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The President's Fly Box

Welcome all to a new year, 2024. It may be a slower time for fishing, but it is a very busy time for your board of directors. Your board of directors have modernized the club logo, updated our operational guidelines, planned out this year's program of speakers. Other teams are finalizing the Fly Fishing Show and planning the Banquet. We thank all who have been involved in making these events possible.

By the time you read this, the Fly Fishing Show, which is Saturday, February 3rd, will almost be upon us. Fly tying and casting sessions, vendors showing the latest gear, speakers, and more are planned for the show. This year's keynote speaker is Susan Thrasher, author, guide, Wulff-School instructor, and fly-fishing educator. Our second big event is the March Banquet. It's a great time to socialize with others in the club, participate in silent auctions to bid on trips donated by many of our sponsors, and bid on various raffle items. It all raises funds to keep our club going. Past banquet trips have included guided fishing in Tennessee, North Carolina, Kentucky, Michigan, and the ever-popular state of Ohio. I hope to see you at these fun events.

The new year is always a time for renewal and new commitments. I encourage you to get involved with club activities, attend one of the educational courses, host a trip, or find out what is in our streams by attending a Stream Quality Monitoring event. In addition to participation, if you have ideas for new or additional club activities, please let us know. BUFF is always looking for how to provide rich and rewarding experiences for our members.

Talking about experiences, I heard that Davy Wotton's talk at the December meeting was well received. I expect that we have 70 or so people that are ready to fool a trout using wet flies. I always enjoy using a simple March Brown wet fly in the springtime. I'm sure Davy covered many more flies and techniques that I hope to see used by folks this year.

Mark your calendars for the January meeting. Skip Morris, who is a great speaker, is returning to talk to us this month. His last talk was so well received that we enticed him to do an encore. This will be a Zoom event, and only available to those attending in-person at the Oasis. Please plan on joining us for what should be a great fly-fishing talk.

Stay warm and hope to see you soon at our events.

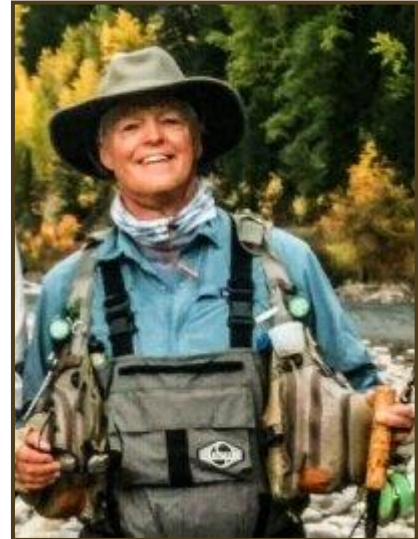
Hugh O'Donnell
BUFF President

BUFF January Meeting – Wednesday January 10th

Our monthly meeting at the Oasis Center starts at 6:00 PM with a social hour and cash bar. Dinner will be served at about 6:30 PM, the business meeting and announcements start at about 7:15 PM, and our speaker's presentation at 7:45 PM. Registration closes on Sunday, January 7th.

January Speaker – Skip Morris, “Make Dry Fly and Emerger Fishing Work”

Skip Morris is among the most prolific and best known fly-fishing and fly-tying authors alive — his name is known to anglers around the world. Skip has written twenty-two books on fly fishing and tying, including what is considered the standard beginning fly tier's volume “*Fly Tying Made Clear and Simple*”. Other notable books he has authored or co-authored include “*The Art of Tying the Bass Fly*”, “*Morris & Chan on Fly Fishing Trout Lakes*” (co-authored with lake-fishing guru Brian Chan), “*Concise Handbook of Fly Tying*”, and “*Fly Fisher's Guide to Western River Hatches*”.



His **videos and DVD's** range from instruction for tying nymphs, to tying bass flies, to tying and fishing flies for sea-run cutthroat trout.

Skip has published **over 300 articles on fly fishing and tying** in magazines from *Fly Fisherman* to *American Angler*. For three years he was **among the hosts of the "Fly-Fish Television Magazine" show**.

