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## **President's Corner**

Mike Bryant (<u>mjbryant@email.com</u>)

Summer is now in full swing. Time to enjoy the outdoors and catch a few fish. If only the rain would be a little more cooperative, but overall let's be thankful for the good times and opportunities to be outdoors and enjoy life.

<u>Having Fun</u> — We had a very large turnout at the July monthly meeting, our first outdoor meeting of the year. The rain, which seems to be a part of daily lives this year, paused long enough for us to cook and serve dinner, browse the items available at the swap meet, relax and talk with new and old friends. Tony Kalbli was able to conduct an abbreviated fly casting demonstration. Then the dark clouds rolled in and the meeting came to an abrupt end. But we were fortunate to have several hours of "dry" weather to enjoy each other's company. Thanks to everyone for coming, we had a very large turnout despite the weather. Thanks to Jon Kennard, Bob Goldsberry, Jim Terlinden, and Dave Uckotter for managing the cook responsibilities. Thanks to Jayne Uckotter, Louise Goldsberry and Lora Kalbli for handling the reservations and money. Thanks to Tony Kalbli for the casting demonstration.

The **August Family Picnic** is will be on **Saturday, August 9**. We are trying a new location - the private picnic grounds on a 17 acre island owned by Little Miami Canoe Livery in downtown Morrow. Again, it's an opportunity to come with your family and / or friends, relax and enjoy the summer. Debbie Hampton is organizing the family activities so there will be plenty of activities for the kids. B.U.F.F. will provide the meat and drinks, all you need to bring is a side dish, salad or dessert. You will have the opportunity to see fly casting demonstrations, practice and improve your casting, and even try to win a prize. The primary casting activities will be held between 2–3 pm, but let us know you have a conflict with the time. There is access to the stream if you want to bring your gear and fish for a while. Joe Panfalone will be trying to organize a float trip early in the day, so call or email Joe if you are interested. Fishing, games for kids, casting demo's and lessons, fellowship and relaxation – all for the price of a side dish or dessert! This should be a great time for everyone, so don't forget to make your reservation.

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# August Meeting Program

**BUFF PICNIC at Little Miami Canoe Livery** 

Fun, Games, Fishing, Great Food (See article on page 3)

# Adventures From the Reel World

# I CAN TOP THAT! A HUGE FISH STORY

### Bill Schroeder

Sunday evening, after the church picnic and putting out the trash etc. I got on Landen Lake behind my house with my small kayak and my Orvis 6 wt. rod at about 8:30 pm. I and tied on my smallest toby bugger hoping for some bluegills and bass. It was about 1/4 inch long with yellow eyes, a black body and black hackle with gold flash in the tail. The first part of the evening was normal. One bluegill, two crappie and four bass -- all small. But one of the bass was a smallmouth -- about six inches long. Then around 9:00 pm, I hooked a huge fish about three feet from the bank, which I fought for 30 minutes before it broke the line. I believe it was a carp, because I saw a huge tail, reddish in color. This fish pulled me and the kayak from a point, around the corner and up the lake to the first dock (about 50 yards), before it finally made it into and under the dock and broke off the line. I horsed it a little to try and keep it out of the snags but did not succeed. It mostly stayed down, but I saw the tail twice and judge it to have been a carp. I had little chance of landing a fish that size. My 6 wt rod was fitted with a bass leader and 5# test tippet. The fish looked to be possibly 12 to 15 lbs. I hade quite an audience among the evening walkers and joggers who stopped to watch. Exhausted, I resumed casting the bank, and right away hooked another huge fish. This one broke water immediately twice, within 15 feet of the boat, and I could see it was a huge striper - which they stocked in Landen Lake several years ago to help control the shad. This fish was at least 30 inches long. When it jumped it came all the way out of the water. It also pulled me around the lake, but I was careful not to horse it hoping I could somehow land it. It traveled about 100 yards up the shore line in fairly shallow water, then headed for the middle of the lake. This began before dark, around 9:35 pm. I looked at my watch near the beginning, as I was still exhausted from the big carp. Soon there were about 40 people gathered on the bike path watching. The fish pulled me, and my 11' kayak, all the way to the middle of the lake then up and down the lake, until well after dark. Eventually it pulled me back in toward shore right to the place where I had hooked it. I asked some guy standing on the bike path to call Kath on his cell, as I knew she would be worried if I stayed much after dark. She eventually came down. Finally the fish headed for the bank where there were bushes and snags. I fought to hold him out of there by holding the rod high with one hand and backpaddling with the other hand, but I could not hold him. With Kathy standing on the bike path, he finally made it to the snags and broke off the line. Exhausted, I looked at my watch again, and it was 10:50 pm. The fight lasted one hour and 15 minutes. After that I paddled back to the dock, put my stuff away and had two beers. This morning, both my shoulders are very sore!!

