

TIGHTLINES

The Monthly Newsletter of the Miami Valley Fly Fishers



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

**Friday,
August 30, 2013**

**More Outdoor Fun
At the FOP Shelter & Pond!**

Next Meeting

August 12, 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 July Roll Cast Competition:

First Flight Winner:

John Balazs (All 5 targets in 11 casts)

Seniors Winner:

Jeff Warden (All 5 targets in 11 casts)

Masters Winner:

Bill Bennett (All 5 targets in 6 casts)

Congratulations!

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President's Thoughts



We have turned the corner and are coming down the home stretch into the dog days of August. We still have at least another month of solid summer fishing, so be sure to get out there and take advantage of it.

I wanted to extend a "Thank You" to Joe Nagel, Phil Beachler, Heather Statt, Matt Mullins, and Dave Brown for coming out to represent the club at the MetroPark's "Try Fly Fishing" event in on July 23. This event brought 79 participants of all ages out to Cox Arboretum to give fly fishing a try. Some of these people had never even held a fly rod before. As a club, these events allow us to promote fly fishing and generate some excitement and growth for the sport locally. We also get to meet a lot of great people who share in our passion for the outdoors. There will be one more "Try Fly Fishing" event on August 27th from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM at Possum Creek MetroPark. We will need volunteers to help with casting instruction, rigging, and basic presentation. Please let a board member know if you would like to help.

In closing, I'm sure that most of you are now aware of Marty Vandebrook's untimely passing last month after a year long battle with ALS. Marty was integral part of Miami Valley Fly Fishers and his leadership in his two years as president defined many of the ways we operate today. His tireless work on our annual auction is largely responsible for the continued financial health of our organization and the high quality programs that we offer. Even in his failing health last winter, Marty was constantly e-mailing the board providing advice and offering suggestions to ensure another successful auction. Marty was truly one of our most outstanding members and he will be greatly missed.

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It is with great pride I can announce that going forward the **Outstanding Member Award**, presented at our year-end banquet, will now be known as the **Marty Vandebroek Award**.

I can still remember the first piece of fishing advice that Marty ever gave me..."*If the trout won't hit, just tie on a size 20 Griffith's Gnat, that will get them!*" Thank You Marty.

Brian Furderer
MVFF President

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Casting Competition – this month is the Bass Bug.

Bass Bug Rules:

Start with bug in hand and allowed unlimited casts to target 1. Then only two (2) false casts to all remaining targets.

We might also have a 50/50 event to see who can hit the mouse trap. 2 attempts for \$1.00, with maximum of 5 false casts allowed per attempt. An attempt will be counted when the fly lands on the ground or mouse trap in 5 casts or less. (Rules subject to change.)

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 - July, 2013

No major announcements for PHWFF this month. However, we are trying to line up some outings for the Vets, as well as exploring other possible projects. Be sure to check back next month!

If you have any questions about Project Healing Waters, or if you would like to learn about volunteer opportunities, feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

Heather Statt
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Wanted: Raffle Chair-Person

We are in immediate need of a new coordinator for our monthly raffles.

The raffle is one of the integral parts of our monthly meetings - wouldn't you like to be part of it?

Think about it - as the new Raffle Chair-Person, **you'll get to buy neat fly fishing gear with someone else's money!**

Seriously, though, we need your help. Long-term, if the raffle is to continue, we need someone to step up and take charge of it.

If you are interested, please contact any of the board members. The club is counting on you!

Thank you!

This Month's Fly – August 2013 Edition

MOSS CARP FLY

Instructions by Bill "Woody" Woodward
Photograph by Bob Cain

Recipe

Hook.....Scud or curved caddis, size 8
Thread.....Olive 6/0
Weight.....4-5 turns of .015 lead wire (optional)
Body.....Olive or green Ultra Chenille, medium
Collar.....Olive mini marabou (*Regular marabou is okay too.*)
Head.....Thread



Instructions:

1. Place the hook in the vise, then tie-in the thread behind the hook eye and wrap a tight thread base back to just **past the hook bend**. Remove the thread tag and let the thread hang.
2. Cut a 4"-5" piece of chenille, strip one end down to the core, then tie it in by the core end where you left the thread.
3. Wrap the chenille forward toward the hook eye in tight touching turns to the middle of the hook shank forming a tapered body (bigger toward the front and smaller at the rear) and tie it off. Remove any excess chenille.
4. Select a marabou feather with relatively long fibers and tie it in by the tip tight against the front of the body. Remove any excess tip fibers. Stroking the marabou fibers back toward the hook bend with each turn, wrap the marabou forward to slightly behind the hook eye and tie it off. Remove any excess marabou feather.
5. Form a small thread head, whip finish, and cut the thread. (*You may, at your option apply head cement to the head thread wraps. However, a second whip finish may be a better option to avoid any chance of getting cement on the marabou and ruining the fly's action.*)

Note: While this fly can be used both weighted or unweighted, it is more commonly used unweighted. Fish this fly with slight twitches to simulate movement. This fly can be tied in several different shades of olive to match the local vegetation.



