



Kansas City Chapter



April 2023

Club Meeting Date:
April 25, 2023
Fleming Hall 7:00 pm.

Executive Board Meeting
April 3, 2023
Fleming Hall 7:00 pm.

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

Next Club Meeting Date
May 23, 2023
Fleming Hall

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Presidents Message:



We're nearly through the spring equinox with a week of 40 degree rainy/gloomy weather - a time for quiet and reflection while completing that fly rod, or tying flies, going through your fishing equipment checking to see if you need to clean or repair anything. Might even need to weed-out some old flies and leaders or maybe get one more fishing trip

out of them. The calendar is filling up rapidly, so pull out your calendar and schedule an opportunity to get out, get involved, get fishing, get volunteering. Winter is over (you don't listen to any 'ol gopher that comes along with investment advice so don't heed that gopher for the weather advice!)

A) April 8 - Little Blue River Cleanup, Little Blue Valley Park, 8259 S Noland Rd., KCMO, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Volunteers receive T-Shirts and Hot Dog lunch follow the cleanup.

B) May 6 - Lake Jacomo Kids Derby

- o MTFA State Trout Derby, Bennett Spring
- May 19th - Registration begins, 7:00 pm until Store Closes.
- May 20th - 5:30am - 8:00am, Registration at Bennett Springs Store
- 11:00am - Memorial Service
- 12:30pm - Lunch & Socializing at Shelter House B
- 1:00-5:00pm - Check in tagged fish at Shelter House B
- May 21st - 11:00-12:00 Noon Check in Tagged fish at Shelter House B
- (More information in next months Troutline)*

D) Our May 23rd meeting will be a fish fry and raffle at Fleming Hall. If you have any fishing or fly tying equipment you would like to donate please contact Jessica Niccoli our raffle coordinator or Linda Chase, (816-405-4124 or lschase52@att.net) our entertainment coordinator. Come hungry as we look forward to seeing you at the dinner.

E) One Fly Tournament, J.A. Reed - Saturday, Jun 3

Call a friend or two or even more (as in Buddy Checks). Call some one that hasn't been to a meeting or event since you don't know when. Carol Cook publishes a great MTFA/FFF phone book for ideas. Tis the season to invite a neighbor, even their parents, to help volunteer at one of our events.....even go fishing with them. You know that fly fishing isn't that hard to learn however, fly catching is a whole other story.

Ken Hicks

For More Information

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

Upcoming Events

April 3,
E-Board Meeting
Fleming Hall 7:00pm

April 25,
Club Meeting
Fleming Hall 7:00pm

May 6,
Jackson County Kids
Fishing Day
Jacomo Beach Area
(See page 4)

May 19,
MTFA State Derby
Bennett Springs State Park
(See page 4)

Saltwater Flyfishing Andros Island Bahamas:

The last week in February I made my annual trip to Andros South Bonefish Lodge on Andros Island in the Bahamas for some bone fishing and warm weather. I have been meeting up with a group trip hosted by JC Weeks and FishWest Fly Shop in Kamas, Utah. I met JC on a previous trip there at the lodge, enjoyed the group that was traveling with him and made the decision to hook up with them the following year. This was my 5th or 6th trip meeting up with the group. The bone fishing was great as usual, plus some folks had shots at Permit and Tarpon. If you think saltwater fishing might be something you're interested in, please get in touch with me and I will try and answer your questions.



