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Message from the President

I hope you all had a great summer and caught a lot of fish and enjoyed being in the great outdoors.

The activities slated for our club this fall are many. Our Sept. meeting promises to be very interesting and informative. Barry Webster has put together a GREAT “Tying” program. There will be many different activities related to tying. Come one, come all; even if you’re not into tying. We will have several door prizes to raffle off and your friends WILL be there.

The meeting on August 1 came off very well, Adam and the gang did a great job. Sorry I was not there, I was testing and refining my outdoor camping, horseback riding and basic survival skills. I AM glad to be back. I would write a summary of my trip to Idaho, but there isn’t enough memory in my computer to store the information. I will simple have to relay the adventure by spoken work, you know like what we did before computers.

The activities for our club and region this fall are many and varied. We start with our September “Tying” meeting followed closely Fly Fish 101 then by “Trash Bash” cleanup on the Trinity River (our FIRST 2 “VIP” events). Things on the horizon is a casting event lead by Rex Walker, Octoberfish, Club Outing to the coast and many more. Stay tuned, watch for our “flyers”, notifications on our website, Instagram and Facebook links.

I was informed by Dutch Baughman that our club was awarded the “Gold Merit Membership Award” for greatest increase in “New” members in a club throughout the entire FFI “World” organization for the Year of 2017. The good news is that we have a LOT of new members, some not at all familiar with fly fishing but joined to learn, some who have fly fished in the past and want to get back into it and even many more that want

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Message from the President

to learn how and where to fly fish in TEXAS and surrounding “warm” water fisheries as well as “cool/cold” waters. The rest of the good news is, THAT’S WHAT WE DO! We teach, we embrace and we point in the right direction. Let’s all step up our activity level to show and help our new members get the full benefit of being in one of the largest fly fishing clubs in the World.

As a reminder, we have ROLLED out the Volunteer Incentive Program “VIP”. We are now LIVE with the program, SO if you are called, or you make the call to volunteer you are in the running for rewards at the end of the year. If you are not familiar with the program let me know I will be happy to fill you in.

Our next Board of Directors meeting will be held September 18, 2017 at 7:00 PM, the location this Month will be at the Whole Foods Market on Bryant Irvin Blvd. If you wish to attend, please let me know. As always, our Board of Directors meetings are always open to our members.

SPEAKING OF THE BOARD, SEPTEMBER IS THE MONTH THAT OUR SELECTION COMMITTEE PRESENTS A SLATE OF EXISTING AND NEW CANDIDATES FOR OUR LEADERSHIP GROUP FOR THE 2018 YEAR. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP OUR CLUB AND SERVE PLEASE CONTACT ME ASAP. WE WILL ACCEPT NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR AT OUR OCT. MEETING AND VOTE AT OUR “GENERAL” MEETING IN NOVEMBER. COME ON AND HELP, WE HAVE A GREAT TIME PLANNING AND EMPLEMENTING OUR CLUB ACTIVITIES AND FUNCTIONS!

We missed the boat on my request last month so let’s try for the next Newsletter, please note! I know there were a LOT of photos taken this summer. Let’s have a summer in REVIEW for the October Newsletter. Let’s show our members that there ARE fish being caught and that we love to “Boast”! Please send me your pictures depicting your trip, not just fish but other supporting images as well. We will put together a collage in a one or two-page section of the next Newsletter.

Let’s continue to be a GREAT club, have FUN, SUPPORT our events AND catch FISH!

LET’S ALL TAKE PART IN OUR CLUB ACTIVITIES THIS FALL! IT’S ONE OF THE BEST TIMES OF THE YEAR!

Rick Haness
President

NEW FISHING REPORT PROCEDURE (IF YOU WANT TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS)! Please hand me your WRITTEN fishing report. I will read it. You will remain anonymous!

PS! We encourage you to submit articles to be posted on our web site, our social media outlets and in our Newsletter.

SEND PICTURES (where & when caught)!! SEND THEM TO ME. I WILL MAKE SURE WE ALL SHARE IN YOUR ADVENTURE. YOUR REPORT COULD SPELL SUCCESS FOR YOUR FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS NEXT FISHING TRIP.

Volunteer Opportunities

Here are two opportunities to volunteer on behalf of the club and get your Volunteer card punched for the hours your work. Remember, fully punched cards will be entered in a raffle at the December meeting to win a TFO BVK rod as well as other prizes. Get your card at the next meeting!

VOLUNTEERS FOR BOY SCOUTS EVENT

The Mustang District of the Longhorn Council of the BSA will be having a “Hooked on Scouting” recruitment event Saturday October 7. The event is 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Bear Creek Park in Keller.