# Membership Messages

#### Dave Jones

I don't have the joining dates for 43 members. I will have the membership data base at the next several meetings and will try to get that information if you want to provide it.

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As most of you know new members are given a welcome to BUFF packet when they join. One of the items is a collection of very special flies. These flies are provided by our members. My last request to replace the supply was a very BIG success. To those who donated flies, I want to thank you. I wish you could hear the remarks made by these new members when they open the package of your flies; they are a big hit. Thanks again.

# BUFF ANNUAL FAMILY CLUB PICNIC -- August 9<sup>th</sup> Make your reservations now!.

This year the picnic will be held at the **Little Miami Canoe Rental in Morrow**, **OH**, starting at **11 AM**, Directions are posted on the website and on the last page of the BUFFER.

For those of you with canoes and pontoon boats, this would be a great opportunity to do a float trip. Joe Panfalone has some great info on the website under "Breaking News". You can also rent canoes/kayaks from the livery (links to the livery are also under Breaking News).

This is also a campground (primitive), so for those of you who would like to make a weekend of it, you can camp, fish, and attend the festivities on Saturday. Rates for camping are \$7.50 per adult. Even though primitive they have a port-o-let available and a short walk to a water spicket. The site is wonderful with large old trees and lots of wildlife to view. An area that kids can be kids, but still be in mom and dad's view.

From about 2-5 we will have crafts and games for all ages. We will also be having casting demos and friendly casting accuracy competitions going on in the afternoon. Even if you don't plan to fish, bring a 5 or 6 wt, rod and take part! I'm sure there will be a few prizes, also!!

The club will provide the meat and soft drinks. **You still need to make a reservation as normal** so that we can get the correct amount of meat/drinks. We will eat dinner at about 5 p.m. so plan to be at the shelter for the wonderful food that Lou Haynes and Don Hoque are grilling.

As this is a potluck dinner we ask that each family bring a dish based on where your last name falls in the list below:

A-J Veggie Dish K-T Salad U-Z Dessert

All in all it should be a great day for the entire family. Good food, lots of fun and a great way to meet or just catch up with those you haven't seen at that favorite fishing hole lately.

If anyone has any questions please call Debbie Hampton at 779-4349. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

#### **CALLING ALL CRAFTERS**

We all take pictures of those wonderful fish that we catch, and then return to the water. But, what do we do with those pictures? I've been scrapbooking for a year or so and love the stories you can tell with the pictures just by adding a few things to the page. I'd like to see if there is any interest in setting up a class at a local scrapbooking shop to show us the best way to put together some great pages using all those great pictures.

This is a great opportunity for those who love those pictures and those who would love to see those pictures in a book to get together, and share ideas and learn some new techniques.

In the same token, I also would like to see if anyone is interested in stamping. You can make wonderful cards/crafts for any occasion, and I have found some great fly-fishing designs. There are so many things we can do, and now is the time to get started for Christmas. You can make cards for all those fisherman in your lives. We could possible get together and have a "party" to make note cards for auctioning at the banquet or for donations to Casting for Recovery.

