



# The BUFFER

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## The Vice President's Notes

**Randy Clark**

### Part 1 – Programs at Meetings:

If you are missing the programs at our meetings, you are missing some great stuff. For example, at the last meeting Ethan Simmons the Fisheries Biologist for Ohio Division of Wildlife talked about the Ohio's trout program. Did you know all trout stocked in Ohio are Brown Trout and they are all tagged? He told us how many were stocked, where and when. He told us based on scientific sampling surveys where most of the fish and bigger fish were located. If you fish for Trout and missed that program you missed some great stuff. Next month Scott Gobel of Wildcat Outfitters will talk about Indiana fishing opportunities.

### Part 2 – Elections

In the next several months we will have 4 elections. The membership will elect next year's Officers, Board of Directors and "Fly Fisher of the Year". The Board will select the individual for the "Board of Directors Award" and possibly select an individual or two for Lifetime Membership.

	<i>Officer &amp; Board Election</i>	<i>Fly Fisher of the Year</i>	<i>Board Award</i>	<i>Lifetime Membership</i>
<i>Nov</i>	Membership Nominations	Committee Formed		Board Nominations
<i>Dec</i>	Nominations Continue	Membership Nominations	Board Nominations	Board Nominations Continue
<i>Jan</i>	Members Vote	Membership Nominations Continue	Board Nominations Continue	Board Vote
<i>Feb</i>		Members Vote	Board Vote	
<i>Mar</i>	Banquet	Banquet	Banquet	Banquet

If you would like to serve on the Board, please make your intentions known. Ask questions or attend a Board meeting which is open for all members. Every member needs to help in some way. And please start thinking about who you should nominate for the special awards.

### **Part 3 – Why do I fish so much.**

I had this conversation with Jeff McElravy last week while we were camping and fishing in North Carolina. In fact he stayed there to fish Hazel Creek while I came back to run the Board Meeting and write this article. Jeff and I have been friends and fishing buddies a long time. This year we are counting the days we have fished. I am at 78 while Jeff is at over 90. So around the campfire and sipping a little Scotch we discussed just that – “Why do I fish so much”. The answer is:

#### **Because I can!**

I did not fish as much when I was building a career and raising a family, and I am afraid as I continue to age, I will someday not be able to fish as much. So, I have a window of time that I can fish a lot. Take this advice: “**fish a lot and as much as you can**”.

## **BUFF MEMBERS DUES FOR 2013**

**It is time to start thinking about renewing your BUFF membership for 2013.**

**Member’s dues cover January 1st of each year to December 31<sup>st</sup>, and should be paid by January 1st.**

**Single memberships are still \$25.00/year.**

**Family memberships are still \$30.00/year.**

**Make your checks payable to BUFF and mail them to:**

**P.O. Box 42614, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242**

**Or.....Pay at the monthly dinner meeting.**

**Checks, cash or credit card will be accepted at the dinner meetings.**

## **BUFF November 2012 Program**

### **“A journey through the 4 seasons in pursuit of Smallmouth Bass”**

**We will look at our mid-western fisheries and how to successfully chase Smallmouth Bass through them. We will investigate food sources, temperatures and the many other factors that can influence our angling success throughout the year.**

**Scott Gobel is the head guide for Wildcat Creek Outfitters in Zionsville, Indiana. He has been guiding the rivers of central Indiana for the past 10 years. Scott is an accomplished fly tyer developing many new and unique patterns. He has led groups to destinations from Alaska to Belize, and loves to travel. Scott is also currently a Pro Staff member of both the R.L. Winston Rod Company and the Stealthcraft Boat Company**

## **Conservation Gifts and Contributions 2012**

The BUFF Board of Directors have approved the conservation gifts and contributions to various organizations to further conservation efforts and fly fishing activities for 2012. The gifts and contributions are as follows:

### **Gift Recipient Conservation Gifts**

### **2012 Gift**

Clermont Soil and Water (East Fork of Little Miami Clean-Up)	\$100
Three Valley Conservation Trust (For Fryman property acquisition)	\$1000
Rivers Unlimited	\$250
Friends of the Great Miami	\$100
Little Miami, Inc.	\$250
Izaak Walton League	\$100
Madmen Chapter – Trout Unlimited	\$100

### **Contributions**

NKFF (banquet donation)	\$250
Casting For Recovery	\$1130 (includes special auction)
Fishing Has No Boundaries	\$100
Green Acres Foundation	\$100

### **Other Outreach**

Green Umbrella	\$50
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***“ABC News reported on eyewitnesses who discovered a large, bizarre, blob-like life form floating in a lake. One witness came up with the theory that it must have come from **out** of this world. The entity was henceforth dubbed the “Alien Pod.”***

The “Alien Pod” didn’t come from outer space, unless there were flying saucers during the Cambrian Period 500,000,000 years ago. A colony of macroinvertebrates that lives and functions as one large animal is classed as Bryozoan. Corals are an example and their skeletons are found in numerous fossils, but not all Bryozoans leave behind a skeleton; some are gelatinous. The “Alien Pod” is a Bryozoan sometimes called “Dragon Booger” that is made up of several thousand individual macroinvertebrates named *Pectinatella Magnifica*. They usually appear during August or September in nutrient rich waters with little or no current and are often anchored to a submerged object. Their presence is a sign of good water quality and they feed on plankton such as algae. As fall approaches, they release their eggs that don’t go far but cling to the colony until the cold water causes the colony to disintegrate. The eggs then go into a state of diapause until conditions are right to start another disgusting blob.