This is a fishing event for new cub scouts and their recruiters, with the opportunity for up to 150 scouts and families to get hooked on fishing and scouting. Volunteers are needed from FWFF to help with fishing instruction (knot tying, fish identification and safe handling, casting, baiting of hooks) as well as for fly tying demonstration and instruction, fly casting demo and instructions, as well as hot dog grill work. This is an excellent opportunity for us to hopefully have regular events with local scout units. Please contact Eric James at 214-405-4129 or ejames@hpb.com with questions or interest.

SEPTEMBER TRASH BASH

Our club participates with the Trinity River Water District Trash Bash each Spring and Fall. The Fall Trash Back is Saturday, September 16 at 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. There are several locations, by our club meets at Location 2 (on the Web site) which is the White Settlement Trailhead. There is also an after party at Panther Island Pavilion with free food. Come join our club and volunteer to keep our Trinity River trash free. You will earn Volunteer hours for the Club’s Volunteer Incentive Program. Be sure to have John Jarzabski punch your card.

Register at this site and choose location #2. <http://trwdtrashbash.com/> For further info, contact John Jarzabski at 817-727-7482.

Clinic Series – Part 3

Features All Things Fly Tying at September Meeting, 9/5

The September Fort Worth Fly Fishers meeting will be focused on Fly Tying skills. **The meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5 (day after Labor Day)** at the normal location in the Health Sciences center and starts We'll have something for everyone around tying flies for Fly Fishing:

Always wanted to tie flies but haven't gotten started? We'll have a series of fly tying stations set up and will have an instructor show you how to tie a simple fly that you will be able to complete and take with you to try. There's something very special about fishing with a fly that you have created. The club will provide tying stations, the materials needed to complete a fly and an instructor to show you how.

Want to show off your tying skills? Join the "mystery Fly" contest. We'll provide a bag of materials (you must use all the materials somewhere on your fly. You provide the fly tying vise and tools and the inspiration to create your unique fly design that we'll judge against the other mystery fly contest participants and award a prize to the winner.

Want to test your knowledge of fly tying materials? We'll have a set of fly tying materials to show you. You'll need to identify what the materials are and list them on a provided form. We'll judge your accuracy in identifying the materials and award a prize to the most complete list of correctly identified materials. In the case of multiple correctly identified lists, award winner will be randomly selected from all the correct entries.

Want to learn some new tying skills? We'll have several demonstration tiers showing off inventive tying techniques and processes. Come watch the demonstration tiers showcasing advanced techniques and processes for creating innovative patterns.

Bring your own vise, bring your curiosity, learn some new skills, get started on a new hobby in tying your own flies, talk to the experts and learn new skills for your tying. There's something for everyone at the September 5th Ft. Worth Fly Fishers meeting with focus on Fly Tying skills!!

Take note: No Quick Clinics in August or September

Fall Line Up for Speakers

October: Guadalupe Bass! The where, when, how from TPWD Aquatic Biologist **Dakus Geeslin**. Dakus comes to us from the hill country where he resides and works for the Water Resources Branch of the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department. He will highlight the areas anglers should target to catch the Guadalupe Bass, as well as describe techniques and flies to choose.

November: Tape your ankles! **Jeff Currier** is booked for November! If you don't know Jeff he is known to have caught more species on the fly rod than anyone else. Currently he has landed over 375 species in salt and freshwater combined in more than 50 countries. We are the first club in Texas that Jeff will get to present to. To familiarize yourself with Jeff, go check out his fly fishing blog <https://www.jeffcurrier.com/blog/>. He didn't joke when he told me he keeps it up to date. He posts every day! If not every other day. Don't miss his presentation on "Four Seasons of the Yellowstone Trout Bum". You might have seen the short film Jeff starred in "Turning Points" in the 2016 F3T... if not... check out the trailer! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ateVUV58pnU> this will wet your whistle.



December: We'll be doing a different take on our Christmas party. Our party will be the second Tuesday of the December, but it will be at a different venue than the country club. We're also having an amazing presentation. Stay tuned you WILL NOT want to miss!

September Outing: Kayak 101 and a Free FWFF Fishing Tournament at Panther Pavilion

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, September 9 for an upcoming free event which will be a combined local outing - Kayak 101 and FWFF fishing Tournament, at the Panther Pavilion.

Kayak 101 – Club providing Free Rental Kayaks for Members

If you've ever wanted to learn to kayak – or fish from a kayak, this is your chance. As a member benefit, the club is paying for kayak rental for those who reserve a kayak. If you're interested in reserving a kayak contact Les Jackson at keebranch@sbcglobal.net. First come, first serve among members.

