

Mending Lines

October—December, 2015

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UPCOMING EVENTS

2015

November 19

Club Meeting
Pike & Musky
Classic Café
7:00 PM

November 4

Board Meeting
Kayson's 5th Down
6:45 pm

November 25

Fly Show Committee Meeting
Kayson's 5th Down
6:45 pm

December 2

Board Meeting
Kayson's 5th Down
6:45 pm

December 17

No Club meeting in December

December 30

Fly Show Committee Meeting
Kayson's 5th Down
6:45 pm

January 21, 2016

Club Meeting
Muskegon River
Classic Café
7:00 PM

January 27, 2016

Fly Show Committee Meeting
Kayson's 5th Down
6:45 pm

Feb 18, 2016

Club Meeting
Pine, Little Manistee
and Pere Marquette
Rivers
Classic Cafe

Don's Den

By: Don Privett, Club President

Fall is here and the frost has been on the ground, almost all of the dock and shore stations have been removed from the lakes and boats put in storage for the year. Don't put that fishing gear up just yet, this is the time to get out and fish our lakes for those trout, they have come back in to the shallows and there chasing minnows fattening up for the coming winter. Big streamers in white and pale green have been good. I like a six weight rod and a floating line and a short leader. You can troll along the breaks or cast in to the shallows but hold on because when they hit the fly the fight will be on.

The holidays are going to be here before we know it and we only have one more meeting this year, no meeting in December.

The board's planning meeting for 2016 is December 2. The board is still looking for speakers and places for next summer's outings. Please let a board member know before December 2 if you have a request for a speaker or outing location.

I would also like to thank all the members that have helped over the year to make this club what it is in it's 20th year. We our growing in membership once again and it is because of the hard work that you have done. Thank you.

If you have not been on our face book page please go to Three Rivers Fly Fishers-Ft. Wayne, Indiana and like us. There is a link from our web page at 3rff.org. Also, share the information with a friend who may not be a member of our club. I think that this is a great free promotion for the club and for fly fishing.

The fly fishing show is coming up April 2 and we can always use more help for that. Last year was a big success and we are hoping for a bigger and better show this year.

I hope to see you all at the next meeting.

Don

2016 | Three Rivers Fly Fishing / Fly Tying Show Fort Wayne, IN - Saturday, April 2nd



Fly Fishing Fly Tying

25 Fly Tyers

Learn from the best fly tyers in our area!

Fly Tying demonstrations throughout the day. Bass, trout, muskie, salmon, steelhead, bluegill and other area fly patterns.

Guest speakers throughout the day

Classic Cafe

4832 Hillegas Road
Fort Wayne, IN

*Food Available
Raffles throughout the day
and silent auction*

9:00 am - 4:30 pm


\$10 - Adults
\$5 - 12 years to 17
11 and under free

18 Vendors

Top quality vendors geared towards the fly fisher!

Tri-state area fly shops and guides.
Bamboo rods, fly rod company representatives.



Check for updates on www.3rff.org/flyshow.html
and on the Three Rivers Fly Fishers Facebook page 

Kyle Hammond provided an excellent presentation on fishing from a Kayak at our September meeting. DVD's of this presentation are available.



Two of the Members favorite flies presented at the April 2015 club meeting

Twister Tail Crystal Bugger by Jerry Hohla



Hook: TMC 5263, #4-6

Thread: 6/0

Eyes: Lead Dumbbell, Painted Red

Tail: Fly Tail, Large or Small

Flash: Flashabou

Body: Estaz, Medium

Head: Estaz, Medium

STIMULATOR by Bob Hudson



Colors: Yellow, Green, Tan

Hook: TMC 200R or similar – sizes 12 and 10

Thread: Uni-Thread 6/0

Tail: Deer Hair, Body Hair, Natural

Body Hackle: Brown

Wire: Copper or the same color as the yarn – size small

Body: Polypropylene Floating Yarn (use yarn sparingly)

Under Wing: Crystal Flash, Pearl (4-6 strands)

Wing: Deer Hair, Body hair the same color as the body (Pro Tackle has premo deer hair that will tie hundreds of flies.) Natural body hair color will also work.

Over Wing: Calf's Tail, White (small amount)

Head: Thread, Uni-Thread 6/0 (glue heavily)

Head Hackle: Silver Badger (Grizzly will also work)

- 1) Tie in tail – approximately ¼ inch off the hook bend.
- 2) Tie in brown hackle on side facing you.
- 3) Tie in wire far side (I like copper, but you can use the same color as the body)
- 4) Tie in the body yarn down to tail; wrap the yarn forward leaving space approximately 1/3 of the distance to the eye, tie off. This should give plenty of space for the deer hair.
- 5) Tie in crystal flash.
- 6) Tie in deer hair.
- 7) Tie in calf's tail.
- 8) Tie in front hackle, whip finish.

Mending Lines is looking for additional member content!

Some suggestions are:

- Pictures of fish caught by members, families, friends...Look at the fishing pictures in the local papers for ideas.
- Pictures and notes from trips. Your notes do not need to be a final article. Your notes can be tuned and reviewed before inclusion in Mending Lines.
- Items for sale
- Fishing and casting lessons learned.
- Favorite Web sites
- Short Stories, Fact, or ????
- Book reviews

For Sale: American Eagle, Ducks Unlimited flatback canoe. 40 lb thrust trolling motor. \$400. Contact Steve Harris, (260) 627-2829

For Sale: Water Skeeter Pontoon with back attachment, pulleys and anchor. \$175. Contact Jim Lindhorst, (260) 402-5283, jim.lindhorst@gmail.com

3RFF Logo Available

The new 3RFF Club Logo is available for embroidery on your shirt.

You provide a clean shirt and \$10.00 to have the logo embroidered.

See Steve Harris for more information



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