



Kansas City Chapter



March 2012

Next Club Meeting
March 27, 2012
Fleming Hall
7:00 pm

Executive Board Meeting
April 10, 2012
Fleming Hall
7:00 pm

Timber Hills Lake Ranch Club Outing - March 30th to April 1st.

Our next MTFA club outing is at Timber Hills Lake Ranch. It is about 90 minutes from Kansas City and 20 minutes from Fort Scott, KS. They have really nice cabins that sleep three to six people and a new large lodge for us to enjoy. They have beautiful lakes stocked with crappie, bluegill, trout, striped bass and catfish. We are

trying to reserve the whole camp for \$1500.00. We need fifteen people to bring the cost to \$100.00 per person for the whole week-end. I am sure we can do this. We have 16 people signed up so far. If we don't meet the minimum of 15, the cabins are \$125.00 per night and the camp will be open to the public. They are going to cook Friday night dinner for 1 \$7.00, Saturday breakfast \$7.00, 2 Saturday lunch \$7.00 and Saturday 2 dinner \$10.00. Sunday breakfast is 2 also \$7.00. You have the option to 3 bring your own food, snacks and 3 drinks of your choice, for evening 3 enjoyment. It is a beautiful peaceful 4 place and I think we are going to 4 have a wonderful time. Feel free to 5 bring your own boat or canoe. It is 5 not far to walk from the lodge to the 6 lakes which makes it nice.



Please try to come. I know you will have a wonderful time. Let Kent or I (Sharon Beckman) know by February 28th if you can come and the number of people in your group. We would like to get a \$50.00 deposit to lock your in your reservation. Make out your check to Sharon Beckman. We are looking forward to sharing this great week-end with you.

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www.mtfa-kansascity.org

Upcoming Events

March 27, 2012
Club Meeting
Fleming Hall
7:00 pm

March 31-April 1, 2012
Timber Hills Lake Ranch
Outside Ft. Scott, KS

May 5, 2012
Kids Fishing day at Lake
Jacomo

May 20, 2012
MTFA State Derby
Bennett Spring State Park

MTFA Luncheon Dinner—Report

MTFA members and their guests gathered for the annual Luncheon Dinner at the Lake Jacomo Fleming Hall on February 28. This annual event gives club members a chance to visit, share fish tales and enjoy some pretty good food. We have some great cooks! There was a raffle after dinner that raised funds for future club events. This year's Luncheon dinner was attended by over 40 people. Special congratulations to Barry Wilkinson who won the Orvis rod and reel!



Kent Inman speaks to the club



Sandy Theroux & Meri Miller

Opening Day at Missouri Trout Parks

March 1st marked the opening of the trout season in the Missouri State Parks of Bennett Spring, Montauk, Roaring River and Meramec. The Missouri Department of Conservation reports that the severe storms that moved through the area shortly before opening day did not do any damage to the parks. The link you find here will take you to a short video on the 2012 opening day at the Missouri trout parks. Cut and paste it into your browser. Enjoy

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ATIULPri0&feature=player_embedded#!

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Merril Miller

Roger Theroux

Diana James

Replacements for Felt Soles

Have you been wondering what to do with your felt-soled boots that are no longer allowed in Missouri trout streams? Club member, Vic Smedley, has found a shoe repair shop that can replace those felt soles with a non-porous sole. Vic also reports that the shop's rates are reasonable, too.