Steve Lilly and Sam Clemens



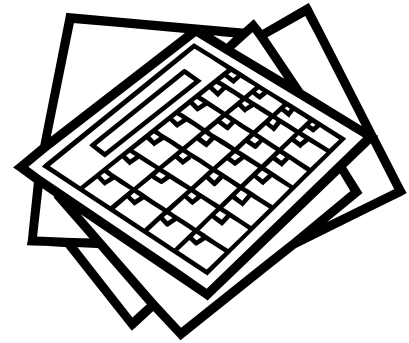
If anyone has an idea for a future article, or would like to submit one of their own, please contact Steve Lilly at [sjlilly@fuse.net](mailto:sjlilly@fuse.net) or Jon Kennard at [jonkennard@fuse.net](mailto:jonkennard@fuse.net)

# BUFF 2012 Calendar

*Please note that this calendar is only current as of the latest Buffer, and is accurate based on inputs from BUFF oprs. Efforts are made to ensure accuracy, but be sure to verify dates and times of those events that interest you. Ed.*

## November 2012

- Nov 1 **Lie & Tie Bass Pro** 7-9 pm Dave Jones
- Nov 6 **Project Healing Waters** 9 am – 4 pm, Parky's Farm, Tom Scheer
- Nov 13 **Beginning Fly Tying, Streamers** Ken Dixon
- Nov 14 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
- Nov 16 **Lie & Tie Bass Pro** 7-9 pm Gary Begley
- Nov 19 **Project Healing Waters** 2:30 – 4:30 pm VA Auditorium, Tom Scheer
- Nov 20 **Beginning Fly Tying, Nymphs & Emergers** Ken Dixon
- Nov 21 **BUFF Board Meeting** 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Nov 26 **VA Fly Tying** Dave Jones 6:30-8:30 pm
- Nov 27 **Beginning Fly Tying, Dry Flies** Ken Dixon



## December 2012

- Dec 3 **Project Healing Waters** 3-5 pm VA Auditorium, Tom Scheer
- Dec 6 **Lie & Tie Bass Pro** 7-9 pm Dave Jones
- Dec 12 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 6:45 – 9 pm Voice of America park
- Dec 19 **BUFF Board Meeting** 6:30 pm-8 pm Springdale Community Center
- Dec 21 **Lie & Tie Bass Pro** 7-9 pm Gary Begley

## Inland Waters

Ohio's inland waters provide a diversity of opportunities. These include over 60,000 miles of rivers and streams, 451 miles of shoreline that border the Ohio River, and numerous lakes and reservoirs. Ohio has very few natural lakes because it was only partially inhabited by glaciers during the ice age, unlike states such as Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan. Near the end of the last ice age, as glaciers retreated, large deposits of ice were left behind in hollows that later melted to create lakes. Therefore, only 110 natural lakes of 5 acres or greater are found here, with 69 of these lakes less than 25 acres and 41 between 25 and 345 acres, for a total of 4,658 acres. Many of Ohio's natural lakes are privately owned and few have not been modified with water control structures, such as dams.

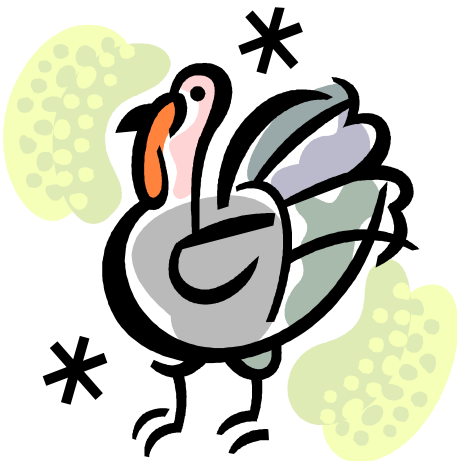
Artificial lakes, also called reservoirs, represent a greater portion of Ohio's inland lakes. To meet Ohio's needs for transportation, water supply, flood control and other uses, a variety of man-made reservoirs have been built since the early 1800s. Today, 112,536 acres of water are available for public fishing in over 170 reservoirs of 25 acres or greater.

