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Message From the President

Howdy Club,

Hope this newsletter finds you well. We had a great February Club meeting with the talk by TX guide Danny Scarborough. He spoke about fishing for gar, and he was the real deal, with lots of great stories, techniques (have gloves on when unhooking a gar), and he did a great job of engaging the club. We welcomed several visitors and new members and saw members who engaged with conservation award TRWD a conservation award. Several folks stayed after the meeting to visit with team leads of the Fish Camp Program. Brett Moorhead tied a special fly for the upcoming trip to the Blue River.

The club has been very active so far this year with outings to PK, and soon to the Blue River in Oklahoma. On Saturday February 21, the club's education chair, Russell Husted, hosted a casting clinic in Arlington that was super well attended.

Feature tips for casting on a skiff in salt water, taught many fundamentals of casting, and allowed for a large number of club members to take the tests for FFI Gold Award. We even had one member; Les Jackson achieve his Gold.



Besides Fish Camp being energized with a new concept of four group leaders, we are rolling out our inaugural podcast. Special thanks to Matt and Maureen Lambert for sharing their expertise and getting this off the ground. Details soon. Finally, be sure and put on your calendar the March White bass outing on the Nolan. Ride with a friend if you have never been. Fish camp buddies, be sure and check with your area lead for how to connect with other members for the ride. Have a great spring, and thanks for your membership, participation, and enthusiasm.

George Prochaska
President



GUEST SPEAKERS

March Speaker – Doc Thompson, High Country Anglers, Taos, NM

Planning a trip to fish Northern New Mexico this year? If not, you will be hearing our March speaker. Doc Thompson started High Country Anglers in 1995 thinking he could make a living as a fly-fishing guide in New Mexico. Thirty years and thousands of guide trips later he is still alive and guiding. Doc worked many summers at the Philmont Scout Ranch in the 1980s and early 1990s then moved to Northern New Mexico after graduating from the University of Missouri. He started HCA based on his passion for fly fishing, trout, and New Mexico; all with customer service.

Doc's patience, calm demeanor, fun nature, and professionalism are reasons he has many returning customers to fly fish in New Mexico. He loves to boost the learning curve, share new tricks with "old dogs" and expand fly fishing horizons. It is often the experience and the journey of fishing that leads to the most memorable days. As Doc says, "All guides love to fish, but I also love to guide."

Doc is the longest operating Orvis Endorsed Fly Fishing Guide in New Mexico. He has been honored as the Orvis Fly Fishing Guide of the Year and Orvis Fly Tier of the Year. He's been a finalist for the Orvis Fly Fishing Guide of the Year in 2012, 2014 and 2017. Doc presents seminars on fly fishing, fly selection and other fly-fishing educational programs to fly shops and fly-fishing clubs throughout the country. He volunteers throughout Northern New Mexico. He has served two consecutive terms as President of the local Enchanted Circle Trout Unlimited (ECTU) and is a current ECTU board member. He started and volunteers for ECTU's Trout Warriors program using fly fishing as a form of healing for US Military Disabled Veterans. When not in New Mexico he is exploring throughout South America and hosts saltwater trips to the Yucatan in the winter months.



DEADLINE TO RENEW MEMBERSHIP – MARCH 30

The deadline for renewing your club membership is March 30. After this date, any member who has NOT renewed will be dropped from our roll and email distributions lists.

Of course, you may join at any other time of the year to be reinstated, but why wait any longer? Please go to www.fortworthflyfishers.org to renew today or see Barry Clark at the March meeting.

March Outing for the Sand Bass Run



March is time for one of our favorite outings on the Nolan River near Blum. White bass will start running up into the creeks and rivers here in North Texas. The Nolan River runs from the Cleburne area into the Brazos River above Lake Whitney, and in the spring is actually one of the prettiest areas to fish. With the blue bonnets and redbud trees blooming, the river runs through limestone rocks and cliff formations, which really add to the white bass run experience. But the old saying is, that if the red buds aren't blooming, then it's not time yet. We shall see. Looking at early reports, the run is starting up as we speak!!

