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# **President's Corner**

Mike Bryant (mjbryant@email.com)

**Giving Back** - As we enter the fall season, we will begin discussing the revitalization of our conservation efforts. Over the last few months, a committee has met several times to define our role and strategies in the field of conservation. From this work, we have an outline of a plan that we will discuss at the October meeting. Key principles of the plan include maintaining strong links to fly fishing (B.U.F.F. is first and foremost a fly fishing organization), providing opportunities for our membership to learn and raise awareness, and to start in small, manageable steps. The committee recommended that the focus in 2005 - 2006 be on the Great Miami River. We'll provide additional details in the future, but our efforts will include a multiple fishing trips on the GMR watershed as a way for our members to learn new waters and to discover the issues facing this significant river (and tributaries) in our own backyard. The committee received strong support of the plan from the Board of Directors.

It's hard to believe, but the election for next year's B.U.F.F. Officers and Board of Directors is right around the corner (December meeting). At the October and November meetings, we will be discussing the opportunities to volunteer.

**Education** – B.U.F.F.'s Advanced Fly Tying Course will start on October 28 and will include four classes teaching different patterns and techniques. This is a great opportunity for those of you who want to advance and improve your tying skills. There is no charge for B.U.F.F. members.

**Having Fun** – By the time this article is distributed, the fall salmon trip and Rockwell trout trip will be history. But the fall North Carolina trout trip and the Little Red River (Arkansas) trout trip are still ahead us. There's still time to sign up if you are interested. And the fall steelhead runs in northern Ohio and Pennsylvania are just around the corner. It's a great time of the year to be out on the water and outdoors. I hope you have the opportunity to do some fishing. Take advantage of our educational programs and consider volunteering some of your time and talents. I'll see you at the October meeting.

## **October Meeting Program**

**Dennis TenWolde, Executive Director and Watershed Coordinator for the Little Miami River Partnership**, will provide a presentation on the health of the Todd's Fork watershed, part of the Little Miami River watershed. He will focus on the biological and chemical conditions of the streams, State of Ohio standards used in determining the health of a stream, and future plans to help protect and conserve the Todd's Fork watershed. Time will be provided to answer questions about any type of water-related environmental questions the audience may have.

See more information on page

# The 2005 Michigan Salmon Run/Hunt!

## Patti Howell

Well, despite the late salmon run this year, we were still able to hook 'em, play 'em, land 'em and eat 'em!! Mother Nature definitely challenged us with the lack of rain and higher than normal water & air temperatures this Fall, therefore, the hunt was on for the early arrivals upstream. With great stealth, we found them, and then all the excitement began. What a blast it is to hook up with a massive King Salmon! The power of their run is intensely exhilarating. (That alone is worth the cost of the trip!) I was down to the backing on every hook-up...it was absolutely awesome!

As always, the "usual suspects" caught the most fish. You know who I mean, Guenther, Corrado, Schatzman, Hampton, James and a few others. Joe G. gave me some of his take, which has already been consumed as Grilled Lemon-Ginger Michigan Salmon. Yummy!

The accommodations at Barothy's and the catered dinners and scrumptious desserts (our original caterer is back!) were wonderful. **We have some GREAT news!!!** After many, many years of pleading and waiting, we finally got a third cabin for our Fall Salmon Trip. It was ultra-sheer luck!! We now have room for 12 more BUFF members! Since this is such a popular trip, the sign-up sheet will be available at every monthly dinner meeting, until March, when payment in full is due. The price will be around \$337 which includes 5 nights at Barothy's and 3 dinners. The date for next year is: arrive on Sunday, 9/17/06 and depart on Friday, 9/22/06. Sign Me Up!!!

## **Sixth Annual Fly Tying Expo**

The Great Lakes Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers will host the 6th Annual Fly Tying Exposition at the Ingham County Fairgrounds in Mason, Michigan on Saturday, December 3, 2005. The expo will be open to the public from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Over 100 tiers will be on hand this year to demonstrate their fly tying skills. We are pleased to announce Royce Dam from Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, will be joining us this year as one of our featured tiers. Royce is a master fly tyer with over fifty years of fly tying experience, and is the 1994 Federation of Fly Fishers Buz Buszek Award recipient. The Buszek Award is the Federation's most prestigious fly tying award. Royce will be joined by Buszek Award recipients Jeff ABear@ Andrews and Chris Helm. Returning talents also include Dennis Potter, Rusty Gates, Ray Schmidt, Dick Walle, Julie Nielsen and may others.

