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President's Letter

We had an excellent September club meeting! Our speaker, Joy Ponder from River's Edge Outfitters in Cherokee, NC, discussed "Fishing North Carolina". This region has become somewhat of a "home-water" to our club, having done at least one club-trip a year to western NC for MANY years. I have a BUFF trip badge from a 1995 trip! Coincidentally, there is a BUFF trip currently underway to the rivers in the Bryson City area. These are wonderful trips, both for experienced and new anglers, so if you've not participated in a past NC trip, give it consideration for the future. Thank you, Harry Pass and Cari Vota, for coordinating this version!

By the time you read this, the big FFI-(Fly Fishers International) sponsored event in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on September 26th and 27th, will be over. Cari and Jim Vota, Tom Scheer, and perhaps some other club members did attend. FFI continues to grow as a very positive force for our club and for the worldwide fly fishing community.

We've heard from many of our members about their fishing opportunities over the past month or two. Ask Lane Stocker and Tom Britton about their recent western adventures! Hopefully they will share some of their experiences in an upcoming BUFFER.

Fall has arrived, and the thoughts of many turn to those big fish up north. Salmon and steelhead fishing is truly one of the treasures of our region, whether you choose to fish for steelhead in the Lake Erie tributaries or drive further into Michigan to fish for steelhead and salmon on the Manistee, Pere Marquette, Betsie or other rivers. Some of my favorite days on the water have been spent fishing with club members out of Barothy's Lodge in Walhalla, MI, or the Pere Marquette River Lodge in Baldwin, MI.

Speaking of fishing up north, our friends from NKFF have scheduled a salmon and steelhead trip with the Michigan Anglers Base Camp for October 12th – 18th. As of this writing, there are still openings available. This would be a perfect opportunity to go for big fish in "that beautiful place up north"! For additional information, contact Tim Guilfoile at tim@nkff.org.

Have a great October!

Bob Miller

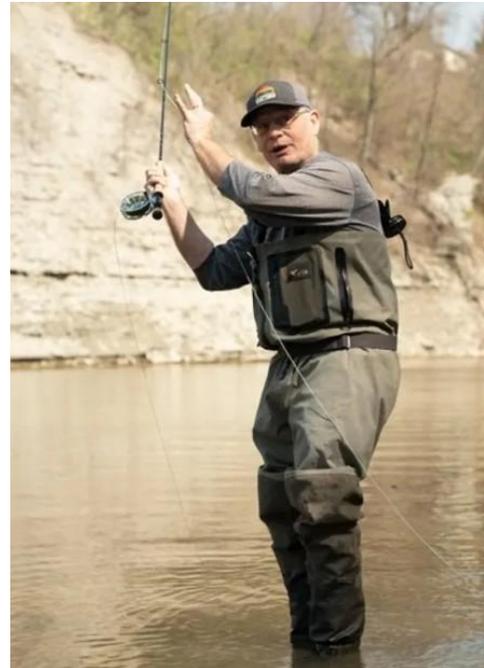
BUFF October Meeting – Wednesday October 8th

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 about 7:30 PM. ***Please register on the website whether you are having dinner with us or not, so Oasis can set up adequate tables and seating. We appreciate having registration by Friday, October 3rd, so we can provide a 'head count' to Oasis for seating and meal preparation. On-line registration will close on Sunday, Octonrt 5th.***

October Speaker – Jerry Darkes – “Favorite Flies for Fishing in the Upper Midwest”

Jerry Darkes, from Northern OH, has over 5 decades of fly fishing experience in fresh and saltwater. He was one of the first fly-fishing instructors in northeast OH. Jerry is certified by FFI, and has taught for over 30 years. He is a well known author with 4 books and numerous magazine articles to his credit. His book topics include flies and fishing on the Great Lakes, flies best for fishing in the upper midwest, and flies for bass and panfish. Jerry has traveled extensively and hosts groups to a variety of fly fishing locations.

He has been featured on radio, television, and various podcasts, including Wet Fly Swing and Anchored Outdoors. Jerry is also on the Scott Rod and Scientific Anglers pro-staffs.



October Dinner Menu –

- Chef's Choice Salad & Dressings
- Meatloaf
- Tuscan Mashed Potatoes
- Southern Style Green Beans
- Coffee & Tea

October Tech Talk –

Bryan Tudor will present the October Tech Talk. His topic is “Fly Fishing Websites and YouTube Channels”. We encourage members to stop by the table during our social hour to learn and join in on the conversation with fellow Buffers.

