

TIGHTLINES

The Monthly Newsletter of the Miami Valley Fly Fishers



February Meeting

Our next meeting is February 10, 2020, at the Kohler Room, 4572 Presidential Way (Directions on Website)

DINNER RESERVATIONS REQUIRED (Meal Price - \$15.00)

Make your dinner reservation online . . . [HERE](#) by February 6th

The fun starts at 5:30 p.m.

February Speaker Patrick Goddard

"European Style Nymphing – Techniques from Across the Pond"

Patrick is a 26 year old environmental engineer from Cincinnati. He grew up spin fishing with his dad in local ponds and a biannual trip up to Quebec for walleye and pike. He took up fly fishing his senior year in college where he had an extra credit hour to use. Turned out Ohio State had a Fly Fishing 101 course so he gave it a shot and fell in love with it. Now most of his time is spent fly fishing, tying flies, watching fly fishing videos, etc. He most often fishes Brookville for trout and some small local streams for bass and panfish. Patrick's other hobbies include bowling, ice

hockey, and working on his new house.

"I've been fly fishing since 2015 and first joined BUFF in September 2016. Nothing has increased my confidence in my own fly fishing ability more than adopting European style nymphing. For many people, European style nymphing is known by other names and is sort of a misunderstood style of fly fishing, reserved only for those competition guys. My goal is to clear up any questions you may have and maybe even convince some of you to give it a try. Don't miss this talk to pick up some new deadly techniques for catching MORE and BIGGER fish."

You should really enjoy hearing what Patrick has to say.

~ John Young

MVFF Annual Auction

Get ready for another great event!

The time is quickly approaching for the MVFF Annual Auction on March 9th. The festivities will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Presidential Banquet Center, which is the larger building to the left of our regular meeting location. This will provide us more room for this event. Joe Bremmer will once again be the auctioneer. He has graciously done this for the club the past few years at no cost.

I would like to remind everyone that this is what generates the majority of the funds for the club every year. Everyone has done a great job of supporting this event in the past and I ask for you to do the same this year. Donate and bring your cash or checkbook

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President's Thoughts ...



Hello friends and fishers,

I truly enjoyed our speaker, Brad Redmon, last month. Brad truly has a passion for the water and the fish. Hatchery Creek sounds like my kind of place. I hope to get down his way to fish with him soon.

I hope a lot of you are getting to enjoy the milder weather we had in January. I know I have. The Mad River is a wonderful resource for some colder fishing if you can stand a little cold. The brown trout are exceptionally beautiful this time of year in my opinion. Find a buddy and hit the local waters.

There are a lot of exciting things headed our way. On February 1st the BUFF show will be in northern Cincinnati. And on February 14th and 15th Adventure Summit 2020 will take place. Hope to see a lot of your friendly faces at each. Fly tying classes are going great. Woody does such an exceptional job. March will begin the Mid-Week Fly Fishing events. Check the Club Calendar and Facebook events for places and dates. Spring is around the corner folks.

There are still a few spots for the Buffalo Bill / Yellowstone trip. Contact me if you are interested. I can send a copy of the info that was presented in January. It's going to be a good time.

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MVFF Auction (cont'd)

along. We will be accepting payments through PayPal again this year as long as you the buyer cover all fees associated with the transaction. No credit cards are accepted.

Any donations that need to be picked up ahead of time please contact me at (937) 215-2046 or email edrconstruction@yahoo.com. I will make arrangements to have them picked up or meet at a convenient place for all parties involved. Any large items please make sure we know in advance so we can plan our set-up accordingly.

Also anyone that would like to volunteer to help this year it would be greatly appreciated. Contact me at (937) 215-2046 or email edrconstruction@yahoo.com. I will have a signup sheet at February 10th meeting.

We've gained lot of new members over the past year who may not be familiar with the MVFF Auction. There's more info on page 8.

