



The Kentuckiana Fly Fisher

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

**Sorry Fellow members, another reissue to correct Fly Show date to
Saturday, January 28. Doug Stull**

**THIS IS A RE-ISSUE DUE TO AN OMISSION IN THE 4:30 PM
MAILING**

January, 2017 Newsletter of Derby City Fly Fishers

First, Happy New Year to you all, with safety and prosperity throughout the coming year!

It is time for us to pay our dues. Dues are \$20 for you, \$25 for you and the family. It is easy to make the payment on the Derby City Fly Fishers website.

Upcoming In January

Wednesday, January 4 - At 6:30 is the Board of Directors meeting at the Cardinal Hall of Fame Cafe, 2745 Crittenden Drive in Louisville. We will welcome members who are accepting new positions on the Board. Namely, George Tipker, President; Roy Been, Vice President; Joe Gahlinger, Membership Director, Jim Bearden, Project Healing Waters Director and of course Brian Kaluzny, Immediate Past President. We will discuss problems and situations and make decisions needed to manage our club. A break is taken for dinner, paid for by each person attending.

We have always used the Coaches Room, which was very cramped if we had more attending than just the members of the Board. We do hope that other members will attend so as to see what we do, express their thoughts, and get a feel for what being an officer involves. So we have arranged to move to the much larger Freedom Hall Room, which is right next door. Please consider being there.

Wednesday, January 11 - Eat and Talk Shop at Golden Corral, 1402 Cedar Street, Clarksville, Indiana. You will enjoy fine buffet dining in a large private room the restaurant holds for Derby City Fly Fishers. Come and enjoy, and learn how to fish, how to tie knots, how to cast, all of that and lots more and camaraderie as well. Time is 6 PM until 8 or so.

Wednesday, January 18 - At 6:30 come to Bass Pro Shops in Clarksville, Indiana for our monthly meeting of the members of Derby City Fly Fishers. We meet in the auditorium on the second floor, near the Camping displays.

We will have an excellent speaker, Dustin Harley, of Ripple Guide Service. He will speak about Smallmouth Bass Fishing. Jack McGuire and Scott DeWees will have some very nice raffle items as well. Feel free to bring friends.

Wednesday January 25 - Our fly tying lessons begin at 6:30 on January 25 at Cabela's at 5100 Norton Healthcare Boulevard, Louisville, Kentucky. The teacher will be Gerry McDaniel. He will teach us to tie a Crackleback, a very productive fly, and Gerry's version of a Madame X, which he uses as his lead fly. The following night, Thursday, the same fly-tying lessons will be taught at Bass Pro Shops in Clarksville, Indiana at 6:30 PM.

It is good to get there a little early to either of these places to give you time to get your tools and tying materials and be ready for class. There is no need for you to bring your own tools or materials. They will be supplied at no-charge, as is the instruction. The class is set up so you see the instructor on a screen so you watch and listen as he ties his own fly. There will also be experienced tiers floating around to aid those who need help. Also, membership in Derby City Fly Fishers is not necessary in order to attend class and receive the treatment described above.

Saturday January 28 - This is the day for the **Kentuckiana Fly Fishing Show** at Paroquet Springs Conference Center in Shepherdsville, Kentucky! It is a great place for a show like this, and very well managed too! The address is 395 Paroquet Springs Drive, Shepherdsville, Kentucky.

Heading up this Derby Fly Fishers Fly Show is Jim Bearden, who has done excellent jobs of managing the last several shows. This may be the largest show we have had. This is our twelfth show, by the way.

Most of the folks who are going to work Friday night helping with setting up and aiding in unloading vendors' cars and trucks are going to stay in nearby Sleep Inn and Suites. It has very nice rooms on which they are giving folks related to the show a discount. Call them at 502 921 1001 to check availability and get a reservation.

After work is done Friday we will have a get-together in Sleep Inn and Suites Breakfast Room. DCFF will furnish pizza and beverages.

Admission to this show is the same, \$7.00 each. Active military and children are admitted at no-charge. Paroquet Springs Conference Center will have a food vendor who has proved in the past to be competent and reasonable. There will also be bucket raffles at the entrance table. We have 26 vendors now and should have more at show-time. There will be fly casting demos and instruction, a Kids Corner where we will teach kids to tie a fly which they can take home.

The Guest Speaker is Lee McClellan, fishing guide and aid to the Blue Water Trails shows put on by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife. He is known as the Guru of Kentucky Smallmouth Fishing.