Also, if you have an idea for a fly fishing-related topic, and are interested in presenting it as a “Tech Talk” at an upcoming general meeting, please contact Bryan Tudor at 513-827-5437.

New Members in September 2025

From: Harry Pass, BUFF Membership Director

This past month saw us gain 5 new members.

John Beischel, Cincinnati, OH

Joshua Clark, Cincinnati, OH

Ken Schnur, Loveland, OH

Carol Downy, Cincinnati, OH

Maria Hermans, Cincinnati, OH

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

BUFF Library –

From: Dave Smith

As we continue to add functionality to our new website, the BUFF Library remains ‘on vacation’,. The library feature is coming, but we are not there yet. In the meantime, if you are seeking a book on a topic reach out to Dave Smith (dksmith6973@yahoo.com). He can get books from the library boxes and bring them to a club meeting.

Trips, Events & Education

From Bill Krimmer, Membership Engagement Director

Have an idea? BUFF encourages ALL MEMBERS to consider getting involved as a trip, event or activity leader. Our BUFF calendar is open to scheduling new trips, events or sessions for 2026!

A comprehensive step-by-step planning guide will be available soon, accessible through the website. In the meantime, if you have an idea or thought for a trip, event or other activity, please contact me (Bill Krimmer at bill.krimmer@gmail.com). I’d be happy to talk with you and work through the idea with you.

“Volunteers don’t get paid, not because they’re worthless, but because they’re priceless”

October Activities

Fall North Carolina Trout Trip. This is one of the last large club trips of the season. It is in Bryson City, NC from October 1st – 5th. We have 2 cabins for guys and 1 for gals, each sleeping 8. Booking is now closed. This is a great trip for both experienced and new anglers. We try to pair people up, so if you are new to fly fishing, or have not fished the rivers experienced on the trip, you will be with

someone who has knowledge and can help you learn. The rivers are stocked, and stocking occurs shortly before the trip date. If you've not participated in one of the NC trips – we do one in the spring as well – it is a trip worth considering for the future.

Salmon & Steelhead Trip. Northern Kentucky Fly Fishers is coordinating a Fall Salmon and Steelhead trip to Michigan Anglers' Base Camp, located in the western part of Michigan's Lower Peninsula at Gerber Scout Reservation. This is the same camp that was used this past spring for trips. Gerber Scout Reservation in Twin Lake, Michigan, has over 800 acres and abundant natural resources, including multiple inland lakes teeming with fish.

Dates are Sunday October 12th – Saturday, October 18th. The cost of the camp is \$580 for the full week. This includes all meals and lodging, but does not travel to and from camp or required MI fishing licenses. Registration is limited to 30 anglers.

For more information contact Tim Guilfoile at tim@nkff.org.

More information and a link for registration can be found at – <https://michiganscouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Salmon-Steelhead-Flyer.pdf>

Michigan Anglers' Base Camp

Salmon + Steelhead

Experience Michigan this Fall for your Salmon & Steelhead Fishing Excursion! Oct 12-18

MI Anglers' Base Camp is offering another opportunity this Fall at beautiful Gerber Scout Reservation in Twin Lake, Michigan for your Salmon & Steelhead Fishing Excursion! Let us provide you with the perfect lodging and enjoy three full meals a day along with snacks & fruit to keep you energized throughout your days on the waters. The camaraderie & scenery are second to none and wildlife abounds.

<p>\$580</p> <p>Includes Lodging AND 3 full meals each day!</p>	<p>LIMITED SPACE</p> <p>Only 30 spots available</p>
<p>OCT 12-18</p> <p>Ideal for Salmon & Steelhead fishing in Michigan</p>	<p>WEST MI</p> <p>Gerber Scout Reservation located in Twin Lake is just a short drive from Lake Michigan, Muskegon, Pere Marquette & More</p>

Contact Marilyn J. Costigan at (810) 691-3361 or marilyn.costigan@scouting.org

Register Online at <https://michiganscouting.org/anglers-base-camp/fall-salmon-steelhead>

Seven Hill High School Event. Looking for volunteers to help with a 1-hr program on fly-fishing that our club presents at the school. There are 2 days – Wednesday, October 15th from 2 – 3 PM, and Thursday, October 16th, from 10 – 11 AM. There are about 24 students in each class. The students are divided into 3 groups – casting, tying, and stream quality management. We need volunteers to help with each. Contact Tom Bachhey (513-543-4056 or h2oguy@fuse.net) with questions. Members can sign up on the website on the “Events” page

Ohio Fly Tying Guild. Gary Begley's monthly fly tying session is scheduled for Friday, October 17th. Time is 6:30 – 8:00 PM. This is a Zoom meeting, and the link to participate is on the website.

