



Derby City Fly Fishers August, 2022 Newsletter

The Board of Directors met on **Wednesday, August 3rd**. This newsletter will update you on the results of that meeting as it relates to upcoming club events.

President's Letter

Musing about not working.

By Matt Clements

I have a job that leaves me working. A lot. In my off time I have a family that deserves all of my time. I have a yard I have to mow. Flies I have to tie (not for me). Chores that need to be done. And a boat that hasn't had the cover off for over two years.

I don't get to fish. I'm currently living vicariously through photos my brother posts on Facebook as he spends two months or so fishing all around Yellowstone.

I had COVID, again, and missed the board meeting, so I don't even know what is going on in the club at the moment.

All that being said, if anyone has any fishing stories, I'm open to

hearing them. If I can't fish, I at least want to talk about it.

I'm going to try to get Eli to catch a fish on his fly rod at the club meeting, if the weather isn't miserable. He has no concept of a backcast, so observers beware.

I caught myself daydreaming on the way home, that if I had someone provide me with a sizable amount of money in the form of a winning lottery ticket, I'd get an RV and fish across the country.

For the time being, I'll just look at photos and dream. Now I have to get back to work.

Plans for the Foreseeable Future

Derby City Fly Fishers Eat and Talk

Wednesday August 10th, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Rooster's

10430 Shelbyville Rd Louisville, KY
(at Moser Road, west of Blankenbaker)

[Google Map Link to Roosters](#)

We will be gathering this coming Wednesday at Rooster's. There is private room for us with plenty of space, good lighting (great for fly tying) and good food and libations. This is a great opportunity to get to know some of your DCFF club mates a little better, swap some fish stories, all while enjoying some good food and drink. You can come when you want, eat and drink if you want, tie a fly or two if you want but mostly just share some camaraderie.

Derby City Fly Fishers General Membership Meeting

Wednesday August 17th, 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

Chapel Lake Park

5801 New Chapel Road
Jeffersonville IN, 47130

[Google Map Link to Chapel Lake Park](#)

This is our fourth and final outdoor meeting of the summer season. Come out and join us for some great camaraderie.

Fly rods and reels will be available for those looking for some casting instruction or just an opportunity to practice.

Food, soft drinks and water will be provided. Cost for the meal is \$5.00.

Derby City Fly Fishers' Fly Tying

Wednesday August 24th 6:30pm - Cabela's, Louisville
Thursday August 25th 6:30pm - Bass Pro, Clarksville

Ralph Swallows will lead this months fly tying. Ralph will be showing us how to tie the "Salmonator".

As always, beginners are welcome. There will be experienced tyers available for individual instruction. Remember, tools and materials are provided at no cost. But if you have your own tools, feel free to bring them.

A big thanks to Ralph, Matt and all those willing to share their time and talents leading these classes. Please thank them when you see them. **And don't forget!** We're always looking for patterns you would like to see presented. If you have an idea. please let us know.

Hope to see you there!



Jeff Daiber provided this photo from our well attended July session at Cabelas. Plenty of help for beginners was still available.

Quest Fly Tying

PLEASE NOTE: Fly tying at Quest has been temporarily suspended until further notice. When tying is resumed we will let you know. A big THANKS to the good people at Quest for their great instruction in the past.

Trips

All 2022 Trip Descriptions and Sign Up links are now active on our [web site](#). Check them out and sign up!! Some trips (particularly the Cumberland Trips) are already nearing capacity so if you plan to go, sign up now to guarantee a spot.

Please note: Participation in these trips requires Derby City Fly Fishers membership

TRIP SCHEDULE:

AUGUST:

19th-21st - **Cumberland River (Helms)**

21st-27th - **Cody Wyoming**

SEPTEMBER:

9th-11th - **WhiteRiver (Canoe Country')**

16th-18th - **Cumberland River (Helms)**

OCTOBER:

7th-9th - **Cumberland River (Helms)**

NOVEMBER:

5th - **Otter creek (Beginners Outing)**

10th-14th - **N.Carolina Fall Trip**

Mayfly Project Update

in the Louisville area has been on pause during the pandemic. The program lost some steam but is ready to gear up. Some of our DCFF members have participated as mentors for **this amazing program that brings fly fishing experiences to foster kids in our community.** This program has been very successful and has



all the materials and resources to regain momentum. Currently the national program is looking for someone to consider being the new lead mentor for our area. Our previous lead mentor, Amber Leach, has since moved out west and is unable to coordinate our team. Please read their press release below and consider committing to this outstanding youth

initiative. A copy of the Lead Mentor Handbook is available for review. You may contact Brian Kaluzny at brian@derbycityflyfishers.com for a copy.

MayFly Press Release:

The Mayfly Project is a national non-profit on a mission to support children in foster care with the sport of fly fishing. Their goal is to not only teach children in foster care how to fly fish, but to also introduce them to their local water ecosystems, knowing that connecting them to a rewarding hobby will provide an opportunity for foster children to have fun, build self-esteem, and develop a meaningful connection with the outdoors.

The Mayfly Project currently has 65 projects across the country and into the United Kingdom, serving 400 kids a year on average.

