

Mending Lines

July—September 2017

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UPCOMING EVENTS

June 25, 2017
3RFF Outing
Pigeon River,
Mongo, IN

July 5, 2017
Board Meeting
Kaysan's 5th Down
6:45 PM

July 23, 2017
3RFF Outing
St. Joe/Elkhart Rivers
Island Park,
Goshen, IN

August 2, 2017
Board Meeting
Kaysan's 5th Down
6:45 PM

August 18-20, 2017
3RFF Outing
White River,
Riverside Canoe Outfitters
Daleville, IN

September 6, 2017
Board Meeting
Kaysan's 5th Down
6:45 PM

September 28, 2017
Club Meeting
Classic Café
Lynn Burry

October 4, 2017
Board Meeting
Kaysan's 5th Down
6:45 PM

Curly's Creel

First off I would like to thank Don for his many years of service to the Club as a Board Member and for his two separate terms as President. Don has contributed tremendously to the Club over the years with his knowledge of fly fishing, fly tying, reading of water, and his willingness to share all of his talents with each of us. I truly enjoyed the many fly fishing trips we experienced together, Michigan, Arkansas, Pennsylvania, and North Carolina. We never did make it to Tennessee. Thank you Don.

I hope you have managed to get all of your rods and reels out, cleaned your rods and fly line, straightened all of your leaders, checked your tippets for strength and teeth marks and tied on new. I hope you have managed to get some fishing in. I know George has posted a lot of gill pictures and Lynn & Denny have posted various species of fish. The amount of rain we got in May truly messed up spawning of the White Bass, Crappie, and Bluegill on my home waters. The Mississenewa River finally went down and cleared up for two days and then it flooded again. I did manage to sit at the bench and get a lot of flies tied for orders during all the rain.

I would like to welcome the many new Club Members who have joined the Club this year. I hope you enjoy the Club and if you have comments or suggestions please contact me or one of the Board members. We have a lot of good programs and outings planned for this year and I hope you and the rest of the members come out and join us at these programs and have a great time. The Club can only be as good as the Members make it.

Get out and Wet a Line,
Curly Hodson

2017 Fly Show

The 2017 3RFF Fly show is now in the past. By the time you read this, we're working on the 2018 show.

I'd like to thank the committee for all the time and hard work they do. Thank you Curly Hodson, Ron Dixon, Chet Perkins, Denny Rieter, Dan Brophy, Tom Kline, and Bob Sloffer.

I'd also like to thank the show staff that worked the show: Ed Rose, Tom Koeman, Jamie Thompson, Don Meyers, Ken Cochran, Stee Hutsell and his wife, Terry Marker, Kerry Shipman, Dale Fulkerson, Tyson Burkhart, Earl Shaw, Robert Goeglin, Rex Lengacher, Bob Womak, Bob Menefee, Jim Foote, Larry and Trina Wilson, Dennis Plank, John & Janet Carlson (cookies), Mike Shellburn, Mary Dixon, Kyle Hammond, Tom Koeman, Ken Schiefelbein, Dusty Krause, and George & Monica McBride.

I'd like to give a special thanks to : Jerry Drake and Rick Hinton for all their work behind the lines.

Special thanks to those that travel and work the other fly shows: Jerry Drake, Curly Hodson, Jamie Thompson, and Tom Kline.

A very special thanks to my wife for all the help she gives me and for working the phone.

If anybody wants to join the committee for the 2018 show, let me or Curly know,

Thanks,
Steve Harris

If you are a diabetic then you know what these are. If you do not use your test strip containers will you please save them and donate them to the Club. I create labels and place on them and we use them to put flies in for our Big Brothers-Big Sisters Event, when we work with Cub Scouts and Boys Scouts to help them earn a Fly Tying Badge, and when we go to shows and have kids tying flies like our Kids Korner at our Fly Show. You can give them to me anytime.

Thanks in advance,
Curly Hodson
President
Three Rivers Fly Fishers



Members Favorite Fly's



Black Mamba 10-13-12 by Curly Hodson

Hook: TMC 300, #2-4

Thread: Uni-Thread, Black, 6/0

Tail: Marabou, Black

Under Body: Marabou, Black

Over Tail: Rabbit Strip, Black

Tail Flash: Flashabou, Blue (10), Purple (13), Black (12) (4 strands each)

Body: Pearl Chenille, Black, Medium

Hackle: Schlappen, Black

Collar: Hackle, Pheasant Rump, Black

High Dirty Water (swing or strip)

Instructions:

Lay down a base layer of thread.

Tie in the marabou tail (length of the shank); tie in marabou on top of the hook to 1/4" from the eye for body bulk.

Tie in the rabbit strip at the tie in point of the tail, length should be hook shank plus a 1/4".

Tie in the Flashabou at the tie in point of the tail on each side of the tail as long as the tail and parallel to the shank.

Tie in the schlappen by the tip at the tie in point of the tail.

Tie in the chenille 1/4" in front of the tie in point of the schlappen and tie in back to the original tie in point.

Wrap the chenille forward to within 1/4" of the eye, tie off.

Palmer the schlappen forward to the front of the chenille, tie off.

Tie in the pheasant rump hackle by the tip in front of the schlappen.

Make 3-5 wraps without fluff, soft hackle style leaving space behind the eye for the head.

Tie a nice size tapered thread head.

Glue for durability and sheen.

I tie this in different colors.

I also tie this with variations of colors of Flashabou.

Members Favorite Fly's

Another of the fly's tied during the April 2017 Members Favorite Fly's club meeting.

Boog's Bug

Jamie Thompson



Hook: Dry Fly, #10-#12

Thread: Black, 8/0

Weight: Lead Wire, (wrapped from hook point to three eye lengths behind eye)

Tail: Hen Hackle Fibers, Black, 10-12, (one hook gap in length)

Body: Chenille, Black, Medium, (wrapped to where lead wire ends)

Hackle: Hen Hackle, Black (3-4 wraps)

Simple to tie; but, very effective. Fish with a long leader. Fly will sink slowly and many bites occur while it is sinking.

Club DVD's

DVD's of club presentations are available for \$10.00 each. Contact Steve Harris at club meetings.

Topic	Presenter
Forage Fish	Kevin Feenstra
Streamers	Josh Gouker
Kayak Fishing	Kyle Hammond
Foam Flies	Ron Dilbone
Bass Flies	Lynn Burry
Pike and Muskie	Derrick Filkins
Trout Flies	Jamie Thompson
Smallmouth	Kevin Feenstra
Central Wisconsin Rivers	Ian Anderson
Hackle and Thread	Chris Helms
Ausable river Flies	Jerry Regan
Soft Hackles	Dick Walle
	Bob Clouser
Deer Hair	Chris Helms
Warm water Flies	Jerry Drake
Members Favorite Flies #1	Various
Members Favorite Flies #2	Various
Members Favorite Flies #3	Various
DNR	Jed Pierson

Club Logo



Next Phase Graphics will print the club logo on your new shirt or hat for \$8.00. Give a new shirt or hat to Steve Harris along with \$8.00 at a club meeting or visit:

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Membership Rates:

Dues are for one year beginning January 1 through December 31.
 Individual Rate: \$25.00 per year
 Family Rate: \$35.00 per year
 Junior Rate: \$ 5.00 per year 18 or younger and not part of a family membership
 Corporate Rate: \$50.00 per year

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 ????

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