

TIGHTLINES

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

**Friday,
June 21, 2013**

More Outdoor Meeting Fun!

Next Meeting

June 10, 2013

**Dayton FOP Shelter
4275 Powell Road**

NO RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

New Meeting Location!
(Directions on Website)

**More Summer Fun at Our
New Outdoor Meeting Location!**

Casting Competition News!

The outdoor meetings have begun, which means it's time to dust off those casting skills. This year's host of judges are none other than Ken Hudak, Lash LaRue, Dan Matousch, and Jeff Warden. Come on over and cast a bit... regardless of your skill level. This year we are at a new location with REAL – No Kiddin' – WATER! I think the wind gave the casters more problems last month than trying to get used to real water.

The only thing required to participate in the casting events is for you to show up. You don't even have to own a fly rod (although, if you do, you can cheat by practicing at home – just don't tell the judges; they might, no – they will – give you a hard time). There is no age requirement or limit, no height requirement, and no previous casting experience is needed. Everyone is welcome!

**Casting will be held ONLY from 5:30 - 7:15 PM.
No casting will be allowed after 7:15 PM.** The cut-off time will help ensure we are not holding up the meeting with scoring, etc., so come on over and cast early.

Here are the results for the May Dry Fly:

First Flight, Winner: Nathan Via (95)

Seniors, Winner: Karen Stokes (94)

Masters, Winner: Greg Kiddon (95)

Congratulations!

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President's Thoughts



I can't believe that we are almost half way through 2013. This year just seems to be flying by between my workload at the office, trying to keep up with my boys, and sneaking in some fishing whenever I can. With the longer days I have been sneaking out to the river at daybreak to get an hour or so of fishing in before work. Catching a nice trout, smallie, or carp is a great way to start your day. All of the reports that I have been reading have been great for both the warm and cold water fisheries in our area so be sure to get out there and take advantage of the good conditions.

Currently, the club has an immediate need for volunteers in a few key areas.

- The first is the **Take a Warrior Fishing** outing that is being held at Caesar's Creek on June 8th. If anyone is interested in tying flies, helping with casting instruction, or assisting with the basics of fly fishing, please contact Heather Statt or a board member.
- Secondly, we are in dire need of someone to take over our open Raffle Chair position. This is an important position that will allow you to personally select all of the items for our monthly raffle. If you have ever wanted to see a special rod, reel, or any other piece of equipment in the raffle this is your chance to make it happen.
- Last, but not least, is our TNT program. As of right now we only have **two** TNT slots filled. Please consider hosting an event if you have a Thursday evening free.

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Finally, I want to thank everyone who came out to our first outdoor meeting of 2013. I saw plenty of people out on the pond fishing and a lot of nice fish being caught. Dan Matousch, Jeff Warden, Ken Hudak, and Lash Larue did a great job with the new casting competition setup and the food coming off the grill prepared by Shawn Johnson and Bernie Fritz was excellent. Hopefully we will have another great turnout in June, and remember to bring your gear as the fishing should be even better this month.

Brian Furderer
MVFF President

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Casting Competition – this month is the Bead Head Nymph.

Here are the rules for casting the nymph. You will start with the fly in target #2. You will pick up the fly and have unlimited false casts to target #1. You will then only be allowed 1 false cast to each remaining target.

Casting Competition Divisions are as follows:

- First Flight** - Those that have never won a casting event or new casters.
- Seniors** - Casters who have previously won a First Flight casting event or former winners of the First Flight casting division.
- Masters** - Former winners of the Seniors casting division.

Competition Guidelines:

Everyone will cast to the same five rings, using the club rod. One person from each division will be determined the winner of that night's competition. Based on your cumulative scores of all the events, an overall winner will be determined for each division and presented a traveling trophy in December.

Here's how we are scoring. All casters will start with 100 points. Those skillful enough to place the fly inside the gold ring will not lose any points. Any fly that lands inside the black ring will result in the deduction of 1 point. If the fly lands outside all the rings, 2 points will be deducted. The person in each division with the highest score will win the event for their division.

At the end of the outdoor season, overall winners of each division will be determined by averaging scores of all events entered. Whoever has the highest score total in their division will be awarded a trophy at the December awards banquet. Even if you don't win an event, you could still be the overall winner of your division (it's happened before!). So come on over and cast.

Remember - although we do keep score and everyone would like to win, the real point of doing this (other than to just have a good time) is to improve our casting abilities.

Good Luck!
Jeff Warden

Project Healing Waters Update - June, 2013

We are quickly coming up to our event on June 8th - the **Take a Warrior Fishing** outing at Caesar's Creek. I will be needing volunteers to teach casting as well as tie flies. So far, there are 30 vets confirmed, with an additional 8 from our PHW program.

If you are a vet and would like to fish on the boats in the morning, you have to meet at the Visitor's Center parking at 8 am. Fishing starts at 8:30 am.