Anyone interested call Debbie Hampton at 779-4349 or e-mail at <a href="deb.jim.hampton@prodigy.net">deb.jim.hampton@prodigy.net</a>. Once I have an idea of the size, we can work on a central location for everyone wanting to come. Should be great fun and a great way to show off those crafty ideas.

Education – Though we are in the heat of the summer, our educational activities continue. Through Ken West's leadership, B.U.F.F. continues to be active in many outdoor programs such as Boy Scout Jamboree, Mercy Health Plex, Women in the Outdoors, Indian Hill High School fly fishing classes, Cub Scout events, Clermont County Parks Fly Fishing seminar, Earth Day, and Little Miami Conservancy. Internally, our Beginners Fly Casting course will be held in August. This is our first course to be conducted by B.U.F.F. certified casting instructors. We now have ten instructors trained in teaching our membership the proper fundamentals of casting. This includes the graduates from this summer's instructor training – Patti Howell, Lou Haynes, Gary Begley, Steve Walker, and Dan Phipps. Congratulations!!

<u>Giving Back</u> – Roy Matthews is resigning as our Secretary on the Board of Directors. Though we are saddened to see Roy resign from this important position, we are honoring his request. Roy will remain an active member of B.U.F.F. I want to personally thank Roy for all he has given to B.U.F.F. Roy is a true gentleman and great ambassador for our club. We are currently searching for candidates to fill the Secretary position. (See Roy's letter on page XX)

It's a great time of the year. Don't forget how miserable the weather was only six months ago. Be safe and go fishing!! I'll see you at the August Picnic.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Five new BUFFers earned their BUFF Casting Instructor Certification designation on Saturday, July 12, at Cottel Park under the watchful eye of Tony Kalbli, the club's Casting Program Director. **Patti Howell, Lou Haynes, Gary Begley, Steve Walker and Dan Phipps** were tested on their knowledge of sound casting principles and their ability to convey those principles to new students. Also a series of casting exercises were required to assure that they had achieved the necessary casting skills and proficiency of instruction abilities. All students passed all of the requirements and now join the Instructors Cadre of last years graduates which include Jim LeBlond, Mike Bryant, Ed Jones, Joe Panfalone, Dave Uckotter and Joe Guenther.

The Club now has a nucleus of 11 instructors who are qualified to teach fly casting to BUFF Club members. This is a tremendous resource for our club members who might need help in their fly casting. If you do need help, or have a question, seek out any of these individuals and you are sure to be rewarded with sound advice.

#### **Boudreaux and the Water Moccasin**

Boudreaux been fish'n down by de bayou all day an he done run outa night crawlers. He be bout reddy to leave when he seen a snake wit a big frog in his mout. He knowed dat dem big bass fish like frogs so he decided to steal dat froggie. Dat snake, he be a cotton moufed water moccasin so he had to be real careful or he'd get bit. He snuk up behine de snake and grabbed him roun de haid. Dat ole snake din't lak dat one bit. He squirmed and wrapped hisself roun Boudreaux's arm try'n to get hisself free.

But Boudreaux, him, had a real good grip on his haid, yeh. Well, Boudreaux pried his mout open and got de frog and puts it in his baitcan. Now, Boudreaux knows dat he cain't let go dat snake or his gonna bite him good, but he had a plan. He reach into de back pocket of his bib overhauls and pulls out a pint a moonshine likker. He pour some draps into de snakes mout. Well, dat snake's eyeballs roll back in his haid and his body go limp. Wit dat Boudreaux toss's dat snake into de bayou.

Den he goes back to fishin. A while later Boudreaux dun feel sumpin tappin on his barefoot toe. He slowly look down and dare dat water moccasin was, with two frogs in his mout.

# 2004 Photo Calendar Entries Still Needed!

#### **Don Prince**

Thank you for all of the great fishing photos received to date, but more are needed, and I know they're out there! Send them in! So far I have no salt water shots and only one shot of a female member with a catch. Please help! The intention is to include as many photos as possible, so don't delay.