Mad River Day Trip. Bryan Tudor has scheduled a day trip to wade fish the Mad River. Date is Tuesday, October 21st. This is limited to 3 anglers, so check website to see if space is still available. Participants meet at 8 AM in Springfield, OH. Details and sign-up are on the website.

2026 Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show – Saturday, February 7th, 2026

By Ken Mandel for the Show Planning Team

Things continue to move forward regarding plans for the 2026 Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show. Here are some updates, and reminders to make plans to attend and participate in pre-show programs, which will be held on the Friday before the show.

Friday Pre-Show Programs

We will have both 'master classes, and fly-tying workshop programs on Friday, prior to the main show. These are for-fee programs, and require pre-registration. As we have done in the past, we first offer registration to BUFF members.

Friday “Master Classes”

Josh Miller, our headliner, will conduct two classes. Details on Josh’s background and a bio are in the September BUFFER. Both will cover topics and provide expert insights on angling using these techniques. Josh is an expert in both. Registration will be limited to 10 –12, and we plan to open registration later this month. Cost will be \$50 per class.

- **“Advanced Dry Dropper School”– Friday, February 6th, 9 AM - Noon.**
- **Advanced Euro Nymphing School” – Friday February 6th, 1:30 PM – 4:30 PM**

Registration will be through the club website. Watch for an eblast with details on registration and cost for these programs.

Friday Fly Tying Workshops

On Friday, February 6th, JR Jackson will lead three tying workshops. JR is an expert tyer and the programs will include some 'classic' flies and a few of his own creations. Classes and schedule are:

- **Catskill Dry Flies – Friday, February 6th, 9 AM – 11:30 AM**
- **Streamers – Friday, February 6th, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM**
- **Salt Water Flies, Friday, February 6th, 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM**

These are hands-on tying workshops. Participation is limited to 20 – 24 tyers per workshop, with registration opening later this month. Participants should have basic tying skills, and need to bring their own tying vice, tools, a tying light (if desired), and threads. Required tying threads and colors will be listed when we announce opening of registration later this month. Cost will be \$30 per class.

Registration will be through the club website. Watch for an eblast with details on registration and cost for these programs.

Saturday Program – Saturday, February 7th

We now have our program, with presentation topics finalized. Show hours are 9 AM – 4 PM and include a full day of presentations and tying demonstrations. We will have our Fly Fishing 101 program and our Women’s Open Forum.

The tentative program is shown below –

Presentation Schedule for 2026 Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show

Time	Main Presentation Room	Fly Tying Demonstration Room	Teaching Room	Casting Pond
10 AM	Josh Miller <i>“The Insider’s Guide to Euro Nymphing”</i>	Lance Kekel		Open Casting
11 AM	Shannon Young <i>“History of Fly Fishing in the Smokey Mountains”</i>	Lane Stocker	FF 101	Open Casting
Noon	Jeff Liskay <i>“Fly Fishing on the Great Lakes”</i>	Chad Robinson <i>“Spinning Deer Hair”</i>	Women’s Open Forum	BUFF Casting Instructors - Casting Demonstration
1 PM	Josh Miller <i>“Presentation Tips to Catch More Trout”</i>	JR Jackson		Randy Arrowood Tenkara
2PM	Jim Sauerhaber <i>“Fly Fishing on the Cumberland River”</i>			Open Casting
3 PM				Open Casting



Show planning team – Tom Bachey (co-chair), Ken Mandel (co-chair), Tom Agin, Scott Biser, David Fraley, Sam Hanna, Kathy LaDow, Bob Miller, Haruko Mizoguchi, Jim Neckers, Kathy Newsom, Lane Stocker, Cari Vota, Jim Vota, Tim Williamson, Craig Wilson.