Shoe Express

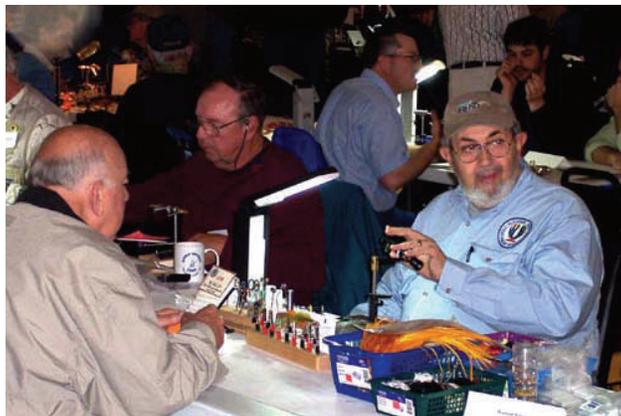
19321 E. US 40 Hwy

Independence, MO

816.795.6655

March Club Meeting—Fly Tying With Joe Fusco

Get ready for the March club meeting. Trout season is open and it is time to fill your fly box with patterns that will keep them slamming your line. The focus of this month's meeting is on fly tying. Joe Fusco has agreed to return and present three advanced fly patterns to the club. Camera and projector equipment will be set up so everyone can get a close up view of the fly tying details. So, bring your fly tying kit and get ready to learn. The club has a limited amount of equipment that can be loaned to individuals that don't bring a vise or tools.



Joe Fusco (right)



Bass Pro Shops Spring Fishing Extravaganza

The club was asked once again to participate in Bass Pro Shops' Spring Fishing Extravaganza. Fly tyers Daniel McGillihan and Joe Fusco demonstrated fly tying in the fly shop portion of the store for four weekend days during the event. Daniel reported that they had some good traffic from customers and spoke to several people about the club, mission, and activities. They distributed copies of the Troutline and information about the club. Hopefully, we will see some of these people at upcoming meetings.



2013 Club Calendar

The MTFA Kansas City chapter is planning to do a club calendar for next year. This calendar will be all about us and our favorite fishing memories. Do you have a picture of that big Lunker you caught last year? Have a photo of the one you let go for someone else to enjoy? This is your opportunity to submit pictures for consideration to be included in the calendar. Gary Davisson will be collecting the photos to be published in the calendar. The cost will depend on the number of calendars ordered. You can email your photos to:

Gary Davisson at medman3@att.net

We will keep you posted on the progress for this project. We have seen calendars from other clubs, and they look like a lot of fun.!

Trout Ethics—From the Missouri Department of Conservation

A wide variety of trout fishing opportunities are available to Missouri anglers. However, the state's trout waters are limited and can get crowded. To make everyone's experience more enjoyable, consider the following:

Respect your fellow anglers:

- Know and follow posted fishing regulations.
- Don't wade in front of others – allow space for back casting.
- Give priority to disabled anglers in areas accessible to them.
- Don't throw rocks or disturb the water.
- Minimize noise – avoid loud music or yelling.

Catch-and-Release Guidelines

- Minimize the amount of time you play a fish.
- Handle the fish gently, keep it in the water, and release it quickly.
- Hold an exhausted fish underwater, facing upstream, until it swims away.
- Use the heaviest tackle appropriate.
- Use needle nose pliers to back the hook out. Never pull a swallowed hook; instead, cut the line.
- Use barbless hooks or squeeze the barb flat to make releasing fish easier.

Minimize your impact on the environment:

- Don't litter! Bait containers, cigarette butts and fishing line harm wildlife and degrade the outdoor experience.
- Use only designated trails and parking areas.
- Don't shuffle your feet in the water to stimulate fish to feed.

Protecting Missouri's Trout Fisheries

Missouri's trout are healthy and free of most diseases. To ensure that they remain that way and to keep our streams free of aquatic nuisance species, please follow these guidelines:

- Do not release live or dead trout obtained from outside the state into Missouri waters. Consult a Conservation Department fisheries biologist before stocking trout from any source, and be aware that importation of trout into Missouri is strictly regulated.
 - Thoroughly clean boots, waders, boats, trailers and fishing tackle between uses. Do not transfer mud, aquatic plants, water or fish parts from one body of water to another.
 - Report any fish kills, dying or diseased fish, or water pollution to a Conservation Department fisheries biologist, or call the Department's Environmental Services Unit at (573) 882-9880.
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Fly of the Month—Floozie From River Run Outfitters in Branson, MO

This is a fly that I have used with success at Taneycomo. It comes to us by way of River Run Outfitters (fly shop close to the Table rock Dam) Give it a try.

