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Fly Fishers

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Message From the President

Hello fellow Fly Fishers.

This Saturday, March 3, will be the event of the year, seriously. That is our annual Fundraising Festival being held at Wild Acre Brewery. This event is how we are able to raise money for all the great programs we make available to our club members.

It is also a good time with Fly Tying and Casting Competition, food, beverages, live and silent auctions. There is a lot of stuff to be auctioned off and an opportunity for you to win great fly fishing trips, gear and getaways. There are also things for non-fishers. \$15 gets you in the door and gets you a Mexican Food Buffet, 3 beer tickets and an opportunity on a Door Prize. Pease pre-register at WWW.FWF4EVENTBRITE.COM (very easy).

The White Bass run will be starting soon if it hasn't already begun in your area. This is the time of year to get out and have a blast catching this species on the fly. And, it doesn't take having to rig those teeny, tiny flies with a teaser, a trailer and a strike indicator that are so frustrating (at least for me) to put together. Nope, take a 5 to 8 weight rod, put on a Clouser Minnow or some sort of streamer (no reading glasses needed) and start casting and stripping. No mending required. A great opportunity to do this is on March 17 with Russell Husted on the Nolan River near Blum. This will be our March outing and you can get more information on Page 5 in this newsletter.

Another great opportunity in March is the TRWD Trout Fest on March 10 (<http://trwdflyfest.com/>). This event is held on the Trinity River in Fort Worth near the Acme Brick headquarters at 3024 Acme Brick Plaza, just east of Bryant-Irvin Road. The Tarrant Regional Water District (TRWD) will be stocking 1,200-plus Rainbow Trout in that stretch of river for anglers' enjoyment. The event has multiple learning opportunities,

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Message from the President

casting contests and a fishing tournament. Great fun! We also need volunteers for this event. A couple of hours of work, then you can be off enjoying the festival. Please contact [Jan Bates](#), [Rick Hanes](#) or [myself](#) to let us know that you would like to help.

Finally, we will be ending our membership drive this month. If you have not paid by the end of this month, then you will no longer be receiving club information such as this newsletter. We have one of the best if not the best fly fishing clubs in the state. Our programs, speakers and outings have been great for promoting the art of fly fishing and for providing a source from which you as a member can learn and better your skills. Thank you, members, for making this happen.

Fish on!

Bryce Bezant
President

March Speaker Frank Smethurst



Trout can be so sneaky. But our March speaker, Frank Smethurst, can help you outsmart them. On our March 6 membership meeting Frank will present the “Top Ten Things Trout Don’t Want You to Know.”

Frank began fishing at the age of two, hand-lining Maine’s Penobscot Bay for flounder and mackerel, and never ceased chasing fish. At the age of 12, Frank began working at the Fish Hawk Fly and Tackle shop in Atlanta, Georgia, still the largest fly shop east of the Mississippi. Sweeping the floors, tying custom flies and learning the ropes of both fishing and the fishing business was preparation for the guiding and career in fishing to come.

Now, decades later, Frank has been guiding and living in Colorado since 1988, travelling the world to fish, guide, teach and make innovative films and television shows. His work helped create the genre of adventure fly fishing comedy and set the stage for the Fly Fishing Film Tour to come.

Along the way, Frank has competed in and won numerous fishing tournaments such as The GoPro Outdoor Games, The

Caddis Cup, The Denver Carp Slam, and the Rocky Mountain Fly Fishing Masters regionals both times they were held. In 2005 he beat out almost 1,000 competitors from around the country to win the Fly Fishing Masters on the Outdoor Life Network.

Frank will also host a special workshop on Thursday, March 8, on spey casting on our own Trinity River. This is limited to 10 participants, costs \$75 and is currently set for 2 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., which could vary slightly based on conditions.

In this class, “Single-Hand Spey Casting and Upper Echelon Line Control,” Frank will teach you how to become most effective with your fly rod. You will learn on the banks of the Trinity River how to cast single-hand spey like the professionals who win all the fly fishing competitions.

To sign up, contact FWFF member Adam Tate at 325-668-9970 or adamtate33@gmail.com.

Nationally Known Speakers Come for FWFF

April - Jen Ripple, editor and founder of DUN Magazine, is considered one of the most influential women in fly fishing, a demographic that is the fastest growing in the sport of fly fishing.

May - TBA

June - If you tie flies, you know the name Charlie Craven. Charlie Craven co-owns Charlie’s Fly Box, a fly shop in Arvada, Colo., and is a top-selling signature fly designer for Umpqua Feather Merchants. He is a frequent contributor to magazines and top-selling author.