Mad River Clean Sweep

The Clark County Combined Health District is leading their first **Mad River Clean Sweep** on August 17th, starting at 8:30 AM. To reserve your spot for this exciting event, click on the link below. (*Group Leaders; please sign up your group via the link below as well.*)

The Clark County Combined Health District has received a grant to lead a river clean up on the Mad River. This effort will go towards taking care of the river that so many county residents and Mad River enthusiasts love. We are seeking both canoeists and walkers to assist in cleaning up the river. If you plan to canoe the river to assist with cleaning, a canoe will be provided by one of the local canoe liveries.

If you are interested in making a difference on the Mad River, please click the **Registration Link** below. If you have any questions, please email Anne Kaup-Fett at akaup-fett@ccchd.com or call 937-390-5600 ext. 245. Thank you for donating your time and energy to cleaning the Mad River. It is our greatest asset.

Sincerely,
Anne Kaup-Fett , Clark County Combined Health District akaup-fett@ccchd.com

Registration Link:

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?llr=brcha7cab&oeidk=a07e7r6snp94104711f&oseq=a018dfya50b2d>

Additional Information:

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=brcha7cab&oeidk=a07e7r6snp94104711f&oseq=a018dfya50b2d>

MVFF - Upcoming Events

Casual Fly-Tying South (Info at: <http://mvff.proboards.com/index.cgi?board=tying&action=display&thread=1043>)

We are offering a new, additional location for casual fly tying, to compliment the sessions at Gander Mountain. On **Wednesday, August 14**, Matt Parker will host a casual fly-tying session at **ReelFlyRod** on Wilmington Pike, from **6:00 - 8:30 PM**. Matt will be also demonstrate how to tie some of his proven smallmouth patterns. Come join us on the 14th!

Fly Fishing Swap Meet (More info: <http://mvff.proboards.com/index.cgi?board=talk&action=display&thread=1044>)

A swap meet and sale will also be held at **ReelFlyRod** on Saturday, September 7, from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Do you have items to sell? Then consider renting table space at the event! Details of the swap meet / sale will soon be posted on the club's FaceBook page and Message Board.

Directions to **ReelFlyRod** may be obtained via the following link: <http://goo.gl/maps/OHVXn>

A Tribute to Marty Vandebroek

My friends, as most of you already know by now, long-time member and past president, Marty Vandebroek, passed away on the morning of Monday, July 1st.

For those members who did not know Marty very well, he may have seemed somewhat un-approachable. I assure you, nothing could have been farther from the truth. Marty may not have spoken much at first, but after you got to know him, he would freely impart his fishing knowledge. Let me put it this way - Marty would give you his last fly, and tell you how to catch fish with it. THAT is the kind of person he was, in fly fishing and in life.

On the morning of Thursday, July 11, a memorial service was held for Marty at Saint Charles church in Kettering. I remember the moment I pulled into the parking lot - it was almost completely full; dozens upon dozens of people, of all ages and walks of life, were streaming into the church from all directions. Marty had touched the lives of many, many people.

I was amazed and awed. By my reckoning, the number of attendees was in the hundreds, and we were all there for the same reason. We all loved Marty in our own way, and we wanted to pay our respects, and say our goodbyes. He meant that much to all of us.

One of the themes of the sermon was memory – specifically, keeping Marty's memory alive. Memories are not kept alive by "recall", such as what we do when reciting multiplication tables. Rather, memories are kept alive by recounting our experiences, and sharing them with others. It is in this way that the ones we have lost, live on.

I could not agree more. And along this line of thought, I have started a thread on the club's message board for us to share our stories of Marty and our experiences with him. Please feel free to post your fondest memories of Marty, and by all means, include pictures! Be sure to also send the link to non-members as well. All are welcome!

The thread can be found at the following link:

<http://mvff.proboards.com/index.cgi?action=display&board=talk&thread=1042>

Thank you for helping keep Marty's memory alive.

- Joe Nagel, Vice President and Newsletter Editor

MVFF CALENDAR For August, 2013

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - TNT (See schedule below, as well as the club's message board and Facebook page, for more information.)

8, 22 - Casual Fly Tying, Gander Mountain, 8001 Old Troy Pike, Huber Heights, OH 45424, 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

12 - MVFF Outdoor Meeting (Reservations Not Required - See Page 1 for details.)

14 - Casual Fly Tying - South, ReelFlyRod, 7635 Wilmington Pike, Dayton, OH 45458, 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

30 - 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

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

2013 TNT Events: Volunteers Needed NOW

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: bfurderer@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				
August 8, 2013				
August 15, 2013				
August 22, 2013				
August 29, 2013				



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August 12, 2013
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