Appreciation from Casting for Recovery

Sent by: Debbie Hampton

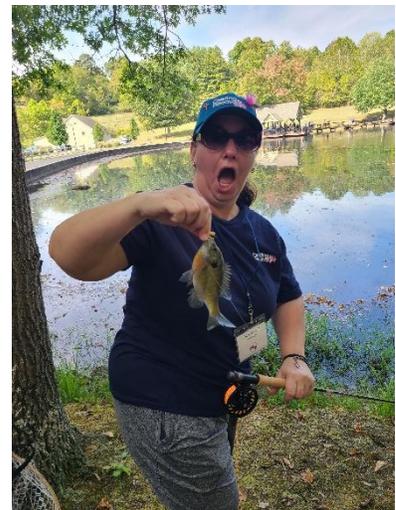
More than two decades ago, your club made a life-changing decision. You provided the seed money for Debbie Hampton's dream – an Ohio program of the national non-profit, Casting for Recovery (CfR), which had only itself been in existence for a few years. Casting for Recovery, I'm sure you know, provides all expenses paid weekend wellness retreats for women who've had breast cancer. Any age, any stage. And we teach them fly fishing, which has a casting motion that is gentle for women who've had surgery and/or radiation, and is a sport that provides a healing connection to nature. Over the course of the years, your club has continued your financial support, you've lent us fly tying equipment (we now have our own set of vices and tools), and your members have volunteered as fishing guides. We literally wouldn't be where we are now without BUFF.



Over the course of the twenty-one year history of CfR Ohio, we have served just shy of 300 ladies. You – and we – have changed the lives of nearly 300 survivors. And this year, Debbie's dream of holding two retreats per year became a reality. Another of Debbie's dreams – a bittersweet one – has also come true. She has been in the process of creating a succession plan for the leadership of CfR Ohio since 2017, when Linda Harper and I agreed to become program coordinators. She

completely let go of the rudder for the September 2025 retreat – our history-making First Ever Second Retreat of the Year and she and Jim, one of our forever fishing guides, stayed home. She watched from a distance, her heart filled with pride, as the ship she – and YOU – built, sailed on its own without her. Well, not really without her. Her heart-print is on everything we do as Ohio CfR, and she continues to guide us with the wisdom of her years of leadership. Now, she just doesn't have to do everything all by herself the way she did (tirelessly) in the first years of the program.

So, BUFF, I'm writing to say thank you, even though words don't seem like enough. I hope that each of you, whether you were a part of the



club twenty-one years ago or not, will feel some of the pride Debbie feels. You took a risk and made a dream come true, a dream which changes lives every year through your continued support of our program. Thank you.

Mary Lee Hahn, CfR Ohio Program Co-Coordinator

Meeting Program Co-Chair Opportunity

At the end of this year, Dolph Greenberg will step down from his position as Co-Chair for Program Planning. He has worked on identifying and contacting the people who provide presentations at our monthly meetings for several years, and he feels it is time to stop. Jim Vota, is the other co-chair and will remain in that role.

This is a great opportunity for someone to get involved and come onto the Board. You do not need to have the knowledge of 'who's who' in fly fishing to fill this role. There are many knowledgeable club members who can provide that! Jim Vota will be an experienced mentor. Also, as most 2026 speaker slots are filled, you will have a good while to "learn the ropes" of what is involved and work with Jim. If interested, reach out to Bob Miller or Jim Vota. They can give you more information.

Leader Needed for 2026 After Work Outings

From Cari Vota.

I have very much enjoyed my time leading our BUFF Club Co-ed After Working outings each summer. But, my activities related to club, being President of the Ohio Chapter of FFI, and other fly fishing related programs have greatly increased. So, I am stepping down from leading the After Work Program, and it is time now for someone else to step up and see what they can do for the club. The after-work outings are a great way for new fishers in BUFF to check out fishing opportunities and locations in our area, from river and streams to a couple of ponds. Everyone gains confidence when you have been there with a group and can see the accessibility, river conditions, and how to read the water.

These are easy trips to set up, and the club needs someone to take on the leadership of this enjoyable activity. If you are interested, please contact me to answer any of your questions (vota@zoomtown.com).