July/August/September - As things slow down in the heat of the Texas summer, we take a pause in the speaker’s circuit as our meetings focus on honing our fly fishing skills in tying, casting and other need-to-know information.

October - Global fly fisher and blogger Jeff Currier will make a repeat performance at FWFF. Jeff’s adventures have taken him to more than 60 countries on six continents and more than 385 fly-caught species -- and counting. That makes him one of the foremost authorities in fly fishing. Wherever he goes, Jeff brings a sense of humor.

November - TBA

December - Club Christmas Party

Put it on Your Calendar!

The FWFF Fundraising Festival is March 3, 2018

Our annual FWFF4 (Fort Worth Fly Fishers Fundraising Festival) will be another rip-roaring event on Saturday, March 3. This year's event will be held at 7:30 p.m. at Wild Acres, a different brewery than last year's very successful auction but one that promises to offer all the fine brews, good food and bid-worthy auction items. You can find more details on the flyer below. And, if you have connections to get items donated (trips, gear, artwork, etc.) or can help on the auction committee, contact Rick Hanes at vicepresident@fortworthflyfishers.org or rohdevelopment@aol.com.

The
Fort Worth Fly Fishers
Annual
Fundraising
Festival



Saturday

March 3rd, 7:30pm

Wild Acre Brewery
1734 E El Paso St #190
Fort Worth, TX 76102

WWW.FWF4.EVENTBRITE.COM

TICKET \$15



LIVE AUCTION

SILENT AUCTION

FOOD BUFFET

INCLUDES:

- **ENTRY PACKET**
- **AUCTION BID NUMBER**
- **CUSTOM PINT GLASS**
- **MEXICAN FOOD BUFFET**
- **3 BEER TICKETS**
- **DOOR PRIZE**

FLY TYING COMPETITION

\$5 Entry / Fly or 3 for \$10

CATEGORIES:

Baitfish, Terrestrial, Topwater Popper

*ENTERED FLIES ARE DONATED TO FWFF



@FortWorthFlyFishers



fortworthflyfishers@gmail.com



FWF4

FORT WORTH FLYFISHERS FUND RAISER

**7:30 p.m., March 3 at Wild Acre Brewing
1734 E. El Paso St., Suite 190, Fort Worth**

Admission: \$15 a person

THREE WAYS TO PRE-REGISTER

ONLINE

www.fwf4.eventbrite.com

(convenience fee applies)

CHECK

Check Payable to: Fort Worth Fly Fishers

Mail to:

Fort Worth Fly Fishers

P.O. Box 1133

Fort Worth, TX 76101

Please email Rick Haness if you mail your check

CASH

E-mail Rick Haness

vicepresident@fortworthflyfishers.org

or

rohdevelopment@aol.com

Arrangements will be made to collect prior to event

Please make your reservations as soon as possible! We need to finalize our food count and prepare our registration packets. We ask that you exercise one of these options ASAP to facilitate quick entry to

FWF4

March Outing Sand Bass on the Nolan River near Blum



The time is near for my favorite season of the year: Springtime and white bass fishing. Every spring, white bass run up creeks and rivers for their annual spawn. Large numbers of white bass can be concentrated in small sections of water, exposing themselves to be caught on a variety of flies and tactics. We will discuss my favorite, simple flies to use, beginning with the jig fly, Clouser, bent-back minnow and

a few other simple patterns. We will also discuss appropriate rods, lines and methods to locate schools of white bass.

Join the club's March 17 outing on the Nolan River near Blum. A short distance from Cleburne, the Nolan River is one of my favorite white bass locations. With clear water, limestone bluffs and cedar trees, the Nolan is a beautiful place to go. I will provide a handout at the March 6 membership meeting and also at the outing that lists items to bring, things to be aware of and tips to help you have a great fishing outing.



We will meet in Blum for a briefing, then head on down to the parking area to gear up and chase some sandies (as white bass are called in Texas). The outing is a day trip and we will spread out on the river to avoid crowding.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at russelhusted@sbcglobal.net or call me at 972-567-4155. Thanks, and see you Feb. 6.