As a speaker and clinician, Skip is well-known as an entertaining, concise, and knowledgeable presenter, with a sly sense of humor and an easygoing manner that draws in the audience. He has presented to our club before and was our headliner for the 2013 Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show. You can find a fantastic resource of his articles, presentations, and other useful information on his website - <https://www.skip-morris-fly-tying.com/> One item on Skip's website is a printable guide that provides correct dimensions for tying wet and dry flies. He used to offer it for sale, but it is now a free download. It's a useful chart for any tyer.

January Dinner Menu –

- Chef's Choice Salad & Dressings
- Dinner Rolls & Butter
- Lemon Herbe Chicken with Wild Rice
- California Blend Vegetables
- Chef's Choice Dessert
- Coffee & Iced Tea

January 10-Minute Tech Talk

Gary Begley will present the January Tech Talk on “Fly Tying Techniques”. Gary's expertise, should make this an excellent presentation and discussion. We encourage members to stop by the table during the social hour to learn and join in on the conversation with fellow Buffers.

BUFF Library Reminder –

From: Dave Smith

BUFFERS – While we are not regularly bringing the library boxes to our meetings, ***the library remains AVAILABLE***. Finding and checking out a book or video is really easy and is done through the BUFF website.

On the BUFF website home page, click “Member Services” and login with your e-mail address. Once logged in, choose the “Browse the Library” icon to bring up the list of library books and holdings. Click to reserve what you want, and I’ll bring it to the next meeting. Returning books is also easy – just bring them to the next meeting. This is an easy-to-use resource to obtain library materials and to grow and enhance your fly fishing skills and knowledge.

2024 Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show – Last Update

Mark Your Calendars for Saturday, February 3rd

By Ken Mandel for the Fly Fishing Show Team

The Fly Fishing Show Team has been keeping you informed of updates to the program in several recent BUFFER’s. This is our last opportunity to share information with our club members before the show!

We now have information from Glen Weisner, Lance Kekel, and Kevin Ramsey, who will be doing tying demonstration presentations at the show –

- Glenn will demonstrate dry-dropper patterns which he uses for trout, bluegill and large mouth bass on streams and in ponds.
- Lance will tie emergers, and do a couple of different patterns during his presentation.
- Finally, Kevin Ramsey will be tying some streamer patterns that can be used in both fresh- and salt-water angling.



LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR FRIDAY WORKSHOPS –

While Susan Thrasher’s casting workshop is fully subscribed, there are still available slots for all of Gary Begley’s tying workshops. The 3 tying workshops, all on Friday, February 2nd, are from 9 AM – 11:30 AM (*Panfish & Dry Fly Patterns*), 1 PM – 3 PM (*Nymphs & Wet Fly Patterns*), and 4 PM – 6 PM (*Streamer Patterns*). Cost is \$30 for 1, \$50 for 2, and \$70 for all three workshops. As a reminder, these are hands-

on tying workshops, not just a demonstration. Tyers need to bring their own vises, tools and tying threads. **Registration is on the BUFF Website, and payment through secure credit card or PayPal process is preferred.**

Volunteers, Volunteers, Volunteers!!!!

The show cannot go on without the help of our dedicated club volunteers. We typically seek about 70 volunteers to cover needed activities. Activities include –

- Helping vendors and with load-in and load-out on the morning before the show starts and evening once the show closes
- Assisting with AV for presentations
- Helping at the BUFF membership booth, raffle sales booth, admissions area, etc.
- Helping with various kids activities and kids' fly tying.
- Being available to sit a booth to give vendors a break.
- If you have questions about what the different activities entail, reach out to team leader, we're happy talk with you –
 - Bob Gustafson - j.r.gustafson@att.net
 - Bob Miller - bob.miller@alta-gila.com
 - Tom Bachey - h2oguy@fuse.net
 - Ken Mandel – kengmandel@gmail.com



There is a volunteer sign up page on the BUFF website. Please sign up!! The show cannot be successful without our volunteers.