Fly tiers will be tying a vast selection of patterns including trout flies, bass bugs, saltwater flies, streamers, emergers, dries, wets, and others. Once again, tiers will have the opportunity to sell their flies and fly tying associated goods from their table. The area for vendors will be greatly expanded with vendors offering a wide variety of fly tying, fly fishing and related products.

A number of events will be featured throughout the day including door prizes, silent auctions, bucket raffle, and a live auction during the lunch hour. There will also be an instruction table for individuals to tie their first fly.

There is a modest admission fee for the event: \$9.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 13-18; children 12 and under are free. Contact Dorothy Schramm to nominate a tier for the event at (231) 869-54876 or jdschramm@oceana.net. Visit the GLC website for the latest information at www.fffglc.org.

# THE LOWDOWN ON HIGH TEMPS

#### By Lee Weil - Taken from Long Island Flyrodders newsletter - FFF Affiliated Club

As the summer progresses and the water temperatures rise, we, as anglers, are presented with certain problems relating to the successful catch and release of our trout. Unfortunately, many of the anglers I see on the river are not aware of the damage they do. Just recently, I overheard an "experienced angler" advise a novice who had hooked a good sized fish, to "play him for awhile and let him get good and tired". The air temp was 92; the water 68, and the fish's chance for survival close to zero. When I see this sort of thing being passed on as instruction it is apparent that many of us need to become better educated.

Hot weather not only affects the water temperature, it also causes a decline in oxygen available to fish. That is why you will see fish congregating around feeders, spring holes and spillways. These fish are trying their best to survive, and to target them at these areas during the summer months is unethical and unsportsmanlike. They have no other option but to put themselves in the only place they can receive oxygen and cooler water, while making themselves more vulnerable to predators and anglers. The last thing they need is to be hooked and stressed, which totally depletes their limited energy and resources. The fish may swim away sluggishly, but it's more than likely it will go belly up and become seagull food in short order.

There are several things we can do to increase survival rates for trout during the hot months. One option is to forego fishing for trout and turn your attention to the warm water species, such as bass, pickerel and blue gills. Not only are you giving the trout a break, but you will be pleasantly surprised how much fun it is to fight a bull bluegill on a 4 weight. After all, who wants to eat hamburgers all year?

Tailwater fisheries will provide cooler, better oxygenated water, which will enable to fish to recover more quickly after being fought. Targeting these waters will not only give your fish a better survival rate, but will also provide better fishing. Still, you should be sure to do as much as possible to protect and revive your trout. Use the heaviest tippet you can, and play the fish quickly. This is the one time of year I do use a net for big fish, simply because I can get them under control to unhook them faster. Remove the hook while the fish is in the net, and then cradle it until you feel it can maintain a vertical position. Once it is using it's tail to hold itself upright you can ease the net out from under it and then support it till it swims out of your hands. This may take a few minutes, especially if the fish fought hard and is fatigued. But think about this, isn't that a small price to pay for knowing you've done your job as a responsible angler to assure that twenty-incher will survive to thrill I someone else on day ?

#### **October Meeting Program...continued from page 1**

The Little Miami River Partnership is a non-profit organization dedicated to protecting and conserving the Little Miami River watershed through community involvement. The primary focus of the organization is to develop environmental plans, partners, and projects, to act as a facilitator, and to help develop other environmental organizations capacity to undertake environmental work. Dennis TenWolde has a Bachelors in Biology from the University of Michigan, a Masters in Resource Development from Michigan State University, and has worked on watershed issues for the last 8 years for the USDA in Ohio and Michigan Sea Grant in Michigan.

## **New Members**

Please welcome new members Bill and Donna Schroeder to the club. We all know how anxious we were when we first joined, so go the extra mile at the next club meeting to introduce yourself and make them feel welcomed.

## **Smoky Mountain Trout Trip**

## Waynesville, N.C.

## guided by

## **Roger Lowe and his Staff**

## **October 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>, 2005**

## **Don Prince**

#### The Plan:

Travel to Waynesville, NC on Tuesday October 25<sup>th</sup>, fish all day on Wednesday and Thursday with the guides from Lowe Fly Shop. This schedule allows us to fish during the week with less local competition on the water.

