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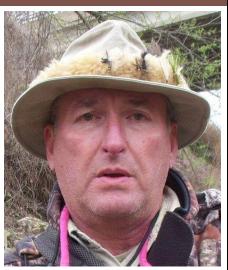
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DCFF BOARD MEMBERS

> Brian Kaluzny President

President's Letter

Happy New Year! The holidays flew by and it's time for me to assume the duties as club president. I'm not sure how I was the last one standing, but I'll try my best to keep the club heading in the right direction. My sincere thanks go out to all of you who have been on the board of directors in the past. Your vision and dedication haven't gone unnoticed.



I have come to know many members of DCFF over the years, and have truly benefited and appreciated the relationships that were a result of this great club. My intent is to continue to fish with, travel with, and socialize with, many more like-minded "fisher people" throughout the coming year. The opportunities the club provides through the meetings, outings, classes, and trips are what makes building these friendships so easy.

Remember, this club was built on promoting the sport of fly fishing through education and sharing. I am most impressed by how everyone in this club is so ready to share their knowledge and experiences to any and everyone no matter their level of expertise. Even members who have never attempted to rig, cast or fish provide insight into what information we need to relay for a better experience. I appreciate their questions. I think we have almost 200 members and I estimate that we have only a few experts among us, the rest of us are beginners with varying amounts disappointments and frustrations, but we all can benefit from sharing, asking questions and getting on the water to try out what we think we know, just figured out, or remember someone else's suggestion or guidance.

Please seek me out at a meeting, an outing, or in some fly shop somewhere so we can get acquainted. I am confident to make this offer also for the other board members, both past and present. They are a wealth of knowledge and genuinely good people. Thanks for being with us,

Rrian Kaluznv

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Christmas Party

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Christmas Party

This was a great party held by DCFF at Lapping Park's Endris Lodge in Clarksville. Very well attended, and many members brought spouses or significant others, which always makes the food better and the evening more fun. Endris Lodge is so lovely and well equipped and beautifully decorated for the holidays that we will be there again for next Christmas. Please plan to join us!

January

The first DCFF get-together of the New Year will be our Meet and Greet at Golden Corral in Clarksville at 6 PM January 14, the second Wednesday. Lots of fun, lots of chatter, and often some interesting lessons or instructions. Ask about something. You will find that others have the same curiosity.

Then on Friday the 16th and Saturday the 17th we will be at Otter Creek for some cool weather trout fishing. The second stocking of large trout furnished by the Meade County Tourism Bureau will be in the stream and waiting for us.

Our January Membership meeting is at 6:30 at Bass Pro in Clarksville on January 21. The speaker will be Lee McCleland talking about Smallmouth Bass fishing with the fly rod. That is followed by our outstanding Kentuckiana Fly Show at the Fern Valley Inn on Fern Valley Road all day on Saturday the 24th. Jim Bearden and lots of others are working hard to make that a show you can enjoy and be proud about.

Then there is fly tying at Cabela's at 6:30 on the 28th, followed by the same at Bass Pro's auditorium on the 29th. A pretty good start for the New Year all-considered, and there is also coming the opportunity to build your own fly rod aided by an expert, our Gerry McDaniel, about which you will hear more soon.

New Guy

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OTHER LINKS



So Doug Stull has taken over as Newsletter Director. No big deal there. Just that in learning the job there might be some mistakes. Let me know if you see or hear of problems.

The big deal is all of us saying thanks to retiring Newsletter Director Casey Weber who has stepped in, made improvements, and spent a lot of hours doing a fine job. Thanks so much, Casey. We appreciate your efforts and their results.

Some folks are not receiving the Newsletter because the club does not have their current email address. You might hear of that. If you do, encourage them to let any officer or board member know. Thank you.

> 10th Annual Kentuckia na Fly Fishing Show

January 24th, 2015 - 9am to 5pm Fern Valley Inn and Conference Center 2715 Fern Valley Road Louisville, KY

The Derby City Fly Fishers will host the 10th annual Kentuckiana Fly Fishing Show on Saturday, January 24, 2015, 9:00am - 5:00pm, at the Fern Valley Inn and Conference Center located at 2715 Fern Valley Road in Louisville, Ky. Admission is \$7. Active and retired military, and children 12 and under are free. Parking is also free at the Fern Valley Conference Center.