Fishing at Cow Creek Ranch in New Mexico

From: Ken Mandel & Haruko Mizoguchi

In last month's BUFFER we shared our August fishing experience on the Au Sable River – low and warm water, but OK fishing. September saw us traveling again, but a lot further afield. All the way to New Mexico. We drove out taking the I-44 (south-west across Missouri from St. Louis) and I-40 route to Santa Fe. The route parallels the classic US-66 route, but about all that remains of 'historic route 66' today, seems to be the lyrics from the song! It was different when we did this route some 30 years ago, when a lot more of old-66 was still in place. Enough of that...

We had a few days enjoying Santa Fe, with its wonderful art museums, galleries, food, and a very welcoming ambience. Anyone who enjoys art should not pass up visiting the 'City Different'. We can recommend a very nice, very centrally located B&B, if anyone is interested. But on to angling.



After Santa Fe, we spent 3 days and 4 nights fishing at Cow Creek Ranch, located some 40 miles northeast of the city, and about 1,500 feet higher in elevation (about 8,600 feet). Access requires about 13 ½ miles on a 'dirt' road. Currently, with all the rain, it was a very rough drive to get in and out. To our surprise, this is an active ranch (ranch hands were moving a lot of steer from higher fields to lower elevation winter pasture while we were there!) with a beautiful cold-water stream, Cow Creek, running for several miles through it. It is a fantastic trout stream, full of good size – to- large fish. Fish are mostly browns and rainbows, with some bookies. There are cutthroats at higher elevations, but we did not get to those.

We booked this trip through Land of Enchantment Guides in Santa Fe. The cost included 3 days of guided fishing, and all meals and lodging at the ranch. While the ranch has lodging for about 20, we were the only anglers on the ranch during our stay! Our guide, Joey Hart, was excellent. We fished with Joey on the Chama River a few years back. With the exception of our first day, the weather was delightful – cool mornings (40 - 45°F) warming to upper 60's – mid 70's in the afternoon with nice sunshine on most of the days.



They have been having a lot of rain in the area, which is very unusual for this time of year. We actually had heavy rain, thunder, lightning, and even dime-size hail, heavy enough to coat the ground, on our first day. Due to all the rain, Cow Creek was running very high and water was cloudy; flow was over 5-times what would be normal. This made the fishing tough but doable. The creek is narrow, so most casting is very short. All of our fishing was from the banks, as water was deep and fast and not amenable to wading.

Fishing was fairly technical. We fished a mixture of a dry indicator – dropper, or two weighted nymphs with an indicator above. We did a lot of high-sticking/nymphing, often with only leader/tippet on the water to slow down our drifts due to the current and flow volume. Much of the casting and nymphing techniques were different from what we were used to from fishing up north in MI, so it was a bit of a learning curve. We did catch fish! After the rain on day 1, the rest of our time had beautiful weather. Each day water flow and clarity improved, as did the fishing. We both caught a good number of decent sized rainbows and browns. Ken had a couple of bookies as well, also good sized for those – 10” – 12” range.



The ranch itself was one of the most beautiful places we’ve ever been to. The photos do not do it justice! Each evening, we’d sit on the veranda in front of our lodge, enjoy wine or a cocktail, and watch the shadows move up the hillsides across from us as the sun set. All the meals were excellent, and freshly prepared by fantastic and friendly staff – all of whom live in the local area. Haruko learned how to make tortillas, and beans with chicos – we now have a bag of tortilla flour mix and dried chicos in the cabinet along with some bottles of the best Hatch green chile sauce we ever tasted.

We’d recommend anyone interested in possibly fishing in New Mexico to look into Land of Enchantment Guides (www.loeflyfishing.com , 505-629-5688). They guide on several NM rivers, and can do single day to multiple day outings. For the latter they have access to at least two private properties, like the Cow Creek Ranch, so there are options. If one were to fly out there, they can provide waders, boots, rods, etc.





Musky on the Fly in Michigan's UP

From Drake Perry

Drake is an avid angler, club member and owner of Little Miami River Outfitters, here in Cincinnati. He shared this experience...

Turning 40 felt daunting for years — but when the time finally came, I knew it had to be “epic”, and that’s exactly what happened. I sent out a call to a handful of fishy friends to join me for a mission: targeting muskies on the fly in Michigan’s rugged and remote Upper Peninsula. The replies were few, but the crew that assembled turned out to be an all-star cast. Two long-time friends and brothers — originally from Cincinnati, now living in Duluth — were in. Musky fanatic, Sean Boland, also from Cincinnati, rounded out the group. When Sean said he was in, I knew we had a serious shot at something special.