The three primary types of reservoirs are canal lakes, tributary reservoirs, and upground reservoirs. The canal lakes were built to provide water sources for transportation canals of the 1800s. Tributary reservoirs were built by creating dams on major streams to provide flood control or water supply. Upground reservoirs were built above ground and used primarily for water supply. None of these reservoirs were constructed for the primary purpose of fishing, so the quality of fishing can vary considerably from one to the next depending upon the uses of the reservoir, operation of its dam or water control structure, and the quality of the land surrounding the lake, or watershed. ODNR Division of Wildlife, August 2012 edition of *Wild Ohio* eNews

# Procedures for Selection Fly Fisher of the Year

The following procedure/timeline for selection the Fly Fisher of the Year (FFofY) was approved at the October Board of Directors meeting. It will be incorporated into the BUFF official Guidelines & Policies, and will be used for the selection on the 2012 FFofY.

1. By November of each calendar year, the President will present to the Board of Directors a recommendation for a Fly Fisher of the Year Nominating Committee composed of 3-5 BUFF members in good standing, including at least one member of the Board of Directors. The Board will accept or amend the recommendation as it deems appropriate. Serving Nominating Committee members will not be eligible for the FFofY award for that year.
2. The Nominating Committee will select it's committee chair, determine it's operating procedures, and solicit recommendations from the membership, including rationale for each recommendation, not later than December.
3. The Nominating Committee will consider all recommendations and prepare a ballot consisting of not more than 5 nominees from the membership recommendations, and distribute ballots at the January and February membership meetings. Voting will be held at the February meeting. FFofY selection should be based on service to BUFF, organization priorities and activities, and to fly fishing in general, rather than personal friendships.
4. The Nominating Committee will tally ballots and inform the President of balloting results no later than the February Board of Directors meeting.
5. The President will make the award at the annual banquet.



## November Menu

### Thanksgiving Dinner

Oven Roasted Turkey  
Accompanied by giblet gravy

Homemade Dressing

Creamy Mashed Potatoes

Buttery Sweet Potatoes

Green Bean Casserole

Bread, Rolls and Butter

### Desserts

## 2012 B.U.F.F Officers/Board of Directors/Key Positions

### OFFICERS:

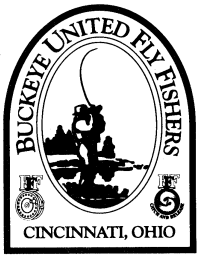
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Membership Health Owner			
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Parkys Farm			
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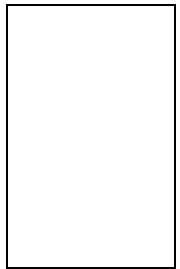


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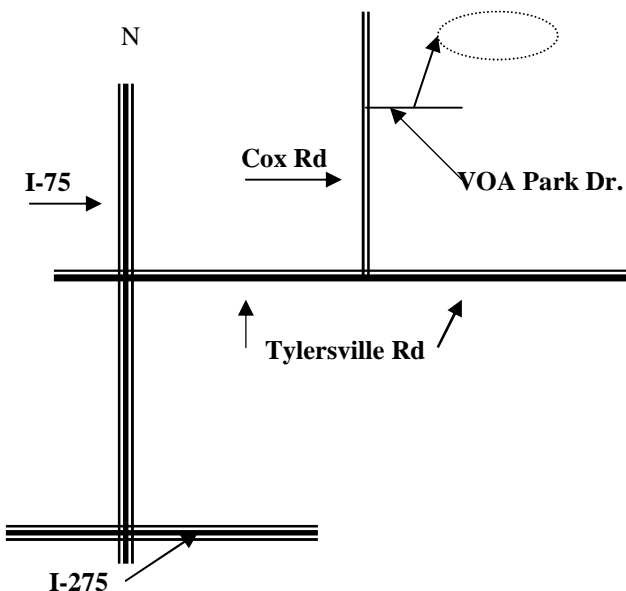
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**NOTICE:** Dues are \$25 (Individual), \$30 (Family), with a one time \$5 Initiation Fee for new members. New members will pay a prorated membership amount according to month of initial membership for the first year. Annual dues are due January 1. Refer to BUFF website for further information. B.U.F.F., P.O. Box 42614, Cincinnati, OH 45242

Mailing Address

### Next Monthly Meeting – November 14

**CALL 513 683 0286 OR SIGN UP ON LINE AT [WWW.BUCKEYEFLYFISHERS.COM](http://WWW.BUCKEYEFLYFISHERS.COM) FOR DINNER RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT ON THE SUNDAY BEFORE THE MEETING. DINNERS ARE \$15/PERSON FOR A MEAL. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED – DON'T WAIT – CALL NOW!**



#### Directions:

**From I-75 --** Follow I-75 north to the Tylersville Road exit. Turn right off of the exit ramp onto Tylersville Road and follow to Cox Road. Turn left onto Cox Road and follow Cox Road north to VOA Park Drive. Turn right onto VOA Park Drive. Turn left onto first drive and follow roadway to Lodge.

#### From the Warren County area...

Follow Tylersville Road west to Cox Road. Turn right onto Cox Road and follow Cox Road north to VOA Park Drive. Turn right onto VOA Park Drive. Turn left onto first drive and follow roadway to Lodge.