Russel Husted

Beavers Bend Outing Report

We filled three cabins with 17 hardy fishermen on the February 16-18 club outing to Beavers Bend State Park in Oklahoma, home of the Lower Mountain Fork River. We had the misfortune of following on a cold front that plowed through the area the day before, but managed to avoid most of the rain that accompanied the front. We shared a guide, Ryan Hildreth, pictured with member Jon Schreyach, who put members on the fish in Evening Hole and at the Bluffs, where soft hackles produced results. Let to our own devices, however, fishing was a bit slow. That didn't prevent Bryce Bezant from netting the nice 19-incher pictured here others from landing some respectable fish, just about all rainbows.

Host Drew Middleton made sure nobody went hungry, arranging BBQ beef and sausage for the main dish Saturday night, while others chipped in on plenty of sides for the potluck dinner.



ABOVE – Guide Ryan Hildreth put member Jon Schreyach on this rainbow at the Bluffs

BELOW – Bryce Bezant landed this rainbow downstream of Swim Beach



Quick Clinics

Starting at 6:45 p.m. before each monthly meeting, we hold Quick Clinics. A member of our club will present a brief review of tips for tackle, tying knots or catching a specific species of fish. Just arrive by 6:45 p.m. and look for a group in the back of the room.

Troutfest TX Report

Guadalupe River Trout Unlimited's 2018 version of Troutfest TX was the same weekend as our February outing to Oklahoma. Member Anna Wadsworth attended and dragged this beauty out of the water. Anna says Troutfest was awesome. "The booths were great. The fly fishing film fest was great, too." Despite the crowds, "they had a lot of area and space at the campgrounds. Parking was organized, too," Anna reports, so don't be put off by the thought of sharing the river with a couple of thousand other people.



Anna Wadsworth and her 20-inch rainbow at Troutfest

Take Advantage of Fly Fishing Educational Opportunities in 2018

For those of you who are new to the club, we have an active education program available to everyone. Once a quarter we organize a local fishing outing, which we call Fly Fish 101, dedicated to helping first timers and those with little experience fly fishing and teach them to cast, make contact with a fish and land it. In the past, we have visited the Southwest Nature Preserve in Arlington and Camp Carter in Fort Worth. In fact, on Jan. 20, more than 60 people attended our joint club outing/ Fly Fish 101 event on the Brazos River below the Possum

kingdom dam near Graford. On this particular event, we focused on learning trout techniques, given that the Brazos had been stocked with rainbow trout for several weeks.

Our next Fly Fish 101 is set for April 14 at Southwest Nature Preserve, 5201 S. Bowman Springs Road. If you're a novice and want to take the full "tour," we will have casting help as well as instruction on tying on tippet and how to make fly choices for catch bream and bass. If you just want some tips, we will have mentors on location to help with that, too. Stay tuned for details.

Here are the club's other scheduled educational programs (these are all on a Saturday):

July 7 -- [Panther Island](#), 480 N. Taylor St., Fort Worth (this is a Kayak 101 event)

Sept. 8 -- Fly Fish 101 at [Camp Carter](#), 6200 Sand Springs Road, Fort Worth

Nov. 3 -- Fly Fish 101 at [Lewisville Lake Environmental Learning Area](#) (LLELA), 201 E. Jones St., Lewisville (at the intersection of Jones and Kealy streets)

Les Jackson
Education Director

Ladyfish: March 24, 2018

Ladyfish is a free festival featuring casting and fishing clinics, fly tying classes, workshops and raffles whose proceeds go to Casting for Recovery. It's sponsored by Living Waters Fly Fishing and the city of Round Rock, and includes booths from local charities, clubs, and conservation groups. The event is March 24 at Centennial Plaza, 301 W. Bagdad Ave. in Round Rock.

For more information and to pre-register (required to attend), go to: www.Livingwatersflyfishing.com/ladyfish. To volunteer or represent an organization at Ladyfish, contact Emily Johnson at Emilywithlivingwaters@gmail.com.





MARCH 10
FORT WORTH

TALKS, TIPS & TUTORIALS



Hear from top anglers as they cover a diverse range of topics including an introduction to fly fishing, fly fishing destinations, fishing on the Trinity River, fly fishing for striper and more. **Presentations generously sponsored by the R4 Foundation**

All presentations will take place inside Acme Brick Room #1

9AM	TEXOMA ON THE FLY	+
10AM	FLY FISHING THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY	+
11AM	FLY FISHING 101	+
12PM	KEYNOTE PRESENTATION: THE TOP TEN FISH CATCHING TECHNIQUES THAT THE FISH DON'T WANT YOU TO KNOW	+
1PM	FLY FISHING THE TRINITY RIVER	+
2PM	TROUT IN SOUTHEASTERN OKLAHOMA	+
3PM	FLY FISHING ON LAKE FORK	+

LEARN BY DOING



Simply watch instructors, bring your own supplies to tie along or take advantage of a limited number of tying kits.

