



The *BUFFER*

The Newsletter of Buckeye United Fly Fishers, Inc., Cincinnati, OH

Volume 28, Issue 5

Web site: <http://www.buckeyeflyfishers.com>

May 2004

Am I A Real Fisherman?

by: g.p.thurlow, FFF Clubwire

Returning through the office lobby with my fly rod, I am always asked for the score—"Catch anything?" The implication is that catching is what separates real fisherman from the daydreamers who flail a stick overhead while trying to avoid the passing hook. I wonder—what is a real fisherman? Do I fish enough and catch enough fish to qualify? Or is there some other magic measurement of a real fisherman—like, fish caught per hour spent.

Fishing is the act of seeking an elusive quarry. You don't have to catch fish to be fishing, since even the best efforts do not always generate bites. Sometimes the satisfaction of knowing you have chosen the right piece of water, the correct rod, the right size, color, and type of fly has to be enough. No points are awarded for color coordination of hat, shirt, vest, sunglasses strap, and the thread on a custom rod. Points are only awarded for seeking.

If fishing is the act of seeking, where does prep time fall? I am constantly tying flies, building rods, reading and scheming about fishing. Most of this activity will help me when I am on the water—but involve neither seeking nor catching. By reading about habitat, biology, travel adventures, or how to catch the quarry, I am increasing my knowledge and chances of catching fish on my next trip.

There is no magic measurement of being a fisherman—being a fisherman is not an act it's making a connection. A real fisherman has a sporting attitude and the ability to connect with fish, people, places and nature. Activities that build an understanding and knowledge of that connection build real fisherman. For me, it is the preparation time of fly tying, rod building, or reading about the quarry. However, there is no substitute for time spent on the water and yelling "fish-on, Capt'n" even if it is just another four inch bream on the office pond. So get out there while you still can!

May Meeting Program

Our May meeting will feature **Joe Cornwall**, a noted local angler, whose topic will be, "**Brood X, a Hatch 5 Billion Strong**". He will talk about the effect of the cicada hatch on area fishing opportunities, good places to fish the cicada emergence, and good flies to use. He experienced the hatch seventeen years ago, and has been anxiously awaiting their return.

Knot Tying: There will be a knot tying table set up at the next meeting for those who would like some help with fishing knots. Knot tying materials and some knot diagrams will be available to use.

Ken West

INDIAN HILL HIGH SCHOOL

We had another great time this year casting and tying flies at Indian Hill High School. Thanks to Lou Haynes who lead the casting, and to Bill Schobel who lead the fly tying.

Ken West

PARKY'S FARM

On April 16th we had our first field trip day at Parky's Farm. Thanks to all who helped, Lou Haynes, Bill Schobel, Bruce James, Jim and Jeremy Hampton. Everyone had a great time, but some better than others. Lou's granddaughter Loren [age 5] caught the biggest bass in the pond [18 or 19 inches as best we can tell] . Plenty of excitement but just as the camera was found the thing got off!!! There were several witnesses though that survived the event, but no picture. Next time we will be ready.

Success at Rockwell Springs

Lee Chambers

Seven BUFF members were privileged to fish at the Rockwell Spring Trout Club and to tie 8 different flies under the expert tutelage of Chris Helm, Wayne Samson and Glenn Weisner in the Toledo area last weekend. We fished at The Rockwell Springs Club (near Fremont Ohio). This is a terrific facility that was developed over a 100 years ago. A private spring feeds the meandering stream that passes through 40 acres of the main property. Brookies, browns, rainbows and tiger trout were caught (and released). Midges, scuds, beetles, woolybuggers, some top water and many other patterns were successful. The weather was near perfect Sat. and fishing was more than successful for all at this amazing facility.