We will be fishing some TU private water on the East Branch of the Pigeon River, public water on the West Branch of the Pigeon, and possibly the Davidson River. Also, for those of you wishing to come a day early, or stay a day late, the Nantahala River is not too far away.

We will meet at the Lowe Fly Shop at 8 AM each morning. If possible, please try to purchase your N.C. fishing license in advance so that we minimize any delays at the shop. Please support Lowe Fly Shop with your purchases as much as you can, but be quick about it when we are all preparing to go fishing. We will use our own vehicles to get to the rivers each day.

- <u>The Costs</u>: Travel expenses (food, gasoline, etc.) are the responsibility of each individual. Carpoolers should make their own arrangements to share their costs as appropriate.
- **Deposit:** A \$100 deposit is required to hold your spot on the trip. This money will be used against the cost of the guides.
- **Food:** This year we are handling the meals a bit differently. There is no longer the opportunity to have the evening meal prepared at the TU lodge as in years past. Everyone is on their own for breakfast. There are local restaurants and fast foods available in Waynesville. Allow enough time to be at Lowe Fly Shop by 8 AM. Lunches are provided by the guides at the river. We are on our own for Dinner this year, but we plan on eating together at a local steak house the evening after the first day of fishing.

<u>Accommodations</u>: We have a block of 5 rooms reserved in the name of Buckeye United Fly Fishers at The Lodge in Waynesville. This is formerly a Travel Lodge motel that is now operated independently. Each room can accommodate up to 4 persons. The expectation is that each room will house at least 2 people, so make arrangements accordingly. The room rate is \$65 per night. Each room has 2 Queens, a coffee maker, color TV, etc. <u>You must call and confirm your room with a credit card number by October 20<sup>th</sup> to ensure that you have a room. I need the names of all who will be staying in each room</u>

**<u>Guide Fees</u>**: We have booked 3 guides for the group. The guide fees for 3 guides, 2 days was \$3000.00 last year, and will be similar this year. Using this number the full guide cost would be \$250 each with 12 people, and \$300 each if we had 10. The deposit will of course be deducted from this total. This cost includes the lunch on the two guided days. We will have the exact numbers by the October BUFF meeting.

Tipping guides is appropriate. In the past we have collected the tips from the group and given them to Roger for distribution among the guides. The amount of the tip is up to you, but percentages similar to those you would use at a good restaurant are proper. Plan ahead to have cash available for your tip on the last day. *Continued on page* 

# Fall Brown Trout Trip 2005

## November 3, 4 & 5

## Sam West – Trip Coordinator

**The Fall Brown Trout Trip** will bring us to the foothills of the **Ozark Mountains in Arkansas**. We will be fishing the **Little Red River**, home of the world record brown trout (40lb. 4oz.). The Little Red River is a tail water fishery, flowing from the base of the JFK Dam that forms Greers Ferry Lake. The Little Red offers world class fishing for rainbow, cutthroat, brook and brown trout 12 months of the year.

The river provides easy access for wade fishing, and for those who prefer to float, haul your boats/canoes with you or use the available guide services. A 4-5 weight fly rod is ideal for fishing the Little Red. Both 6X and 7X flourocarbon leaders and tippets are highly recommended. Lots of the big, smart, active fish are mostly interested in small flies. Some good patterns are bead-head sow bugs in size 18 (black, gray, olive), gold ribbed hare's ear and pheasant tail in size 18-24. Some small emergers and dry fly patterns will also work. Fishing deep pools from a canoe or boat with large, heavy nymphs and streamers is also very productive.

Once again, the accommodations are going to be awesome! We will be staying at **The Anderson House Inn** located in **Heber Springs, AR**, just north of Little Rock. The Anderson House is a Bed & Breakfast with 15 guest rooms. All rooms are equipped with queen-sized beds, have private baths, air-conditioned & ceiling fans, and are furnished with handmade quilts & country antiques. Visit their website at <u>http://www.yourinn.com</u>

The room rate is \$65.00/night (we stay for 3 nights) for a single OR double room; this includes a full breakfast each day. That's a GREAT price! The Inn also serves scrumptious gourmet dinners (w/ desserts!) for \$10, and they can prepare lunch or box lunches for you each day. There are also numerous quality restaurants within walking distance from the Inn.