All presentations will take place inside Acme Brick Room #2

In addition to the structured lesson, there will be other fly tying observations taking place in Acme Brick Room #2. Feel free to come and go and mingle around the room to learn about various tying patterns

9AM	PREDATOR FLIES: TYING FOR TEXAS AND BEYOND	+
10AM	FLY PATTERNS FOR SHOW CASES AND CLASSIC ENGLISH PATTERNS	+
11AM	TYING A BREEM REAPER	+
12PM	PANFISH PATTERNS	+
1PM	FAST AND EASY FLIES	+
2PM	FLY TYING SIMPLE PATTERNS & INSTRUCTIONAL	+

First-Person Report: *Adam Tate in British Columbia*



This is an installment of what we hope will be a regular feature in the newsletter. Member Adam Tate managed to slip in a little fishing along with a business trip in January, and he provided the report and photos presented here. If you've taken a great trip and want to share the experience with FWFF members, get in touch with newsletter editor [Jim Fuquay](#).

A few months back I was informed I'd be traveling to British Columbia for work training. As a Texas boy, I could only imagine that any water that far north would surely be frozen over in the winter, but if I could I'm going to fish it. After some emails and web searches, I learned there'd be a slim chance fishing the beautiful waters of British Columbia, and 36 hours before my free day, I decided YOFO -- "you only fish once!" I emailed Pemberton Fish Finder and booked a tour. A local resident overheard me making plans and shared that I was heading into the home of the wintering eagles. I was intrigued, but as it turned out I very much underestimated what he was telling me.

The fishing company notified me the night before the tour that my guide would be Rick Mackay. With a little research on the Web I soon learned Rick is the only diehard winter fly fisherman in the region, and I was glad I was set to fish with him.

We headed for the waters that flow into the Squamish River, which ends its journey in Howe Sound. (For all the Texas boys like me, a "Sound" is not just a noise you hear. Up north this is how they identify what we would call a big bay that gets really

deep). Have you ever hiked in waders, while it's freezing, in snow up to your shins, over river rocks, following a Canadian who hikes faster than anyone you've ever met? Me neither, but I'll tell you it's quite an entertaining experience. It is a delicate balance -- wearing enough clothes not to freeze while wading, but not sweating up a storm while hiking.



Rick promised me I would see more bald eagles than people on this river. Heck, what he didn't tell me was that I would see more eagles than people I see on the busiest weekend at Broken Bow. No joke! I fished among the eagles, hundreds of eagles, saw no one, and I caught a new beautiful species, the Bull Trout. It was a magical moment with the mountain slopes filled with fresh snow towering around me, while I took a gentle breath in and breathed out looking as if I was smoking a sultry pipe.

First-Person Report- *Contd.*



This moment didn't just happen. No, there are many fishing experiences that led me to land this fish. I think back on the deepest nymphing I'd previously done in New Mexico's Rio Grande Gorge with Tim Urtiaga. Without that practice, getting down to fish 15 feet deep would not have been possible. I think back to fighting and landing my biggest brown trout on 6x tippet on the Little Red River in Arkansas, while using a net that was way too small. I think back on salt water fishing for the first time when I was new to fly fishing with Capt. Jeff Johnson and catching two fish the entire day.

It's about having perspective and keeping expectations in check, not hyping yourself out of the enjoyment. I love fly fishing because I love learning. British Columbia was about everything I've put into the sport – passion, focus and most of all, perseverance. Going hours without a fish can really mess with your brain, but if you let up you could miss the opportunity. I didn't miss my opportunity.



Adam Tate @reeltatetales

Time to Renew Dues for 2018

As a member, you are a vital part of our mission to advance the sport of fly-fishing within our communities! Because of you, Ft. Worth Fly Fishers (FWFF) is able to provide local opportunities for people to experience the fellowship and fun of fly-fishing, while protecting and preserving our amazing ecosystems and fisheries for future generations.

Each year, many folks learn how to fly fish by attending our Fishing 101 and Kayak 101 Education programs. Our Annual Casting Clinics provide all skill levels a chance to learn new casting skills and improve their casting distance. Also, our Clinic Series On Fly Tying teaches beginner to advanced fly tying techniques. Our sponsorship of Casting for Recovery and Reel Recovery cancer survivors has positively impacted their lives, and we've improved our local wetland habitats with our trash pickup and other conservation projects.