Chris Helm hosted the tying session at his home in Toledo on Sun. His fly shop (White Tail Fly Tying Supplies) and teaching area is second to none. (I have never seen anything quite like his set up). We tied a humpy, a Wuff variation, a minnow-fry pattern, a soft hackle, a sulfur emerger, a beetle, and 2 midge patterns. This is a terrific trip that most any member should enjoy. Members attending this year were: Jeff McElravy, Bill Schroeder, Tom Baker, Dirk Commandeur, Lou Haynes, Mike Bryant and Lee Chambers. Tom Herr of Bass Pro was

FFF News – Great Lakes Council

The GLC Fly Fishing School and Conclave will take place on June 18-20, 2004. The event is held at the R.A. MacMullen Conference Center located on the north side of Higgins Lake near Roscommon and Grayling, Michigan. The event kicks off on Friday at 1:00 p.m. and runs through Sunday morning. They have programs and workshops on casting, Spey Casting, warm water fly fishing, saltwater fly fishing, beginning fly tying and fly fishing for trout. There are events for beginners, intermediate, and advance fly fishing anglers alike. Several of their classes include on-stream instruction - with prior registration. Fly tying workshops will conducted by instructors like Dennis Potter, Jeff Andrews and Julie Nielsen. In the evening, there are several Fishing opportunities in the area, including the AuSable, the Manistee the nearby Wakely Lake. A special program will be held at 4 p.m. on Friday on where to fish and they offer to match you up with a fishing partner if you desire. There will be an FFF casting instructor's course on Friday conducted by Bruce Richards, followed by certification examinations on Saturday. I will be attempting to get my certification; I would like to invite any other's interested in seeking this certification to join me and perhaps we can practice together. In any case I would urge any interested Buffer to attend this GLC Conclave. Last year I took my son to this event, and we truly had a fabulous time. It's a great event, in a great location with a lot of very friendly people. So pencil it in and plan to come. You can obtain more information and registration forms at their website www.fffglc.org.

Monthly Raffles

Jim Hampton

Thanks again to everyone that supports our club by participating in the raffle drawings. When you purchase a raffle ticket, you are the winner even if your number doesn't get drawn. Proceeds from the raffle allow our club to continue with its conservation, education and outreach efforts.

Also I would like to send out a huge THANK YOU to those who donate items to use in the monthly raffle drawings. These generous donations allow us raffle very nice items or groups of items for monthly prizes.

Our April monthly raffle winners were:

Grand prizewinner –Bill Fischer won the White River Sport Pontoon Boat

Second place prizewinner –Tom Klayer won the Memory Maker Combo – Wood pencil with fish clip donated by **Gary Cummins**, shadow box picture frame, fly fishing journal, A waterproof disposable camera! (Affectionately known as a De-liar)

Third place prizewinner –Lou Haynes won the 16-piece Trout dinnerware set

Hatch of the Month

The April meeting Hatch of the Month was very successful; once again I was surprised when I did the ticket count to determine the number of flies. I was very pleased with the final count of **62 Flies and 44 dollars. Congratulations to Jerry Schatzman Our Hatch of the Month Winner!** Jerry won all 62 flies and half the money! Jerry said he could use several of the flies on his upcoming Nantahala trip. Tight Lines Jerry!!! Jerry also donated his share of the Hatch of the Month money to the Casting For Recovery fund. Thanks for your generosity, Jerry.

I hope that everyone brings a few flies to next months meeting for The Hatch of the Month drawing. If you don't tie flies don't forget that it only takes a dollar or two to be a part of the fun.

Starting with the May meeting we will be having special raffle for a **Sage Fly Rod**. The rod has the BUFF emblem on it and is "quite a catch". This raffle will be going on through the summer and more details will be provided at the May meeting. You'll get to see the rod at the monthly meetings and other events. I'm really excited about this special raffle as I'm sure you will be as well.

In Search of the Bronze Backs Elkhorn Trip - Frankfort KY June 3, 4 & 5

Don Hogue

Last Chance!!! If you still want to go on the Elkhorn trip for smallmouth bass, you must do two things.