Peak time is mid-March through early April, so March the 28th is right in that time zone. We will meet in Blum, a small town south of Cleburne, at the Conoco Station on highway 933. Plan to meet at 6:30 am. They know we are coming and will have hot breakfast treats and coffee for us to enjoy. We will have a brief meeting to discuss the day and suit up before heading down to the access point. Parking here is a challenge, as we are parking on the sides of the road. Be extremely careful doing so, as traffic does not slow down much. Also suggest carpooling!! This will reduce down the number of vehicles parking here. When the word gets out that conditions are good, this will be a very popular place to go.

As far as gear goes, suggest the following:

- 3 to 5 weight rods. 7- to 9-foot rods work best
- Small minnow type flies. Clousers, wooly buggers, etc. Bring variety in colors. Small Flies are best. Flies will be for sale the morning of the outing, or if you want flies ahead of time, contact Russell.
- Good footwear, with grip. It could be muddy around the river and on trails. NO felt!!!
- Walking staff very handy
- Protective eye and head gear

As the action slows down some, or hunger pains start to set in,

there is relief in Cleburne! Lunch at the Burger Bar really hits the spot. They know we are coming too!! Plan is to start showing up at around 1pm. Highly suggest calling in your order as you head that way. This will speed up the process, and ensure there is little time waiting. 817-645-9021. Ask for the Russell special. LOL For directions to the Burger Bar, click here [Burger Bar in Cleburne](#). Going to be a great time!! Don't hesitate to reach out.

<https://share.google/0BZxcjJXdsZD08Dzq>

Thanks,
Russell 682-261-1702
Daniel 682-201-6113

A Member Needs Your Help

As discussed in the February Club Meeting, FWFFers member Charles Gordon announced that he is looking for someone to purchase the Cast and Blast Auction item that was purchased in September at the Annual Club Auction. He is not able to use this amazing opportunity at this time. This is a fantastic opportunity for someone to go on an amazing trip to Patagonia, fly fishing for Trout and Dorado, plus hunting for incredible numbers of Dove

Check out the flyer below that outlines the details of the trip. There are additional documents to review that we will share on request. If you are interested, the transfer of this trip **MUST** be completed in the month of March.

If you are interested in this trip of a lifetime, please contact Charles. He can be reached at gordonctg@gmail.com



Cast and Blast San Javier for 4 People

Pointer Wingshooting Argentina

Estimated Value \$12,000

This is an incredible experience for four individuals. It combines the best hunting of doves and offers fantastic dorado fishing. Santa Fe Province has warm and well-appointed lodges. There are 8 rooms and a very large common room with a separate dining area. Both lodges are very close to the Parana' river.

Season is April and September through December.

Voucher is good for 3 years from purchase. If there are less than 4 hunters there is a fee of \$1000 to validate the voucher. Can be extended for another 24 months for a \$1000 fee.

Inclusions: Accommodations (based on double occupancy). All meals and drinks. Alcoholic drinks (*check for excluded ones). Services of a professional hunter-guide & field scout (gratuities not included). One field assistant as required per person (gratuities not included). Transportation for the shooting itinerary.

Exclusions: Gun rental per person/per day. Hunting and fishing licenses are per person. Landowners fees and ground transportation per person. Shells (*market price at time of travel). Daily use boat, snacks, drinks, and bait are per person/per day. Flies and lures. Airfare. Gun import permit. Laundry, dry cleaning and other items of a personal nature. Travel insurance. Lodge staff and field staff gratuities (refer to gratuities policy in pre trip file).

Optional: Early and late check out. Extra nights and meals. Extra boats. Single room upgrade. Massages. Fishing tackle rental. Photos and videos.

Events Calender and Club Activities

Date	Activity/Contact Information
Saturday, March 14	Trinity Fly Fest/ Brett Morehead/brett.morehead@gmail.com or 817-368-3808
Saturday, March 28	Nolan River Outing – details to come
Saturday, April 18	TRWD Trash Bash
April 24-26	Ward Ranch Outing, Mexia, TX – details to come
Saturday, May 9	Brazos River – Brazos Outdoor Center
Tuesday, July 7	Member “Gear Garage Sale” in lieu of monthly meeting
July 11-18	“Non-Outing” to South Fork, CO
Saturday, September 19	Annual Fundraising Event & Auction

Check Out the Club’s New Podcast

The club is adding to its social media outreach by launching a podcast series called “*Everything With Fort Worth Fly Fishers.*” Through interviews with various club members, the podcast is a new way to reach more members and those who enjoy content about all things fly fishing. The first podcast is available to download at <https://rss.com/podcasts/everything-with-fort-worth-fly-fishers>.