Recipe

Hook: TMC 5263, size 10-12, or TMC 700)
 Thread: Olive Uni thread 6
 Tail: Olive wooly bugger marabou
 Body: Peacock herl
 Hackle: Olive EP Streamer Brush with rubber legs



Build a thread body between the eye and the bend of the hook. Cut a bushy piece of marabou that is the length of the hook shank and tie it in about a third of the way up the shank of the hook from the bend. Align the marabou so that it barely extends beyond the hook bend. Lay the streamer brush wire on the shank of the hook and tie it in where you tied on the marabou. Take three pieces of peacock herl and tie them in at the same junction. Wrap the thread back to the eye of the hook. Twist the peacock herl into a single strand and wrap it forward and tie off. Next palmer the streamer brush forward like a hackle, keeping the fibers brushed to the back as you

President's Message

With the start of the 2012 trout fishing season underway, and the exceptional good weather the anglers have had one of the best opening days for quite sometime. The MDC at Bennett Springs turned out approximately 6000 trout in the 12-1/2" range and 75 Lunkers. There were 800 tags sold the evening prior to opening day. The expected attendance was around 1900, but was down considerably.

Severe storms were in the area of the park prior to the opening day doing considerable damage to the Castaway RV Park, and several surrounding business's and homes, with no damage being reported at the park other than a power outage. The tornado that was reported doing the damage was first observed near Buffalo, and did a large amount of damage all along 32 Hwy.

The weekend of the Pre-derby was like a spring day with the fishing being very good in the area above the Holland Dam. Midge's, PMD's and Griffiths Gnats, seemed to work the best. There was a lot of surface activity early Saturday afternoon that netted some nice size trout.

During the Pre-derby meeting the upcoming state derby was set, with Springfield being the host, and providing a fish fry for all of the state members attending. A couple of items that came up for discussion was insurance coverage for all three chapters, and the use of emails to communicate MTFAs state business instead of the mail, this will provide a faster means of conducting business throughout the year.



Our March club meeting has been changed location from Rainbow Fly Shop to Fleming Hall, where we will be entertained by Joe Fusco, and fly tying will be the course for the entire meeting, so bring your tying equipment, and join in the fun.

In closing if any of our members go fishing during the month and have fishing reports or just any good old fishing stories that occurred, let us know so we can share it with the other members. *Kent*


Missouri
Trout Fishermen's Association
KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date _____

I wish to become a member of the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association, Kansas City Chapter and join in their endeavor to improve the sport of Trout Fishing in Missouri. **I agree to abide by the Constitution, By-Laws and Rules and Regulations of the Association.**

Name _____ New Member () Renewal ()

Address _____ Telephone (Home) _____ (Work) _____
(Cell) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail Address _____ Send Newsletter via email: Yes No

Business or Occupation: _____

Business Address: _____

Sponsored (By Member) _____

Have you ever before been a member of the MTFA? _____ Year joined? _____

Applications are subject to approval by the Executive Committee

Individual Dues: \$15.00

Family Membership: \$30.00

MTFA Legacy Members: \$10.00

When this form is completed mail to:
Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association
P.O. Box 3202
Harry S. Truman Station
Independence, Mo. 64055

If a Family Membership (spouse and children 18 years of age and under), list those who should receive membership cards.

(1) _____ (2) _____

(3) _____

Are you currently a member of FFF (Federation of Fly Fishers) Yes _____ No _____

To practice the principles of good sportsmanship and conservation of wildlife, and to encourage others to do the same.
To cooperate with the constructive efforts of the Missouri Conservation Commission and comply with the Objectives and Purposes of the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association to the extent of using single point hook lures when fishing in Missouri trout water. To assist in the expansion and development of trout fishing in the State of Missouri, including the wise utilization of available waters and their protection from agricultural and commercial encroachment.
To help conserve wildlife and its natural habitat, cooperating with Federal, State and private agencies directly concerned with the conservation of wildlife, forests, soil and water.
To lend assistance to the Missouri Conservation Commission and its representatives in the enforcement of the laws and regulations for the taking of fish and game in the State of Missouri.

The above has been read and agreed to by: _____