Photos can be:

- of any club activity.
- of club members and/or their family members fly fishing, or displaying their catch.
- original prints but electronic format is preferred. If electronic please email to <a href="mailto:rxp46@hotmail.com">rxp46@hotmail.com</a>, or give a CD or floppy to Don Prince. Originals will be returned to the owners.

Please include the club activity or the area where the fish was caught, fly used, etc.

The final deadline for entries is the September club meeting.

### Women in the Outdoors Event

# Debbie Hampton

The Shady Hollow Longbeards Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF) is hosting their second annual Women in the Outdoors event on August 23, at the Izaak Walton League outside of Oxford, Ohio.

The cost to attend is \$40. This includes your choice of 4 courses, a year's membership to the Women in the Outdoors magazine, Women in the Outdoors visor, lunch, and year's membership to the NWTF (or extension of current membership). It is for women 14 years of age and older and features interactive educational outdoor opportunities with hands-on activities.

**Morning session choices** (choose 1-6 in order of preference-first come, first served) include any two of: Shotgun, Rifle, Handgun, Bluebirds, **Fly Fishing**, and Outdoor Photography. (An extra \$9 fee for film development goes with the Photography class. Bring your own 24 exp. film and 35mm camera.)

**Afternoon session choices** (choose 1-6 in order of preference-first come, first served) include any two of: Archery, Self Defense, Butterfly Gardening, Field Dressing, Canoeing, and Turkey Hunting.

Pre-registration is required. The deadline is Aug 9. All equipment and materials are provided.

For more information about registering, email <u>Kelly Kingery</u> at <u>Yakcat004@aol.com</u> or by mail, <u>15496 Chicken</u> Bristle Road, Farmersville, OH

# **B.U.F.F. Logo Committee - Volunteers Needed**Don Prince

The board of directors has commissioned a committee to study and generate options for selection and adoption of a new club logo. The work of the committee will be presented to the membership for a vote this fall. The committee membership to date is Tom Baker, Joe Guenther, and Don Prince. We are in need of 2-3 additional volunteers to serve on the logo committee. Involvement would include 1-3 meetings over the next 3 months, idea generation, possibly some phone calling to apparel vendors, etc. Interested members may contact any of those on the committee.

#### **West Nile Virus Protection**

### (FFF Clubwire)

The following article is of importance to flyfishermen who spend time outdoors and in or near water where mosquitoes are present. (Insect Repellents by WM. A. Sodeman, Jr., M.D., J.D., used with permission From The Riverwatch, The quarterly journal of the Anglers of the Au Sable,). In July of 2002, the New England Journal of Medicine published an article written by Mark S. Fradin, M.D., and John F. Day, Ph.D, on the effectiveness of various insect repellents. These authors used mosquitoes in their testing. Diseases caused by biting insects, particularly mosquitoes, are responsible for a great deal of death and disability worldwide and that is the reason for a scientific study of the effectiveness of insect repellents on mosquitoes. The information provides a collateral benefit for those of us bothered by mosquitoes while fishing.

Herewith is a brief summary of the information they obtained. Anyone who wishes to look at the original paper can find it in the July 4, 2002 issue of The New England Journal of Medicine, Volume 347, and p. 13.

Insect repellents were tested by applying the repellent to the arm of a volunteer and then having the volunteer stick his or her arm into a cage full of mosquitoes. The time to the first bite was recorded. If there was no mosquito bite after the first minute then the volunteer removed his or her arm from the cage. The treated arm was reinserted at regular intervals until a bite eventually occurred. A great deal of care was used to ensure that test was free of bias and error.