1. **Contact the Elkhorn Camp ground 1-502-695-9154 and reserve either a camp space or a tent space.** There will be two tents on a space. \$18.00 for each tent or camper per night. The deadline to hold the spots for us is May 1st. After that, you takes your chances. **CALL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.** There is good fishing at the campground as well as up stream. All fishing is within 8 miles of the campground. Meet Friday morning at the campground at 7:30 a.m. to be matched up with a mentor. Access point are few and far between. Respect the farmers' property. If you prefer a motel - Blue Grass Inn on Versailles Road 1 (502)-695-1800.

2. **Contact Don Hogue Thesputzer@aol.com or 513-231-4852.** Fill out a registration form and a club trip waiver form. Let him know if you want a breakfast Saturday morning 7:30 a.m. - \$2.00 and /or a supper Saturday night 7:00 p.m. \$8.00. Don will have your packets and Name Tag at the May meeting or at the campground June 3, 2004.

THE EDUCATION CORNER

Lou Haynes

Catch and Release:

With the fishing season now in full swing it's a good time to review catch and release procedures. Joan Wulff sites the following five rules for proper release of a fish you don't plan to keep:

Play the fish in quickly; don't play the fish to exhaustion!

Use a soft, knotless landing net!

Hold the fish firmly along the back behind the gills and turn it upside down when removing the hook!

Don't try to remove a swallowed hook, simply cut the leader close to the mouth!

Keep the fish in the water as much of the time as possible!

BEGINNERS FLY TYING

Ken West

Thanks to all the people who helped with the beginners fly tying. I hope that all who took the class gained something that will help you become a better tyer in the future.

To all of the helpers, thanks for giving of your time. Jerry Brothers, Bob Miller, Bob Jones, Jim LeBlond, Lou Haynes, Jeff McElravy, Gary Begley, Jim Hampton.

To all who taught the classes, I think everyone enjoyed learning a different technique at every class. Thanks to: Jane Cook who taught about feathers and hooks, as well some new ways to tie some old flies; Gary Begley; who taught us about foam, as well as some great patterns; Jim Hampton, who covered three different flies as well as how to rig up a two fly set up for fishing; Mike Bryant, who taught us two patterns for streamers as well as some great techniques for tying them; and Jeff McElravy, who taught us about dubbing and also answered that age old question, YES; YOU CAN BLEND SQUIRREL FUR IN A COFFEE GRINDER.

Fishing Has No Boundries

Fishing Has No Boundaries is a non-profit organization dedicated to opening the great outdoors through the world of fishing to physically and mentally challenged individuals of all ages.

Just a reminder that the Fishing Has No Boundries event is May 15-16, 2004 at Cowan Lake State Park. If you know someone who is interested in attending they can get the information from the BUFF website or visit www.fhnbcinti.com.

If you were at the April club meeting you heard about a wonderful charter on Lake Erie that was generously donated to help raise money for FHNB. This is an 8-hour Actual Fishing Time charter for up to six people on the Reel Bad Habit Boat Captained by Dick Horstman.

FHNB is only selling 500 tickets so you have a great chance of winning. Of course it only takes one ticket to be the winner. Winner will be chosen On May 16th up at the event. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Contact Debbie Hampton or Lou Haynes if you are interested in getting your raffle tickets. This would make a fun outing for a family or even as a business outing. ~~Tickets will be available at the May Monthly BUFF Meeting.~~

PUBLIC ACCESS TO FISHABLE STREAMS

What Can *Brown* Do For Me? A Legal Perspective by Bill Schroeder

I have been asked to provide a perspective on public access to fishable waters in Ohio. The main interest seems to lie in whether or not a fisherman has a legal right to access a stream from a bridge, overpass or adjoining right of way to fish that stream, and the extent to which that right may be limited by the fact that there is private ownership, a) of the stream banks on both sides, or b) of the stream banks on both sides and the land beneath the flowing stream. In Ohio and other states, it is quite common to have private ownership of the land beneath a stream or river.