Thank you all,
Eric Rice

President's Thoughts (cont'd)

Although I did not make it myself, the reports on the tying classes at Centerville are positive. I hear the kids are having a great time and learning a lot (see article on page 6).

The MVFF Annual Auction is quickly approaching. Mark your calendars for March 9th. This event raises the majority of the funds for everything we do as a club. Be sure to tell a buddy and bring a friend.

A friendly reminder to get your 2020 dues in if you have forgotten to do so yet.

Eric Rice
MVFF President

Flies Needed for Auction

It is time to get flies together for the MVFF Annual Auction which is just a little more than 6 weeks away! Hopefully you have already been tying some flies to contribute. Please bring those to the February 10th meeting if you can.

For those of you taking either the beginner or intermediate fly tying class, just bring your flies to class. One of us will be at the classes so you can bring them to either one. If there are circumstances that someone wants to submit flies, but is not taking classes or will not be at the next meeting, below is our contact information and we can make arrangements to pick up or have them dropped off.

The sale of flies tied by members makes up a significant portion of the total auction proceeds and easily supports the costs of the tying classes.

Thanks.

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Notes from the Library February 2020

Jazz, the artist will say, has strong mechanical foundations...then look at you, smile, and add, but the moment's mood makes the music. My musically talented older brother had a joke he told for years..." syncopation is the [art] of staggering from bar to bar". Last month Mike Wolford donated two books by John Gierach, Standing in a River Waving a Stick and the compilation work Another Day in Paradise/ Dances with Trout.

Here is a sampling of Mr. Gierach's perception of life and fly-fishing.

"...God must have invented fly-fishing to keep old hippies from getting rich or ruling the world".

"...I believe that the solution to any problem-work, love, money, whatever- is to go fishing, and the worse the problem, the longer the trip should be".

"...I always listen carefully to whatever the guy who knows the new water wants to tell me, and I usually watch him fish, too. Some of the most valuable things a good fisherman knows about familiar water are so subtle they're almost impossible to communicate..."

"I guess a fisherman always looks at new water that way: trying to allow as much for what he doesn't see as for what he does...that's where our reputation as liars comes from. Another bum rap."

There are the mechanics of life and the emotions of life - both are necessary for a full life. When we are certain we have found the exact dry fly for the exact moment and fish, along comes someone who casts a streamer of original and hasty design, but catches fish. Life can't get better than that...unless you're that guy on that day.

John Gierach's books will be available in February. Check them out. J.W.



Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing

The 2020 Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing program will kick off in February with the start of the very popular rod building class. Planning has been underway and veterans are being recruited to participate. Rod kits have been ordered and final preparations are being made for meeting space at the VA as our usual space is under renovation.

Nathan and Karen Via, MVFF PHWFF Program Chairs, are looking forward to getting the classes underway. The classes do require a good deal of hands-on assistance with the first time rod builders so we are interested in MVFF members stepping up to volunteer, particularly if you have some rod building experience.

If you would like to get involved in MVFF's Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing program, contact Nathan - he can be contacted at (937) 367-3381 or nocturn56@aol.com.

Website Update & Tips

More than 44% of members have already registered.

We really encourage you to register.

You can register by going to the Member Area menu and selecting Register. Just enter a username (at least 4 characters), an email address, a password (consisting of a digit, an uppercase letter, a lowercase letter, and at least 8 characters) and your first and last name. That's all that is required. Only current MVFF members will be able to register to see member-only content. When you first register your account status will be set to "Pending" (you will not be able to log in at that point). Once membership is confirmed the account will be set to "Active". You will be notified by email when that happens, at which time you will then be able to log in and access the pages that are restricted to logged in members.

Forgot Your Password?

Not a problem.

- Go to Member Login/Logout button or page (Member Area of menu)
- Select "Forgot Password?"
- Enter your email address
- Select "Reset Password"
- Temporary password will be emailed to you
- Use this temporary password to log in
- Then go to Edit My Profile (Member Area of menu) to set the password of your choice to replace the temporary one emailed to you. You will enter the password, enter it a second time and select "Update".
- You will then have to log in with that newly chosen password.

