



Kansas City Chapter



January 2020

Club Meeting Date:
January 28, 2020
7:00 pm

Executive Board Meeting
January 7, 2020
7:00 pm.
Fleming Hall

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

Next Club Meeting Date
February 25, 2020
Lunker Dinner

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For More Information

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

Happy New Year

We would like to wish all a very "fishy", safe and healthy New Year. Our club had a very busy 2019 and we are looking forward to the events we have planned for 2020. If you have an idea or a idea for a club program or out- ing please let us know. Your ideas are important to us. The main events that are in the clubs immediate future are the Sport Show, Fishing Trip to Bennett Spring, Fly Tying Classes and the Lunker Dinner. It's important as a club member to be involved. Mark your calendars and join in on the fun and bring a friend.

Thank You for your support, *The E-Board*

MTFA Nomination of Board Members for 2020

At the November E-Board meeting David Cook appointed the nominating committee for the upcoming election of the 2020 MTFA officers. If you are interested in serving, please let David know. Our election will be held in January and installation of officers will be held in February at the Lunker dinner. Here is a list of the current MTFA offices and the current office holder:



- President:** David Cook
- Vice-President:** Gary Davisson
- Secretary:** Ardith Haynes
- Treasurer:** Darrell Durst

Members at Large: Merril Miller, Roger Theroux, Marvin Allison, Ken Hicks

2020 Membership Dues are Due by January 31st.



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.

Go to www.mtfa-kansascity.org to down load the MTFA membership application or print page 6 of this Troutline.

Upcoming Events

January 1, 2020
Happy New Fishing Year

January 7,
E-Board Meeting
Fleming Hall
7:00 pm

January 9-12,
KC Sports Show

January 13,
1st Fly Tying Class
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January 20,
2nd Fly Tying Class

January 27,
3rd Fly Tying Class

January 28, 2020
Club Meeting - Election of
Club Officers
Fleming Hall
7:00 pm

February 3, 2020
4th Fly Tying Class



MTFA Officers

President: David Cook
(816) 519-2531

V President: Gary Davisson
(816) 896-5221

Secretary: Ardith Haynes
(816) 392-1947

Treasurer: Darrell Durst
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Troutline Editor: Gary Davisson
medman3@att.net

Members at Large:

Merril Miller
Roger Theroux
Marvin Allison
Ken Hicks

KC Sports Show - January 2020

The Kansas City Boat and Sports Show at the H. Roe Bartle Hall starts **Jan 9th through the 12th**. We need members to represent MTFA and PHWFF at our booth. This is a great opportunity to showcase our club to people of the area that have not heard of the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association or the Project Healing Waters Chapter. Some of you have signed up to represent the club but we still have a few open times.

Some members demonstrate fly tying while other members just hang out, answer questions and hand out flyers. Signing up gives you free admission to the Sports Show. *(Note: You must be up to date on your club membership)* There will be plenty of time for you to wander around for yourself and view all the exhibits. Call David to sign up *The E-Board*



President's Message

I hope everyone had a chance to enjoy the holidays.

I was blessed with much time with my kids and grandkids.

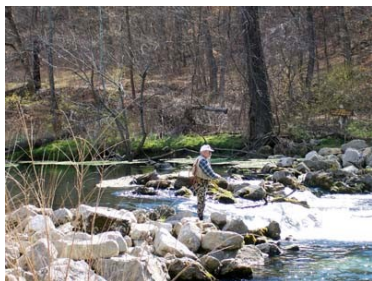
We are solidly into winter but we have had relatively mild weather for the last couple of weeks and it will continue a little longer. This has given me opportunities to fish local ponds. I've had luck for trout at James A Reed Plover Lake and in Liberty at Fountain Bluffs. I've also fished for crappie at J.A.R. . A jig and cork are my first choice for winter fishing.

I've heard reports that dry flies are working at Bennett Spring. There are a lot of hatches there during the winter but they are tiny so it means fishing smaller dry flies than I normally use there. I hope you have opportunities to get out on the warmer days.

David



Bennett Springs - February 8th - MTFA Winter Club Outing



Will not look this way in January

It's winter time, could be a little cold but lets go fishing. I have adopted a friend's saying "If it's 45 or below, Gary don't go". As I get older that number may be moved to 50 degrees. Really cold weather doesn't appeal to me that much anymore, but I have been Steelhead fishing when it was 12 degrees above zero. Our club has decided to make a trip to Bennett Springs on February 8th, **Weather permitting**, we will be watching the weather forecast and will send out a flyer to announce the plan of action when we get closer to the date. Plan to meet in the parking lot that is between the store parking lot and the new hatchery building, around 10:00 AM. Get your cold weather gear out and ready, check your fly box.

This is catch and release season at Bennett and is a great time to learn and practice new techniques. If you are new to fly fishing and need some help we will be there to help you. For more information contact any MTFA Board Member.

Gary

Fly Tying Classes Starting

The Beginners Fly Tying class will start on January 13, from 7:00-9:00PM at Fleming Hall, 21906 Woods Chapel Road, Lees Summit, Mo. Classes will be held each Monday evening for 6 weeks. Enjoy the fun with other club members and non club members tying flies. If you are a beginner wanting to learn how to tie your own flies or a more advanced fly tier and need help to tie a certain fly, come and join us. MTFA will help you learn how to use all the different tools of fly tying. For more information contact Merrill Miller at: merrilgofish@aol.com or call (816-673-9863).

Note:

If we have no sign-ups for a beginning fly tying class, we will conduct an advanced fly tying class. **You need to sign up for this class!** if you are interested. We will only have supplies for the number of people that sign up. There is no cost to club members and the club will furnish the hooks and materials. You need to bring thread (UNI 6/0 or Danville's 210) in Black, Brown, Tan, Olive and Red thread, your fly vice, tools, hair stacker, and glue.