Our featured speaker this year is Kevin Howell from Brevard, NC. Kevin is the owner and manager of Davidson River Outfitters and is also a partner in Andes Drifters, an outfitter service based in San Martin de Los Andes, Argentina. Kevin has been guiding on the streams of Western North Carolina since the early eighties and spends a great deal of his time fishing and also guiding for smallmouth bass. Kevin will conduct two seminars during the show; one on nymph fishing and one on fishing the streams of Western North Carolina

Click here for Kevin's bio.

The Kentuckiana Fly Fishing Show is focused strictly on fly fishing and the tools that allow anyone to pursue the sport. The show will introduce fly fishing to a beginning audience, as well as, offer expert instruction and information to the advanced fly fisher. The show will have over 40 vendors and exhibits and draws people from a number of states. Casting demonstrations and seminars on fly fishing will be presented throughout the day. There will also be people demonstrating the craft of fly tying, and we will again have the "kids corner" where children of all ages are welcome to tie a fly using DCFF tools and materials. This year we have added a section called "Come Cast with Us". Various DCFF members will be available to teach or assist anyone who wishes to cast a fly rod.

The Kentuckiana Fly Fishing Show will provide both the novice and experienced fly fisher the enjoyment of reviewing the latest in tackle and techniques from a diverse offering of tackle vendors, manufacturing representatives, outfitters, retailers and artists. The show will also provide nature enthusiasts with information on trips and destinations which include some of the most pristine outdoor venues available in our region of the country. While fly fishing can be experienced with walk in and wading trips, the show will also feature canoes, kayaks, and other individual watercraft for the fly fisher. Our show will also be represented by the Fish and Wildlife Department, to answer any questions concerning any state regulations on fishing.

If you are interested in learning more about fly fishing, Derby City Fly Fishers welcomes both beginners and experienced fly fishers to join our club. We sponsor a number of fishing trips throughout the year to various locations. These trips provide an excellent opportunity to learn more about the quiet sport of fly fishing.

Click here for the official show website.

NC Trip

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The Fall 2014 DCFF trip to North Carolina for mountain stream trout fishing took place November 6 through 9. Most of the gang met with Trip Director Jim Bearden at 6:00 AM at Sam's and off we went. We stayed as usual in Waynesville, NC. Despite the seeming conflict with the DCFF Mystery Fly Tournament November 8, we had 21 DCFF members attending the trip. Jim Bearden did a fine job of leading the group

As we often do, we stopped to check out Shelton Laurel Creek on the way over but decided to skip it because of high and slightly muddy water. So we hit the Pigeon River after checking into our rooms and found the fishing there very good. The stream was clear, low, and had lots of fish. It made for a great start to the trip.

We hit the Tuskegee River the next morning. Water here also clear and low and fishing just excellent. Water was supposed to rise about noon but did not do so until much later. Interesting was the fact that when the rise did occur it was not noticeable as deepening water but as faster flowing water. That can be a little spooky too.

The remainder of the weekend was spent on those two rivers, Pigeon and Tuskegee. Everyone caught lots of fish, Rainbows, Browns, and Brookies. Probably the largest, well into the 22-23 inch range was by Bob Kincheloe.

But many of us caught fish in the over 20 inch range. The star lady angler was Tammy Rauen, with two 20 inch plus fish, one a Brook Trout and one a Rainbow. (No photos, sorry to say.)

Trailing not too far behind her was Joan Norman, who after taking instruction the first day caught nice quantities of fish every day and skipped breakfast on the last day to be on the water before 7 AM catching a final



few. Newly married Jim and Carol Smith did their share of fishing, but also enjoyed a trip up high into the mountains to see lots of elk!

A grand trip, lots of learning, lots of fishing, lots of fun. I think you will agree the photos reflect that. And considering what happened to weather over the entire east United States region just slightly later, we could not have timed things better.

Expense of the trip was \$400 or so, and that is for a single hotel room, whereas many folks share a room. Give this serious consideration for your fishing future.