Two outboard jet boats set their course for Northern Michigan. After a brief stop at Walloon Lake, where we picked off some smallmouth and a couple largemouth, we pointed the trucks north. Across the Mackinac Bridge, deeper into the UP, and into what felt like a time warp — checking into a motel that hadn’t changed since the '70s. Just as we unpacked, the Duluth crew rolled in. It was time.





Day One: Setting the Stage

We started by consolidating the crew into one boat to scout the river. Expectations were low — hot, sunny, mid-afternoon — not ideal musky conditions. But within 100 yards of the ramp, everything changed. I had a 40" musky eat the fly. The fish didn't make it to the net, but just seeing it blew the doors wide open. This was real. A few hours later, Sean hooked and landed a 37" musky on the fly — a clean eat on a 9" Gamechanger right at the start of a figure-8. **Textbook!** Stoke levels were through the roof.

Day Two: Dream Achieved

Cool air. Fog on the water. Fall colors starting to pop. It was one of those mornings you don't forget. By 8:00 AM, Sean struck a 42" giant — an absolute Upper Peninsula tank. At that point, the pressure was off. The trip was already a success.

The Big Day: Turning 40

On August 30th, my actual birthday, I got my fish. Not a monster, but a musky is a musky — and I'll never forget the moment. Catching that fish in a wild place, surrounded by great friends, on a milestone birthday? That's as good as it gets.

We're already planning the next trip.

Tight Lines,

Drake Perry



Primetime Season for Local Smallmouth Fishing

From Drake Perry

Herer is another short article from Drake urging us to get out after some smallmouth on our local waters.

We're in the heart of "primetime smallmouth season on the fly" and the fishing has been phenomenal. Last weekend, I had the chance to guide an experienced angler on a secluded stretch of river outside Brookville, IN. The water was low and crystal clear, which made fly placement critical. We started the day with topwater boogle bugs, but it wasn't long before we switched to streamers — and that changed everything.



Within a few casts, the bite turned on. We ended the day landing about 30 smallmouth, including a couple of chunky, high-teen-inch fish. Even better, one of those fish shattered our client’s personal best smallmouth on the fly — a moment neither of us will forget anytime soon.

With cooler temps and some rain on the way, conditions are lining up for great smallmouth fishing in the coming weeks.

Ohio Lowers Age for “Senior Rate” Fishing Licenses

As of September 30th, Ohio has lowered the age limit at which older **state residents** can purchase a state fishing license at a reduced rate. The age for ‘senior rate’ eligibility has been reduced from 66- to 65-year’s of age. Not a big change, but still welcome. The saving are good –

	Adult	Senior
1 Day License	\$14.00	-
1-Year License	\$25.00	\$10.00
3-Year License	\$72.11	\$27.04
5-Year License	\$120.18	\$45.07
Lifetime License	\$599.04	\$84.24

Ohio & Michigan Reintroducing Lake Sturgeon in Rivers

This came from an article that Hugh O’Donnell shared. It did not reference OH or MI DNR sites for further information.

The Ohio and Michigan DNRs have programs that are reintroducing lake sturgeon back into waters that from which they have been long-depleted. Lake sturgeon are considered ‘prehistoric fish’, as they have a fossil history going back over 150 million years. The lake sturgeon is a truly unique-looking fish. Covered in body plates, the species lives up to its prehistoric origins and looks like some sort of armored shark, with an extendable tube-like mouth that sits on the underside of its snout. Lake sturgeon typically measure between 4 and 6 feet in length, and weigh between 50 and 100 pounds. The largest recorded specimen came from Lake Erie in 1929 and weighed 216 pounds. Lake sturgeon were once

