



Kansas City
Chapter



April 2018

President's Message

Club Meeting Date:
April 24, 2018
7:00 pm

Executive Board Meeting
April 10, 2018
7:00 pm

Location
Fleming Hall
21906 SW Woods Chapel Road
Lee's Summit, Missouri

Next Club Meeting Date
May 22, 2018

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For More Information

Visit the website for the latest News and updates
www.mtfa-kansascity.org

We have a busy spring with a lot of events. Here are some of them.

Saturday, April 21 is Veterans Fish Free at Bennett Spring State Park.

No Tag or License Fee .Veterans may fish in any zone. Special area of Zone 2 Reserved for Veteran's only.

Stop in at the Park Store to pick up your Free Veterans Fishing Day Tag. This is sponsored by the MDC and the Bennett Spring Hatchery.

Saturday, May 5th is a busy day. Besides the Kid's Fishing Derby at Lake Giacomo that day, it is also the weekend for *Troutbusters* at Bennett Spring. If you are available to volunteer for the Kid's Derby on May 5th please let me know. See page 2 for more details about the Kid's Derby,

I've talked about us having a Fish Fry this spring. Since spring has started with such cold weather, I would like to wait until the May 22nd monthly meeting to schedule our Fish Fry. So we will have details in next months Troutline. Crappie filets are still on the menu. Just keep the date on your calendar.

The weekend of May 18-20 is our MTFA State Spring Fishing Derby at Bennett Spring State Park. I'll talk about it at our April meeting and more details will appear in the next Troutline. But you need to plan your reservations for that weekend as soon as you can. Places fill up by that weekend.

David

2018 Membership Dues are Past Due

Last Month the Application for Membership will be in the Newsletter. Dues for the upcoming year are:

- Individual (\$15),
- Family (\$30),
- Legacy (\$10).



(Family membership includes all family members up to 18 years of age). At age 18 your child must register as a adult. You may mail your dues and form to MTFA, PO Box 3202, Harry S. Truman Station, Independence, Missouri 64055 or you can bring it to the next club meeting.

Thank You.

Upcoming Events

April 10, 2018
E-Board Meeting
Fleming Hall
7:00pm

April 21, 2018
Veterans Free Fishing Day
Bennett Spring State Park

April 21, 2018
Ladies Weekend
River Run Outfitters
Branson, Missouri
(See Page 2)

April 24, 2018
Club Meeting
Fleming Hall
7:00 pm

May 5, 2018
Kids Fishing Derby
Jacomo Lake
(See Page 2)

Ladies Mark Your Calendars - RiverRun Outfitters Event

The River Runner Women's Fly Fishing Club will be celebrating their 10 year anniversary on April 21, 2018 here at the fly shop. We are hoping for an exciting celebration with lots of activities and definitely lots of fishing. We would welcome any of you ladies who are not certain fly fishing is for you, or those of you just getting started and/or have been doing it forever to join us with this celebration. Our Agenda is a work in progress, but we will gather at the fly shop Friday evening for a "Meet and Great" gathering. Saturday will be filled with activities and lots of fishing. Mark your calendars. We will keep you updated.



Carolyn Parker Owner

37th Annual Kids Fishing Day - Saturday May 5, 2018



Kids ages 2 to 15 get to show off their angling skills at this fun-filled family event that includes casting clinics, fishing contest and prizes! The derby is held at the old Lake Jacomo beach adjacent to the marina. Derby starts at 9:00am and concludes at 11:00am.

Last year there were approximately 100 plus kids that signed up for the derby. We will need volunteers for the registration table, weigh in and to help with fishing instruction and

the awards ceremony. Volunteers need to be there between 7:30-8:00am to get things organized.

Note: Registration begins at 8:30am.

Gary

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Travel Packing 'Tips and Tricks' by Gary Davison

You have decided to sign up and go on that trip you have been dreaming about, well now your work to make it an enjoyable adventure starts. I have made my share of mistakes in wishing I had brought this item/gear or left some items at home. Hopefully this information will help you

1. **Research where you are going.** Weather patterns, average daily high and low temperatures. Talk to someone that has been there before, talk with the lodge manager or head guide and find out as much as you can about the conditions you may face. Are long hikes in waders part of the program or are you fishing out of a boat?

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8643 Grant St, Overland Park, Ks.
913-341-8118.

April - Fly Fishing Saturday Clinic's

April 7 - New Zealand Adventure - Colorado Guide, Drew Eyeman

April 14 - SF Baitfish Flies w/ Luke

April 21 - Get Started - Basic Fly Casting

April 28 - Rocky Mt. Dry Flies w/ Greg

All classes start at 9:00 AM. (Call 913-341-8118 if you plan to attend)

Come in and see the New Gear from Ross, Simms, Trout Hunter, Plan D, Korkers.....

Travel Packing 'Tips and Tricks' Cont'd

2. A packing List. Most lodges or fishing camps provide a packing list once you have signed up. I put my own list together that I use all the time. A packing list is a great asset making sure you don't get to your destination and end up saying I sure wish I had remembered to bring.....Now that you have made your list, start laying out all your items so that you can visually see everything and check them off your list. (Don't forget some comfort items like a E-Reader for reading, any charger or extra battery you may need).

3. Be a Minimalist. If going to Alaska your needs are different than if going to the Bahamas. I read someplace that you should use every piece of gear and clothing that is in your bag. If you packed it and didn't use it you did something wrong. Look over your items and justify that you really need it. This goes back to doing your research on your destination.