Also, Gerry McDaniel, fishing guide, author, and founding member of DCFF will be talking about the Cumberland River. Gerry always draws a large audience when he speaks.



This show is a great place to learn, have fun, and get some bargains. Hope to see you there!

December Christmas Party

We met at Endris Lodge in Lapping Park in Clarksville, Indiana. The lodge is always very attractive, and was made more beautiful for our get-together by Carol and Jim Smith. We had 65 or so in attendance and the party lasted from 6 or 6:30 until about 9:30. There was always music playing and photos of all sorts of club events and people AND FISH on the screen!

We all brought food and beverages, both of which were plentiful! Charlie Logsdon and wife Carol were there. Charlie is the former, recently retired head of Otter Creek Outdoor Recreation area where he did a very, very fine job and was very cooperative with us Derby City Fly Fishers. DCFF presented a fine 9 foot 5 to 6 weight fly rod inscribed as follows: "From Derby City Fly Fishers created for Charlie Lodsgon. Thanks for your years of service at Otter Creek. Hand crafted by Gerry McDaniel". We do truly appreciate Charlie's assistance and excellent management. Thanks also to Gerry McDaniel for crafting the beautiful rod.

Charlie was kind enough to tell a very complex and funny story of him and his associates in Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. All of us thoroughly enjoyed Charlie's tale.

Our new President, George Tipker also gave a nice talk, wishing everyone to have fine holidays.

It was a good evening for all involved. Hope you can make it next year!

Letter from President George Tipker



President's Letter January, 2017

Happy New Year Derby City Fly Fishers! 'Tis the season for new presidents, Right?

So with the start of this new year, and the subsequent end of election season, it is now "my turn in the barrel" and it's time for me to assume the duties as your elected club president. Please note; I have never been a "Community Organizer", nor have I ever been a "Real Estate Billionaire", so one should assume that I'm clearly lacking the quintessential qualifications of being a president, and I do. But I can assure you however, that I am still going to do my best to keep the club heading in the right direction, all the while, trying hard to avoid a first ever, Derby City impeachment.

Your DCFF board of directors includes a slate of 4 officers (president, vice president, secretary, treasurer), who serve yearly terms, for a maximum of no more than 2 consecutive terms at a time. With that said, 2 years have flown by, and on behalf of our club, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our outgoing president, Brian Kaluzny, for the outstanding job he did leading our club during this period. Our club was formed in 2004 and Brian now joins the list of notable "Past Presidents", all of who have been instrumental in contributing to the success of our wonderful fly fishing club. (Larry Drake, Phil Kirkland, Kenneth Kloeppel, John Naiser, Mark Vincent, Wes Krupiczewicz, Brian Kaluzny)

I've been in our Derby City Fly Fishers club about 10 years, and have come to know many fine members over the years. I will be the first to admit that I am not as technically "fly fishing savvy" as many of you may be. But that's the nice thing about our club. You don't have to be. (One of these days I really need to try to start calling my bobber a strike indicator). But I like to fly fish, I like to catch fish, and I really like the company that we keep. The opportunities the club provides through the meetings, gatherings, outings, classes, and trips are what make building these friendships so easy. We truly have a great club!

I look forward to serving as president of our fly fishing club. Please feel free to contact me anytime with suggestions or input. I would also encourage any club member that would like to join us at a board meeting, please feel free. Our board meetings are always open to all members.

Thanks for being part of Derby City Fly Fishers,

George Tipker

Pictures From The Members



A wintertime trout by Bill Wilson



Fun at Hatchery Creek by Jeremy Bolin



Nice Smallmouth Bass by Mitchell Herman

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. The address is simply Derby City Fly Fishers.

Project Healing Waters, helping our military!

The Healing Waters organization is a large national charity that works with clubs like ours to support and improve the lives of current military personnel and veterans. Healing Waters goal is to do that by helping those people learn fly fishing in all of its aspects.

Our representatives give time for that twice each month at the Louisville Veterans Hospital, teaching and practicing fly casting, fly fishing, fly tying, rod building and all aspects of our sport.



If you would like to participate, give Jim Bearden a call. Jim is the Director of our Project Healing Waters. His phone is 502 439 6804. He will be glad to suggest to you how you might participate in this meaningful activity.

Editor's Comments

Derby City Fly Fishers is dedicated to helping people learn and enjoy fly fishing, fly casting and knots and all other aspects of our sport. 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. Our web site is derbycityflyfishers.com.

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. Send whatever to dougstull@twc.com. I will write it up for you. Try to have it to me by the end of the third week of the month. Thanks!

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