As is often the case, there is no absolute black and white answer. The answer necessarily involves an interpretation of the particular facts and circumstances and the case law. It may vary depending on the location, the circumstances, and the interpretation given by local and state enforcement authorities. What follows is my view of the current state of the law.

Executive Summary: If a stream is navigable in fact (including usable by canoes and small craft for recreational purposes, but not including small, shallow non-navigable tributaries), it is considered public water in the State of Ohio. That means there is a public right or easement to use the waters *for navigation* and related recreational use, even though the banks on both sides, and the land beneath the flowing stream are under private ownership. However, private ownership of the banks of a navigable may limit or preclude public access over the private land that is not within the easement. Therefore, a person who walks over privately owned land to access or leave a stream might be a trespasser, if he does not have the permission of the private owner. Access to streams may be had at bridges where the public right-of-way includes the road and surrounding and supporting embankments that lead directly to the stream. Once an angler gains access to the navigable stream, he must keep in mind that while use of the stream itself may be within the public easement, the banks remain private. Therefore, climbing out of the stream onto the banks, to rest or to circumvent a deep hole or swift current might be a trespass, if the banks and the area traversed are privately owned.

The case of *State ex rel Brown vs. Newport Concrete Company*, (44 Ohio App.2d 121) summarizes the law regarding navigability and public use of Ohio streams. It also addresses the question of what is “navigability”, which is the key factor in determining whether a stream is public or private. The *Brown* case reviews and discusses earlier Ohio case law dealing with public navigable waterways, which flow across private property. It also reviews case law on what determines whether or not a stream is navigable. The earlier cases held that a stream is navigable if it is either used or capable of being used for navigation which is connected with commerce. More recent cases have eliminated the “commerce” requirement, and include recreational use as well. *Brown* holds that modern utilization of waterways by citizens requires a liberal interpretation of navigability to include their recreational use as well as the more traditional criteria of commercial use. Hence, *Brown* establishes the right of public use for a waterway, which is either actually or potentially used for navigation, including recreational use. *Brown* also holds that the State of Ohio holds the waters of the Little Miami River in trust for the people of Ohio and for all Ohioans who wish to use this stream for all legitimate uses, be they commercial, transportation, or recreation.

Because the definition of public versus private hinges on navigability, and because the early cases, including Federal cases hold that the public easement is for navigation, a strict and limited interpretation of the case law could arguably conclude that “*legitimate uses*” should be tied to navigation. I know of no specific Ohio case holding that a “legitimate use” of the public navigation easement over a navigable stream flowing across privately owned land includes wading the stream for the purpose of fishing, unassociated with the use of a watercraft. However, in my opinion that is a logical extension of the language of *Brown*. Without that logical extension, the public easement is arguably for navigation, not for wading, which is not associated with a watercraft. However, as a practical matter, if wading in a stream for fishing associated with a canoe, kayak or float tube is a “legitimate use” of the public easement (reasoning that since fisherman using kayaks and canoes may often beach their craft, or drag them over shallow waters or riffles) then wading and fishing without an associated watercraft should also be a legitimate public use, there being no significant distinction.

Continued on page 6

Casting For Recovery News

Debbie Hampton

The weekend of April 17th the CFR committee received some training from Susan Balch of the National CFR group. It was a great weekend and really made two things very clear. First there is a lot to be done and second we are on the right track.

I want to thank the committee for giving up their precious weekend. It was a beautiful one and Patti Howell was kind enough to let us utilize the clubhouse at Landen Lake which gave us a great view while working (not to mention the great food!!).

Susan gave a small group some casting instruction on Sunday that really gave us some insight into the special needs of the women who will be attending the retreat. Jim Leblond is going to head up the river helper volunteers. Thanks for taking this task on, Jim.

As many of you know the cost to cover one attendee for the weekend is \$750. We currently have 3 women covered at \$2250. We have several irons in the fire, but are still waiting on some responses.

We have 10 women in the database to attend the retreat, but this weekend at the Race for a Cure we gave out 500 flyers to breast cancer survivors in their information bag. Hopefully, this will lead to many of them turning in their application.