#### A \$65 deposit is required when you sign up (made out to "The Anderson House Inn").

If you would like to join us on this beautiful **Fall Brown Trout Trip** - contact the **NEW Trip Coordinator**, **Sam West** at (513) 478-0997 or <u>srwest-pe@att.net</u> for any questions. There will be a sign-up sheet at the October general meeting.

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**Fishing License**: North Carolina 3-day non-resident license is \$15 + \$10 for Trout Stamp, North Carolina annual non-resident license is \$30 + \$10 for a Trout Stamp. Trout stamps are good for a year, even when purchased with a shorter duration license.

**Payment:** I can accept your payments at any time, but would like to have the trip finalized by the October BUFF meeting if possible. The deadline to pay by check is Friday the October 21<sup>st</sup>. If you pay later, it must be cash. The absolute last day to pay is Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. I'm leaving early Tuesday morning for Waynesville, and intend on finalizing all finances with the shop that evening.

#### **Travel Arrangements:**

We should attempt to carpool as much as practical for efficiency. I'll have my cell phone with me during the trip in case there is any need to call. For further information, contact Don Prince, 513-398-0921, or rxp46@hotmail.com.

# **Calendar** of **Events**

#### October

Oct 6	<b>Tie &amp; Lie West</b> 7-9 pm General fly
Oct 7	Tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor Parky's Farm 10am-2pm
Oct 7 -9	Rockwell Springs Trip
Oct 12	<b>BUFF Monthly Meeting</b> 7-9 pm
	Raffel's on Reading Rd.
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Oct 14	Parky's Farm 10am-2pm
Oct 19	BUFF Board Meeting 7-9 pm Church of
	Ascension & Holy Trinity,
	334 Burns Ave, Wyoming, OH
	Members welcome
Oct 20	Tie & Lie East 6-8 pm General fly
	Tying and story telling. Adriens Fly Shop
Oct 25-27	Roger Lowe Fishing Trip
Oct 28	Advanced Fly Tying Class
	November
Nov 3	Tie & Lie West 7-9 pm General fly
	Tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor
Nov 3 – 5	Little Red River Trip
Nov 4	Advanced Fly Tying Class
Nov 9	<b>BUFF Monthly Meeting</b> 7-9 pm
	Raffel's on Reading Rd.
Nov 11	Advanced Fly Tying Class
Nov 16	BUFF Board Meeting 7-9 pm Church of
	Ascension & Holy Trinity,
	334 Burns Ave, Wyoming, OH
	Members welcome
Nov 17	Tie & Lie East 6-8 pm General fly
	Tying and story telling. Adriens Fly Shop
Nov 18	Advanced Fly Tying Class
	December
Dec 1	Tie & Lie West 7-9 pm General fly
	Tying and story telling. Bass Pro Outdoor
Dec 14	<b>BUFF Monthly Meeting</b> 7-9 pm
	Raffel's on Reading Rd.
	Social hour 6 pm
Dec 15	Tie & Lie East 6-8 pm General fly
	Tying and story telling. Adriens Fly Shop
Dec 21	BUFF Board Meeting 7-9 Church of
	Ascension & Holy Trinity,
	334 Burns Ave, Wyoming, OH

Members welcome



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#### October Menu

Baked cod with crab topping Hot sliced roast beef in gravy Twice baked potatoes Seasoned green beans with onions, tomatoes and ham Tossed salad with dressing Rolls and butter Assorted fruit pies

#### 9/2005 BUFF Financial Report

Beginning Balance	\$12552
Total Receipts	\$1623
Total Disbursements	\$1493
Ending Balance	\$12682
Petty Cash	\$100
Trip Escrow	\$500
CD	\$5154



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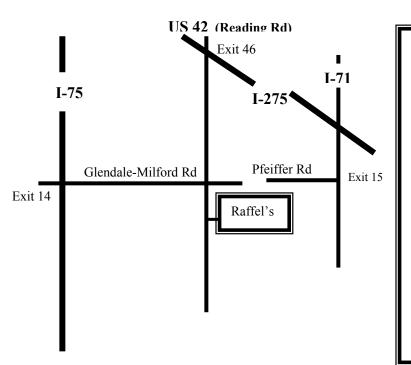
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#### Mailing Address

### Next Monthly Meeting – Wednesday – October 12

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