Women's Fly-Fishing Open Forum at the 2024 Fly Fishing Show

By Cari Vota

Many women are more comfortable learning about the sport of Fly Fishing from and with other women. This year is no exception. Our panel discussion this year is all about Women's Gear in Fly Fishing. Join us at the Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing shows this February 3, 2024 from 12:00-1:00 pm. Be a part of a women-centered conversation – What to buy, where to buy locally, how to fit, seasonal wear, safety items, vests vs. packs vs. sling packs, and boots! If we missed something of interest to you, just ask!

The panel this year is hosted by Cari Vota, BUFF Director of Women's Program, Sara Briechle, BUFF member at large, and Paula Smith, Miami Valley Fly Fishers President. It will, as always, be a lively discussion!

2024 BUFF Banquet- Wednesday, March 20th, 2024 – Save the Date!

By Bryan Tudor for the Banquet Committee

The 2024 Buckeye United Fly Fishers Banquet is scheduled for Wednesday, March 20th 2024, from 6 – 9 PM at the Oasis Conference Center, and is held in lieu of the regular monthly meeting. It's a great evening to bring a spouse, family member, or friends. We will have a catered meal, time for socializing and best of all, fun bidding on great prizes. Prizes this year will include both fly fishing related and other items and activities, so the banquet is a fun occasion for anglers and non-anglers alike.



The Banquet is also where we recognize our members who have made significant contributions to BUFF, as well as all who volunteered to support our 2023 activities.

Tickets are \$45 per person which includes a served, catered meal – appetizers, entrée (Capicola-stuffed chicken or baked salmon), sides and dessert. Grand prize raffle tickets are \$10 and general raffle tickets are \$5.

Registration is now open on the club website.

You can purchase raffle tickets when you register, or at the Banquet. *Please note, registration closes on March 6th. You must register to attend.*

Look forward to seeing you there!

The Banquet Committee

The Banquet – Need for Raffle Donations

As BUFF's major fund raising event, we offer prizes and items through silent auctions and raffles. While the silent auction items are most often fishing related, and usually include trips and guide services, General- and Grand-Raffle items are more diverse, and are often donations from club members. While items can be fishing related, that is not a requirement, and having a diversity of items is preferable.

Examples of non-fishing items include: hand-crafted items, artwork, home and personal services (e.g., housecleaning, photographic services), vouchers (e.g., restaurants, golf at a members course, store vouchers, etc.), or other items which club members can bid on. The Banquet team asks our BUFF members to please consider offering an item as for placement in the General or even Grand Raffle. If you are a regular customer at a local business, you may want to contact them to see if they would donate a service as a raffle item. Many local businesses are happy to support these activities.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Bob Cregge at bcregg13@gmail.com or by phone at 908-672-8483.

Membership Renewal and Updates –

Please Pay Dues to Maintain Membership by Early January

Renewal of membership is due on January 1, 2024. An e-mail has been sent to all members. This had a connection to our website to submit renewal and payment. If you did not receive this, or perhaps misplaced it among all the other e-mail messages we receive, you can go to the BUFF website, click on the Member Services icon, and renew your membership for 2024 on that page. Memberships which are not renewed by March, will be considered in arrears, and can be terminated.

New Members -

Since our last notices, we've added 3 new members –

Donnie Bell, Cincinnati, OH

Cris Meyer, Cincinnati, OH

Drake Perry, Cincinnati, OH

Welcome to the club, and we hope to see you at a meeting soon! Check out our activities and programs listed on the BUFF Website and sign up for some!

Long-Time Members

By Cari Vota & Ken Mandel

In the January BUFFER, we recognize those who have been members of BUFF for 10 years or longer. Here's the list, and congratulations to all !