As the club membership and many outside individuals and business have helped with the money raised to date, we still have a long way to go. At the club meeting Jim Leblond had some letters that you could utilize to approach your employer about possibly providing funds to host one of the 14 attendees. Mr. Panfalone has this letter posted under the CFR section of the website. Also, if you have any forms that need to be completed, you may bring those to the club meeting, or, if they are in an electronic form, feel free to e-mail them to me, and I will complete them and return to you for your signature, and you can then turn them in to your employer. This is a great way to help support this event.

*Remember this is a way to provide a weekend for these women **a chance to share, laugh, vent and rejuvenate.***

Public Access, *Continued from previous page*

It should be remembered that the question of navigability remains a question of fact. That means that while the Little Miami River, or the Madd River, or Twin Creek may be navigable in fact, small, shallow, non-navigable tributaries which flow into them may not. It should also be remembered that local sheriffs, prosecutors, and judges may not share my view that wading and fishing a stream is a "legitimate activity" encompassed within traditional notions of navigation, even when there is no watercraft involved. Therefore, a citation to court for trespassing might result from a complaint by a private property owner against the fisherman who is wading without any kind of watercraft. Such a citation would have to be defended on the "natural and logical extension" to include wading and fishing as a "legitimate activity" even if the stream is a navigable public stream. Since navigability is a question of fact, it may also be necessary to prove that the stream is navigable as part of the defense to a charge of trespassing.

Note: Bill Schroeder is an avid fly fisherman, a member of BUFF, a practicing attorney, and Adjunct Professor of Law at the UC College of Law and the Chase College of Law at NKU. The views expressed in this article are his own. They are general, and not to be relied upon as legal advice or guidance for any particular person or situation. The intent is to provide a general overview that is not to be relied upon to govern or predict the outcome in any specific case.



2004 Calendar of Events

MAY

- May 6 **Lie & Tie West** 7-9 pm General fly tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor World.
- May 7 **Parky's Field Trip Day**
- May 8 **Beginning Casting Class** Dave Uckotter
- May 12 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Raffel's on Reading Rd. Social and education hour 6 pm
- May 14 **Parky's Field Trip Day**
- May 16 **Beginning Casting Class** Dave Uckotter
- May 19 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Outdoor World Members welcome
- May 21 **Parky's Field Trip Day**
- May 22 **Day Trip Brookville Tailwaters**
- May 22 **Women's Only Intro. To Fly Fishing,** Dave Uckotter
- May 23 **Beginning Casting Class** Dave Uckotter
- May 23 **Fishing w/ Big Brothers & Sisters**
- May 26 **Lie & Tie East** Batavia Presbyterian Ch. 7-9 pm General fly tying and storytelling

JUNE

- Jun 2 **Lie & Tie West** 7-9 pm General fly tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor World
- Jun 2 – 6 **Elkhorn Trip**
- Jun 9 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Raffel's on Reading Rd. Social and education hour 6 pm
- Jun 12 **City of Mason Fishing Program**
- Jun 16 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Outdoor World Members welcome
- Jun 19 **Day Trip Ohio Brush Creek**
- Jun 23 **Lie & Tie East** Batavia Presbyterian Ch. 7-9 pm General fly tying and storytelling
- Jun 26 **Parky's Farm Fishing Program Family Day**
- TBD **The Wilds Trip**

JULY

- Jul 1 **Lie & Tie West** 7-9 pm General fly tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor World
- Jul 10 **Day Trip Twin Creek**
- Jul 11 **Beginning Casting Class** Dave Uckotter
- Jul 14 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Little Miami Canoe Park Social and education hour 6 pm
- Jul 17 **Women in Outdoors w/Bass Pro - Colerain Twp.**
- Jul 18 **Beginning Casting Class** Dave Uckotter
- Jul 21 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Outdoor World Members welcome
- Jul 25 **Beginning Casting Class** Dave Uckotter
- Jul 28 **Lie & Tie East** Batavia Presbyterian Ch. 7-9 pm General fly tying and storytelling