As the largest fly fishing club in Texas, FWFF has an incredible wealth of knowledge among our members. The podcast is hosted and produced by FWFF members Matt and Maureen Lambert. As host, Matt will interview our members who will share their fly fishing knowledge and share information about where to fish around Fort Worth, the state and beyond. There may also be special guests along the way as well.

Here’s a description of the first podcast in our series: *Fort Worth Fly Fishers club in Fort Worth, Texas has a robust membership dedicated to the sport of flyfishing and open to anyone interested in fly fishing. Club activities include local Fort Worth/Dallas fishing outings, and resources for national and international fly-fishing activities. The club provides free casting and fly-tying clinics, education about fly fishing equipment and all things fly fishing along with engagement in conservation activities to boost fly-fishing to club members and the community.*

In this podcast series we discuss all things fly-fishing, how to access local fishing opportunities, expert recommendations how to fish our waters, equipment needs, and much more.

Be sure to subscribe and follow the podcast. If you have some information to share with the club and beyond, contact Matt Lambert.

Brazos River – Brazos Outdoor Center – May 9th Hosted by Dan Tatum

We are going to the Brazos River for a half day float trip. We’ll meet at Brazos Outdoor Center at 7:00 am. They will take us and our Kayaks 5 miles upriver and drop us off. We will casually float downstream and fish along the way. You can bring your own kayak or rent one from Brazos Outdoor Center. Once we get back to Brazos Outdoor Center we can use their property all day. They have day use areas as well as RV and camping spots. We can hang out and swim in the river. We can go to town for lunch and return. They are really cool about us being there.

Also, they have recently opened a small fly shop with a variety of flies, rods, reels, and cases. So plan to check that out while you’re there.

Recommended Flies. Topwater poppers, topwater frogs or mouse patterns, Ghost minnows, Clouser Minnows, Hopper Droppers, and the classic wooly buggers.

Ward Ranch April 24-26 Hosted by Dan Tatum and Bill Hodges

The Bill Ward ranch near Mexia is one of the club's favorites. The fishing is always outstanding. There are several lakes on Bill's property as well as Kent's place across the street. You can fish from the bank but it's difficult. Kayaks or small boats are the best to use. The bass are mostly 1 to 2 pounds, but they do reach up to 8 - 10 pounds. Recommended rods are 5 weight or 6 weights. Bass may be hitting topwater which is amazing when they explode from the surface. They are usually hitting in the water column and a variety of flies such as wooly buggers and crawfish patterns. But this is a great place to try out what you've got.

There is space for RV's but no hookups. You can also camp on the property if you'd like. The city of Mexia is about 5 miles away where there are hotels.

On Friday evening a group usually goes to eat in town. On Saturday we will be fishing and then we will have a fish fry at Bill Ward's place Saturday evening. You will be treated to freshly caught fish fried to perfection and world-famous Dr. Pepper onion rings. Bring a chair. BYOB and plan to hang out for good food and good conversation.

Sunday is spent packing out and heading back. You may hang around and fish Sunday before you go home. Be sure to pick up your area so you leave Bill's place better than you found it. We want to show appreciation to Bill Ward, our host, at all times.

Save the Date – TRWD Trash Bash April 18th / Club Event on Trinity River

Let's have a great turnout this year for our Trinity River Cleanup. More information will be provided as details are finalized by TRWD. We will share with each other by upcoming meetings, newsletter, and Facebook post. Get ready for a productive and fun time.



Trinity Flyfest 2026, Saturday, March 14



This is the 11th Year! Trinity Flyfest 2026 is on Saturday, March 14th 2026. It is a celebration of urban fishing in and along the Clear Fork of the Trinity River in Fort Worth. For 11 years this has been a free community festival event that provides a family-friendly day of fishing, expert presentations, contests, casting classes, cooking demonstrations, food trucks, live music, and kid's activities. Whether or not you are an experienced angler. Flyfest has something to hook everyone in the family. The Tarrant Regional Water District (TRWD) trout stocking season culminates with Flyfest and the release of an additional 1,800 pounds of Rainbow Trout.

The Trout Derby and Fly Casting fields are for many the highlight of the event. Volunteers are needed from FWFF and FFI for this year's FlyFest to donate their time and energy to help make this event run well. And remember for FWFF you earn VIP points! Together we donated 106 hours in 2025 to running the Big Trout contest, the Casting Contest, and staffing the FWFF and FFI booths – Thank You!