The good news is that products containing 20 percent DEET offered protection from mosquito bites for an average of 4-5 hours. For most of us this means bug free fishing with a need to reapply repellent only once, or at the most twice, if you are going to make it a long day. The bad news is the lesser concentrations of DEET, below 20 percent, offered only in the one and one half hour range, which would man more frequent interruptions to reapply. I had been concerned in the past about rumors of possible toxic side effects from DEET and was heartened to find that it has an excellent safety profile. It has been used for 40 years and there have been approximately 8 billion human applications. Out of this 8 billion there have been fewer than 50 cases where there have been serious side effects and only 13 produced any kind of residual effect. This works out to one bad residual event for every seven and one half million applications. My guess is it would probably be safer to use DEET than it is to wade the stream.

For those few people who are allergic or sensitive to DEET there are a couple of alternative options that seem to work. They are effective but not as long lasting. There is a soybean oil based preparation (Bite Blocker for Kids) that fives about an hour and a half of protection and a eucalyptus oil preparation (Repel Lemon Eucalyptus Insect Repellent or Fite Byte Plant-Based Insect Repellent) that on average works for two hours. The rest of the repellents tested seem for all practical purposes to be useless. Herbal preparations containing citronella were effective for 10 to 20 minutes, the skin softening preparations, which have had a great deal of popularity, seem to be even less effective at 10 minutes or less protection. If you use these you will spend more time applying insect repellent than fishing! The wristband preparations and presumably the stick on tabs, though they were not tested, including those impregnated with DEET, did not give a full minute of protection. Other studies have shown that the small mechanical devices that emit sounds that are supposed to scare away mosquitoes are ineffective. Based on the studies the strategy which I will adopt is to use Deep Woods OFF which contains 23.8 percent DEET or Sawyer controlled release which contains 20 percent DEET. (I pick these because they were the ones tested, but there is no good reason why any DEET preparation of 20 percent or greater would not work as well.

#### A Letter Received From Jim Casillo:

Please cancel my membership. I've moved out of the Cincinnati area to Kansas City. Much thanks to BUFF for introducing me to the world of fly fishing and especially to the many individuals who taught me haw to build rods and nets, tie fillies, cast and fish What a joy this sport provides. The best of everything to BUFF and its members.

#### AUGUST

- Aug. 4-9 FFF Annual Conclave, Idaho Falls, ID
- Aug.7. Lie & Tie West 7 pm-9 pm Bass Pro
- BUFF Picnic Little Miami Canoe Rental Meat and drinks are furnished the rest is
- Aug 10 Fly tying demo. at Cinti Museum Center 1pm-5pm Lou Haynes
- Aug.20 BUFF Board Meeting 7pm-9pm Out Door World Members welcome
- Aug.27 Lie and Tie at Presbyterian Ch in Batavia General fly tying and story telling 7pm - 9 pm Bob Goldsberry

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- Sept.4 Lie and Tie West 7pm-9pm General fly tying and story telling Bass Pro
- **Sport Show and Banquet Meeting** Sept.5 Location and time TBD
- Sept.10 BUFF Monthly Meeting 7pm-9pm Raffel's on Reading Road Social hour 6pm-7pm Sept.17 BUFF Board meeting Out Door World 7pm-9pm Members welcome
- Sept.24 Lie and Tie at Batavia Presbyterian Church 7 pm – 9 pm General fly tying and story telling Bob Goldsberry
- Sept.23-26 Fall Salmon Trip on the Pere Pere Marquette. Baldwin, MI Stay at Brothy Lodge.