Edit Your Profile page On that page you can enter a phone number if you so choose or change your password (this is where you would create a new password to replace the temporary password that was sent to you when you had forgotten it). There are fields for address as well, but you should not enter that info. It is not viewable to members anyway.

Members Page Once logged in you can access the Members page which lists registered members sorted on last name. That page is searchable – type in "tom" and you'll get all members who match that search criteria. The only information that shows to logged in

members who go to this page are your username, email address and your phone if you chose to enter it (again, entering your phone is optional).

Forum Topics page Here registered members can create and/or reply to topics.

Following a Conversation on the Forum

On the Forum Topics be sure to use the checkbox "Notify me of follow-up replies via email" so that you will be alerted to new responses to a particular topic. We hope to see increased use of the forum as we get more members registered.

Member Login/Logout You can log out by going to the Member Login/Logout page or the Member Login/Logout button on the Home page. For security reasons you will be automatically logged out when you close your browser if you forgot to log out.

NOTE: Please read the important information at the top of the Register, Members and Forum Topics pages regarding the use of these member-only areas. It also would be good to look at the Privacy & Terms of Use page. You will be prompted to agree to these policies when you register. There is also a link to this page in the footer menu.

Dinner Reservation page Meal reservations are made solely through this means. There is a place to indicate on the form if you want a "standing reservation". You will not have to log in to make a reservation.

Use of Contact Us Form The use of the Contact Us form is really meant for non-members to make inquiries. If you have questions you can just email the club at mvffemail@gmail.com or go to the Club Contacts page to get in contact with board members and other key club contacts directly.

The site is mobile-friendly It has been designed to adjust to the size of your device. A lot of us access the site from our smartphones and use tablets. It should be a better experience now.

Want to get to the Home page fast . . . just click on the MVFF logo.

So register now and start using the site.

Please let me know if you are having any problems.

~ Tom Arnold

February Fly of the Month



Instructions by: Bill
"Woody" Woodward

Photography by Bob Cain

Peeping Caddis

Recipe

Hook.....Nymph 3XL, size 8-10
Thread.....Brown 6/0
Head.....Gold or Brass bead
Weight.....Lead wire, .20
Rib.....Gold or Copper wire
Caddis Head...White or Cream Polypropylene, burned at one end
Legs.....Brown Partridge hackle
Abdomen.....Dark Hare's Ear or Squirrel Dubbing

1. Crush the barb on the hook and place the bead on the hook. Make sure the larger hole on the bead is facing the hook bend. Place the hook in the vise.

2. Take the lead wire and wrap it on the hook shank in close touching turns from a point over the hook point to right behind the bead. Trim off any excess lead and push the lead forward so that the front of the lead slips inside the back of the bead.

3. Tie in the thread behind the lead wraps and form a small thread dam to hold the lead in place. Cover the lead in thread wraps, then wrap the thread back to the hook bend. Let the thread hang.

4. Take a short piece of yarn and lightly melt one end to form a head. Tie in the yarn at the bend of the hook so that the burned end extends slightly past the hook bend. Bind down the yarn butt back to the back of the lead wraps, trim off any excess yarn, and return the thread to the yarn tie-in point.

5. Prepare a partridge feather by removing the fluff and stroking the fibers away from the tip. Tie the feather in by its tip at the same point where the yarn was tied in. Now wrap the feather in three tight

touching turns at the yarn tie-in point and tie it off, removing any excess feather. (Be sure to stroke the feather fibers toward the hook bend with each wrap to avoid tying down any fibers.) (The partridge fibers length should be between 1 1/2 to 2 times the length of the hook gap.)

6. Tie in a 2-3" piece of gold or copper wire at hook bend right behind the hackle tie-off point. Wrap thread back over the butt end of the wire to the rear of the lead wire, then wrap the thread back to the hackle tie-off point. Remove any excess wire butt.