We will be setting up a table around that time at the Visitor's Center as well. While the vets are fishing, the families will get a chance to learn fly fishing as well as cast from the bank. Lunch will be provided by the Golden Lamb. In the afternoon the vets will have the opportunity to learn fly fishing, perfect their casts, tactics of fly fishing, and the basics of tying until about 3 pm.

If you would like to participate or volunteer, please let me know as soon as possible.

Thank you,

Heather Statt
Project Healing Waters Program Manager
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This Month's Fly – June 2013 Edition

GALLOUP'S ARTICULATED CIRCUS PEANUT

Instructions by Bill "Woody" Woodward
Photograph by Bob Cain



Recipe

Tail Section

Rear Hook.....Streamer, 4xl, size 4
Thread.....White, 6/0
Tail.....Marabou, white
Hackle.....Saddle, white or grizzly
Body.....Pearl crystal chenille
Legs.....White/silver silicone legs
Head.....Thread

Thorax Section

Front Hook.....Bass, standard, size 2
Thread.....White, 6/0
Eyes.....Dumbbell, medium, red or yellow
Connection....6-8 lb braided line
Spacers.....Crystal glass beads
HackleSaddle, white or grizzly
Body.....Pearl crystal chenille
Legs.....White/silver silicone legs

Instructions: Tail Section

1. Place the hook in the vise. Tie-in the thread behind the hook eye and wrap a thread base back to the hook barb. Let the thread hang.
2. Select a clump of marabou barbs, roughly the length of the hook shank, and tie them in at the hook bend as a tail. Cover the marabou butts with thread wraps back to the middle of the hook shank. Remove any excess butts and return the thread to the tail tie-in point.
3. Now select a saddle hackle feather and tie it in by the tip at the hook bend in front of the tail. **DO NOT REMOVE THE FLUFF FROM THE BUTT OF THE FEATHER.** Let the thread hang.
4. Cut a 5"- 6" piece of chenille and tie it in by one end at the hook bend in front of the tail. Then wrap the chenille forward in tight, touching turns to behind the hook eye. (It may be advisable to brush the chenille fibers back toward the hook point after each wrap to avoid binding down too many fibers.)
5. Now grasp the hackle feather and palmer it forward through the chenille body to behind the hook eye. Take a few extra wraps of the feather at the front of the chenille body and tie it off. Remove any excess hackle. (It is desirable to have some of the feather fluff in the last few hackle wraps.) Let the thread hang.
6. Select two full length segments of silicon leg material and tie one in on each side of the hook shank by its middle in front of the hackle. You should then have 2 legs on each side of the fly. Trim the legs so that they reach to the back of the tail.
7. Form a neat thread head, whip finish, and cut the thread. Apply head cement to the thread wraps.

Instructions: Thorax Section

8. Place the hook in the vise, tie-in the thread behind the hook eye and wrap a thread base back to the middle of the hook shank, then reverse direction and wrap back half the way to the hook eye (roughly 1/4th of the hook shank behind the hook eye). Let the thread hang.
9. Select a set of dumbbell eyes and tie them loosely in on top of the hook shank, then rotate them under the hook shank and secure them there with tight thread x-wraps. The eyes should now be 1/4th of the hook shank behind the hook eye and on the bottom of the hook shank. Wrap the thread in a tight thread base back to slightly past the hook bend. Let the thread hang.
10. Cut a 6"- 7" inch length of 6-8 lb braided line and tie it in where you left the thread. One end of the line should reach back to behind the dumbbell eyes, while the rest extends out behind the hook bend. Wrap the thread tightly over the line back to the eyes, then reverse direction and wrap the thread back to the hook bend.
11. Grasp the braided line and put 2 - 3 glass beads, then take the trailer section, hook point up, and put the line down through its hook eye. Now take the line and thread it back through the glass beads to the rear of the front hook. Pull the line until the trailer section hook is snug against the glass beads but able to wiggle freely, then tie the line down tightly on the front hook at the hook bend. (The trailer section should now be snugly positioned, hook point up, at the back of the glass beads.) If everything is properly positioned, wrap tight thread wraps over the braided line butt back to the eyes. Coat the front hook shank with super glue to secure the braided line. Remove the excess braided line, return the thread back to the hook bend and let it hang.
12. Select a hackle feather and tie it in by its point at the hook bend. The length of the feather should extend back over the hook bend. **DO NOT REMOVE THE FLUFF AT THE BASE OF THE FEATHER.**
13. Cut a 7"- 8" section of chenille and tie it in by one end at the hook bend. Wrap the chenille in tight touching turns to behind the hook eye and tie it off. **DO NOT REMOVE ANY EXCESS CHENILLE.** (It may be advisable to brush the fibers back to toward the hook point to avoid binding down too many fibers.)
14. Grasp the feather and palmer wrap it through the chenille body to behind the hook eye. Take a few extra wraps of hackle in front of the chenille body and tie it off. Remove any excess hackle feather. (It is advisable to have some of the feather fluff in the last few hackle wraps.)
15. Select two full length segments of silicon leg material and tie one in on each side of the hook shank by its middle in front of the hackle. You should then have 2 legs on each side of the fly. Trim the legs so that they reach to the back of the hook bend.
16. Now grasp the remaining chenille and make 1-2 wraps behind the eyes, then x-wrap it over the eyes, make 1 wrap behind the hook eye and tie it off. Remove any excess chenille.
17. Form a neat thread head, whip finish, and cut the thread. Apply head cement to the thread wraps.