4. Packing the Bag. Are you flying straight to your destination or having to stay over for a night? This determines how you pack. If you have a stay over pack all the items you won't need on the bottom and what you will be needing on the top. I use Pro Packing Cubes to put my clothes in. Really helps keep your bag organized and makes items easy to find. Pack your carry on wisely. I use a Harding & Sons rod bag for my carry on. It has 4 zippered compartments. The center one will hold 4 (4 piece rods). One outer compartment I put my Reels, Cameras, Med's, my E-Reader, charging cords and a light weight rain jacket. The other outer compartment is for clothes that I might need should my checked bag gets lost for a day or two. If traveling to Alaska be sure to pack a pair of long underwear or fleece pants but if traveling to a tropical destination, wear a pair of flats pants, pack a buff and wear a pair of wading sandals. What I am saying is pack enough to wear for a day on the water. Check with your lodge and see if they have loaner equipment should you be without your bag for a few days. Also, know your airline. For instance, Alaska airlines sees a lot more people traveling with rod tubes and gear more than the other airlines and are more understanding. Oh, be sure to label your bags both carry on and checked.

On my way home from a trip I make a list of items I want to bring or leave at home for my next adventure. Do your homework and pack wisely. *Gary*

Report On MTFA Pre-derby meeting March 17, 2018 by David Cook

A vote was taken by the MTFA State Council board of directors to change the status of the MTFA Branson provisional chapter to be the MTFA Branson Chapter with full chapter rights, as stated in the State Council By-laws "*shall be entitled to and shall receive equal rights and privileges in the Association*", effective May 20, 2018.

The Springfield chapter is the host for this year's derby and has reserved Shelter-house A (above the Spring Hole) as the location for our meetings.

Project Healing Waters Report by Jim Kissane

And That's a Wrap — Rod Builders Submit Projects, Await Judges' Decision



Our participants in the annual Project Healing Waters Rod Building Competition are finishing up their contest entries and preparing them for shipment to the Hook & Hackle Company for judging. All rod shipments must be postmarked by April 13 and received at Hook & Hackle by April 20. Winners will be announced in early May.

Seven of our participants are competing in the rod building contest for the first time. We had 18 entrants, our highest total to

date. As always, we are impressed with the creativity and workmanship that go into all of the rods. Pictured above, clockwise from left, are some of the designs.

Tim Powell's rod features interwoven wraps and the U.S. Marine Corps insignia burned into the cork handle. This is the first rod he has built.

Doc Ballard is also a first-time entrant, with an intricate design featuring stars woven into the windings.

Mike Davis crafted a custom wood handle, then inlaid a may-fly at the top and his initials at the bottom.

Mentoring is a big part of the rod-building process, with experienced participants helping out those who are new to the craft. Here, David Bagley discusses techniques with Jolene Taranto. Good luck to all entrants, and thank you to all volunteers and participants!

Calendar: Casting Lessons Begin in Preparation for PHWFF Competition

Preparations continue for the first annual Project Healing Waters Fly Casting Competition. We held our first practice session in March, and are planning three more in April. Watch your inbox for details.

April 7: Blue River Rescue Project,

8:30am, Alex George Park. Casting competition practice to follow.

April 10: General Meeting, Fleming Hall, Lake Jacomo, MO, 7pm.

April 11: Fly Tying 101, KCVAMC, 1pm

April 17: General Meeting, Rainbow Fly Shop, 4621 Shrank Dr., Independence, MO, 5 pm. Food, fun and fly tying with Matt.

May 2: Fly Tying 101, KCVAMC, 1pm

Missouri
Trout Fishermen's Association
KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DATE _____

I wish to become a member of the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association, Kansas City Chapter and join in their endeavor to improve the sport of Trout Fishing in Missouri. **I agree to abide by the Constitution, By-Laws and Rules and Regulations of the Association.** These can be found on the chapter website **MTFA-KANSASCITY.ORG**.

NAME _____ NEW MEMBER () RENEWAL ()

ADDRESS _____ Cell Phone _____

(Hm)/(Wk) Other Phone _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ Send Newsletter via email: Yes ___ No ___

BIRTH MONTH: _____

How did you hear about our club? _____

Have you ever been a member of any chapter of the MTFA? Yes ___ No ___

Year joined _____ Most Recent Year Paid Dues: _____

- ___ **Individual Dues:** **\$15.00**
- ___ **Family Membership:** **\$30.00**
- ___ **MTFA Legacy Member: (25 + years)** **\$10.00**

If a Family Membership (spouse and children 18 years of age and under), list those who should receive membership cards and individual email newsletters.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth Month</u>	<u>EMAIL</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

When this form is completed,
mail to:
Missouri Trout Fishermen's Assoc.
PO Box 3202 Harry S Truman Station
Independence, MO 64055

CODE OF ETHICS

To practice the principles of good sportsmanship and conservation of wildlife, and to encourage others to do the same.
To cooperate with the constructive efforts of the Missouri Conservation Commission and comply with the "Objectives and Purposes" of the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association to the extent of using single point hook lures when fishing in Missouri trout water.
To assist in the expansion and development of trout fishing in the State of Missouri, including the wise utilization of available waters and their protection from agricultural and commercial encroachment.
To help conserve wildlife and its natural habitat, cooperating with Federal, State and private agencies directly concerned with the conservation of wildlife, forests, soil and water.
To lend assistance to the Missouri Conservation Commission and its representatives in the enforcement of the laws and regulations for the taking of fish and game in the State of Missouri.

The above has been read and agreed to by: _____