7. Dub the thread and wrap an evenly dubbed body from right behind the hackle forward to right behind the bead head and tie it off. (Be sure when you start the dubbed abdomen that the first few wraps are tight against the back of the hackle to force the hackle "legs" to lean back toward the hook bend.)

8. Now take the wire ribbing and wrap it in evenly spaced turns to right behind the bead head and tie it off, removing any excess wire.

9. Whip finish behind the bead head and cut the thread. Apply head cement if desired.

2020 Fly Tying Classes

Interest in the 2020 tying classes was high with both classes filled to the max and a few folks put on a waiting list in the event there is some attrition. If you have some interest, you can still contact Frank or Tom to see if there might be a slot available.

The Beginners class is held on Tuesdays through March 24th and the Intermediate class is on Thursdays through March 26th. Classes are held at Rona Community Church in Fairborn.

Tom DeRoss at (937) 367-7146 (cell) or by email at tomcdeross@gmail.com

Frank Cox at (937) 603-1312 (cell) or by email at fcx@woh.rr.com

There have been some interesting and tricky ties so far. Woody and the team are once again doing a great job in getting us through any challenges (deer hair for one!). As always, lots of fun and great to spend time with fellow MVFF members.



Acquisition Improves Fishing Access on Mad River in Champaign County

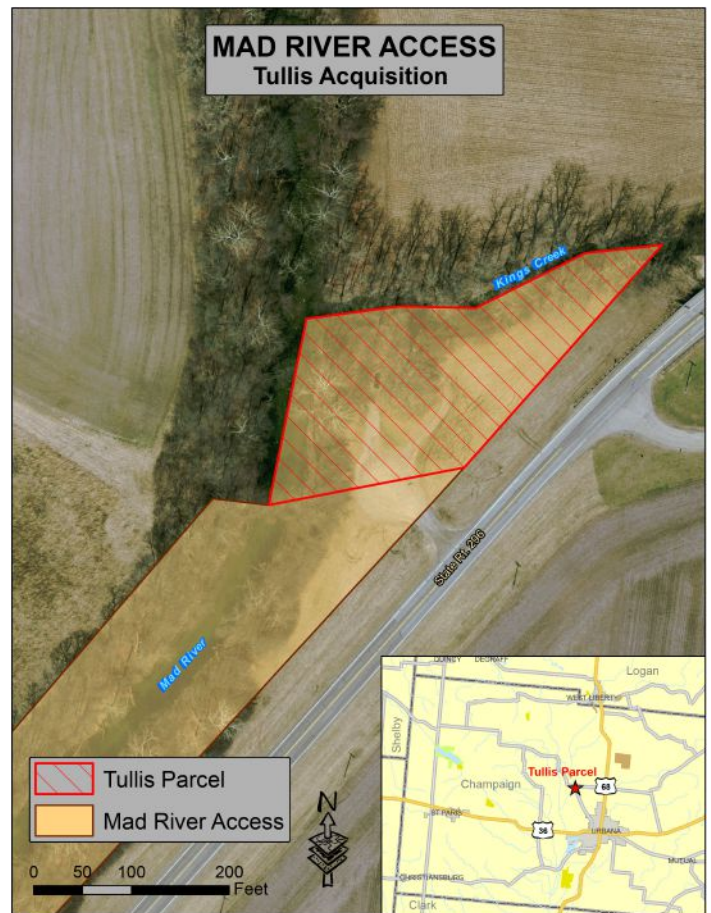
COLUMBUS, Ohio – A recent property acquisition in Champaign County will provide improved fishing access to the Mad River, a popular brown trout fishery, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife.

The access lies at the intersection of State Routes 29 and 296, just north of Urbana in Champaign County. The recent purchase of 1.2 acres adds to existing Division of Wildlife-owned property along the river. The property currently has a parking lot and primitive steps for anglers and those with small boats to reach the river. Plans are underway to provide improved access at the location, including a boat launch.