We will have a sign-up list at the March Meeting and/or you can call Brett Morehead at (817) 368-3808 to discuss volunteer opportunities and times.

Wishing Y'all a Tight Lines New Year-----<*((((((><

Club Casting Clinic – Going for the Gold, Silver, or Bronze

By Russell Husted

Good afternoon, club. Not a better way to spend your Saturday morning than to attend a Casting Clinic. And we did just that Saturday, the 21st, that started at 10am. We met at High Oak Park in Arlington. The club members that showed up, from beginner to advanced levels of experience, enjoyed some great instruction from the many instructors. And for you saltwater anglers, Bill Campbell led a session on fly fishing from a skiff!!! Jeffrey Graham was there too and worked with the Gold and Silver Level advanced casting sessions. Close to THIRTY attended today's clinic.

This clinic will help you get ready for ALL of the fly fishing you will be doing this Spring, and tone those muscles up that you haven't used in a while.

Special Recognition goes out to Les Jackson for achieving the Gold Level this morning!!! Congratulations Les. Recognition also goes out to Tom Jones for completing the Bronze level.

Really excited to see so many new anglers and members of the club come out and join us. We had TEN complete the Foundation Level and are now on their own casting journey.

Michael Cain	Scott Meeks
Debbie Abelson	Phil Brewer
Keith Hathaway	Badi Klem
Tom Jones	Ronan Klem
Michael Matthews	Tommy Hicks

And we have a really good number of casters on their way to achieving the Gold Level. There will be a follow-up clinic to be scheduled in April, to go over ALL of the aspects of the Gold Level, to ensure they are ready to complete their next casting challenge.

Mark Abelson	Harold Hiley
David Schwartz	Dale Hayward
Adam Cochran	Alan Phillips
George Procahska	

Keep pushing on!!!

If you have NOT yet attended one of the Casting Clinics, you are missing out. The schedule for the rest of the year is being put together, so stay connected, and be looking for that information.

Thank you, Jeffrey Graham, and Bill Campbell for coming out, and providing such great instruction



Volunteer Incentive Program 2025 Winners Announced

Our club has a Volunteer Incentive Program nicknamed the VIP Program. It's a program that encourages members to volunteer to help with club activities such as our auction, conservation activities, hosting outings, teaching, and many other opportunities. Members keep up with their approved volunteer hours throughout the year. In December, all hours are tallied. The top three members with the most hours are awarded VIP Bucks, which are redeemable for some new fly-fishing gear.

The 2025 VIP winners are:

- 1-Maureen Lambert
- 2-Jim Smith
- 3-Zane Moore

Congratulations! You can accrue hours at anytime during the year. Contact Don Irwin for more information.

A Trip of a Lifetime – A Personal Viewpoint From Argentina

“The charm of fly fishing is that it is the pursuit of what is elusive, but attainable, a perpetual series of occasions for hope.” John Buchan

By Don Irwin

Most of Maggie and my travels for the last couple of decades have been centered on fly fishing. IMHO, fly fishing is more about the experience than the trophy(s). The places it takes you, the sights, smells, even the sounds, large or small, are what I remember most.

