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The Monthly Newsletter of the Miami Valley Fly Fishers





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ARTICLE DEADLINE FOR NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE:

Friday, July 27, 2012

More Outdoors Fun At Deeds!

Next Meeting

July 9, 2012

Deeds Park Casting Pond

(Directions on Website)
NO RESERVATIONS REQUIRED
The fun begins at 5:30

Join us outdoors again for a grilled meal, camaraderie, and casting competition!

Casting Competition News!

It's time for the outdoor meetings, which means it's time to dust off those casting skills. The outdoor casting event will be hosted this year by the team of Lash LaRue, Dan Matousch, and Jeff Warden. Come on over and cast a bit...regardless of your skill level. If we are back at Deeds Park this year, we will most likely be casting on our pseudo water again (aka the big blue tarp).

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 COMPETITION CUT-OFF TIME

Casting will be held **ONLY** from 5:30 PM to 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 June BH Nymph:

First Flight, Winner: Paul (Steve) Schultz (88)

Seniors, Winner: Jeff Warden (89)

Masters, Winner: Greg Kiddon (93)

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President's Thoughts



Thankfully at the last meeting we lucked out with the rain, it came in and then left us alone. For a while it looked like it was going to be touch and go, but the sky opened up and the sun won out the day.

It was great seeing everyone in attendance. Good times were had by all. It appeared everyone was having great fun at the casting competition. It is good to see many of you taking part in the competition! Remember - you cannot win if you do not try, so get out there and cast. How about that food and raffle! Everyone did a great job.

The Ohio Power trip was a good time as always. The fishing was off a little due to the weather. We had on and off rain Tuesday and rain almost all day Friday. We fished one hole where we saw a lot of fish; we threw about a dozen different flies at them, just to watch the fish ignore them. So we had to work at it a little harder, but we caught enough fish for the big fish fry on Saturday and had good weather as well. After dinner we all gathered for a fire and sat around telling stories of our fish adventures. Some may have been stretching a little, okay maybe a lot. All in all it was a great time, good fun was had by all. Hope to see lots of you out there next year.



MetroParks Fly Fishing Events at Cox Arboretum

Have you ever been to Cox Arboretum, and wished you could cast a fly into one of the ponds there? Well, now you can!

In July and August, Five Rivers MetroParks is offering their "Try Fly Fishing" programs at Cox Arboretum. Tom Helbig has asked me to send out a request to club members, to have them come out to Cox during these events to fly fish and generate interest in our sport. Is this great or what?!

The dates / times of these events are:

· July 26: 6:00 – 9:00 pm

August 7: 6:00 – 9:00 pm

My re-introduction to fly fishing took place several years ago at similar one-day event at Cox. As part of the class, we fished in one of the ponds. I have to tell you - it was loaded with a lot of naïve bluegills, and some bass as well. It was a blast!

Details about these events will be presented at the July meeting, and information will also be posted on the club's FaceBook page and message board as it becomes available.

- Joe Nagel, Editor



Casting Competition Continued from page 1

Casting Competition for July - this month is the Roll Cast.

Here are the rules for the Roll Cast. **Limit of 15 casts total.** Start with fly in target #1. Cast to target #1 until scored (inside one of the rings). Then on to the remaining 4 targets or until a maximum of 15 casts are made. Any target not scored is a demerit of "-2" points. Highest score with fewest casts wins.

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 of1 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

This Month's Fly – July 2012 Edition

LITTLE YELLOW STONEFLY

Instructions by Bill "Woody" Woodward Photograph by Bob Cain



Recipe

Hook......Curved Nymph, long shank, size 12-16 Thread.....Light Cahill, Tan, or Pale yellow, 3/0 Egg Sac...Red or Pink fluorescent dubbing

Body......Superfine dubbing, sulphur yellow Wing......Pair of sulphur CDC feathers

Hackle....Grizzly dyed yellow saddle hackle (Light Ginger is an acceptable substitute)

Head......Thread

- 1. Place the hook in the vise and start the thread in the middle of the hook shank. Wrap a tight thread base back to slightly past the hook bend. Remove any thread tag.
- 2. Dub the thread with a small amount of red fluorescent dubbing and wrap a small ball of dubbing just behind the hook bend to simulate an egg sac. Remove any excess dubbing and let the thread hang.
- 3. Now dub the thread with yellow dubbing and wrap a slightly tapered body from the front of egg sac to just past the middle of the hook shank. Remove any excess dubbing and let the thread hang. *Make sure that the dubbed body is tight against the front of the egg sac with no spaces.*
- 4. Select two CDC feathers, place them back to back curved side down, and even the tips. Tie them in on top of the hook shank at the front of the dubbed body. Allow the feathers to come down the sides of the body **very slightly**. The feather wing tips should reach back to slightly past the bend of the hook shank. Remove any excess feather butts. Let the thread hang.
- 5. Select an appropriately sized saddle hackle and tie it in on top of the hook shank tight against the front of wings with the concave side down. Let the thread hang.
- 6. Now dub the thread with the yellow dubbing and form a thorax by wrapping it forward to slightly behind the hook eye in a reverse taper that is smallest just behind the hook eye. *Be sure to cover all the thread wraps for the wings and hackle.* Let the thread hang behind the hook eye.
- 7. Wrap (palmer) the hackle forward in 3-4 wraps to right behind the hook eye and tie it off. Remove any excess hackle.
- 8. Form a small thread head, whip finish, and cut the thread. Apply head cement to the thread wraps if desired.