The purchase was made possible through Sport Fish Restoration funds, as well as generous donations from partners, including Trout Unlimited Madmen Chapter, Trout Unlimited Ohio State Council, Buckeye United Fly Fishers, Miami Valley Fly Fishers and Central Ohio Fly Fishers. The acquisition was finalized in December 2019.

The Mad River receives an annual stocking of 12,000 brown trout from Division of Wildlife fish hatcheries. The fish are typically 6 to 8 inches long and stocked in early October. Fishing for brown trout is excellent on the Mad River from Springfield north to West Liberty. When targeting brown trout, use fish-imitating baits, traditional artificial flies, as well as live bait. Late winter and early spring are often productive times to fish because the river rarely freezes. Other fish in the river include mottled sculpin, white suckers, creek chubs, blacknose dace, American brook lamprey and state-endangered tongue-tied minnow.

The Sport Fish Restoration program is a partnership between federal and state government, industry, anglers and boaters. When anglers purchase rods, reels, fishing tackle, fish finders and motor boat fuel, they pay an excise tax. The federal government collects these taxes, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service administers and disburses these funds to state fish and wildlife agencies based on license sales.



These funds are used to acquire habitat, produce and stock fish, conduct research and surveys, provide aquatic education to youth, and secure and develop boat accesses.

To learn more about Ohio's wildlife areas and recreational opportunities, visit the Division of Wildlife website at, wildohio.gov.

The mission of the Division of Wildlife is to conserve and improve fish and wildlife resources and their habitats for sustainable use and appreciation by all. Visit wildohio.gov to find out more.

ODNR ensures a balance between wise use and protection of our natural resources for the benefit of all. Visit the ODNR website at ohiodnr.gov.

You're Invited: TU Madmen Gala

We hope you will join us on March 21st at the historic Simon Kenton Inn and continue to support the many Chapter activities, with a focus on protecting the Mad River Watershed.

The Board of Directors of Trout Unlimited Madmen Chapter #477 is pleased to announce this year's Annual Meeting which will be held in conjunction with the Chapter's first-ever Gala event at the [Simon Kenton Inn](http://simonkentoninn.com) in Springfield, OH. All Chapter members, their guests and others interested in supporting the Mad River are invited to attend. This is NOT a formal attire event.

The "meeting" portion of this affair will be brief with the main emphasis being on fun, food, entertainment and camaraderie. "Social Hour" begins at 6:00 p.m. with a cash bar, looping fly fishing videos and guest fly-tiers Kevin Ramsey and George Daniel. A buffet-style dinner from 7:00 until 8-ish followed by a 15-minute (or so) business meeting. Our main presentation by George Daniel will follow. The evening will conclude with our biggest raffle yet, including a Thomas & Thomas fly rod and reel (TBD) as the Grand Prize.

Here is a link to the Eventbrite page where you can purchase tickets <https://2020tumadmengala.eventbrite.com> Please feel free to share it with anyone you think may be interested in supporting our efforts.

Thanks!
Tom Allen

Centerville High School Fly Fishing Classes Update

We've hit the ground running in 2020 with our fly fishing classes at CHS!



First, as a recap, for the 1st semester of the school year I was able to do a couple of classroom sessions that focused on the gear. With assistance from "The Curtis Creek Manifesto" which I found in our MVFF library, and slides from the Fly Fishers International educational materials I put together classes introducing fly fishing gear, knot tying, rod and line mechanics and casting. With help from several MVFF volunteers we were able to get outside and practice some hands-on casting. I understand we were the talk of the school as we did our practicing in front of the school, in full view of several classrooms. Apparently, a few teachers "complained" at the difficulty of keeping their classes attention while we were outside!