Here's the agenda for Kayak 101:

- For introductory paddling instruction, we will meet at the Backwoods kayak shed at 9:00 a.m. at 395 Purcey Street. See Backwoodspaddlesports.com
- No paddles or other gear is required (rods/reels/flyes or bring your own), and instructors will be on the Trinity River banks teaching paddling techniques for 45 minutes. Following that, at around 10 a.m., we will have Stephen Woodcock show some on-water techniques for finding fish out of a kayak. Stephen says the fish have been turning on as of late with some bass along the shoreline, so we expect a good catch for beginners.
- You will need a valid Texas fishing license! But you won't need any equipment or flies. Certified Casting Instructors and other instructors will be present for training.

Fishing Tournament Deets

If you're interested in participating at the tournament, go to the White Settlement Trailhead (see link below) as early as 6:15 a.m. – 8:30 a.m., and you will be met by Tim Martin of Backwoods to check in. A Kayak cart is recommended for easier access for your kayak from the car. You will fish back to the Panther Pavilion. Measuring Hawg Troughs and kayas carts are available at BACKWOODS for sale. http://www.trwd.com/wp-content/uploads/TRWD-2016_KayakLaunchMapGuideWeb.pdf

Tournament participants need to be off the water by 12 noon to "weigh in" by photos (Catch Photo Release). Then head to lunch (see below)

See Member Photos for some of the bass that Stephen recently caught in the tournament area.

Lunch Tent after Tournament and Kayak 101

Everything ends at 2:00 p.m., but come back to the Panther Pavilion near the Backwoods Shed at 11:30-1:00 p.m. to get hotdogs and drinks provided by the club. Prizes will be awarded for the tournament.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with casting, paddling or cooking, contact Les Jackson at keebranch@sbcglobal.net

Les Jackson
Education Director

Make Plans to Attend the Saltwater Outing

Editor's Note: At publication time, Hurricane Harvey heavily damaged Rockport and Port Aransas. We're monitoring the situation as best we can and will determine if this trip will be cancelled or rescheduled.

Trip Date: Oct 20th and 21st

Where: Rockport (Texas Coast)

Guide: Captain Jeff Johnson

Method: Kayak Fishing. Captain Johnson will shuttle our Kayaks to a suitable location and leave us there for the day. He will also spend the time with us, moving around to see how each one is doing.

Cost: \$650 per day – to be split among each fisherman. We suspect that the Friday trip (20th) will have less people registered. If we can get 6 for Friday it will be \$110 per person. Our goal is to have 12 for Saturday (21st), reducing the cost to \$55 per person.

NOTE: Each registered person will be required to pay a small deposit

Accommodation: Not included. Based on interest, and attendees wanting us to arrange accommodation – we may arrange as long as there is a deposit for accommodation.

If you are interested, please contact Roshan Ali at RAli@sidrich.com

Stephen Woodcock Scores Large Bass on Trinity River

“The first fish was 4 lbs. and the second one 2 lbs. I caught 5 bass total and these photos we of the largest and the smallest. All fish caught on top water flies between 7 and 9am last August 21 in between the Isabel road kayak ramp put it and Backwoods kayak rental at Panther Island on the Trinity River. This is the same place we are having the kayak fly fishing competition as part of Kayak 101 event, sponsored by the club.”

Anna Wadsworth Catches Solar Eclipse and Personal Best Trout

While Anna was in Pagosa Springs to catch the solar eclipse, she also fished the local waters and caught her personal best trout on a fly.

The Hunt Pays Off

Adam Tate has been hunting carp most of the summer, and his patience is paying off.

**EEK! It's a Mouse**

From friend Mike Spurlock on the river in Alaska. Trout hit a flesh fly at same time it hit a mouse.

Who's That Masked Wonder?

Alex James on Clear Creek, Almont, CO (submitted by proud papa, Eric).



Send your fish photos to kayjacks@sbcglobal.net

CALENDAR – AT A GLANCE

SEPTEMBER

September 5

“Tying Club”- Bring your vise and come learn through our meeting full of tying events.

September 9

Club outing: Kayak 101 and Fishing Tournament
Panther Pavilion

September 16

Trinity River Trash Bash

OCTOBER

October 9 (Club Meeting)

Dakus Geeslin to speak to Club about Hill Country Fly Fishing

October 20-21

Club Outing to Rockport *TENTATIVE*

October 20-22

Oktoberfish

Presented by the Fredricksburg Fly Fishers

NOVEMBER

November 7 (Club Meeting)

Jeff Currier to speak to Club

DECEMBER

December 5

Christmas Gathering

Our club’s annual Christmas gathering will be Tuesday, December 5, as part of our regularly meeting schedule. However, we’re changing things up this year. It will held at the Fort Worth Botanic Gardens, AND we will have a special guest and program.