40 Year Member

Lawrence Becker

30 Year Member

Jim Klosterman

20 Year Members

Steve & Sharon Bailey
 L. James (Jim) & Nancy Lee Boude
 Bill Frank
 Charles Montgomery
 Harry (Warren) Pass
 Paul Portwood

15 Year Members

Jeff & Constance Baker
 Bob Cregge
 Jeff & Annette Georin

15 Year Members (continued)

Eric & Catherine Hollins
 Jeff Messerly
 Tim & Cindy Minton
 Chester & Judith Scheid
 William P. & Kathleen Schroeder
 (Harold) Mike Schubert

10 Year Members

Kevin Franks
 Bill Gauden
 Barry Gummow
 Boon Keck
 Karen Underwood Kramer
 Tod McGarvey
 Hugh O'Donnell
 Gary Robinson
 Jim & Cari Vota

Awards

2023 Fly Fisher of the Year Award Nominations

The beginning of the calendar year is when our club nominates and votes on an awardee to receive the annual Fly Fisher of the Year Award. This is our club's "Highest" honor, and is bestowed each year to a BUFF member in recognition of his/her extraordinary efforts in support and service to BUFF's organization priorities and activities, and fly fishing in general. This award is presented at the March Banquet.

FFOY nomination forms will be e-mailed to membership this month, made available to those attending the January 2024 general meeting, and can be downloaded from the website (found near the bottom of the "About Us" tab). Any BUFF member in good standing can nominate someone for this award, and vote for nominees. Completed nomination forms need to be submitted to the Cari Vota, at the address or e-mail listed on the bottom of the form. *Nominations must be received by January 31, 2024.*

The final ballot will be presented for membership vote at the February 2024 membership meeting. Members in good standing, who are present at the meeting are allowed to vote (by secret ballot) for one nominee on the ballot.

One of Our Own Receives a 2023 FFI Women Connect Award

FFI Women Connect held their Awards Night Dec. 12 to recognize those who have made a difference in the Fly Fishing Community for 2023. Cari Vota received the Shining Star Award for her continued contribution to women's fly fishing. She was one of three to receive this award this year. Other FFI WC awards given out that night were the Rising Star Award and the Founder's Award.



..Cari (on left) from Driftless Trip June 2023

Cari is not only on the BUFF Board of Directors as Director of Women's Programs, but also on the FFI Ohio Council as our Women's Liaison. For the Ohio Council, she has co-hosted with Ohio Women on the Fly several Casting Classes and Fly Fishing 101 classes all over the state of Ohio. She continues to work with Casting Skills Development Workshops here in SW Ohio. The next workshop will be April 20, 2024.

Our New BUFF Logo

By Cari Vota



No one seems to recall when exactly the current BUFF Tombstone logo came about. Even the oval BUFF logo on our logo-wear has been around for quite some time – designed and implemented primarily by the logo-wear vendors. Sadly, the Tombstone was getting a bit tired and not easy to use, due to its limited and outdated format options.

Our website is one of the best of any fly fishing club in the US. We often get compliments on it from other clubs, fly fishing organizations, including FFI, and fly fishing professionals. It seemed time to refresh our logo to something new and modern, like our website. We were looking for something simple but bold, and not busy. It needed to work in combination with the club name or standalone. We think we got all of that and more.

The new logo will be used for all Club literature, website, logo wear, and presentations. It is also helpful that we will now have reproducible files. It may take a bit of time but expect to see it everywhere soon in 2024.

Mountain TroutFitters Guide Trip – Fishing the North Toe River

By Linda Barnhill

After bidding up three trips at the annual BUFF Banquet, and explaining to my husband Bruce that I actually WON ALL OF THEM, I had the opportunity to go on one of the trips this pasts May after having joined in BUFF “Spring Trout Quest” trip to North Carolina. This was a guided trip with Cade Buchanan of Mountain Troutfitters, which included a half-day wading trip on private waters. I thought this would be the perfect exclamation point at the end of a great outing with the club. I met Cade at his shop at the Eseeola Lodge in Linville, NC. I’ve been to some pretty nice shops in some beautiful places but this whole upscale private community is beyond gorgeous – think about the houses that surround Pebble Beach. There are multiple beats you can fish right by the shop as well; sort of like Orvis waters in Europe. Based on Cade’s recommendation, I stayed at the Pineola Lodge Cabins & Taproom. It was a great place, filled with memorabilia, and I liked the taproom part after a long day. The lodge sits right on a trout stream – making it even more perfect! I went to bed early hoping to dream of big fish...