While the fish weren't that big, the smiles were, as we finished up the semester with an outing to Rose Lake Park in Centerville. Most students were able to catch a bluegill, or eight! For most it was the first fish they ever caught and for all but one student the first fish on a fly rod. One student commented that no one in her family

has ever fished before, so she was the first person in her family to ever catch a fish!

Which brings us up to 2020. We started with an excellent presentation by Brad Redmon. He previewed his talk at the MVFF meeting by giving a nearly two hour presentation to over 40 students, both Juniors and Seniors of the Environmental Management Class. It was news to most that you could make a living by building rivers!



Currently, we're halfway through our four classes devoted to fly tying. The goal is to tie flies that we will use for our spring outing. After another class planned to go over reading water and understanding where and how to fish certain areas, I'm hoping to get out and fish during the white bass run. Plan "B" will be going back to a local pond and hope some of the fall bluegills have grown up!

~ Bill DeShurko



Waterfalls Lodge Fishing Trip Openings

We have had a couple of cancellations for the Spring trip to Waterfalls Lodge in Ontario, Canada.

This is a great opportunity to get on board for some outstanding fly fishing in Canada for smallmouth, pike, walleye, and other Canadian fish. We have cabins for 22 fishermen, and the trip includes an evening meal in the dining room and a 17' bass boat for every pair of fishermen.

The dates this year are May 30th through June 6th.



Waterfalls is a drive-in fishing resort and has a chain of seven lakes to fish. It is located about 3 hours N/E of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. You won't be disappointed in the trip and it is a really fun getaway. You can spin fish for walleye if you prefer, or deep water lake trout.

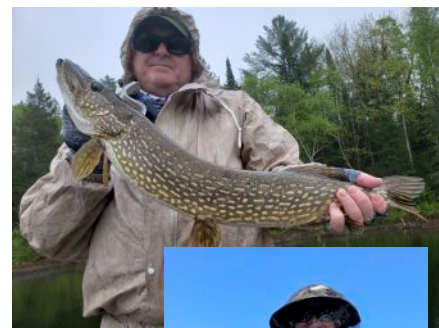
If you are interested in additional details, give me a call or catch me at the February meeting. First come on the 2 openings, so get a buddy and get on board for a great trip.

The price is \$ 750.00 for the week.

Check out the lodge at www.WaterfallsLodge.com.

Jim Calvert

Cell: 925 1211





Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show

The Buckeye United Fly Fishers will host the annual Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show, Saturday, February 1, 2020. The event is from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and is held at the Oasis Conference Center, 902 Loveland-Miamiville Road in Loveland. This is one great show right in our backyard.

There is always a good turnout of MVFF members for this event and we will as always have a table or two of members tying flies and promoting the club. We hope to see you there.

Get all the information you need at . .

<http://www.buckeyeflyfishers.com>

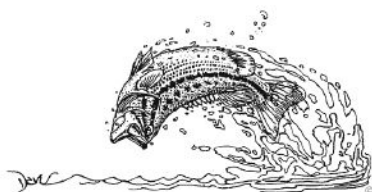
Mid-Week Fly Fishing / Event Scheduling

Mid-Week Fly Fishing: I have already posted events through May. I will be continuing to post events with a goal of having all the events through the end of October online before the February meeting. We are upping the ante this year by increasing the frequency of events from April through June. We are also adding more kayak events and there will also be a wading event. Hopefully the water will be warm enough that the only wading gear required will be an old pair of sneakers. There will be lots of good fishing opportunities in these events and we really hope folks take advantage of them.

Events: Anyone who becomes aware of upcoming events should pass them along to me and Tom Arnold for posting to Facebook and the Club Calendar. We want to make sure these two sources of information match up.

Check out the Facebook events page and Club Calendar page. Make sure to mark your calendar for the events you find interesting!