Our goal was to have everyone complete their 2018 FWFF membership enrollment by January 1, 2018. As a member of our Charter Club, your dues entitle you to membership in Fly Fishers International (FFI) flyfishersinternational.org. You can pay your membership dues at the club meeting or you can download the form attached to this email and send it along with a check to the club address :

Ft. Worth Fly Fishers
PO Box 1133
Ft. Worth, Texas, 76101

Single Member \$35 Family \$40 Student \$12

Please include your phone number, address and email to help update our records. Please let me know if you have any questions or comments.

Sharon Leissner
Membership Director



FORT WORTH FLY FISHERS

**Membership Form
2018**

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
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www.fortworthflyfishers.org**



SAVE THE DATE

April 6 & 7, 2018

4TH ANNUAL LAKE ATHENS FLY FISHING FESTIVAL

benefitting North Texas Project Healing Waters.
Serving wounded Veterans.

Join us on beautiful Lake Athens for a fun weekend of fly fishing, casting instruction, fly tying, angler education, vendors, good food and door prizes.

Donor and Vendor opportunities are still available.
To get involved & more info contact:



Fly of the Month: *Red Fox Squirrel Nymph*

The Red Fox Squirrel Nymph is a famous pattern created by Dave Whitlock. Supposedly, the pattern is Dave's answer to the Hare's Ear Nymph. It can be fished for a variety of fish species and imitates varied insects such as mayflies, stoneflies, scuds and others. As such, it's a great pattern to keep in your box as a Swiss Army knife type of fly. You'll see various incarnations out there (with beads, with or without the hackle collar, etc.). I've chosen to tie it with the hackle collar and without a bead, slightly weighted with lead wire.



Red Fox Squirrel Nymph

Hook: TMC 200R size 10-18 or equivalent (tied here on an Allen N202 size 12)

Lead wire underbody: Lead or non-lead .020 diameter

Tail: Red Squirrel tail fibers

Abdomen: Whitlock's SLF in Red Fox Squirrel Abdomen color (convenient, huh)

Thorax: Whitlocks SLF in Red Fox Squirrel Thorax color

Hackle: Whiting Brahma Hen dyed Natural Brown

Ribbing: UTC Ultra copper in Brassie size

Thread: Danville's Olive in 70 Denier



Step 1: Wrap 8 to 10 turns of lead wire around the middle of a bare hook shank and secure it with a thread dam in front of the lead. While holding the tag end of the thread over the lead wraps, create a thread dam behind the lead wraps. Cover the lead wraps sparsely with thread to ensure a durable fly.

Step 2: Remove a clump of red squirrel tail fibers about the diameter of a #2 pencil lead. Stack the fibers to even the ends and tie onto the hook shank to make a tail about a hook shank's length. Attach a length of copper wire to be used as a ribbing in later steps. Both the tail and the wire ribbing are secured at the point where the hook begins its bend. Note the



thread position at the tie in point in the picture.

Step 3: Use the abdomen-colored dubbing blend and create a sparse dubbing noodle. Wrap the dubbing noodle about two-thirds of the way up the hook shank. You should try to create a tapered abdomen, skinnier in the back and fatter as you go forward.



Step 4: Now switch to the thorax-colored dubbing and add a small section in front of the abdomen. Be sure to leave room at the head for the hackle and a head section. Wrap the copper ribbing wire to create 5 or 6 segments through the abdomen and thorax. Tie off the wire ribbing using several thread wraps, then break or clip the copper wire.

Step 5: Select a single hen feather from the skin and strip the fuzzy lower fibers from both sides. Strip the fibers on the left side of the hackle up to a point where a small triangle is left (which you'll use to secure the hackle to the hook). Refer to the two following pictures for guidance.



Step 6: Tie in the feather tip. With a couple of wraps of thread over the hackle, create a pinch wrap by lifting the small triangle, placing a couple of thread wraps in front of the hackle and then another couple of wraps on top of the hackle. This creates a thread "pinch" that locks in the hackle. Trim the small triangle flush with the thread wraps.

Step 7: Wrap the hackle around the hook shank, creating a hackle collar. Use your fingers to pull the barbs toward the back of the fly to create a smooth, even hackle collar. Secure the hackle with a couple of thread wraps and clip the remaining stem (called the rachis). Depending on how much room you have, you can add a small amount of thorax dubbing to create a neat head, or just create a small thread head. Finish by applying a small amount of head cement to the thread head.