MTFA Officers

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Merril Miller	Bob Barnett
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Marvin Allison	Linda Chase
David Cook	
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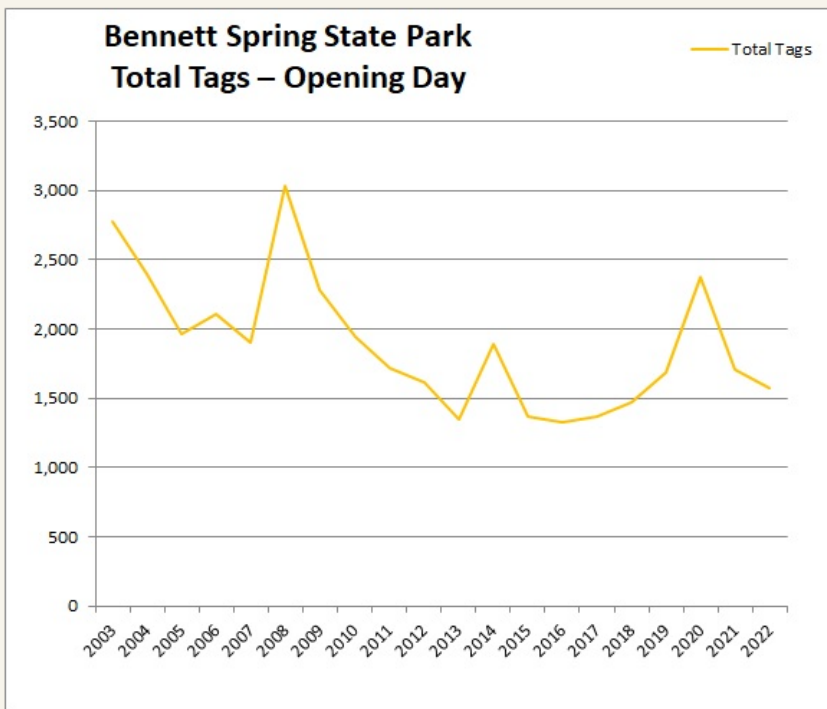
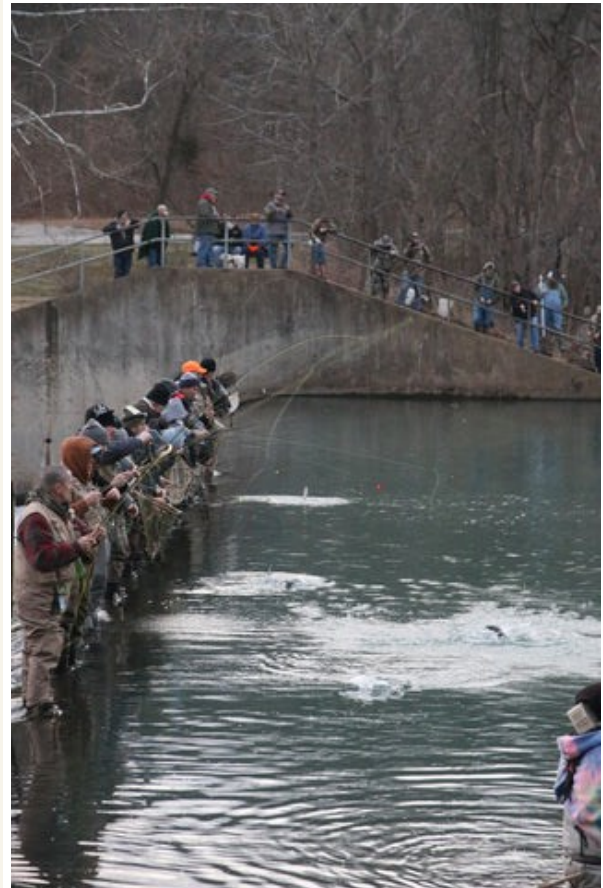
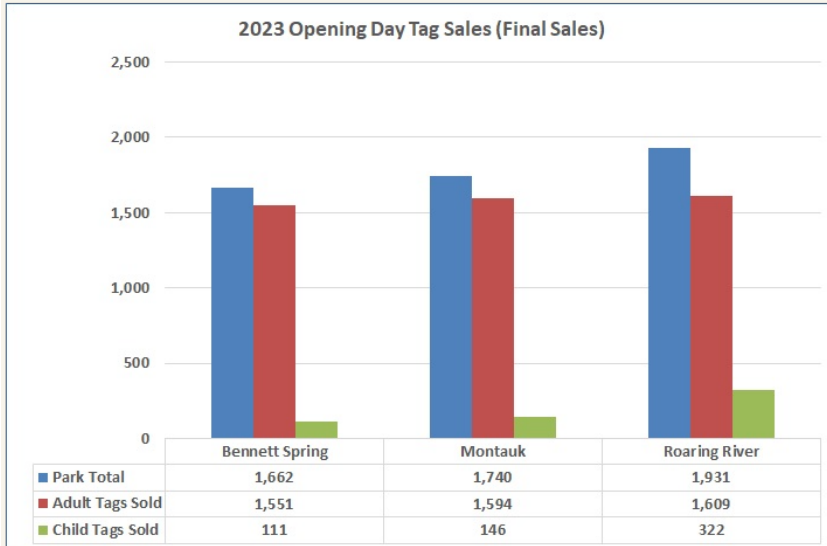
Andros Island is known for its bone fishing. It's truly unbelievable. Our group is from all over the USA. (Mass, Alaska, Calif, Ark, Fl, Mo, and Utah.)

