

... to introduce and educate the sporting public to the sport of fly fishing

Upcoming in July

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

July 9 - Trip to Eikhorn Creek for smallmouth bass et al. See Trip info below.

July 13 - Eat and Talk Shop, Golden Corral, Clarksville, 6:00

July 20 - Club Outdoor Meeting at the Egg Lawn at Floyds Fork Parklands. Meal included, \$5 for members, no-charge for guests. Begins at 6:30 PM, ends at 8:30 PM

July 27 - Fly Tying, Cabela's, 6:30. Instructor is Jack Miller, flies are his version of a Clouser Minnow and a Floating Minnow. Jack Miller is an outstanding angler, and his version of something to do with fly-fishing is worth learning!

July 28 - Fly Tying, Bass Pro Shop, 6:30. Instructor is Jack Miller, flies are his version of a Clouser Minnow and a Floating Minnow. Jack Miller is an outstanding angler, and his version of something to do with fly-fishing is worth learning!

June DCFF Fly Tying Classes

Classes will be held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday July 27 at Cabela's and the following day, Thursday July 28 at Bass Pro Shops, also at 6:30. It is good to get there a little early to get your tools, supplies, and set up your vise. The instructor is Jack Miller. He will teach us to tie his version of a Clouser Minnow and a Floating Minnow.

You need to bring no tools or tying supplies. DCFF furnishes them to all who attend, along with instruction and personal guidance as needed. Membership in Derby City Fly Fishers is not required either. All are welcome.

June Members' Meeting

A good group of about 40 folks gathered for our monthly meeting at Southern Hills Subdivision off Route 60 In Borden, Indiana. DCFF is able to enjoy this lovely area because we are invited to do so by two of our members who are residents, Scott DeWees and George Tipker. Thanks very much to them.

We had expected about 100 attendees. But forecast bad weather and maybe the construction of the bridges and associated roads kept attendance low. Happily, the storms did not occur and we were able to enjoy a cool cloudy evening with a nice breeze. Sorry if you didn't make it.

Food was great, a pulled pork sandwich dinner, pasta Salad, and fresh fruit from Frank's Deli. Members ate for \$5 and guests were free. The club provided non-alcoholic drinks. Of course there was lots of conversation, teaching folks to fly fish, and fly-fishing. Dinner was so good, including desserts provided by Sally and perhaps others. It is always nice to see the gang. And I always learn something!

July Members' Meeting

The July Outdoor meeting will be at the Floyds Fork Parklands at the Egg Lawn; we will use the pavilion if it is not in use that evening. We can't reserve it ahead of time. Members pay \$5 for a pulled pork dinner catered from Frank's Deli. Guests are free!

There will be casting instruction available with the club fly rods. If you have an interest in some other fly fishing topic, please ask!





I am continually amazed at the turn out at our monthly fly tying classes. Each month, January through October, our club offers free fly tying instruction on the 4th Wednesday at Cabela's and the very next day (Thursday) at Bass Pro. Sessions begin at 6:30 p.m. For the past 10+ years, we have taught two useful patterns each month, to anyone with absolutely no skills all the way to experienced tiers wanting to learn a new pattern. You can always count on accomplished teachers, which rotate monthly, to provide expert instruction and tips on how to fish the fly.

All materials, vises and tools are free to anyone that's interested.

Gerry McDaniel has been coordinating the sessions, scheduling instructors to tie season appropriate flies, and is always on hand to offer individuals help during the class. You can also count on at least two other club members to be there to lend a hand in setting up the vise, explaining techniques, provide an extra hand when materials don't cooperate, and encouraging those in attendance that practice makes perfect.

With that said, a special thanks goes out to Gerry and all the other coordinators and helpers over the years. DCFF was founded on the principles of education and conservation and I'm proud to be a small part of the club and truly appreciate the efforts of all those who contribute to its mission and philosophies.

See you on the water, Brian

A SHARING OPPORTUNITY --- TWO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The River Ridge Long Beards, a local chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation is hosting a Women in the Outdoors Field Day in Henryville, Indiana on July 24th. One of the skills taught during the day is fly fishing where the women learn basic flycasting techniques and equipment needed to fly fish. Last year George Tipker and Brian Kaluzny spent an hour or so teaching about a dozen women at a small pond on the site.