2013 MVFF Fly Tying Classes

FYI - The "Lodge" meeting room at the Huber Heights Gander Mountain store is now scheduled for next year's tying classes.

2013 BEGINNER'S FLY TYING CLASS

January 8 Tuesday January 15 Tuesday January 22 Tuesday January 29 Tuesday February 5 Tuesday February 12 Tuesday February 19 Tuesday February 26 Tuesday March 5 Tuesday March 12 Tuesday March 19 Tuesday March 26 Tuesday

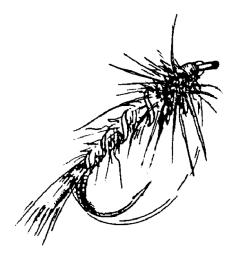
April 2 Tuesday (Combined with Intermediate Class)

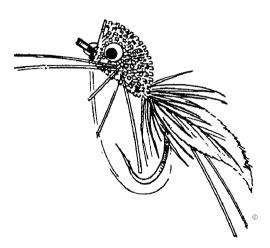
2013 INTERMEDIATE FLY TYING CLASS

January 10 Thursday January 17 Thursday January 24 Thursday January 31 Thursday February 8 *Friday February 14 Thursday February 21 Thursday February 28 Thursday March 8 *Friday March 14 Thursday March 21 Thursday March 28 Thursday

April 2 Tuesday (Combined with Beginner's Class)

*Note change of day!





2012 TNT Events: Volunteers Still Needed

As you can see by the schedule on page 5, there are still a lot of unscheduled TNT dates.

Please consider hosting an event this season at one of your favorite fishing holes. Ideal locations are within a 20-40 minute drive of the Dayton metro area.

For more information, contact Brian Furderer.

MVFF Club Member Personal Items For Sale

More items for sale - please check out the post below:

http://mvff.proboards.com/index.cgi?board=talk&action=display&thread=890

MVFF CALENDAR For July, 2012

- **5, 12, 19, 26 TNT** (See schedule below, as well as the club's message board, for more information.)
- **9 MVFF Outdoor Meeting** (Reservations Not Required See Page 1 for Details.)
- **10, 26 - Casual Fly Tying**, Gander Mountain, 8001 Old Troy Pike, Huber Heights, OH 45424, 6:00 pm 8:30 pm
- **26 - MetroParks "Try Fly Fishing"** Event at Cox Arboretum, 6:00 pm 9:00 pm (See article on Page 2.)
- **27-** Deadline for Articles for Next Month's Issue of **Tightlines**

MVFF Message Board

The MVFF Message Board now has over 450 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 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.

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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

2012 TNT Events

I will once again be heading up the TNT program for 2012, but I will not be able to host many events this summer due to a new addition to my family. **Because of this we are going to need more volunteers to host events this summer.**

Please get with me at one of our monthly meetings or contact me via email/phone if you have any questions or are interested in hosting a TNT outing. 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 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:** 937 369-0359 | **E-Mail:** <u>bfurderer@gmail.com</u>

Date	Time	Location	Host	Fishing Information
June 7, 2012	Open Date	Little Miami River	Dave Brown	
June 14, 2012	Open Date	Mad River - Rt. 55	Dave Brown	
June 21, 2012	6:30 PM	Great Miami River Old Springfield Rd	i iom Heinia	Wade/Float Tube/Canoe fishing for smallmouth, rock bass, & carp
June 28, 2012	Open Date	Pondview Park	Brian Furderer	Bluegill / Bass / Crappie
July 5, 2012	Open Date			
July 12, 2012	6:30 PM	Great Miami River Rip Rap Rd Access	Tom Helbig	(See Fishing info for June 21.)
July 19, 2012	Open Date			
July 26, 2012	Open Date	Cox Arboretum	Tom Helbig	Bluegill / Bass / Crappie (See article on page 2.)
August 2, 2012	Open Date			
August 9, 2012	Open Date			
August 16, 2012	Open Date			
August 23, 2012	Open Date			
August 30, 2012	Open Date		-	



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More Outdoor Fun at Deeds Park!

> July 9, 2012 Deeds Park



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