



Kansas City Chapter



July 2021

Club Meeting Date:
July 27
DAV Building
7:00 pm

Executive Board Meeting
July 6
5:30 pm.
DAV Building

Next Club Meeting Date
Aug 24
7:00 pm
Fleming Hall

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

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Salt Water Fly Fishing - July 27 (7:00pm) DAV Building



Have you ever thought about or dreamed about doing some salt water fly fishing for Bonefish, Permit or Tarpon? Our July club meeting will feature club member Mike McKinzie presenting us a slide show and talk about his first time going Bone fishing in the Bahama's and staying at the Andros Island Bone Fish Lodge. See a salt water fly box and learn about what items to take and things to do to prepare you before going on a bone fishing trip.

Hope to see you there, Gary



For More Information

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

BRANSON FLY FISHING EXPO 2021

Sponsored by the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association

JULY 29-31, 2021

Thursday July 29 th	Noon – 5 pm.
Friday July 30 th	9 am. – 5 pm.
Saturday July 31 st	9 am. – 4 pm.



Lions Community Building

1015 E State Highway 76, Branson, MO 65915



Food and Drinks served by the Branson/Hollister Lions Club

Admission - Free

Fly Casting Demos - Fly Tying Demos - Classes

Raffles, Silent, and Live Auctions - Many Local Exhibitors



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See our Website: MTFA-Springfield.org or [MTFA Branson Chapter Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/MTFA-Branson-Chapter)

Upcoming Events

July 6,
E-Board Meeting
DAV Kansas City, MO
5:30 pm

July 13,
Frontline Fly Tying Meeting
DAV Kansas City, Mo
6:00 pm
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July 27
MTFA Chapter Meeting
DAV Meeting Room
Bone Fishing Presentation
7:00 pm



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Fly Line 101

In the past month I have had a couple of phone calls asking about fly lines. I am attempting to share a simple explanation of Fly lines.

Fly lines are classified by weight, taper, and density (if they float or sink). Fly lines are categorized by weight into a number system, which runs from number 1, which is the lightest, to number 15, which is the heaviest. The lighter lines are more delicate in presentation, and they cast small flies well. The heavier lines are less delicate in presentation, but provide the power to cast large, wind-resistant, and heavy flies. Fly lines in the 4-10 range are the most common. Most trout fishing situations call for a line between 4-6. For bass, line weights between 7-9 should be ideal. Panfish rods fall between the trout and bass rod. The chart below may clarify things a little bit for you, but please keep in mind this chart is just a generalization. It is to be used only as a rough guide.

Line Weight Summary

	Trout	Panfish	Bass	Saltwater
Line Weight	Hook Sizes			
1-4	14-28			
5	12-24	12-24		
6	8-22	8-22		
7	6-18	4-14	4-14	
8			1/0-10	1/0-10
9			3/0-6	3/0-6
10-15				5/0-2

The density of fly lines also differ. There are floating lines which are meant to always stay on top of the water's surface. There are sinking lines which are meant to stay below the surface, and there are lines that fall in between the two different categories. Your first fly line should be a floating line. They are the most common, the most versatile, and the easiest to learn with.

The tapers also differ to suit different conditions. There are five main types of fly line tapers:

- 1 - (WF) weight forward (this is the standard taper for trout fishing).
- 2 - Bass bug/saltwater/muskie tapers, (Specialty fly lines).
- 3 - (DT) double taper (good fly line for trout fishing, unless you need to make long casts or it's windy).
- 4 - (ST) shooting taper (basically a weight forward line on steroids).
- 5 - (L) level (has the exact same width and weight the entire length of the line. It floats great, the least expensive of all fly lines, but is more difficult to cast and control. I would not recommend a beginner to use this type of line).

Hope this helps, *Gary*

Presidents Message - David Cook

Happy Independence Day everyone. This year, I'm celebrating by avoiding the crowds over the holiday weekend, having a little cookout at home and of course a few hours of fishing mixed in. I've had my share of vacations around the week of July 4th and keeping it simple is now my idea of having a good holiday weekend. I like having the time to reflect on our nation's history and how our history reminds us that freedom is never free. I don't have to dwell on it all the time but we have a special holiday to celebrate our freedom as a free, sovereign United States of America and let's celebrate.

In other business lets talk about trout fishing. Our trout parks have fared pretty well from all the rain that has fallen in the last week. I'm also watching water levels for Lake Taneycomo and fishing conditions there. There has been a surplus of water at Table Rock Lake all year. The amount of water that has to be released isn't bad for fishing but it is bad for those of us who enjoy wade fishing below Table Rock Dam. I'm hoping by the end of this month we will get a chance to do that.

And if you are in Branson the end of July, check out the Branson Chapter's Fly Fishing Expo (page 1) at the Lions Club in Hollister.



Later this year, Sept. 24-26 will be our Fall Derby at Roaring River State Park. It's never too early to plan your attendance. Roaring River is a very popular spot in late Sept. and campsites can be hard to come by.



Frontline News:

Fly Tying at the DAV with Doug Oatman was a great time. There were 33 people in attendance, most were tying along with Doug as he explained each step of a foam bass fly.

July Calendar:

July 13 - Fly Tying at the DAV (6:00pm) The DAV kitchen is open, a great place to eat, & reasonably priced, prior to the meeting.

July 20 - Fly Tying at Rainbow Fly Shop (5:00pm) The grill will be running so come hungry.



Free Saturday Casting Clinics - Sign Up!!



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- * **Fishing Reports**
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Note: The Fly Fish Clinic's are now open.
Wednesdays 6 - 7pm

July 7 - Single Hand Spey Casting

July 14 - Tying Awesome Hoppers

July 21 - Distance Fly Casting

July 28 - Tying Parachute Dry Flies

MTFA Garage Sale Items:



This is a Hardy and Sons travel rod /gear bag. I have used this for long trips. Fits in the overhead compartment of the airplanes. I have carried 4 (3 piece) rods plus reels, cameras, meds, rain jacket, extra pair of underwear and a shirt, just in-case I miss a flight and have to stay over without any luggage. **It happens.** Asking \$100.00 Contact Gary Davisson (816) 896-5221) if you have question or are interested.