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New Format

We have begun the use of a new format for the newsletter, one we believe will be more enjoyable for you, the reader. So this is just to let you know why things are different.

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Upcoming in February

February 3 - Board Meeting, 6:30 PM at Cardinal Hall of Fame Cafe, 2745 Crittenden Drive, Louisville

February 10, Eat and Talk Shop, Golden Corral, Clarksville, 6:00

February 17, Club Meeting, Bass Pro, 6:30

February 24, Fly Tying at Cabela's, 6:30

February 25, Fly Tying at Bass Pro, 6:30

Also in February

The International Fly Fishing Film Festival (IF4) is coming to Louisville on March 30 at the Village 8 Theater. WKU professor Raymond Poff and his students in the Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport program are finalizing the details.

"The International Fly Fishing Film Festival® consists of short and feature length films produced by professional filmmakers from all corners of the globe, showcasing the passion, lifestyle and culture of fly-fishing. The films at this popular event are capturing the attention of anglers around the world. IF4™ contains exclusive content and is a must see experience coming to a theater near you!"

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Letter from President Brian Kaluzny

Three cheers to Jim Bearden and all the volunteers who made the 2016 Fly Fishing Show another huge success. Even though the weather persons had us believing the snowstorm of the decade was upon us, the show went on despite almost 25% of our vendors not being able to make it to the show. Attendance was better than expected and the presenters had full rooms of interested fly fishers.

We again were able to present \$1000 checks to Casting for Recovery and Reel Recovery for their respective support groups.

Our fly casters, fly tiers, guides, state agencies, fly clubs, and Healing Waters folks really put a lot of effort and expertise into their interactions with the attendees.

Roxanne and Terry Wilson along with Gerry McDaniel and Dustin Harley captivated their audiences and freely answered questions and gave up a few of their secrets.

The Paroquet Springs Conference Center proved to be the perfect venue and we intend to return next year. Again, thanks to everyone that made the show possible. Spread the word that we can accommodate more vendors and attendees next year.

See you on the water, Brian



Brian Kaluzny

2016 Kentuckiana Fly Show

Thanks to lots of planning, communication, and effort the 2016 Fly Show held January 23 at Peroquet Springs was a success! Sincere thanks to Jim Bearden who led all that hard work and to all our Derby City Fly Fishers who aided. Peroquet Springs was just as fine a location as we hoped it would be.



Jim Bearden

Everything they promised was there - clean restrooms, clean everything for that matter, parking lot and walks shoveled, food both good and reasonably priced! Peroquet Springs is a winner!

I stayed in the adjacent Sleep Inn and Suites. It was also very nice, with the employees there very helpful and a room rate that was quite fair.

All the folks who had booths were unable to show because of weather. But the majority did. Attendance was just short of 300 - a good number considering what the roads in our region were like the day before.

And how great it is to see so many long-time acquaintances and chat a bit with all of them! Way to go Derby City Fly Fishers! Many thanks to George Tipker for manning the microphone the whole day keeping us all aware of what was happening and where. And hearty congratulations to Jim Smith, the winner of the Orvis Helios rod and the engraved matching Louisville Slugger bat!

Our speakers did nice jobs which are much appreciated. None were better than Gerry McDaniel's excellent presentation about Fishing Streamer Flies on the Cumberland. And I think I dreamed that night about the photo of a 30 pound Rainbow Trout taking a 13 inch Brown Trout during a fish shocking study being done by Kentucky's Fish and Wildlife group on the Cumberland River near Burkesville.

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It takes a lot to keep everything moving in the right direction. These are the folks that do that. Please help them when you can, and maybe become one of them!

2016 TRIPS

Trip Director Mike Norris has provided this list of trips that are planned for 2016. Now is the time to tell you of a new policy that applies to all of these.

Trips are one of the really great things that are part of DCFF membership. We have lots of trips, and they are all of comparatively low cost, full of good fly-fishing. and productive of friendships.

But we have had one problem regarding trips. They are easy to sign up for, but too easy to forget or put aside because of personal situations when the time comes to meet with other travellers and head out.