My guide, whom I met at the shop the next morning, was Jeff, a longtime friend & guide working with Cade. We drove about a half hour to fish private waters that were owned by his grandfather. We drove back a gravel road to a locked gate & Jeff hopped out, opened it & drove us down to a beautiful section of the North Toe River. He informed me no one had fished this area for 2 weeks; *who’s the lucky girl?* Jeff pointed out a branch across the stream where he used to sit as a boy and watch his dad and grandfather fish. I love a great story like that! Jeff got out an 11-foot rod for me to try, gave me a great lesson on high-sticking with a mop fly, and we started sticking fish! I mean LOTS of fish, and LOTS OF REALLY BIG fish (as seen in the photos). I wasn’t expecting them to be so big in North Carolina. We really didn’t wade too far; we didn’t need to. The fish were right there! This would be an excellent trip for someone who can’t venture out too far. I had to back up to the gravel bank to land some of these fish and

some just flat-out broke me off. That's ok. I'm a good sport and we caught plenty the whole time. Jeff also put on tungsten flies which get down way better and way faster than the more traditional flies I've been tying.

Since the trip, I've tied some mop flies to take up salmon fishing in Michigan and I caught a nice brown on my mop, so thanks Cade & Jeff! Y'all just need to come down and fish with Mountain Troutfitters and experience this for yourself. If I can answer any questions, don't hesitate to call contact me (Linda Barnhill- 513-235-6361). Tight Lines!

BUFF also wants to extend a thank you to Cade Buchanan and Mountain Troutfitters for their donation of this trip at the 2023 Banquet. We appreciate your generosity and long-time support of our club. Anyone interested in considering a trip with this group can check their website (www.mountaintroutfitters.com) or reach out to Cade (muskyonfly75@gmail.com or 828-387-6534). Mountain Troutfitters will be exhibiting at the upcoming Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show as well.

The Billion Dollar Impact of North Carolina Mountain Trout Fishing

From Tom Bachey

Tom shared the following article which he received for the NC DNR. The article was written by Anna Gurney and published on the NC Wildlife Resources website on December 8th (<https://www.ncwildlife.org/Connect-With-Us/Blog/the-billion-dollar-impact-of-north-carolinas-mountain-trout-fishing>). Clearly mountain water trout fishing is a large, and profitable tourism business for the state, and is a business that has grown considerably over the last several years.

Each dollar anglers spend to fish for mountain trout in North Carolina returns \$1.93 to its economy and results in a \$1.38 billion impact, according to new data from the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission (NCWRC).

The [Evaluation of North Carolina Trout Anglers' Opinions, Participation and Socioeconomic Impact](#)

study was developed by NCWRC's Conservation Policy & Analysis group and the Inland Fisheries Division. The report deep dives into an analysis of the socioeconomic aspects of trout fishing. In addition to monetary values (including out-of-state angler contribution, equipment and trip-related expenditures, etc.), the study explores anglers' motivation for participating in the sport, satisfaction levels and challenges of trout fishing in this state, as well as feedback on NCWRC's management of trout.

"We took a very comprehensive approach to this study. We wanted to better understand how anglers utilize the trout waters we manage and the views of trout fishing from the anglers themselves," said Jake Rash, cold water fisheries research coordinator. "Understanding anglers' motivations and perceptions provides broader insight into this popular North Carolina sport."



The report was published in July and outlines how the various dollar amounts spent on this sport resulted in an overall economic impact of \$1.38 billion. The previous economic impact evaluation, published in 2015, reported the impact to be \$383 million. The increase in the economic impact of trout fishing is largely due to the increase in freshwater anglers in North Carolina. The number of fishing license holders increased 53% from 2014 to 2023, while the estimated number of trout anglers increased from 18.5% to 32% of all licensed anglers. The 29% increase in the cost of living since 2014 may also have played an important role in increasing the cost of equipment and trip-related expenditures.

“Given the recreational importance of trout fishing, it’s important for NCWRC to understand public perceptions on management of trout and expenditures on trout fishing,” said NCWRC Mountain Region Fisheries Supervisor, Doug Besler. “These surveys put an economic value on the resources we manage and help us focus our programs and infrastructure, such as capital investments in modern fish hatcheries. In addition, these surveys allow us to better communicate with constituents and partners about the value of the [Public Mountain Trout Water](#) program (PMTW) and its potential benefits to their community.”