Ken Davy
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BUFF Show 2020 MVFF Breakfast

Quite some time ago, a few MVFF club members starting meeting for breakfast before going to the BUFF show in Cincinnati. This breakfast has grown into somewhat of an unofficial club event. Everyone is invited to have breakfast at the Frisch's across from the Dayton Mall on SR741 south of SR725 at 7:00 a.m. and then caravan to the show, generally leaving between 8:00 - 8:30 a.m. (it's about a 30-45 minute drive to the current show location).

When: Saturday, February 1, 2020

Time: 7:00 - 8:15 a.m.

Where: Frisch's Big Boy – Dayton Mall area
8181 N. Springboro Pike, Miamisburg, OH 45342

~ Jeff Warden

Women's Fly Fishing Open Forum at the Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show

Our own Paula Smith will be part of the panel. Women have been playing prominent roles in MVFF for a number of years and there has been an upward trend in their participation in this sport.

Although it is still the case that fly fishing is male-dominated, more women are becoming interested in the sport. One of the barriers to women joining the contingent of fly fishers is lack of knowledge.

Because many women are more comfortable learning this new sport from and with other women, women across the U.S. are organizing retreats, outings, educational seminars, youth outreach programs and other events to build a community of women anglers.

Join us for a panel discussion on the future of women anglers in the SW Ohio/NKY area at the Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show this February 1st, 2020 from 1:00-2:00 p.m. Paula Smith, MVFF Past President, will be there representing MVFF on the panel. Joining her will be Cari Vota, BUFF Director Women's Program, Katie Johnstone, TU Madmen DI/WI Coordinator, and Kerry Premec, NKFF Women's Outreach Director.

Be a part of a women-centered conversation on a range of topics for and about women anglers in our area. Ask questions, network, swap stories with other anglers and fly fishing enthusiasts. Each of these outstanding women will briefly tell the group a little about their club, mission, events/activities, and why they fly fish. There will be handouts too – club brochures, membership forms, 2020 calendars of events, any women's activities – planned or future, etc.

2020 MVFF Annual Auction (info for our newer members)



Many MVFF members, particularly our long-time members, know all about the Annual Auction and look forward to it each year. However, we have added a good number of new members in the past two years and this event might be new to them.

The 2020 MVFF Annual Auction will be here before you know it (March 9th), so it is not too soon to begin preparing! The importance of the auction cannot be stressed enough; the club generates about half of its revenue from this single event, which helps support our speaker program, fly tying classes, and other events and activities of our club.

For the new members and those not familiar, there are a few guidelines. As you begin to gather items for donation it is important to remember - NO JUNK. If you would not pay money for it no one else will either. Also, you may request a donation voucher for tax purposes as we are a non-profit 501(c)(3).

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 (so start tying some collections for inclusion in this year's event). This is also a wonderful time to go through all of your gear, pull out the stuff you no longer need or use, and bring it to the auction. One man's junk (but no junk here) is another man's treasure.

If you have a 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. We have had some spectacular trips in the past that have been very popular. Whatever it is you can donate to the auction truly helps support the club. Secondly, be sure to show up and bid on the items! This would be an excellent meeting to bring along a guest or two that have a passion for the sport. We will be extending the opportunity for other clubs as well to join us. They will have an opportunity to pick up many quality items at a fair price. The more members and guests that show up the more funds will be generated for the club. If anyone needs to drop off anything early or because you cannot make it to the auction, you can get in contact with Eric Rice at (937) 215-2046 or edrconstruction@yahoo.com.

ODNR Division of Wildlife Resources

Fish Chowder

bacon slices
1 cup onions
3 or 4 baby Portabella mushrooms, chopped
1 stalk celery, chopped
¼ cup flour
8 ounces clam juice
½ tsp Old Bay seasoning
salt and pepper
2 potatoes, chopped
2 ½ cups chicken stock
white fish (any variety), chopped into ½ inch pieces
½ pound cooked baby shrimp (optional)
1 can evaporated milk

Brown slices of bacon in a deep pan on the stove. Leave most of the fat in the pan. Add onions, Portabella mushrooms, and celery to the pan and sauté on medium-high heat. Stir together the flour and clam juice. Set aside. Allow the vegetables to sauté for a few minutes and then add Old Bay seasoning, salt, pepper, potatoes, and chicken stock to the pan. Let cook until potatoes are tender. Add fish to the pan and let cook for 5-10 minutes. Turn heat off then add baby shrimp (optional) and evaporated milk. Finally, add the clam juice. Stir and serve.