Gary

Opening Day at Missouri Trout Parks:

The catch and keep trout fishing season is now officially open. March 1 is an important day in the state of Missouri and a tradition for many fisher-persons and families to travel to our state parks for the event. Catch and keep season runs from March 1 - October 31. The charts below show a decline in tag sales, which I am surprised at, only Roaring River State Park has shown an upswing.

OPENING DAY TAG SALES



Charts taken from the MDC web site.

Water Levels:

Bennett Spring water level: *National Weather Service Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service*

Roaring River water level: *National Weather Service Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service*

Taneycomo water level: *National Weather Service Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service*



Free Fly Fishing Lessons/Classes

1 Hour Mini Clinics -

Fly Tying Classes

1 Hour Mini Clinics -

Call For Appointment 913-341-8118

FACEBOOK

Join us every Tuesday at 5pm cst

Facebook.com kkflyfisher Facebook Live Streaming

*** Fly Tying**

Hosted Trips:

Belize - Tarpon Caye Lodge

6 Days Guided - 7 nights (Oct 23-30)
\$4200

Missouri River - Wolf Creek

5 Days - 6 nights (June 11-17) (July 9-15) \$3750.00

Montana - Missoula

5 Days - 6 nights (June 25-July 1) (Sept 24-30) \$3400.00 (Fishing the Clark Fork, Bitterroot, Blackfoot Rivers)
Venue - Double Tree Edgewater

Call for Trip Details (800) 795-8118

Branson 2023 Fly Fishing Expo - July 27-29, 2023

The Expo is in the planning stages at this time. They are going to have a fly tying contest as part of the Expo festivities. We have some talented fly tiers in our chapter and I hope you will consider entering the contest. I will send out more information on the Expo, the events and the fly tying contest in the May Troutline. This is a fun event to attend, Branson has lots of things to do, and you can fish Taneycomo. Fly fishing vendors, Fly tiers, raffles, prizes, activities and food. Put the dates on your calendar.

Gary

40th Annual Kids Fishing Day - Saturday May 6, 2023

Kids ages 2 to 15 get to show off their angling skills at this fun-filled family event. Activities include casting clinics, fishing demonstrations, and prizes donated by Bass Pro Shops and Cabela's Outdoor Fund. The first 250 to register for the Kids Fishing Derby will receive a free fishing rod and reel combo courtesy of Pure Fishing. Please bring your own fishing rod and reel, **bait** and a bucket to transport your fish for weighing. The derby is held at the old Lake Jacomo beach adjacent to the marina.

We (MTFA) will need volunteers for the registration table, weigh in station, set up poles as needed, and to help with fishing instruction and the awards ceremony. Volunteers need to be there between 7:15-8:00am to get things organized. There will be coffee and donuts for the volunteers. Print out the flyer on page 6 and give to your neighbors that have children.

Please put this date on your calendar.

Note: Pre-registration is not required.

Register on-Site starting at 8:30 am

Derby Contest: 9:00 am - 10:30 am

Awards immediately following weigh-in

Gary

Frontline Calendar



April 11 - 7:00pm at the DAV

April 18 - 5:30pm (Fly Tying at the Rainbow Fly Shop)

April 25 - MTFA Monthly meeting Fleming Hall

May 23 - MTFA Fish Fry (See Page 1)

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: _____

Jackson County Parks + Rec

KIDS' FISHING DERBY

40th Annual

LAKE JACOMO
9200 Beach Road
Lee's Summit, MO

Registration - 8:30AM

Fishing - 9:00AM to 10:30AM

Casting Contest - Ongoing

Please bring a fishing pole, bait & bucket to transport your fish for weighing.

FREE EVENT

SATURDAY
MAY 6TH
Ages 15 & under



PRIZES & TROPHIES

will be awarded following weigh-in completion.

FREE FISHING POLE

for the first 250 kids that register courtesy of Pure Fishing.



Thank you to our partners: Missouri Trout Fisherman's Association & Optimist Club of Lake Lotawana