Here's the completed Red Fox Squirrel Nymph:

Barry Webster
Tying Director



Reel Recovery is a national non-profit organization that conducts **free fly-fishing retreats for men recovering from all forms of cancer.** Combining introductory fly-fishing instruction with directed “courageous conversations”, the organization offers a unique experience for men coping with cancer, a time to share their stories; learn a new skill, form friendships and gain renewed hope as they confront the challenges of their recovery. Retreats are conducted over a two-and-a-half-day period at a comfortable facility with onsite or nearby fishing access.



“This retreat was the most uplifting and rewarding experience of my life.” -- retreat participant

All meals, lodging and fly-fishing equipment are provided at no cost to the participants. Retreats are led by professional facilitators, trained retreat coordinators and fly-fishing instructors. A maximum of 12-14 men are invited to participate, to ensure the quality of the experience and to create a powerful, small-group dynamic.

In 2017 Texas held six retreats serving 70 courageous men living with cancer. We held 2 retreats each in Glen Rose, Navasota and Waring. We hosted our 2nd retreat in partnership with Project Healing Waters to serve only Veterans and Active Military men living with cancer.

2018 SCHEDULED TEXAS RETREATS:

Navasota, TX (Mar 16-18); Waring (April 6-8); Glen Rose (April 13-15) Waring (Sept. 21-23)

Veterans Only: Glen Rose, (Oct 12-14); Navasota (Nov. 2-4)

If you would like to be a Participant please apply on-line or contact us:

National: Toll Free 800-699-4490 info@reelrecovery.org www.reelrecovery.org

Texas: Mike Emerson 817-894-7832 mgemerson1944@gmail.com

CALENDAR – AT A GLANCE

MARCH

March 3

FWF4 – Annual Fundraising Festival and auction, 7:30 p.m.,
Wild Acres Brewery, Fort Worth

March 6

Club Meeting

March 10

TRWD FlyFest on the Trinity River

March 10-11

Texas Fly Fishing Festival, Plano

March 17

March Outing: Nolan River for white bass (A.K.A. sandies)

March 24

Women's Fly Fishing Festival, Round Rock

APRIL

April 3

Club Meeting

April 20-22

April Outing: Caddo Lake

OUTINGS 2018

In 2018, our club plans to provide more organized fishing trips that members can take advantage of. Once a quarter we will have an overnight trip that will also serve as an education session for new fishers. On these trips, the Club will pay for guides to explain the area and take the attending members to locations where they can actually catch fish. This was done at our Broken Bow trip in November and was quite a success. It's also a great membership benefit.

We welcome anyone to volunteer as hosts for any of the 2018 outings. This also offers you the opportunity to take part in our VIP Volunteer Program that offers numerous prizes and incentives.

Outings will be set for the 3rd weekend of the month and may be changed in any extraordinary circumstances.

Roshan Ali
Outings Director

DATE (2018)	LOCATION	SPECIES
March 17 th	Nolan River	Sand Bass
April 20 th – 22 nd	Overnight: Caddo Lake - guide provided; kayak fishing	Large Mouth Bass
May 18 th – 20 th	Camping: Bill Ward's Ranch – kayak fishing; FF101 with Les	Bass, Panfish
June 16 th	Paluxy River at Glen Rose	Large Mouth Bass
July 8 th – 15 th	Weeklong Trip: Colorado High Country	Trout
August 18 th	Lake Texoma	Stripers
Sept 15 th	To be determined	
Oct 19 th – 21 st	Overnight: Coast Trip - guide provided; kayak fishing	Redfish, Speckled Trout, Drum
Nov 17 th	Urban Wilderness	Panfish
Dec 15 th	LLELA, Elm Fork of the Trinity	Buffalo, Trout

Fly Tying Groups Around Town

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

Fort Worth TX 76107

817-332-2423

Wednesday nights at 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 tying 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 start at 5:15-5:30 p.m.

Tying starts at 6:30 p.m.

This event is usually headed by FWFF members who rotate in leading the class. The Mexican cuisine and cold drinks served by Lynda get the program rolling before tyers start 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: 10:00 a.m.

Led by "The Roadkill Round Table," this group has been tying for 35 years but welcomes new members.

FORT WORTH FLY FISHERS 2018 Board of Directors

Position	Board Member
President	Bryce Bezant
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FWFF
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Forth Worth, TX 76101
WWW.FORTWORTHFLYFISHERS.ORG

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