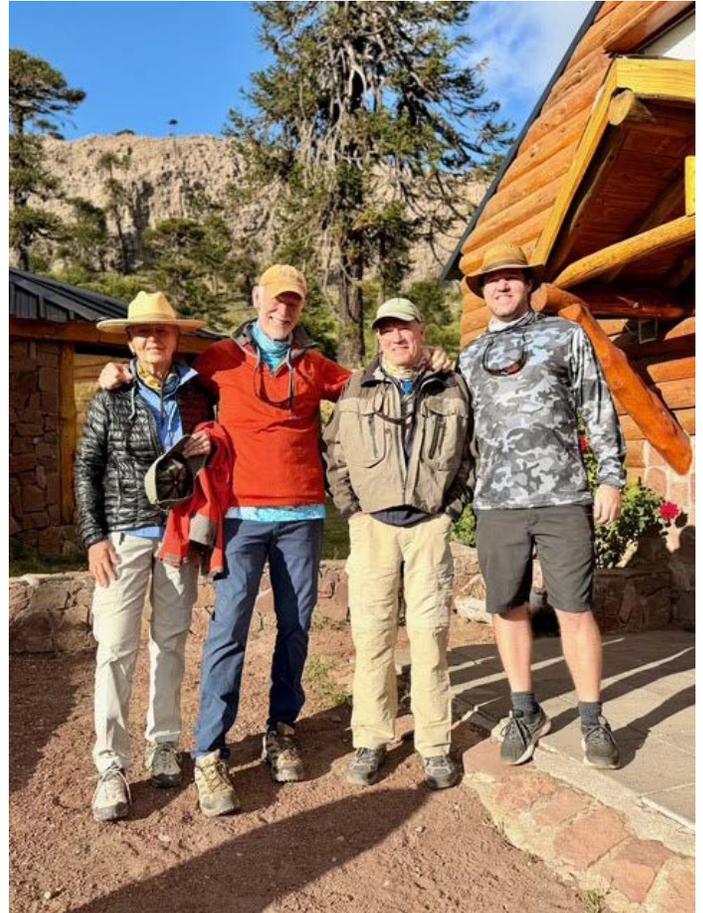
Don't take that the wrong way, I have fond memories of big fish. The thrill of a trout taking you into the backing. The times when you finally figured out what would make a reluctant brownie take your offering. Or, being surprised that there was nothing there at all. That is what takes us there in the first place. What we take home is the other stuff.

The history in the ancient cobblestones, and multi-colored patina houses in Colonia de Sacramento, Uruguay. The incredible athleticism of tango dancers. The puzzling corpses of ancient Araucaria Trees dotting the steep Andean slopes. The pair of pink Flamingoes floating lazily on the mirrored Lago Trolope. The crazy glaciated, and volcanic geology. The giant Andean Condors circling overhead, their eleven-foot wingspans casting alarming shadows. The normally snow-capped Copahue volcano, jutting into the sky.... bald. The easy-going Argentine culture. The shared bitter, yet interesting maté. The two old ladies sunbathing on a very remote lake who left on their horses when we showed up. The variety of waterfowls has never seen before. The lone gaucho astride his horse being followed by his trusty dog.

The fishing was tough, technical, and complicated by warm temps and nearly no snowfall last winter. A trend that we have noticed everywhere lately. That, and the Patagonia “breeze,” (winds in excess of 30 knots) made fishing interesting, sometimes dipping the fly was the only sane way to keep your rig from the man-eating reeds lining the shore (Think Charlie Brown and the kite eating tree). The animated stories of those hard-won victories were even more impressive. I'm sure those tales will also grow with time.

But, most of all, bonding, and sharing all this with friends Bryce and Preston.

A river is like time. The water you waded in, just moments ago, will never be yours again.



Conservation Update

by Paul Lund

Palo Pinto Mountain State Park Partners build fish Habitat for the Newest Texas State Park.

Great day Friday, January 30th, volunteering with [Roger Lee](#) and [Palo Pinto Mountains State Park Partners](#) to build fish habitat. PPMSP is a great group of people and organization that makes a difference at the newest state park in Texas (not open to public yet). Roger and I, Paul Lund, stopped of at Hwy 16 Bridge to catch some trout to close out the day. Thank you, Roger, for finding and informing me of this opportunity. This was a great event directly in line with our conservation goals.



It is great to see our club members leaving the environment better than they found it. Thank you, Chris Patnode, for making this happen!



Friends of the Fish Fair

This past Saturday, Friends of the Fish Fair was held at Rio Guadalupe Resort. Huge thanks to Judson Cole and his team for doing an outstanding job organizing the event. It was great to see such a strong turnout and everyone having a fantastic time.

Supporting local fly fishing clubs, fly shops, guide services, and the fly fishing community helps keep this sport strong for generations to come. Here are a few pictures from the weekend.



Conservation Update

Tarrant Regional Water District TRWD recognized by Fly Fishers International

Fly Fishers International (FFI) recently announced that the Tarrant Regional Water District has been awarded the Fly Fishers International Conservation Award.

This award recognizes individuals, groups, or organizations whose outstanding efforts protect and enhance our fisheries resources and the waters they depend on.