That causes problems. First, the group that meets at 5:30 AM so as to travel together, thereby being able to aid one another, doesn't know whether to get on the road or to wait on the person who signed up but has not yet shown up. Then there are other problems tying to things like unfilled motel reservations and dinner plans and others.

So we have decided to make the business of signing up for a trip a more serious decision. A deposit will be required before an application to join a trip will be accepted. The amount will vary depending on the trip. But no deposits are readily refundable. The money you send in when you sign up for a trip will stay with the club should you decide to cancel unless the reason for cancellation is acceptable to the Board of Directors. This is not a decision made by the Trip Director. It is made by the entire Board of Directors. And the end result should be elimination of problems for all of us.

So, that aside, here are the plans for 2016:

Trip	Start	End	Leader	Level	Location	Comments
Overnight Otter Creek	3/11	3/13	Brian Kaluzny	2	Otter Creek	\$30 /night/person

Otter Creek Beginners	3/12	3/12	" "	2	Otter Creek	9 AM to 1 PM
North Carolina	4/7	4/10	Carol Smith Bob Kincheloe	2	Waynesville, NC	
Parklands Cleanup	4/23	4/23		1	Parklands @ Floyds Fork	
Otter Creek	5/14	5/14	Need Coordinator	2	Otter Creek	Need Coordinator
Lake Barkley	5/20	5/22	John Froelich Gerry McDaniel	2	Lake Barkley	Need Watercraft, any kind
Taylorsville Lake	5/28	5/28	Mike Norris	2	Taylorsville Lake	Watercraft or Bank Fish
Blue River	6/22	6/23	Bob Sawtelle	3/4	Blue River	Limit of 15 plus Spouse/Guest
Brookville Tail Waters	6/22	6/23	John Hearin	2	Brookville, IN	
Elkhorn Creek	7/9	7/9	Wes Krupiczewicz	4	Elkhorn Creek	
Cumberland River	7/15	7/17	Need Coordinator	2	Cumberland R.	Coordinator Needed
Cumberland River	8/12	8/14	Wes Krupiczewicz	2	Cumberland R.	
White River, IN	8/19	8/21	Brian Kaluzny	2	White River, IN	
Salmon Camp	9/22	9/25				
Salmon Camp	9/29	10/2		2		
Otter Creek Beginners Outing	10/22	10/22		2	Otter Creek	9 AM to 1 PM
North Carolina Outing	11/3	11/5	Carol Smith Jim Bearden	2	Waynesville, NC	
Mystery Fly Outing & Campout	11/18	11/20		2	Otter Creek	DCFF Campout- Mystery Fly

So, that is it for 2016 unless others get added. Information will be made current with each newsletter. Hope you have a grand time.

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You can now find our club on [Facebook](#)

Many of our members and friends of the club are on the Derby City Fly Fishers Facebook page. It's a closed group so only admitted members can post or comment on posts. It's a great way to share pictures, stories and fishing reports... Just click the JOIN button and we will admit you to the group.

Project Healing Waters, helping our military!



Larry Drake

The Healing Waters organization is a large charity which works with clubs like ours to support and improve the lives of soldiers and veterans through helping them to learn fly fishing in all of its aspects.

Larry Drake heads this activity for our club. Our representatives go to the Louisville Veterans Hospital twice each month to teach and practice fly fishing, fly tying, rod building, and all other requirements of our sport. You don't need to be expert yourself to be of assistance. Just be willing to help. You will learn a great deal, just like the soldiers and veterans do. Start by calling Larry Drake at 502 287 8836.

NICE NEWS!

Dustin Tabert and wife Kristen will welcome to the world their first child, a boy named Noah, on February 1! Let us all join them in giving thanks for this happy event!!

Editor's Comments

Derby City Fly Fishers continues to grow well and to help people learn and enjoy fly fishing, fly casting, knots and what to use them for and how to tie them, and to support several charities, and to just provide lots of fun. All for \$20.00 per year per member or \$25.00 including the family. We hope you are enjoying it all!

Your comments about the newsletter are welcome. A report from you on one of your outings or other would be of interest to other club members. You tell me about it and I will write it, then let you check it before it is printed.

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