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UPCOMING MEETINGS

July 1 @ 6:30pm Board of Directors at The Hall of Fame Cafe

Eat and Talk Shop July 8 at Golden Corral, Clarksville, 6:00 PM

Members Outdoor Meeting July 15 at 6:30 at Parklands. BBQ dinner and soft drinks, \$5.00, free for guests

Fly Tying at 6:30pm at Cabela's July 22 and at Bass Pro July 23.

UPCOMING TRIPS

July 17, Cumberland River Trip

more info

DCFF BOARD MEMBERS

Brian Kaluzny President

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President's Letter, Brian Kaluzny

A few of our club members helped with a Casting for Recovery beginners' fly fishing class recently. I was reminded that one of the most important things that we sometimes forget to stress when introducing the sport is the importance of being safe while in and around the water. Most of the time we focus just on casting and knot tying. But please remember to wear some form of eye protection and wear your wader belt. A wading staff is also a good idea, along with a wide brimmed hat and plenty of sunscreen. You may want to consider smashing the barb down on your fly. You would be amazed how easy a debarbed hook is to remove from you clothing, gear and even your ear. Be safe and enjoy your time on the water.

Brian

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2016 Kentuckiana Fly Show

The Derby City Fly Fishers will host its 11th Annual Kentuckiana Fly Show on Saturday, <u>January 23, 2016</u>, from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. This year's show will be held at a new location in Shepherdsville, KY at the Paroquet Springs Conference Center. Paroquet Springs Conference Center is located only thirteen (13) miles south of Louisville on I-65 at 395 Paroquet Springs Drive, Shepherdsville, KY 40165-0520. That is only a few miles farther South than Fern Valley, our former location for this show. Paroquet Springs is a large and beautiful venue of very high quality with a large parking area conveniently located just off the Interstate. You may check the Center at their webpage which is http://paroquetsprings.org.

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OTHER LINKS







Requests for sign-ups and other information have been sent, Please supply your responses to Jim Bearden, our Show Director, by using the derbycityflyfishers website. Thank you.



Jim Bearden

Events in July

The July Board meeting is July 1 at the Cardinal Hall of Fame at 6:30 pm. All members may attend if they like.

On Wednesday, July 8 at 6:00 pm is the monthly get together at the Golden Corral Restaurant in Clarksville at 6 pm. We have our own dining room. It is a great place to gather for a meal plus lots of chatter about DCFF, fly fishing, fly tying, and on and on. Makes for a nice evening!

The third Wednesday, July 15, is the DCFF members' meeting. We stay outdoors for these meetings in the summer, and this one is at the Floyd's Fork Parklands in the area near the Egg Lawn. To get there, take either Beckley Station Road or Beckley Creek Parkway off Shelbyville Road (Rte. 60) in the stretch of Shelbyville Road just East of the I-265/Shelbyville Road intersection. Nice place to get together. Supper is \$5.00 for members, and free for guests. Pulled pork sandwich, pasta salad, fresh sliced fruit and soft drinks are the menu.

We will do fly tying at Cabela's on the fourth Wednesday, July 22, at 6:30, and fly tying at Bass Pro at 6:30 of the following day. The flies to be tied are the Translucent Sand Worm and the Translucent Egg. These sound great and you will enjoy teacher Wes Krupiciwicz. Instruction is free, including the instructor, the people who help him by working with you, and all the tools and materials that are required. This is a great way to add to the enjoyment of fly-fishing.

In addition to the events described above, we have in July a Cumberland River trout fishing trip scheduled for July 17. Go to the derbycityflyfishers.com web site for more information about that fun and usually productive trip.

Worthwhile Thoughts for You

Former President and founding father **Phil Kirkland** suggested we re-print this article he wrote in the DCFF newsletter in 2008. It

addresses a worthy topic, SAFETY, one we all need to keep in mind. Thank you very much, Phil:

FROM STEEL MILLS TO FISH

From steel mills to fish; what's that all about?

A steel mill is a collection of very hazardous processes; huge equipment processing heavy loads at temperatures approaching 3000 degrees F. Did you know that one of the safest places to be.....is in a steel mill? The steel industry has about the best safety record of any major industry - - -also considerably safer than your home environment. Why is this? Because everyone is constantly training, considering, reacting and reminding themselves of safety practices and procedures. At the start of almost every shift all hands discuss and are reminded of safety in the workplace. We should all practice the same diligence in safety as it applies to our fly fishing endeavor. Young or old, none us are bulletproof when it comes to accidents involving our fishing experiences. I relate some of my personal experiences and safe practices herewith;

WATER SAFETY: When wading always wear a tight belt as high as practical around your waders; you will fall in the water, and this will keep your waders from loading up with water and limiting your mobility - like keeping you on top of the water. Wear wading boots with felt or felt/stud soles - will grip rocks better. Use a wading staff - swift water as much as knee deep is practically impossible to wade upright without a staff. The staff is a good "probe" in dark, untested water. Spend the money on a collapsible staff - well worth it. Wear a life preserver if there is any chance you would fall in deep water - I like the CO2 variety - don't even know you have it on.

