



The Kentuckiana Fly Fisher

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

Upcoming in September

September 7 - Board Meeting, 6:30 PM at Cardinal Hall of Fame Cafe, 2745 Crittenden Drive, Louisville

September 13 - Trout Unlimited Dinner and Fund Raiser; Social Hour begins 5:30 PM with dinner at 7:30; lots of auction items and door prizes. At KFC Lodge on Upper River Road, Louisville. All this per TU's ardent spokesman Paul Vitello who came to last week's Endris Lodge DCFF meeting to invite DCFF members to attend as several of us did last year. A good time, and an opportunity to support a fine organization.

September 14 - Eat and Talk Shop at Golden Corral in Clarksville, 6:00

September 21 - Club Meeting begins at 6:30 PM, ends about 8:30 PM at Bass Pro in Clarksville, IN, our first indoor meeting for some time, marking the end of summer. We meet in the auditorium on the second floor.

September 23 through October is DCFF's first Trout Camp, being put on to replace the loss of Salmon Camp that has come about due to the decline of the Lake Michigan salmon population. Hopefully Trout Camp will produce fun, fish, and camaraderie like Salmon Camp once did.

September 28 - Fly Tying, Cabela's in Louisville, 6:30. Instructor is Dan Foster, who will have us tie Wooly Bugger flies.

September 29 - Fly Tying at Bass Pro in Clarksville, 6:30. Instructor is Dan Foster, who will have us tie Wooly Bugger flies.

About DCFF Fly Tying Classes

Classes are held at 6:30 PM on the fourth Wednesday of the month at Cabela's in Louisville and the following day, Thursday, at Bass Pro Shops in Clarksville, also at 6:30. It is good to get there a little early to get your tools, supplies, and to set up your vise. 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!

Last Month's Members' Meeting

A good group of about 35 or so attended this meeting at the Endris Lodge in Clarksville. It was a fine get-together. A nice, also very amusing invitation made by Paul Vallee of TU who attended the meeting to invite DCFF members to attend Trout Unlimited's fund raising social hour and dinner at Knights of Columbus Lodge on Upper River Road in Louisville. See above for details. **Be Careful** crossing Upper River Road from the parking lot to the lodge!

September Members' Meeting

The September meeting of our membership will be at Bass Pro in Clarksville in the second floor auditorium. This marks the approach of the end of summer, as it is our first indoor meeting in some time.

We are back to having a speaker and to having raffle items as well. We are going to have an interesting seminar put on by members Gerry McDaniel and Ray Zavala, talking about the Evolution of Fly Tying Materials and Techniques. What do we use today and what preceded it a decade or two or three ago? This topic sounds very interesting! We hope we will see you there.

Letter from President Brian Kaluzny



I experienced two club trips in the last few weeks. They were Cumberland River weekend at Paula's Riverside Retreat at Helm's Landing, and the joint trip with Three Rivers Fly Fishers on the White River in Indiana, about half an hour northeast of Indianapolis.

The fishing was great. The catching was poor. The weather was hot and rainy. On both trips the camaraderie was outstanding. The water really never cooperated, but both trips were well coordinated, the food was plentiful and superb, and the opportunity to meet new

enthusiastic fly fishers proved once again how traveling, fishing together, and spending time with others, breeds new relationships.

Some of those I met or got better acquainted with are sure to participate in more activities and trips. We even got commitments from a few to attend the inaugural Trout Camp and participate in the Mystery Fly Tournament.

There are still two club trips remaining this year. The next one, at the end of September, is Trout Camp on the Cumberland River. Get the details on the website and be sure to call George Tipker to sign up and have your questions answered.

The last trip of the year, and one of the most popular, is to Waynesville, North Carolina. It is easy to learn new water and get to know people. It's a three night trip to a beautiful little town in Western North Carolina between the Great Smokey and Blue Ridge mountains. It offers not only great fishing nearby, but plenty of shopping, sightseeing and great restaurants. Check it out!

Things are starting to wind down for the year, but there are still great fishing opportunities out there. Pick up the phone and invite someone to go fishing.