Mentees participate in 5 outings where they learn about conservation efforts, fish in various locations in their community, and receive their own fly fishing gear to keep at the end of the project.

TMP's first project in Kentucky was in 2019, before the pandemic. Our goal is to bring this project back to life in Louisville, as we have a great mentor base and a population of local kids in care that need our support.

We are seeking a new lead mentor for this project, someone who is able to work with our national team to organize the project, onboard mentors, plan outings, and make TMP the best it can be in Louisville!

If you have any interest in hearing more about this volunteer position, please contact TMP Program Director, Kaitlin Barnhart,

kaitlin@themayflyproject.com. 208-659-6584

You can find out more about The Mayfly Project here:

www.themayflyproject.com

Recruitment, Retention and Reactivation (R3)

"All across the nation, Fish and Wildlife agencies, industry leaders and non-government organizations are collaborating in a national recruitment, retention and reactivation (R3) effort to increase participation in hunting, fishing, trapping, boating, recreational shooting and other wildlife-related activities."

Thanks to the efforts of our Conservation Director, Jeff Daiber, Derby City Fly Fishers is a "**R3 Kentucky Partner**"! Jeff continues to represent DCFF as an active participant in this effort.

Please read the following communication from Olivia Dangler, Kentucky R3Coordinator.

Good afternoon,

We created a quarterly newsletter of updates from Kentucky R3 partners to increase communication between organizations. Attached is our most recent newsletter. As you scroll through you will find partners' upcoming and past events, immediate needs, and contact information! In the newsletter you will also find the recording from our state R3 summit that was held in June. Special thank you to Kayla Jayaweera for helping me create this newsletter!

To learn more about R3 in KY, visit [Recruitment, Retention, and Reactivation \(R3\) - Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife](#)

Please let me know if you have any questions,

Olivia Dangler

And if you didn't catch it, "As you scroll through you will find partners' upcoming and past events, immediate needs, and contact information!"

This will no doubt be a great way to reach more folks letting them know about DCFF and our mission!

Here's a [link](#) to the first quarterly R3 newsletter.

Member submitted photos

Here are some photos from a recent float on the Little Red River in Arkansas. Conditions were extreme. From mid hundred degree for the first 4 days to extraordinarily wet for the last 2. The trip was terrific despite all that. Just go fish!





***** KENTUCKY FISHING LICENSE RENEWALS ******

All Kentucky hunting and fishing licenses and permits can be purchased at [Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Online License Sales site](#).

****** INDIANA FISHING LICENSE RENEWALS ******

[Renew your IN Fishing License Here](#) (Annual License renewed April 1st)

MEMBER CLASSIFIED ADS

DCFF Classified ad section - a location for club members to advertise fishing equipment for sale or purchase used gear from other club members. Classifieds are live with some items listed for sale already.

There is NO cost to advertise; however a seller must be a club member who is current on their dues and is registered on the website. Anyone can see the items for sale, only sellers must be registered to sell.

[**Derby City Fly Fishers Classifieds – Derby City Fly Fishers**](#)

Member registration on website. DCFF club members can register on the DCFF website for membership. This will allow club members to sell items on the classified ad section, and provide access to members only website content (coming soon).

[**Website Membership Registration – Derby City Fly Fishers**](#)

Membership

Dues are \$20 for individuals, and \$25 for family memberships. Life-time memberships can be purchased for \$350 for individual or \$500 for a family membership (immediate household family.) You can get more information on membership benefits, types of membership, as well as pay online by clicking [here](#).

Some of the benefits of DCFF membership include:

- our monthly newsletter
 - eligible for club sponsored trips
 - fly casting instruction
 - fly tying classes
 - fly fishing instruction (on and off the water)
 - rod building classes
 - eligible for special members-only events
 - discounted fly fishing gear/accessories through the club
 - discounted embroidery services for DCFF logo (Derby City Embroidery)
 - meet people with a common interest/passion for fly fishing
 - opportunities to make new friends
 - Quest Outdoors Discount on in stock items in Quest Fly Shop (some restrictions apply)
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These Board Members can be reached by email by going to the [Derby City Fly Fishers website](#), clicking on **About in the header menu, then **Board of Directors**. There you will find the list of Board Members, job descriptions, and email addresses. Don't hesitate to contact a Board Member with a question or suggestion - we'd love to hear from you.**

Webmaster - Jim Wilmoth continues to update and upgrade our website. He would very much like to incorporate more pictures from members on the site. You can submit pictures to him at webmaster@derbycityflyfishers.com. He would also welcome any suggestions for improving the site.



Thanks for taking a look at the newsletter!
I hope you found it to be an enjoyable read.
We appreciate the help We've received with content. Keep it coming! We're always looking for another "Fly of the Month". If you have one you would like to see published, let me know and I'll be happy to assist you with getting it done.

If you fish, send me some pictures. Even better, take a couple of minutes to write a short paragraph or two to tell your friends at DCFF about it. I enjoy hearing about your experiences as do others. I look forward to hearing from you!

And if you have any suggestions for making the newsletter better, please tell me about them.
Thanks in advance!

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