AUGUST

- Aug 5 **Lie & Tie West** 7-9 pm General fly tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor World
- Aug 14 **BUFF Picnic** Little Miami Canoe Park
- Aug 14 **Day Trip** on Little Miami River
- Aug 18 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Outdoor World Members welcome
- Aug 21 **Little Miami Program** –Nisbet Park
- Aug 25 **Lie & Tie East** Batavia Presbyterian Ch. 7-9 pm General fly tying and storytelling
- Aug 27 – 29 **Casting for Recovery Retreat**
- Aug 29 **Casting Instructor Class**

SEPTEMBER

- Sep 2 **Lie & Tie West** 7-9 pm General fly tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor World
- Sep 3 **Parky's Farm Field Trip Day**
- Sep 8 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Raffel's on Reading Rd. Social and education hour 6 pm
- Sep 10 **Parky's Farm Field Day**
- Sep 11 **Parkey's Farm Fishing Program Family Day**
- Sep 12 **Casting Instructor Class**
- Sep 15 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Outdoor World Members welcome
- Sep 17 **Parky's Farm Field Trip Day**
- Sep 18 **Day Trip Little Darby**
- Sep 19 **Casting Instructor Class**
- Sep 22 **Lie & Tie East** Batavia Presbyterian Church 7-9 p m General fly tying
- Sep 24 **Parky's arm Field Trip Day**
- Sep 25 **Green Acres Foundation Family Day** On Little Miami River
- Sep 26 **Casting Instructor Class**
- Sep 29 – Oct 1 **Fall Salmon Trip**

OCTOBER

- Oct 3 **Casting Instructor Class**
- Oct 7 **Lie & Tie West** 7-9 pm General fly tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor World
- Oct 8 – 10 **Roger Lowe Trout Trip**
- Oct 8 **Parky's Farm Field Trip Day**
- Oct 13 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Raffel's on Reading Rd. Social and education hour 6 pm
- Oct 15 **Advanced Tying Class**
- Oct 16 **Day Trip Mad River**
- Oct 20 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Outdoor World Members welcome
- Oct 22 **Advanced Tying Class**
- Oct 27 **Lie & Tie East** Batavia Presbyterian Church 7-9 pm General fly tying and storytelling.
- Oct 29 **Advanced Tying Class**
- Oct 30-31 **Rockwell Springs fishing trip**

NOVEMBER

- Nov 4 **Lie & Tie West** 7-9 pm General fly tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor World
- Nov 4 – 7 **Arkansas Red River Trip**
- Nov 10 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** , 7-9 pm Raffel's on Reading Rd Social hour 6 pm
- Nov 17 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Outdoor World Members welcome

DECEMBER

- Dec 2 **Lie & Tie West** 7-9 pm General fly tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor World
- Dec 8 **BUFF Monthly Meeting** , 7-9 pm Raffel's on Reading Rd Social hour 6 pm
- Dec 15 **BUFF Board Meeting** 7 – 9 pm Outdoor World Members welcome



115 East Union St.
Morganton, NC 28655

(828) 430-3593

www.wnctrout.com

Scott Cunningham
Lead Guide
(828) 674-5226

KRISPY KREME DOUGHNUTS

Doughnuts & Coffee
Since 1937

Shops in
Eastgate (Cincinnati), OH
Florence, KY
Kettering, OH
Lexington, KY
Louisville, KY
and
other locations
throughout the area!