Announcing the Second Annual Joint Club Meeting!

The Buckeye United Fly Fishers (BUFF) cordially invite all members of Northern Kentucky Fly Fishers, Miami Valley Fly Fishers and Central Ohio Fly Fishers to join BUFF on July 10 for a joint fly club outing at BUFF's meeting location at Ronald Reagan Lodge at Voice of America Park in West Chester, Ohio. The following is the plan for this meeting.

Date: Wednesday, July 10, 2013

Location: **Ronald Reagan Lodge**, Voice of America Park, 7850 VOA Park Drive, West Chester, Ohio 45069 (Lodge phone: 513-755-4402)

Map to VOA Park is on the BUFF website or at <http://westchesteroh.org/CSParksVOAPark.cfm>
(Mention BUFF meeting to Park Guardhouse personnel (if present) for free admittance to Park & Lodge.)

Agenda:

- 4:00** Casting Tune-Up For Women (\$10 fee with maximum of 15 people and see note below)
- 4:00** Fishing in 35 acre lake (\$2 after 4 pm) (Ohio fishing license not required)
- 4:00** Kayak Display, Demonstration and Instruction by Great Miami Outfitters of Miamisburg in Voice Of America Lake
(note that details of this activity is not yet confirmed)
- 6:00** Swap Meet on Patio/Meet & Greet (bring rods, reels, line, flies, etc to swap)
- 6:45** Cookout Meal by At Your Service Catering - Lodge Dining Room and/or Patio (**Cost is \$15**)
- 7:45** Short business meeting and presentation by **Ann Miller** (Biologist, Writer and Founder of **Flygirls**)
- 9:00** Adjourn

If you are interested in attending the meeting, please contact **Joe Nagel** (937-620-8269 or joe.nagel@gmail.com).
(**Important - RSVP and Payment** must be received by Joe by **Friday, July 5**, to attend.)

Ladies, if you are interested in attending the Casting Class, please contact Joe Nagel about this as well. Hurry, as space is limited!

About the Casting Class and Program Speaker:

The main objective of the tune-up casting class for women is to promote the sport of fly fishing to women. The fee for the class will pay for any rental cost by Voice Of America and/or donation to Casting For Recovery non profit organization. For more information about Ann Miller and Flygirls, please visit their website at <http://flygirls.ws>.

PHWFF Mertensia Springs Outing



May 11th was the date of the PHWFF outing at Mertensia Springs in Ludlow Falls, Ohio. To see more pictures from this event, please visit the club's Facebook page.

Welcome New Members!



We had 3 new club members in attendance at our May meeting. From left to right: Dan Austin, Curt Kemmet, Andrew Izor. If you see Dan, Curt or Andrew at the June meeting, be sure to introduce yourself and say "Hello!"



MVFF CALENDAR For June, 2013

- 3, 27 - **Casual Fly Tying**, Gander Mountain, 8001 Old Troy Pike, Huber Heights, OH 45424, 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm
- 5 - **MetroParks "Try Fly Fishing" Event at Carriage Hill MetroPark** (Registration required)
- 6, 13, 20, 27 - **TNT** (See schedule below, as well as the club's message board and Facebook page, for more information.)
- 8 - **Take a Warrior Fishing**, Caesar's Creek Visitor's Center (See the PHWFF article on Page 2 for more information.)
- 10 - **MVFF Outdoor Meeting** (Reservations Not Required - See Page 1 for Details.)
- 21 - 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:

mvffemail@gmail.com

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

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

2013 TNT Events: Volunteers Needed

If you have any questions or are interested in hosting a TNT outing please get with me at one of our monthly meetings or contact me via email/phone. I will just need to know the date, location, and a little background information about area being fished (species, fly selection, etc.) I will ensure that this information along with directions gets updated on the MVFF message board, the MVFF Facebook page and in Tightlines.

Open dates will run from the first Thursday in June to the last Thursday in August. Feel free to choose one of your favorite ponds, lakes, rivers, streams and ideally should be within a 20 - 40 minute drive of the Dayton metro area.

Thank You, Brian Furderer | Phone: 937-607-2730 | Email: bfulderer@gmail.com

Date	Location	Meeting Area	Time	Host
June 6, 2013	Rosewood Park	Lakeside	5:30 PM	Joe Nagel
June 13, 2013				
June 20, 2013				
June 27, 2013	Mad River	SR55 Parking Lot	5:30 PM	Brian Furderer
July 4, 2013	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
July 11, 2013				
July 18, 2013				
July 25, 2013				
August 1, 2013				
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