The PMTW program manages approximately 5,400 miles and 2,600 acres of trout waters in 26 western counties, with [six distinct classifications](#): catch and release, delayed harvest, hatchery supported, special regulations, wild trout waters and wild trout/natural bait waters. This year, the N.C. General Assembly granted \$20 million to NCWRC to help fund a major renovation and expansion of the [Bobby N. Setzer State Fish Hatchery](#), which is NCWRC’s largest trout-producing hatchery. [NCWRC hatcheries](#) produce and stock about one million brook, rainbow and brown trout each year.

PMTW also manages and oversees wild, self-sustaining trout populations; native brook trout conservation; aquatic organism passage and stream habitat projects; numerous partnerships; and aquatic nuisance species management.

Visit [NCwildlife.org](#) for summaries of both the [economic](#) and [socioeconomic](#) impacts, [species](#) information and the trout [resource](#) page (which contains information regarding regulations, maps, hatcheries and stocking efforts).

2024 Yellowstone Anglers’ Basecamp – Registration is Now Open

By Ken Mandel

I’ve had a couple of comments from club members who are past participants in the August Yellowstone trip, that registration for 2024 trips is now open. I reached out to Tim Guilfoile (from Northern Kentucky Fly Fishers), who is the Director for this program, and he has confirmed this to be correct and provide the following information as well - .



Registration and contact information –

- Cost for the 2024 trip is \$985/person for the one week trip. A \$500 deposit is required at the time of registration. Each week is limited to 32 participants.
- Registration is on the Anglers’ Basecamp Website, along with lots of detailed information - <https://www.anglersbasecamp.org/>
- Contact is Tim Guilfoile E-mail: tim@anglersbasecamp.org
Phone: 859-652-0088

- **Tim suggests that BUFF members may want to come for week 1 – August 4th – 11th. If interested, you should check availability ASAP.**

Full Schedule:	Week 1	August 4 th – 11 th
	Week 2	August 11 th – 17 th (<i>women & couples only</i>)
	Week 3	August 18 th -24 th
	Week 4	August 24 th – 31 st
	Week 5	August 31 st – Sept 7 th

Other Information -

- There will be an additional van and more drivers to get anglers to locations in 2024.
- 4 new graveled sites for RVs are being added to provide a total of 6 sites. All have electricity, and there is fresh water and black-water disposal available.
- For those who travel by air, Tim suggests you consider Billings-Logan Airport, in Billings, MT as an option. There will be a shuttle service on Sunday from the airport (and hotel) to the camp.
 - One advantage is lower ticket prices and greater flight choices for Billings than the Cody airport.
 - If you choose to fly into Billings, and arriving on Sunday, Tim asks that you to arrange arrival times around 12:00 noon +/- an hour or two, to make pick-up by the shuttle service efficient, and provide time to drive to the camp.
 - Another option is to arrive on Saturday, and stay in Billings. If opting to do that you are asked to stay that night at the Rodeway Inn Billings-Logan Intl Airport (1315 N 27th Street, Billings, MT 59101 (406-245-4128)). Using the recommended hotel will have everyone 'clustered' and make the Sunday shuttle to the camp more efficient.

Lots more info and details on the website!

George Daniel Photo Blog

From Ken Mandel –

Just as I was finishing this month's BUFFER, I received an e-mail blog from George Daniel's site. Recall, George was our show headliner last year! It is a nice photo-essay of his recent winter trip to fish rivers and lakes in the Ozarks. Apparently, this is an annual trip he does.

Here is the link to his webpage (<https://www.livinonthe-fly.com/>) so you can check it out. It's under the GD Blog link on the webpage. Nice photos and nice writing.

Recent Photos

A few photos sent by Brian Nunes on a steelhead trip in Northern Ohio last month.