MAY MENU

Country Fried Chicken

BBQ Ribs

Whipped Potatoes

½ Ear Corn on the Cob

Creamy Cole Slaw

Buttermilk Biscuits

Assorted Cheese Cakes

4/2004 B.U.F.F. Financial Report
(rounded to dollar amount)

Receipts	
Membership	\$975
Monthly Dinner	\$910
Raffle	\$500
Hatch of the Month	\$44
Total	\$2429
Disbursements	
Calendar	\$20
Membership	\$87
Secretary	\$20
Gift Certificate	\$25
Computer	\$1944
Newsletter	\$222
Clermont Co. Park	\$50
Monthly Dinner	\$920
Women's Casting	\$44
Vises	\$55
Total Expenses	\$3386
Ending Checkbook Balance	\$18,460
Petty Cash	\$100
CD	\$5000

Year 2004 Key Positions

- | | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Mike Bryant | Future Leaders
Fly Fishing Show
FFF-OSC Director |
| Debbie Hampton | Dinner Admin./
Reservations
Outreach Co-coord. |
| Tony Kalbli | Casting |
| Jim LeBlond | Intermediate Casting
Coordinator |
| Dave Uckotter | Beginning Casting
Coordinator |
| Open | Fly Tying |
| Bill Fischer | Club Mail |
| Jim Boude | Hart Show |
| Jim Hampton | Monthly Raffles |
| Lou Haynes | Club Assets Owner
Fishing Show
Advertising
FFF-OSC Director |
| Open | Club Historian |
| Don Prince | Club
Health/Recognition |
| Patti Howell | Outreach Co- coord. |
| Don Hogue | Membership Health |
| Steve Lilly | Program Support |
| Open | Fly Fishing Show
Chair – Fly Tying |
| Open | Fly Fishing Show
Chair – Exhibitors |
| Debbie Hampton
Patti Howell | Banquet |

Please note that there are open positions!! If you would like to get more involved, volunteer for a job!!!

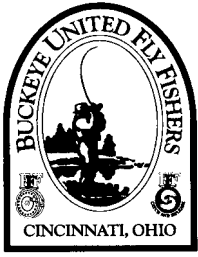
Year 2004 Officers and Directors

- | | |
|-------------|---|
| Mike Bryant | President 697-9576
Fly Fishing Show
mjbryant@email.com |
| Don Prince | Vice President 398-0921
rxp46@hotmail.com |
| Nan Shirley | Secretary 947-9005
nshirley@earthlink.net |
| Don Hogue | Treasurer 231-4852
thesputzer@aol.com |

- +++++
- | | |
|----------------|--|
| Jon Kennard | Buffer 732-1799
jonkennard@fuse.net |
| Joe Panfalone | Webmaster
Panfalone@fuse.net |
| Joe Guenther | Trips 724-6343
josephguenther@msn.com |
| Patti Howell | Dir. At Large 683-7138
powell@fuse.net |
| Jim LeBlond | Dir. At Large 561-8957
Intermediate Casting |
| Dave Jones | Membership 825-7174
jones.a.dr@worldnet.att.net |
| Tom Baker | Education 697-7342
tombaker237@hotmail.com |
| Ken West | Education 726-6253
terrywest@fuse.net |
| Lou Haynes | Education 777-4854
bdhaynes@one.net |
| Jim Hampton | Education 779-4349 |
| Debbie Hampton | Outreach 779-4349
flyfisher@zoomtown.com |
| Steve Groome | Dir . at Large 683-5601
steven.groome@lexisnexis.com |
| Lee Chambers | Programs 522-6174
leeandsue@aol.com |
| Bob Mackey | Librarian 831-4180
rmackey@cinci.rr.com |
| Tom Dressman | Conservation 831-6504
tdressman02@sprintpcs.com |

River Coordinators

- | | |
|-------------|--|
| Dave French | Brookville 829-1226
david@david-french.com |
| Nick Rizzo | Mad River 937-291-0687
macriz@sbcglobal.net |
| Jon Kennard | East Fork 732-1799
Jonkennard@fuse.net |

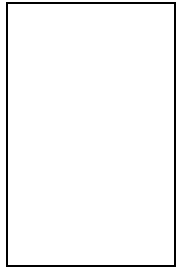


The *BUFFER*

The Newsletter of Buckeye United Fly Fishers, Inc.