“We are honored to be recognized by Fly Fishers International,” said Matt Mancino, TRWD’s On-Site Venue Manager & Special Events Coordinator. “The FFI Conservation Award reflects our long-standing commitment to protecting and enhancing the fisheries and waterways that are vital to our region. We are grateful for our partnership with Fly Fishers International and the Fort Worth Fly Fishers.”



GRTU Mend the River Event

A beautiful weekend in the Texas Hill Country brought together anglers, conservationists, and outdoor enthusiasts for a series of events hosted by Gruene Outfitters and Living Waters Fly Fishing, culminating in Guadalupe River Trout Unlimited’s Mend the River special event—a fundraising banquet and auction supporting Troutfest TX 2026.

On February 20, Gruene Outfitters hosted a free public screening of the 2026 Fly Fishing Film Tour (F3T), celebrating the tour’s 20th anniversary. The short films captured real-life stories of

perseverance and conservation, highlighting individuals from around the world who share a passion for fly fishing. Those who missed the screening are encouraged to visit flyfilmtour.com to find additional showings across Texas.

Before the films began, Chris Johnson, owner and founder of Living Waters Fly Fishing in Round Rock, Texas, signed copies of his new book, *Favorite Flies for Texas*. This beautifully illustrated guide features 50 of the state’s top fly patterns, along with their histories, practical fishing tips, and detailed tying recipes.

These events led into the Troutfest TX 2026 banquet and auction weekend. On February 21, GRTU hosted the Mend the River special event at Lazy L&L Campgrounds in New Braunfels, Texas, concluding a series of fundraisers benefiting flood relief efforts across the Hill Country.

David Yoskowitz, Ph.D., Executive Director of Texas Parks and Wildlife, delivered a heartfelt presentation highlighting Kerrville flood relief efforts, the Guadalupe Bass restoration initiative, and the Upper Guadalupe River reforestation project. Craig Bonds, Chief Operating Officer of Texas Parks and Wildlife, delivered closing remarks and officially launched the live auction.

The event underscored the importance of community resilience and environmental stewardship in the face of natural disasters. The Mend the River initiative aims to restore ecosystem health and support affected communities. The gathering not only fosters connections among conservationists and anglers but also raises funds for ongoing river restoration and community revitalization efforts. It underscores the significance of community resilience and environmental stewardship in the face of natural disasters, reflecting the collective action needed to heal both the river and its surrounding communities. (update provided by Cynthia Casados)



Fly of the Month

Spring Back Minnow – Sexy Shad color

Written and photographed by: Greg Welander



Spring Back Minnow is my variation of the popular Clouser Minnow. The Spring Back Minnow allows more movement of both the belly and wing when fished. The EP Fibers are translucent in the water and survive over 100 fish catches. March is time for the Sand Bass run in North Texas. Tie these up in your favorite colors and go catch some Sandies!

Materials:

Hook: Gamakatsu SL11-3H (size 8)

Thread: Danville's 140 Waxed Flymaster Plus – Red (6/0)

Eyes: Double Pupil Lead Eyes – Small – Red w/White & Black Pupil

Belly: EP Fibers 3D – Bait Fish Belly

Flash: EP Sparkle – Holo Blue
Krystal Flash – Light Blue/Pearl

Wing: EP Fiber 3D – Anchovy

Step 1: Secure hook in the vise. Begin your thread just behind the hook eye. Tie in the dumbbell eye (using X-wraps) about 1 ½ dumbbell eye length back from the hook eye. Apply zap-a-gap to the thread wraps over the eye. Do a few more X-wraps with the thread over the zap-a-gap. Lay a thread base – (1/4") behind the dumbbell eye.



Step 2: Bring thread back to just behind the hook eye. Rotate hook so hook point is up. Tie in a small bunch, 2 inches in length of EP – Baitfish Belly, starting just behind the hook eye wrapping thread towards the dumbbell eyes. Position thread just behind the hook eye.



Spring Back Minnow – Sexy Shad color

Step 3: Tie in a small bunch of EP Sparkle – Halo Blue, starting just behind the hook eye, wrapping thread towards the dumbbell eyes. Position the thread just behind the hook eye. Then take 3 pieces of Krystal Flash, fold in half over the thread so you will have a total of 6 pieces of Krystal Flash. Tie in starting just behind the hook eye, wrapping thread towards the dumbbell eyes. Position the thread just behind the hook eye.