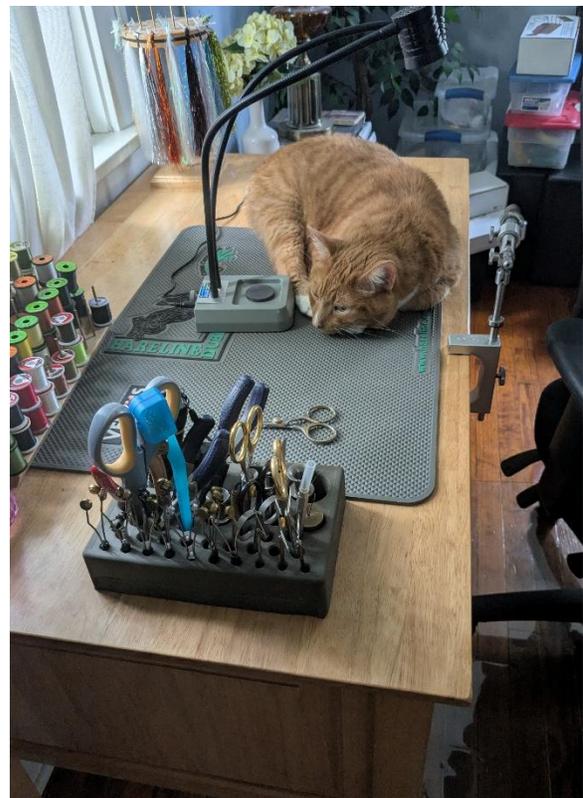
widespread in Ohio, including the Ohio River and Lake Erie. While small numbers are found in Lake Erie, lake sturgeon have been identified in the Ohio River since 1971.

In Ohio a DNR project is reintroducing sturgeon into the Cuyahoga River, where it's hoped the fish, which were once abundant in Ohio, will proliferate after almost half a century of decline. After successfully releasing 60 fish implanted with transmitters in 2024, Cuyahoga County, the Cleveland Metroparks, and the Ohio Division of Wildlife will release 1,500 juvenile lake sturgeon into the Cuyahoga River on October 4, 2025.

In Michigan, the story of the lake sturgeon is similar to Ohio, with the fish once being prevalent in the Saginaw River system in the east of the state before experiencing a marked decline in numbers to the point they are now considered threatened. Thankfully, much like with the Cuyahoga River recovery efforts, there has been a big push to reintroduce the fish to the waterway each year since 2014, and now, the Saginaw Bay Sturgeon Restoration group has hit a major milestone by releasing 7,000 lake juvenile lake sturgeon into Saginaw River system. The hope is that these fish will spread, make their way into Lake Huron and help restore that population. Eventually, the goal is that adult fish will return into the Saginaw to reproduce.

Fly Tying Assistant

Andy Suttoff shared this photo of his tying assistant. "Here is a recent photo of my orange tabby cat, Vincent. He has a proclivity to nap on my tying desk. There are horror stories about curious cats wreaking havoc on feathery, hairy, wispy, and shiny fly tying materials. Vincent, to his credit, is neither bothered nor interested in these things. I think he just enjoys being close to me, and when the opportunity presents itself, will use the tying mat as a mattress. I appreciate his resourcefulness and laid back demeanor. Vincent is named after the Dutch painter, Vincent van Gogh. I don't think van Gogh was a fisherman himself, but he produced artistic works with fishermen as the subject. I get the sense that feline Vincent, after spending countless lazy mornings in the tying room, is naturally indifferent towards fly tying magic, but feels content that the art brings purpose and happiness to his owner.



Thank you to everyone who sent in photos and some info on where you were fishing. We all look forward to seeing what our members are doing!

Upcoming BUFF Activities

In-person activities require registration (online on club Website). Activities on water require signing our liability waiver

<u>Trip/Activity & Location</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Trip /Activity Coordinator</u>
North Carolina Fall Trout Trip Bryson City, NC	Wednesday, October 1 st – Sunday, October 5 th	Harry Pass Cari Vota
BUFF Monthly Meeting Oasis Conference Center Loveland, OH	Wednesday, October 8 th 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM Register on Website by Sunday, October 4th	Bob Miller
Seven Hills High School Little Miami River Caesar’s Creek Access	Wednesday, October 15 th 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM Thursday, October 16 th 10 AM – 11:00 AM <i>Volunteers Sign-Up on Website</i>	Tom Bachey
BUFF Board Meeting Springdale Community Center Springdale, OH	Wednesday, October 15 th 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	Bob Miller
Ohio Fly Tying Guild Virtual – Zoom Mtg	Friday, October 17 th 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM <i>See Website for Link</i>	Gary Begley
Mad River Day Trip Springfield, OH	Tuesday, October 21 st Meet at 8:00 AM in Springfield <i>Register on Website</i>	Brian Tudor

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.

