



The **BUFFER**

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Notes from the President

Ken Dixon (krigidix@outlook.com)

This year's Fly Show is over and, from the reports I have seen, it was as successful as last year's show, which was the best in our history. We had great weather, wonderful presenters, good crowds and lots of vendors, most of whom were very happy with our Show. You are the reason this Show is so great. Thanks to our many volunteers on the Fly Show committee and those that help prepare, man and dismantle the show.

As winter breaks and March holds the promise of fishing to come, remember to check out your gear and load up your fly boxes. Ohio and Kentucky fishing licenses expired at the end of February, so remember to renew. Your Michigan and Indiana licenses are still good until April 1.

Our annual Banquet is fast approaching on March 19 at the Millrace Banquet Center in Winton Woods. Our Banquet Committee has been super busy pulling everything together for another great evening. There will be finger foods available throughout the evening, lots of items for raffle or silent auction, and we will be recognizing the many contributions made by members over the past year. There is still time to register but you need to act quickly. You can get a registration form by going to the BUFF website and clicking on the Link for the 2016 Banquet in the center of the Home Page.

At our February meeting, Dave LaDow announced he needed donations of flies for the New Member Fly Boxes. Take some time and tie several of your favorites and pass them along to Dave at the next meeting.

Advanced Fly Tying classes are currently underway. Each class addresses different flies or techniques so you can attend one, some or all the sessions as you desire. There is still room in the classes. If you would like to attend, sign up on-line.

Watch for upcoming classes on Fly Fishing 101 and Introduction to Fly Tying (a single evening event). Our Club trips will begin in March with the Otter Creek Trout Trip. Check out all the Club sponsored trips on our website.

Speaking of upcoming events, the Midwest Fly Fishing Show in Warren, Michigan is on March 12 & 13. Closer to home, the Three Rivers Fly Fishers will be hosting the Fort Wayne Fly Show on April 2. Then on June 11, The Ohio Council of the International Federation of Fly Fishers will be hosting its Warm Water Conclave in Bellville, Ohio. These are all great events and well worth your time to visit.

For those procrastinators among us, March is your last chance to pay your 2016 Club dues. After March 31, all those unpaid will be dropped from our rolls. If you then elect to rejoin, you will have to again pay the initiation fee as a new member. I would really hate to see you leave our organization. We have a lot of great presenters lined up for the year and a great selection of trips, classes and other events that you can enjoy.

As you know, I will be stepping down at the March Meeting and passing the torch to our new President, J. R. Jackson. I want to thank the other officers and directors of the Board for all their hard work over the last couple of years. To those Officers and Board members continuing to serve, to the new members of the Board and especially to J. R., I want to wish you the best. I have full faith that the Club will continue to move forward under your capable hands. And to the membership of the Club, I want to thank you for giving me the distinct honor of serving you as your President for the last two years.

Tight Lines.

2016 Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show Recap

Bob Gustafson j.r.gustafson@att.net

The 2016 Fly Fishing Show provided another lively boost for regional fly fishing interest and education during its recent exhibition at The Oasis in Loveland, drawing visitors from all over Ohio, and the neighboring states. Once again, the Cincy show drew rave comments from visitors and exhibitors alike.

By the numbers:

- 759 attendees (2nd highest in history)
- 62 exhibitors
- 13 presentations (several were standing room only)
- 5 tying clinic sessions
- Net profit of \$2456



Credit for the success goes to our incredible cast of volunteers. This year, 89 BUFF members (and friends of BUFF) provided the hospitality, friendly assistance, and enthusiasm to make the show work. The Cincy show has a growing reputation for providing beyond the expected help to our exhibitors and visitors to make their participation enjoyable. As usual, a number of our exhibitors were new to the Cincy show—drawn by word-of-mouth praise for the show from their peers. Thank you to all our volunteers!

Headliners Kelly Galloup and Mike Schmidt provided well attended presentations and tying demonstrations during the show and in lead-in tying clinics. Kelly's presentations at the show were both standing room only affairs.

The Fly Show committee plans a debrief session in the near future and will then get to work planning for the 2017 show, which will be Saturday, February 4, 2017 at The Oasis.

2016 Banquet

Todd McGarvey (tmcgarvey@cinci.rr.com)

Mark your Calendar! The Annual Buckeye United Fly Fishers Annual Cabin Fever Relief Banquet is on!