P. O. Box 42614

Cincinnati, OH 45242



A Non-Profit, Tax-Exempt, Charitable Corporation

FIRST CLASS MAIL

NOTICE: Please check dues expiration date on lower right corner of mailing label. If dues have expired, please remit \$25.00 for an Individual Membership or \$30.00 for a Family Membership to B. U.F.F., P.O. Box 42614, Cincinnati, OH 45242

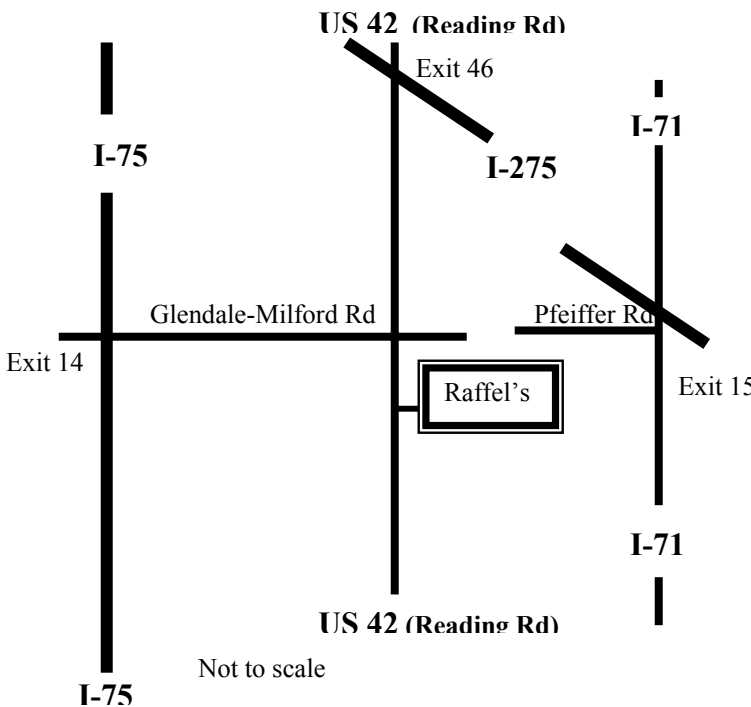
Mailing Address

Inside this Issue

Am I A Real Fisherman.....	1
Success at Rockwell Springs.....	2
FFF News – Great Lakes Council.....	2
Monthly Raffles.....	3
In Search of Bronze Backs.....	3
The Education Corner.....	4
Beginners Fly Tying.....	4
Fishing Has No Boundries.....	4
Public Access to Fishable Streams.....	5
Casting For Recovery News.....	6
2004 Calendar of Events.....	7
B.U.F.F. Directors & Key Positions List, & Financials.....	8

Next Monthly Meeting – Wednesday -- May 12

CALL 779-4489 OR SIGN UP ON LINE AT WWW.BUCKEYEFLYFISHERS.COM FOR DINNER RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN 10 PM ON THE SUNDAY BEFORE THE NEXT MEETING. DINNERS ARE \$10.00/PERSON FOR A CATERED MEAL. DOORS OPEN FOR SOCIAL HOUR AT 6 PM – DINNER SERVED A 7 PM. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED – DON'T WAIT – CALL NOW! (SEE THE MENU ON PAGE 7)



Directions:

From I-275 – Take Exit 46, (US 42), south for three miles to Glendale-Milford Rd. -- Continue south and RAFFEL'S will be on the left approximately 3/10 mile.

From I-75 -- Take Exit 14, east, on Glendale-Milford Rd. until the intersection of US 42, (Reading Rd). Turn right (south) on US 42, and RAFFEL'S will be on the left approximately 3/10 mile.

From I-71 -- Take Exit 15, west, Pfeiffer Rd. & this becomes Glendale-Milford Rd.. At the intersection of US 42, (Reading Rd), turn left, (south) on US 42, and RAFFEL'S will be on the left approximately 3/10 mile.