Other fish recipes from the Division of Wildlife -

<http://wildlife.ohiodnr.gov/education-and-outdoor-discovery/wild-ohio-cookbook/fish-recipes>

Winter Fishing Opportunities

<http://wildlife.ohiodnr.gov/stay-informed/online-articles-amp-features/your-wild-ohio-angler/post/winter-fishing-opportunities>

~ Jeff Warden



February 14-15 at Wright State University

Come out Friday and Saturday for an event filled with outdoor skill, culture and experience. Listen to local and national outdoor adventurers share their stories, visit with local clubs and retailers, and try your hand at paddlesports, climbing and more.

From endurance runners to long distance backpackers and the founding father of mountain biking to polar explorers, our featured personalities each year are sure to inspire and amaze. For 2020, we are proud to welcome National Geographic 2019 Explorers of the Year Heather Anderson and Maureen Beck, and solo climber Ryan Richardson as our featured speakers. <http://theadventuresummit.com/>

2020 Adventure Summit presented by Wagner Subaru

MVFF

Miami Valley Fly Fishers Inc., established in 1975 and re-organized in 2016 as a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization, is a non-profit organization dedicated to the improvement and preservation of fly fishing in Ohio. Our goal is cleaner water and brighter streams.

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The Miami Valley Fly Fishers, Inc. is an active affiliate club of Fly Fishers International, an international club promoting the benefits of fly fishing and conservation

CALENDAR

February 1	Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show Oasis Conference Center, Loveland
February 4, 11, 18, 25	Beginners Fly Tying Class Rona Community Church 6:00 p.m.
February 6, 13, 20, 27	Intermediate Fly Tying Class Rona Community Church 6:00 p.m.
February 10	MVFF Indoor Meeting Kohler Room 4572 Presidential Way, 5:30 p.m.
February 14-15	Adventure Summit 2020 Wright State University
February 15	3RFF Fly Show Fort Wayne, IN
February 15, 22, 29	Rod Building Class (sorry, class is filled)
February 24	Deadline for March Tightlines articles

Check the [MVFF Calendar](#) page or our Facebook Events page for updates & details

<https://www.facebook.com/MiamiValleyFlyFishers/>

Remember, you can find many photos of MVFF happenings on our [Facebook](#) page.

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/MiamiValleyFlyFishers/photos/>

Dues!

It's time to pay your 2020 dues. Membership dues of \$35 must be paid in full by March in order to retain active member status.

Dues can be paid at club meetings, online through our PayPal account (see website) or

by check, made out to "MVFF", and sent to our P.O. box.

Also, please remember to wear your name tag to all meetings and Club events to help new members, and old ones like some of us, to learn your name!

**Karen Via
Secretary**

other knowledge you would like to share. Or you have run across interesting websites you think others might also enjoy. We would welcome the contributions.

Also, If you have ideas on what you would like to see in Tightlines let me know. My contact info is on this page. Thanks.

~ Tom Arnold

Help!

We have had some very good articles from members in prior issues. It would be great if more of you would submit materials. So if you have been on a fishing trip and want to write an article and share pictures, please send info my way. Maybe you have tactics, equipment tips or some

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Dayton, Ohio 45402
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Dayton, Ohio 45458
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ReelFlyRod.com

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Troy, Ohio 45373
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smithfly.net

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Centerville, Ohio 45459
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Dinner Reservations

Worth repeating here - you
now make your dinner
reservations (by February 6th)
online.

Make your dinner
reservation . . . [HERE](#)