Saturday March 19th 2016

Mill Race Golf Club
1515 West Sharon Road
Cincinnati OH 45213
(513) 825-3770

Banquet Reservations	\$25.00
Raffle tickets	\$5.00
Grand Raffle tickets	\$10.00

6:00 Social Hour with Appetizers, Music and Cash Bar

7:30 Program Begins

10:00 Banquet Ends

The Banquet will mirror last year's event, however open seating. Please get your registration form to Jim and Cari Vota.

Hope to see you all there!

Otter Creek Trip – 2016

Randy Clark <rclark3056@msn.com>

It's the first trip of the year.

Otter Creek Trout Trip 2016 is now open for registration.

March 10 - 11 (Back-up Date March 17-18) this is a Thursday - Friday Trip.

Otter Creek is a heavily stocked trout stream near Louisville, KY. We will be staying in heated cabins in the State Recreation Area. Cost for Lodging will be divided by those attending estimated to be \$25.

This trip is perfect for new members and those new to Fly Fishing.

See complete details on equipment, driving directions, etc. on our BUFF web site under 2016 Trips.

Don't delay this trip fills up fast.

BUFF Women Fishing Events

Sue Jones jonesm4@miamioh.edu

We are planning four women's events for BUFF this spring and summer. There will be casting helpers at all the events and we hope to increase our women members who fish. Women should feel comfortable in this fishing environment with other women, some who are experts and some who are just beginning. We encourage all women to participate in these events. All women interested in learning to fly fish are welcome to come no matter what your ability. Club rods and flies will be available for anyone who needs them. We will start with a casting class, then bank fishing at a farm pond, and end with small stream fishing.

A women's casting clinic will be held before the April 13 regular BUFF meeting from 5-6:30 at the VOA Park. All women interested in learning to cast or just improving their casting are welcome to attend. We will have casting helpers for everyone.

On May 21 we will have a fishing morning in a Butler County farm pond near Oxford from 8:00-10:30. Come early or late. After fishing we will go out for brunch at the local Bob Evans. Helpers will be there for those who have little experience farm pond fishing. Rain day is May 22.

On June 18 we will have a fishing experience on slow moving water, probably Four Mile Creek near Oxford. We will start about 8:30 and go until 10:30 with brunch to follow. It is probably going to be warm enough for wet wading although if you have waders you may want to bring them. Rain day is June 19-yes I know it is Father's Day so hope it doesn't rain. This event depends on the water level in the stream.

On September 10 we will have another fishing experience on the water. After a summer of practice, we will try wading on a small stream. Rain date is September 11. Again, fishing will depend on the level of water in the streams.

Please check the BUFF website for trips to sign up. More complete information will follow about the farm pond and stream fishing.

CONTACT SUE JONES, jonesm4@miamioh.edu or 513-523-6523 for more information

LOGOWEAR SPECIAL EVENT

Sue Jones (jonesm4@miamioh.edu)

Our Logo wear vendor has agreed to print or embroider logos on garments that we already own for \$10. At the March 9 meeting you may bring ONE item that you already own to have printed or embroidered. You must attach to the garment: 1. Your name. 2. The logo desired and where it is to be placed. 3. A check made out for \$10 to "Lebowski Tees and Design" or \$10 cash. Sue Jones will take the items to the vendor to be "logoized" and return to you at the April meeting.

If you wish to have more items "logoized" you may make individual contact with the vendor (513-523-TEES or lebowskitees.com Attn: Jeremy) and provide your own shipping and or handling.

We will most likely do this again in August or September.

Please patronize our vendor if you need new t shirts, vests, fishing shirts, etc. He has given us great prices.

For questions contact Sue Jones at jonesm4@miamioh.edu

BUFF Garage Sale!

Edward Jones (jonesee@miamioh.edu)

Mark your calendar. On April 13, at the BUFF membership meeting, BUFF will be holding a "garage sale." BUFF owned fly fishing equipment has been accumulating over the years including some designated for education programs. Sale items will include rods, reels, vests, waders, boots, tying tools, streamside tools and more. They range from ancient to nearly new, a bit beat up to lightly used; and everything in between. Many of the items may have the greatest appeal to those new to fly fishing, those who would like to be adequately equipped on a budget, or anyone looking for some "back-up" equipment. Everything must go, because we are out of storage room. Proceeds will go to the BUFF general fund.

Please note that sale items will be BUFF property only. This is not a swap meet where members bring things to sell or trade. That opportunity will be sometime this summer.