Step 4: Tie in a small bunch, 2 inches in length of EP – Anchovy, starting just behind the hook eye wrapping thread towards the dumbbell eyes. Form a tapered nose/cone shaped by wrapping the thread. Whip finish and then apply your favorite head cement/UV glue. Use scissors and taper the tail of the fly to a point.



Step 5: Your fly is finished, go fish! Favorite for the Sand Bass run. Or any fish that eats Shad and River Minnows.



Colorado Trip, July 11-18, 2026 NEW LOCATION!!!!

Club, it is NOT TOO early to start making your plans for the annual summer Colorado trip, July 11-18 in South Fork, Colorado. After unfavorable lodging circumstances we have had the last few years, WE ARE NOW STAYING AT A NEW LOCATION!!! Rooms have been reserved for us, so we kindly request that you start booking for next year. If we DO NOT fill up the allotment of rooms, a charge will be made for the rooms that were not reserved, and we DO NOT want that. Trust me on this. We have been going to South Fork and lodging there for quite a few years now. This is not a club-sponsored event, but we always have a wonderful time. As your host, I will provide assistance with lodging, address your trip needs, and offer information on the best fishing locations for you and your group. We will be staying at the [LOGE](#), which is located just across from our favorite place, Rachel's Food Truck. The place to be in South Fork. LOL. There, you can reserve a lodge room or bring your RV. It's best to travel and lodge as a group. It's not a bad idea to start arranging your travel now by sharing a ride. It's a long day if you choose to drive it in one go, or you can split it up with stops in Amarillo, Dumas, or Raton, N.M. This is a come-and-go trip. You can pretty much make your schedule. This year, there was a below-average amount of snowfall, and river flows were low; temperatures did exceed a trout-friendly range. Hoping for much better conditions, and an end to the drought in 2026!!

South Fork is not the only area we fish. Creede, to the north, and Pagosa Springs to the southwest across the scenic Wolf Creek Pass, are great options as well. Within reach are the San Juan and Arkansas rivers, which are great destinations as well. The Rio Grande is one of the favorite spots, but there are so many small creeks around, with small trout waiting for your tiny dry flies! There are many other things to do besides fishing if you wish. I suggest checking the Chamber of Commerce for any questions you may have. There are also several professional guides serving the area. Let me know if you'd like to attend. Please RSVP to me if you haven't already and are making plans to do so.

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.

Grapevine

Hop & Stink Brewery
906 Jean Street, Grapvine, TX 76051

The second Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m. Michael Tulowitski leads a fly tying class for all levels. All materials will be supplied.

Arlington

Arlington Vise Squad, Mixed Up Burgers
510 East Avenue K, Grand Prairie
972-606-6700

Thursday nights, with dinner and drinks starting at about 5:30 p.m. and tying about 6:30 p.m. This event is usually led by a rotating cast of FWFF members who provide materials, but participants should bring their own vise and tools. It meets in a semi-private room.

Introducing Our New Board of Directors

The Fort Worth Fly Fishers voted on the new slate of officers and board of directors at the January 6 meeting. Special thanks to our Nominating Committee of Brett Morehead, Cynthia Cassados and Russell Husted.

President	George Prochaska	georgeprochaska@gmail.com	2026-27
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Secretary	Jerri Meaux	jerri_meaux@att.net	2025-26
Treasurer	Alvin Meaux	alvin_meaux@att.net	2026-27
Education	Russell Husted	russellhusted@sbcglobal.net	2025-26
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Communications	Kay Jackson	kayjacks@sbcglobal.net	2026-27
Social Media	Matthew Lambert	mel@mlml2.net	2026-27
Legal	Mike Nelson	fnelson@bbar.com	2025-26
Speakers	David Schwartz	columbo987@yahoo.com	2026-27
Fly Tying	Les Jackson	keebranch@yahoo.com	2026-27
Outings	Daniel Tatum	tatum.daniel@yahoo.com	2025-26
Conservation Director	Paul Lund	lupol63@yahoo.com	2026-27
At – Large	Don Irwin	donirwin@mac.com	2025-26

Welcome our newest members!

New here? Stay connected! We're always excited to have our members—especially new ones—join our events and outings.

Here's what to keep in mind: safety is our top priority, and everyone plays a part in it.

As the event or outing gets closer, watch your email for last-minute updates (and don't forget to check your spam folder just in case). Follow us on social media for news and reminders, and be sure to know who the host is and how to reach them.



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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