#### **OCTOBER**

- Oct.2 Lie and Tie West 7pm-9pm General fly tying and story telling Bass Pro
- Oct.3 Advanced Fly Tying Classes 7pm-9pm Beginners class a prerequsite Madiera Municipal Building
- Oct 8 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 7pm-9pm Raffel's on Reading Road Social hour 6pm-7pm Officer and board nominations
- Oct.11 **Mad River Day Trip**
- Oct.12 Fly Tying Demo Cinti. Natural History Museum 1pm-5pm Lou Haynes
- Oct.15 BUFF Board Meeting 7pm-9pm Bass Pro Out Door World Members Welcome
- Oct.17 Advanced Fly Tying Class 7pm-9pm Beginners Class a prerequisite Madeira Municipal Building
- Oct.17-19 West Virginia Trout Trip on the Elk River -- Joe Guenther
- Oct. 22 Lie and Tie Batavia Presbyterian Ch. 7-9 pm General fly tying and story telling Bob Goldsberry
- Advanced Fly Tying Class 7pm-9pm Oct.24 Beginners class a prerequisite Madiera Municipal Building
- TBD Calendar Meeting. Time and place TBD
- TBD Stream monitoring of the East Fork

# 2003 Calendar of Events

The BUTTER attempts to provide up-to-date information on club events. Check the calendar each month & call the contact person for the event for potential changes. If you notice errors, please contact The BUFFER editor.

#### **NOVEMBER**

- Nov 1 **NKFF Banquet**
- Tie and Lie West 7pm-9pm Nov 6 General fly tying and story telling Bass Pro
- Nov 12 BUFF Monthly Meeting 7pm-9pm Rafflels on Reading Road Social hour 6pm-7pm Officer and board nominations
- Nov 19 BUFF Board Meeting 7pm-9pm Bass Pro Outdoor World Members
- Nov.20 Lie and Tie Batavia Presbyterian Ch. 7-9 pm General fly tying and story telling

#### 07/2003 B.U.F.F. Financial Report (rounded to dollar amount) \$12879 **Beginning Balance Deposits** Monthly Dinner \$ 315 Membership \$270 Raffle \$330 Bank Interest \$22 Vise Deposit \$100 Donation Cancer Recovery \$50 **Deposit Total** \$757 **Expenses** \$29 CVS/Cards. \$210 Education \$15 Postage Park Reservation \$25 Newsletter \$200 President trip \$465 Visa Fee –Sports Show \$248 July Dinner \$259 June/July Visa Charge \$10 **Expenses Total** \$1460 \$12176 **Ending Balance** CD \$5043 \$100 **Petty Case**

### August

Hot Dogs on the grill

And

Assorted Pot Luck Picnic Fare

> **Special Price** FREE

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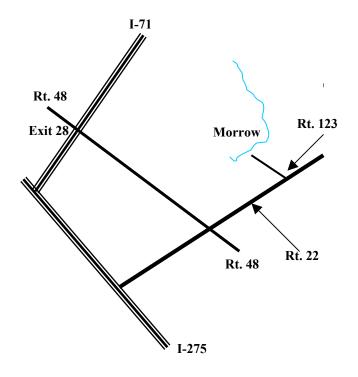
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## Next Monthly Meeting – Saturday August 9

CALL <u>779-4489</u> OR SIGN UP ON LINE AT <u>WWW.BUCKEYEFLYFISHERS.COM</u> FOR <u>DINNER</u>
<u>RESERVATIONS</u> NO LATER THAN 10 PM OF THE SUNDAY BEFORE THE NEXT MEETING. THIS TIME DINNERS ARE <u>FREE</u>, BUT, WE NEED A COUNT IN ORDER TO BUY ENOUGH MEAT AND DRINKS.

DINNER SERVED AT 5 PM. - DON'T WAIT – SIGN UP NOW!



#### **Directions:**

From Cincinnati: I-71 North to Exit 28 (Lebanon/South Lebanon exit) Turn LEFT. Follow Rt. 48 to second traffic light (Rt. 22) turn LEFT. Follow Rt. 22 (Montgomery Rd) five minutes to Morrow. In Morrow turn LEFT at second traffic light (Rt.123) Drive one block.

Or

I-275 to the Montgomery Rd. Exit (Exit 50) Turn RIGHT off exit ramp, and follow Montgomery Rd. to Morrow. In Morrow turn LEFT at the second traffic light (Rt.123). Go 1 block.

See: <u>www.littlemiamicanoe.com</u> web site for additional information.