CLUB PURCHASES

ALL CLUB PURCHASES MUST RECEIVE PRE-APPROVAL IN ORDER TO BE REIMBURSED. AMOUNTS OVER \$50 REQUIRE BOARD PRE-APPROVAL. AMOUNTS UNDER \$50 CONTACT TREASURER, CARL MARKSTROM, FOR PRE-APPROVAL. PLEASE BE SURE TO USE THE EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT FORM, WHICH CAN BE FOUND ON THE CLUB'S WEBSITE AT THE FOLLOWING LINKS:

http://mvff.tripod.com/Resources/AP_Form.pdf OR http://mvff.tripod.com/Resources/AP_Form.xls

The 2013 Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show!

Where: **NEW LOCATION** - Oasis Conference Center - 902 Loveland-Miamiville Road, Loveland, Ohio

Date: February 2, 2013

Times: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Admission Fees: The new price for admission this year is **\$10.00/person**
Children under 12 w/ Adult - **FREE**
Scouts in Uniform - **FREE**
Free Parking

**Exhibits, Multiple Presentation Stages,
Casting Pond and Fly Tying Demonstrations**

For more information, visit the Buckeye United Fly Fishers' website at:

<http://www.buckeyeflyfishers.com/EXPO/default.html>





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