The group is again requesting the club's assistance in putting on that class this year. The class will be right before lunch or right after lunch depending on the instructors' preference.

If you have a couple hours of free time and would like to teach some basic skills, we could use your help. DCFF has all the rods you need. All you need is some patience and be able to get them comfortable with the basic cast.

Please contact Brian Kaluzny if you would like to help during the event. You can reach Brian at bkaluzny@twc.com or by phone at 502-724-3487. Thanks, Brian

Results of Orvis' Good Deal

Orvis discount of 20% that was offered for the trade-in (swap) of an old serviceable rod in purchase of a new Orvis fly rod ended on Father's Day. It resulted in several used rods being donated to DCFF by the good people of Orvis! We will be looking at them and deciding how to use them.

2017 Kentuckiana Fly Show

Please begin now to plan on attending DCFF's 2017 Fly Show on Saturday, January 28, 2017! We are planning for an even better show at Paroquet Springs Conference Center in Shepherdsville, Kentucky.

Jim Bearden is heading this event again, and welcomes thoughts from club members and vendors on how to make things better. We are asking Sleep Inn and Suites to hold 20 double rooms at reduced rates because we filled more than 15 rooms last year despite the weather. Those who arrive on Friday to help with setup activities or for whatever reason are encouraged to attend a pizza and beer and snacks get together in the eating area at Sleep Inn Friday evening.



Jim Bearden has developed a new layout which will allow more vendors and other attendees and is looking for ideas for good speakers for our 2017 Show, or for casting experts willing to put on demonstrations. Please call him at 502 439 6804 or email him at flyfisherbearden@gmail.com if you have suggestions. He would appreciate your effort. Last year's show was much better than those prior and we plan to make this one even better. See you there!

News Flash: Trout Camp

Stay tuned for details on a new club trip this fall. Logistics are being worked out to offer a "Trout Camp" at Paula's Riverside Retreat at Helm's Landing on the Cumberland River.

This trip is an alternative to Salmon Camp that we have participated in for the past six years. There have been requests over the years for the club to consider a similar experience closer to home, pursuing a fish we know, and one we don't have to wade in a river at night to catch.

We will still offer details and an invitation from John Bueter for Salmon Camp, as in the past. However, since the salmon have been fewer and fewer the last two years conversations have accelerated toward a trout fishing experience in our own backyard.

This will probably be all settled at the next Board Meeting July 6 and shown on the DCFF Web site soon after.. Dates to be used will probably be September 23 through October 2.

2016 DCFF Trips

Shown below are trips which are planned for the remainder of 2016. Our Trip Director is Mike Norris. Should you wish to participate in a trip, sign up via the derbycityflyfishers.com Web site. Some trips require a deposit and those deposits are not refundable.

<u>Trip</u>	Start End	Trip Leader Level	Location / Comments
Elkhorn Creek	July 9	Wes Krupiciwicz	Still Waters Campground
			249 Strohmeier Road
			Fraknfort, KY. Must be
			a current member.

Cumberland River	August 12-14	Mike Norris	
Whitewater River	August 19 -21	Mike Norris	Whitewater R. With 3 River Fly Fishers
Salmon Camp #1	Sept. 23-25	Mike Norris	Camps @ Baldwin, MI on Pere Marquette River Ditto
Salmon Camp #2	Sept. 30- Oct 2	Mike Norris	
Cumberland River	Sept.23- Oct. 2	Mike Norris	Helms Landing
Otter Creek Beginners Outing	October 22	Mike Norris	Otter Creek Park, KY
North Carolina's Pigeon R. &			
Tuckasegee R.	November 3-6	Mike Norris	Waynesville, NC
Mystery Fly Outing	November 18 -	20 George Tipker	Otter Creek; Camping Available

Find us on 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, helpng our military!



Larry Drake

The Healing Waters organization is a large national 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. Start by calling Larry Drake at 502 287 8836. Just be willing to help. You will learn a great deal, just like the soldiers and veterans do.

Editor's Comments

Derby City Fly Fishers is dedicated to helping people learn and enjoy fly fishing, fly casting and knots. We also work to provide support to several charities. And we strive to have lots of fun as well. All for \$20.00 per year per member or \$25.00 including the family. We hope you are enjoying it all!

Your comments, good or bad, about the newsletter are encouraged. A report from you or pictures from one of your outings 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. Try to have it to me by the end of the third week of the month. Thanks!

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