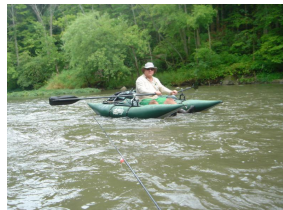
See you on the water, Brian

Pictures and Comments

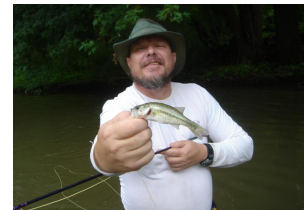
This is a new part of the newsletter. I would appreciate receiving from you your thoughts and photos to use in it. Thank you! Please send to dougstull@twc.com.



Kind of like an equation, the photo on the left shows the rain, and lots of it,



the photo in the center shows the high and muddy water, with Wes and his raft,



and the photo on the right shows Roy Bean with the result - a tiny fish and few of those!

This is the fishing that took place on the White River recently, when Three Rivers Fly Fishers in Fort Wayne invited DCCFF members up to fish the White River, a warm water stream known for good fishing. Sometimes fishing is good, sometimes it is not. But sightseeing and getting together just about always is. But if you ask any of our guys who went there, those being Brian Kaluzny, George Tipker, Roy Bean, Roger Daily, and Wes Krupiczewicz, they are going to also tell you about new friends they made and old friends they got to see again. That is what it is really all about, folks!



Scott DeWees

And how about this guy! Scott DeWees, our Merchandise Manager on the Board of Directors, displaying a lovely 18 inch smallmouth bass caught on a fly! We don't know where he caught it! But a nice fish, eh? Caught on a Murdeck Minnow, as taught in fly-tying at DCFF this week!

Cumberland River - August, 2016

reported by Trip Leader Wes Krupiczewicz



(Another big 18 inch smallmouth, very similar to Scott DeWees's fish shown above. And they are just not that common. These guys must be good!)

It wasn't a dark and stormy night, but high heat and humidity, coupled with lots of water in Lake Cumberland, combined for a high river water weekend. Unfortunately, generation from the dam was increased about 35% on the Wednesday before the trip. Fishing was slow on the river downstream of Helm's due to high generation rates, but was good in the low water above Helms between the shoal and the chute early in the morning before generation started. Fishing was also good at Hatchery Creek. Some very nice fish were caught and released despite the high water, but the numbers were down.



We had a full house at Paula's Riverside Retreat at Helm's landing. Wes, George, Brian, Mark Vincent, Mark Rougeux, Kevin Nolan, Lew Komis, Don Temple and Ralph Swallows were there for the weekend. Gerry McDaniel joined us on Thursday and Friday. Like most DCFF trips, the camaraderie and socialization after a day of fishing were outstanding! Group dinners included grilled pork loin sandwiches with beans and coleslaw and dutch oven chicken with cornbread and green beans. It sure was nice sharing the day around the campfire into

the evening!

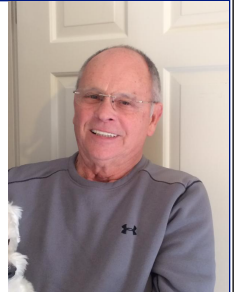
The club is looking forward to hosting "Trout Camp" at Paula's from 9/23 to 10/2. That's right, 10 days on the river if you'd like. If that is too much, you can join us for 1 day or more. Camping and room space is available. For more information, see the DCFF website. To register for the trip, please contact George Tipker (george@derbycityflyfishers.com). Lake levels are coming down and short of a lot of rain between now and then, river levels are expected to be at an optimum for our first annual "Trout Camp".



Sincere thanks for this input from Trip Leader Wes Krupiczewicz! Doug

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

Time is here to sign up if you haven't for our new club trip this fall. Your plans are needed for "Trout Camp" at Paula's Riverside Retreat at Helm's Landing on the Cumberland River so that bedplaces and possible cooking plans can be made.

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 on the Pere Marquette River in Michigan for Salmon Camp, as in the past. However, the fact that the salmon

have been fewer and fewer the last two years led us toward a very good trout fishing experience in our own backyard.

Dates to be used will be September 23 through October 2. Stay a day or two or as much as you like but let us know your plans via the web site soon, please. As with all trips, our web site offers the most current information and the opportunity to make reservations. The web site address is derbycityflyfishers.com.

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, helping 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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