ENTERING THE RIVER: From afar, there are great looking pools and rivers to fish - what's the best way to get there? Be very careful to survey the foliage and bank contour for the best entry point. Examine the path for the best foot purchase. Look for trees, limbs to help you down. Consider that if you do fall, how and where will you land? Once in the river understand that you have to get back up the bank also. Don't be lazy or hasty and enter at a challenging spot when you could enter at an easier point up or downstream.

GO WITH A BUDDY: It's tough to get back to the truck if you are alone and disabled. Cell phones often don't work in the bush. Keep each other in sight and/or carry "walkee talkees".

CUTS, BRUISES, HOOK REMOVAL: Have some fashion of first aid available on your person or nearby. Educate yourself on hook removal.

HYPOTHERMIA: Do you realize that you may become seriously disabled or die from hypothermia - not just in cold weather but in the middle of summer? Cold water, wet bodies, and wind can hurt you. Have dry clothes available and some means to warm your body should you become unreasonably cold. Read up on the subject and understand that you can develop hypothermia to the extent that you don't realize what trouble you are in. Recognize the signs.

SUNBURN: Most of us have been here. Avoid the pain and the potential "Big C". apply sunscreen properly.

EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE: Have all of your gear in good working order. When you anticipate catching big fish; salmon, tarpon, etc. know where your line is and

where it's going once you hook up. You don't want your hand or foot tangled in the line when a 120# tarpon takes off and snaps the line tight.

MINORS: All minors are to be accompanied by their parent or guardian on all club outings.

WEAR GLASSES: Don't get hooked in the eye; wear glasses. Good polarized glasses with UV protection are good for your eye health and help you see the fish better.

SURVIVAL: We should all thoughtfully consider the risks we take when venturing out to encounter our quarry. The more risks we take, the more resources we should have with us should we become lost or disabled. Shelter, warmth, food and water are paramount. Educate and equip yourself for these contingencies.

There are loads of books and other resources that expand on these topics. In 2008 Derby City Fly Fishers will discuss various areas of safety at our meetings. Your fly fishing experiences should not be marred by an accident that can be avoided by simply reminding yourself of safe practices. You can avoid falling into that "ladle of molten steel" by being keenly aware of what you are doing.

SAFETY TO ALL! by Phil Kirkland, November, 2008



Phil Kirkland

PROJECT HEALING WATERS FLY FISHERS

The Healing Waters organization is a large one which works with clubs like Derby City Fly Fishers to support and improve the existence of soldiers and veterans through helping them to learn fly fishing in all of its aspects.

Usually this is done by spending a few evenings a month at the Louisville Veteran's Hospital and a few afternoons a month at Fort Knox.

But this weekend is a more exciting time. Three of our club members will join five veterans from the Veteran's Hospital and six soldiers from Fort Knox on an all expenses paid guided float trip on the Caney Fork River in Tennessee. The three DCFF members are Larry Drake, who is the DCFF Healing Waters Director, Jim

Bearden, and Joan Norman. In addition, one of the guides on the Caney Fork River will be our own Gerry McDaniel!

Hopefully we will have a nice report on this trip in the August Newsletter!



Larry Drake



Gerry McDaniel



Jim Bearden



Joan Norman

Newsletter Director, Doug Stull

We join a club like Derby City Fly Fishers because we are thinking of what we can get out of it. After you have been here awhile, made some friends or acquaintances, learned some things, it is time to think in terms of what you can give as opposed to what you can get. And that is what Derby City Fly Fishers needs - people who want to help, and are willing to work at it. The more you contribute the more you have fun and make friends. Things you might do include being a Trip Leader, helping kids or other newcomers to learn, working at club events, Board membership and on and on. We would be happy to see you involved. Look forward to seeing you!



Doug Stull

Your comments of any sort are welcome. A report from you on one of your outings are of interest to other club members. Also, I would like to hear from you about fishing-related things that you do or that you experience or perhaps hear about. If I do, you will be given credit in what is written up. Thanks! Happy fishing!

Doug



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