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January 2022

Club Meeting Date: January 25, 2022 Location TBD 7:00 pm

Executive Board Meeting

January 4, 2022 Online Zoom meeting 7:00 pm.

Location

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

Next Club Meeting Date

February 22, 2022 Location TBD

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For More Information

Visit the website for the latest News and updates <u>www.mtfa-kansascity.org</u>

Happy New Year

We would like to wish all a very "fishy", safe and healthy New Year. Our club like most clubs has had a limited amount of activities during 2021 with the Covid-19 and a variant disrupting our lives. We are hoping to be able to get back to having club meetings and outings on a continuous basis. We have our calendar and events planned for 2022, now we just need the Covid and it's variants to go away. We will be starting up our Fly Tying Classes this Winter. A number of club members have been going to Bennett Springs for Catch & Release fishing. There is usually very few people fishing during the C/R season. It's a great opportunity to take a new person and introduce them to the sport of fly fishing. This is the time of year to inspect your fly boxes, check hooks, take inventory and start tying flies.

Thank you for your continued support, The E-Board

President's Message 2022 — David Cook

Our January 2022 fly tying classes are on hold. We are looking for locations other than Fleming Hall. When we get a schedule worked out for time and location, I'll get an email out and let you know the details.

Meanwhile, I know several of you have had success with urban winter trout fishing. Rumor has it the Kansas City area trout lakes will be stocked in January. You can get the latest information on Kansas City area lakes by calling the trout stocking hotline at (816-525-0300 ext.2).

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2022 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. A MTFA-KC Chapter application will be in the January, and February Troutline. You can

also download the application off our web site.

Thank You.

Upcoming Events

January 1, 2022 Happy New Fishing Year

January 4 E-Board Meeting 7:00 pm

Fly Tying Classes are suspended until we have a better understanding of the effect of COVD variants on the community

2022 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 get you thinking. *Enjoy*

I will learn to double haul to be able to cast a little further,

I will learn how to mend without moving the indicator,

I will learn to spin and/or stack deer hair,

I will take fly casting lessons.

I will invite a friend to MTFA or Frontline.

I will learn to cast with my opposite hand,

I will go to a new destination to fish, this is always fun.

I will learn to fish streamers,

I will take a fly fishing class.

MTFA Officers for 2022

Our election will be held in January and installation of officers will be held in February at the Lunker dinner.

The MTFA current office holders are:

President: David Cook.

Vice-President: Gary Davisson, Secretary: Jessica Niccoli, Treasurer: Darrell Durst

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

Mike Davis, Greg Davison, Bob Barnett, Linda Chase

Bennett Springs - Saturday, February 5th - MTFA Winter Club Outing

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 5th, 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



MTFA Officers

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Presidents Message Cont'd

Pictures are from Liberty Park Lake in Sedalia Missouri. There are several urban lakes in Missouri that are stocked with trout for the winter. Many of these lakes such as this one are stocked around November 1st and are regulated as a catch and release fishing until February 1st.



(Greg Davison and Eric Mitchell)



(Carol Cook)



(Darrell Durst)

Grayling's Anatomy (Reprinted with permission Deneki Blog)



Arctic Grayling achieve a wide array of colors. Coloration can vary from stream to stream. Their dorsal fins are typically fringed in red and dotted with large iridescent red, aqua, or purple spots and markings. These colorful markings are most dramatic on large grayling.

Growing up to 23 inches and 5 lbs, the Arctic Grayling has a short head and a long slender body. The coolest feature is its large single dorsal fin. The arctic grayling is attractively colored, with a gray,

blue, or purple dorsal surface, which fades to gray or blue with pink pearlescent on the sides and a grey or white belly. Just in front of the pelvic fins, its sides are peppered with dark spots, while the dorsal and adipose fins are a dark purple-blue color. Its long pelvic fins are dark and don bright mauve or orange color lines.

Spawning usually occurs between April to June. Arctic Grayling travel to small streams, preferably those with gravelly or rocky bottoms, to spawn. During the breeding season, males become aggressive and territorial. When confronted by an intruder, they exhibit threat displays: they raise their large dorsal fin, extend their pelvic fins, and vibrate their bodies to fend off any other suitors. Not only is their long dorsal fin used in threat displays, but it is important during spawning; males use the fin as a clasping organ to hold the female. During the mating process, the male and female vibrate side by side, releasing eggs and milt into the water. Then eggs are covered by material stirred up from the stream bottom during the vibrations of the mating pair. The eggs hatch in two weeks, releasing small larvae nourished by their yolk sac for another week as alevin. Adult grayling feed on aquatic and terrestrial insects, fish eggs, small fish, and even small crustaceans.

Cool looking, abundant, and aggressive Arctic Grayling is a much-underappreciated gamefish by many anglers. But those in the know, know these highly aggressive fish will strike a variety of fly patterns and super fun to catch on light rods. One of the most exciting ways to catch Arctic Grayling is skating a size 6 mouse pattern topwater.



FACEBOOK

Join us every Tuesday at 5pm cst

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- * Fly Tying
- * Fishing Reports
 - * Fly Casting
 - * New Gear



Calendar of Events

Jan 11 - 7:00pm Fly Tying with Merril Miller at the DAV

Jan 18 - 5:30pm at the Rainbow Fly Shop

(Note: Due to the close proximity at Rainbow Fly Shop masks will be required

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

Bennett Springs - Catch & Release Season



Catch and Release season is in full swing. Opened on November 12th and runs through February 14, 2022 (8:00 AM - 4:00 PM) Only Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

(PS: Please use barbless hooks)



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION		DATE	
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