You won’t want to miss this one (oh, and it’s FREE to members and their guests). We’ll be giving more information on how to RSVP soon. Just another way membership pays off.

FWFF Wins Membership Award From Fly Fishers International



We’re proud to announce that our club won an award at the Fly Fishers International National Fly Fishing Fair, held in Livingston, Montana this past August.

The club won the Gold Merit Membership Award which is giving clubs that increased its membership 25 percent or more in the previous year (2016). FWFF and the Brown County Fly Fishers in New York were winners.

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Founded in 1996, Casting for Recovery provides free retreats for women with breast cancer with a focus on improving quality of life through the therapeutic sport of fly fishing.

Supported entirely by donations and a team of over 1600 volunteers nationwide, CfR currently offers 42 retreats across the country, serving nearly 600 women each year. **Your generous help makes it possible to enrich the lives of women with breast cancer.**

Casting for Recovery



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Festival Fundraiser Donation List 2017

Here are a few of our wonderful donors and sponsors for our annual auction.

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FORT WORTH FLY FISHERS

**Membership Form
2017**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State , Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ **(Alternate)** _____

Email Address: _____

Circle One

Current Member New Member

DUES

INDIVIDUAL \$35 _____

FAMILY \$40 _____

TOTAL PAID _____ **Received By:** _____, **Date** _____

**ALL MEMBERS NEW AND OLD!!
PLEASE FILL THIS FORM OUT, MAIL OR BRING TO THE NEXT MEETING. THIS MUST BE
COMPLETED IN FULL TO BE ENROLLED FOR MEMBERSHIP. THIS NEEDS TO BE DONE TO
ALLOW US TO BRING OUR RECORDS UP TO DATE. PLEASE DO THIS EVEN IF YOU THINK
WE HAVE YOUR CURRENT INFORMATION.**

Email if questions: president@fortworthflyfishers.org
Mail: Fort Worth Fly Fishers; P.O. Box 1133; Fort Worth, Texas 76101
www.fortworthflyfishers.org

Local Fly Tying Events

One of the best ways to improve and learn new tying skills as well as make new friends is to attend one of the tying events held in our area on a weekly basis. If you are a seasoned and experienced tyer, many of us would be glad to learn a new pattern or technique from you. If you are new to the whole mystifying ordeal of putting thread and feathers on a hook, do not be intimidated. Come and watch, enjoy a cold one, and catch up on recent fishing reports.

Fort Worth

Backwoods:

1013 Foch Street (NEW ADDRESS)

Fort Worth TX 76107

817-332-2423

Wednesday nights @ 6:30 p.m.

Call ahead for details and information.

Stephen Woodcock is the Backwoods fly fishing manager and go to guy for all your fly fishing needs. Stephen was instrumental in getting many club members into fly tying. Backwoods fly tie nights are well attended with lots of knowledgeable tyers that are willing to help and share.

Arlington

Cafe Acapulco :

4001 W. Green Oaks Blvd. Suite 121

Arlington TX 76016

817-483-4171

Thursday nights : Dinner and drinks @ 5:15-5:30 p.m.

Tying starts @ 6:30 p.m.

This group is growing in attendance. Usually headed up by FWFF members Les Jackson and Mike McCorkhill . We enjoy the Mexican cuisine and cold drinks served by Lynda before making the fur, feathers and lies fly. If you don't mind a bit of rabbit fur in your salsa or peacock herl in your PBR, come join us!

Grapevine

Bass Pro Shop: Fly Fishing Department

2501 Bass Pro Drive, Grapevine, TX 76051

Wednesday Night: 7:00 p.m.

Saturday Morning: 9:00 a.m.

Led by "The Roadkill Round Table" Tying Group

This group has been tying for 35 years.

Grapevine Roadkill Roundtable Tying Group: This is a group of fly tiers of all levels of experience that meets twice a week to share skills and meet in a social environment. The group has been tying together for over 30 years, with new members joining regularly. The sessions are held twice a week. First, every Wednesday night starting at 7:00 PM (this session is a class offered by Bass pro with an instructor and materials, you just need your vice and tools with everyone tying the same pattern). The second session is held every Saturday morning 9:00 AM until 12:00 Noon (this session is an open tying session with no instructor, bring your tools, materials and a pattern you want to tie - experienced tiers will be there if you need help).

FORT WORTH FLY FISHERS

2017 Board of Directors

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Our Purpose

"The purpose of our local club is to provide a forum for the meeting and exchange of ideas among members concerning the art of fly fishing."
Federation of Fly Fishers, Southern Council 2002 and 2003 Club of the Year, Texas Council 2014 Club of the Year