March Meeting

Meeting Date, Wed. Mar. 9, 2016

March Speaker – Joe Corwell

Phil Pursley <phil.pursley@hotmail.com>

Our March speaker is a longtime friend of BUFF. Joe Corwell is a successful fly fisher, author, and webmaster for “Fly Fish Ohio”. Joe is a champion of fishing the streams in southwest Ohio. He is so knowledgeable of these waters and is the great supporter of our sport. Joe likes to fish, is good at fishing, and is happy to share his knowledge of fishing. My wife is not a fisher. However, the first time she heard Joe speak she said, “I think I want to buy a fly rod”. Bring your spouse, bring your kids to our March 9 meeting and be prepared to stop at a store on the way home to buy a fly rod or two.



Dinner Menu:

- ☐ Caesar Salad - Romaine lettuce with Caesar dressing, parmesan cheese, croutons
- ☐ Pork Loin

- ☐ Corned Beef and Cabbage
- ☐ Asparagus vegetable medley - Fresh cut
seasoned asparagus, broccoli, cauliflower, carrots
- ☐ Orange Pecan Wild Rice
- ☐ French Bread/Butter
- ☐ Whole baby potatoes tossed in butter and garlic

Dessert

- ☐ Assorted Pies

MARION THE LIBRARIAN

IT-SERVICE (hupp23@zoomtown.com)

There is one more chance to be made in the Bob Mackey Library. In the March club meeting Mike Redmond will be sworn in to sit on the Board of Directors and begin his responsibilities as Librarian. May you be as supportive of him as you have been of me. Much of the work of the library occurs “behind the scenes.” These are the many volunteers who have made it happen.

The Library Team consists of Tom Graler, Dick Weiss, Cas Denton and Josh Dinkelacker whose assistance is beyond value. In addition there are those who “transported” the library to and from the club meetings, Jeff McElravy, Jim Neckers, Gary Cummins, Tom Graler, Steve Bailey, Ed Jones and Mike Redmond. It could not happen without them. Ken Foltz was very patient as he was interrupted at club meetings with the summons, “The computer is down again.” Thanks Ken.

Four people stand out for their contributions in our “Team” effort. Don Kail put in many extra hours to write program for the catalogue, and frequently tutored me in how to make the program work. Thanks Don. Ken Dixon who listen to my proposals, critiqued them and backed me in every step. Thanks Ken. Tom Graler, who stepped up as soon as I was elected was the first to volunteer and took every step with me. Eileen Hupp, my wonderful spouse, whose career as librarian of an elementary school came to my rescue often. Eileen and Tom spent many hours conducting the inventory; placing bar codes and spine codes on library items; and arranged all the items in order on the shelves.

Please pat these club members on the back with a hardy “thank you.” They made a tremendous effort to provide the resources to make you a better angler.



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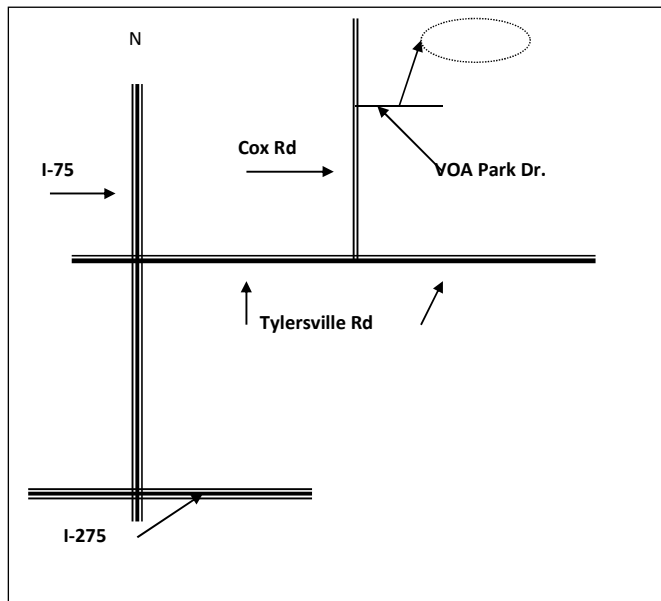
NOTICE: Dues are \$25 (Individual), \$30 (Family), with a onetime \$5 Initiation Fee for new members. New members will pay a prorated membership amount according to month of initial membership for the first year. Annual dues are due January 1. Refer to BUFF website for further information. B.U.F.F.,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

Mailing Address

Next Monthly Meeting – Wed. Mar 9, 2016

Call (513) 683-0286 or sign up on line at WWW.BUCKEYEFLYFISHERS.COM for reservations no later than midnight on the Sunday before the meeting. Dinners are \$15/person.

Sign up from the 20th of the December through the Sunday evening (1/17) before the monthly meeting!



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.