A few photos from the tying clinics and presentation by Davy Wotton at our December meeting



Regional Fly Fishing Shows

Kentuckiana Fly Fishing Show

The Derby City Fly Fishers will host the 17th Kentuckiana Fly Fishing Show on **Saturday, January 20, 2024, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Paroquet Springs Conference Center located at 395 Paroquet Springs Drive, Shepherdsville, Ky.**

Schedule:	9:30 – 10:30	Fly Fishing 101, <i>by Jerry Yates</i>
	11:00 – 11:45	Cumberland River Fly Fishing, <i>by Gerry McDaniel</i>
	12:30 – 1:15	Fly Fishing Maggie Valley, NC, <i>by Shannon Young</i>
	1:45 – 2:30	Fly Fishing East Central TN Rivers <i>by Rocky Cox</i>
	3:00 – 3:45	KY Blue Water Trails, <i>by Lee McClellan</i>

2024 Fort Wayne Fly Fishing Show

**2024 Fort Wayne, IN
Fly Fishing / Fly Tying Show**
Saturday, February 17, 2024 9:00 am - 4:30 pm
Classic Cafe Exhibition Hall
4832 Hillegas Road
Fort Wayne, IN
**Tyers and Vendors
from Around the Midwest**

Custom Rod by Ron Barch
Alder Creek Angling
(Bamboo 7'6" 5 wt. 2 piece Blonde
with 6-sided wood case made of Maple)

Kids Korner
(ages 8 - 80)

Silent Auction and Raffles

Instructional Tying

Speakers:
10:00 - 11:00 Ron Barch - Alder Creek
12:00 - 1:00 Kevin Feenstra - Smallmouth
2:00 - 3:00 Brian Wise - Guide & Tyer

\$10 - Adults
\$5 - 12-17 Years
11 Years and Under Free

For more information contact:
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Three Rivers Fly Fishers - Fort Wayne, Indiana
Fly Tying • Education • Conservation

On February 17th, 2024, Three Rivers Fly Fishers will host their fly fishing and fly tying show in Fort Wayne.

Hours are 9 AM – 4 PM. Information is in the attached flyer.

2024 Northern Ohio Fly Fishing Expo – Saturday March 2nd 2024

North Coast Fly Fishers, the Cleveland-area fly fishing club will be hosting their show on March 2nd. Hours are 9 AM – 3 PM. Location is Lakeland Community College, Bldg. H, 7700 Clocktower Driver, Kirtland, OH 44094. The show has a schedule of seminars and fly tying demonstrations along with

vendors, exhibitors and other fly fishing clubs (including BUFF and the Ohio chapter of FFI). This will be the 21st year for this show.

Here is the list of presentations –

- Jerry Darkes – “Essential Flies for the Great Lakes Region – A Historic Look at Tiers & Their Flies”
- Gregg Elefterin – “Euro-Nymphing – How to Fish More Water Effectively”
- Jeff Liskay – “Roadmap to Success on Steelhead Alley”
- Kevin Ramsey – “Secrets of Northern Ohio’s Diverse Fishery”

Tying Demonstrations will be offered by Lance Kekel and Gary Begley

More info on this show, and a map are available on the North Coast Fly Fishers website – www.northcoastflyfishers.com.

Upcoming BUFF Activities

As we move into the Winter months, our outdoor activities have largely ended for the year. However, check the website and watch for e-mails for indoor classes activities which become available!

In-person activities require registration (online on club Website)

<u>Trip/Activity & Location</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Trip /Activity Coordinator</u>
Monthly Meeting Oasis Conference Center Loveland, OH	Wednesday, January 10 th 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM Sign up on Website	Hugh O’Donnell
Board of Directors Meeting Springdale Community Ctr	Wednesday, January 17 th 6:30 – 8:00 PM	Hugh O’Donnell
Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show Oasis Conference Center	Saturday, February 3 rd 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM Mark Your Calendars!	Bob Gustafson Bob Miller Ken Mandel Tom Bachey

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Directions to Oasis -

Take I-275 and exit at Wards Corner Road (Exit 54). Make the first right onto Loveland-Miamiville Road and follow this. The Oasis golf course will be on your left. At the Paxton Guinea Road crossing, turn left. The clubhouse/conference center and parking lot for the Oasis facility are on the left.