Contact Merrill Miller at: merrilgofish@aol.com or call (816-673-9863).

Merril



2020 New Years Resolutions

It's time again to sit down and think about those New Years Resolutions. I am not talking about losing weight, exercising more or cutting out sweets etc., I am thinking about things that will make you a better fisherperson. Here is a quick list of items to give you some ideas to build your own list. *Enjoy, Gary*

I will *take some fly casting lessons,*

I will *fish more often,*

I will *practice casting at least once a week,*

I will *learn how to double haul,*

I will *invite someone to a club meeting or activity,*

Project Healing Waters Report by Jim Kissane

Cowboy Up!

Board members from the Matt Mason Cowboy-Up Triathlon presented our program with quite a Christmas gift, a generous donation check. The Triathlon honors fallen Navy SEAL Matt Mason and contributes all of its proceeds to military-friendly organizations in the Greater Kansas City area. This is the sixth year the Cowboy-Up Triathlon has blessed our program with its support. Program Lead Bob Barnett, second from left, received the donation from Triathlon Board Members, from left, Chad Manz, Jason Key, Mike Powell and Mike Hanchette.



New Year Marks Beginning of 2020 Competitions in Fly Tying, Rod Building, Casting

Happy New Year! With the turn of the calendar, we begin a new year of Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing national competitions. Fly tying will begin in January, rod building will start in February, and fly casting when winter releases its grip on the Midwest.

The National Fly Tying competition will begin Jan. 2 and run through September. Participants will submit four identical flies of a pattern of their choice.

As in the past there are categories for Beginner (less than 1 year of tying experience), Intermediate (up to 3 years) and Advanced (4+ years). Three finalists in each category will be invited to the 2020 International Fly Tying Symposium in Parsippany, NJ, where the winners will be announced. The three winners will receive an invitation to a Freedom Ranch for Heroes Destina-

tion Outing in Montana.

Rod building sessions will begin at 7 pm Monday, Feb. 3, and will continue every Monday evening through March 9. Note that rod building will be held at Fleming Hall.

Rod kits will be supplied by Pac Bay, which will also provide TFO reels for participants entering their first rod in the competition. As with

Trout Stocking, Sports Show Take Edge Off Winter Blues

Winter trout stocking has begun at James A. Reed, Fountain Bluff and other municipal lakes. Tight lines!

Jan. 9-12: Sports Show at Bartle Hall.

Jan. 14: General Meeting, DAV Hall, 14605 E. 40 Highway, Independence, MO, 6pm.

Jan. 21: General Meeting, Rain-

the fly tying contest, rod building has three divisions: Beginner (those building their first rod), Intermediate (2nd or 3rd rod), and Advanced (4th rod or more).

Rods must be completed by April 30 and received by May 8. Winners will be announced by May 22 and will receive invitations to an outing at Freedom Ranch for Heroes.

bow Fly Shop, 4621 Shrank Dr., Independence, MO, 5pm.

Jan. 22: Fly Tying 101, KCVAMC, 1pm.

Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24: Rod Building, Fleming Hall, 7pm.

January - Fly Fishing Saturday Clinic's

Jan 4 - Salt Flats Flies w/ Brad Kellerman
 Jan 11 - Baitfish Streamer Flies w/ Luke Langton
 Jan 18 - Tailwater Crustaceans w/ Kevin Shelly
 Jan 25 - Fly Fishing Basics (Lines - Leaders - Tippetts)
 All classes start at 9:00 AM. (Call if you plan to attend)



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

Fisherman Wanted - K&K Hosted Fly Fishing 2020 Trips -

Feb 29 - March 7 - Black Fly Lodge, Abaco Bahamas (6 days - 7 nights lodging) \$7375.00
 March 29 - April 4 - Swain's Cay, Andros Bahamas (5 days - 6 nights) \$3650.00 + VAT
 June 14 - 20 - Missoula, Montana (5 days - 6 nights) \$2550.00
 June 28 - July 3 - Hidden Canyon Lodge Montana - Dry Fly Fishing the Mo River (5 days-6nights) \$3200
 Sept 5 - 12 - Katmai Trophy Lodge Alaska - Naknek River (6 days - 7 nights) \$3995.00
 Sept 27 - Oct 3 - Missoula, Montana (5 days - 6 nights) \$2550.00

Note: These are all Guided Trips and prices do not include tips and transportation.

Call for Trip Details and Questions: 1-800-795-8118

2020 New Years Resolutions continued:

I will *learn to cast with my opposite hand,*

I will *go to a new destination to fish,*

I will *take more pictures of what you see on your adventure, not just hero shots,*

I will *take a fly fishing class.*

I will *budget for that new gear or and extra day of instruction with a guide/instructor.*

Missouri Fishing Licenses Online

You can purchase your fishing, hunting, etc. license's on line through the Missouri Department of Conservation web site or even from your smartphone using the Mo. Hunting app. Your valid permit will appear on the app Immediately after your purchase. You can carry your license with you where ever you go. Check out:

<https://huntfish.mdc.mo.gov/permits>

Missouri Winter Trout Fishing

The winter catch-and-release fishing season at Missouri's four trout parks is a good time to learn how to catch trout on a fly without the crowds. This is a great opportunity to work on those casting skills, practice sight fishing and work on mending your line without a lot of people around you. My son, grandson and I went to Bennett the Friday after Christmas. Weather was about 54+ degrees and we counted about 35 people from the Niangua to the beginning of the stream. Get out there and practice! Catch and release is Friday/Sat/Sun and Monday, season closes Feb 10th.

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>
_____	_____	_____
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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: _____