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January 3rd Club meeting, 7:00 p.m.—Steelhead Strategies



A Great Year for FFF

Merry Christmas - Club Gathers for December Meeting

Flatland Fly Fishers enjoyed another great year. The year included many club activities, as well as fishing outings. Jason Randall headlined the year's winter program. The writer, researcher and expert fly fisher shared his knowledge. Another outstanding presenter was Jessica Balu, who awed the membership with her beautiful artwork and knowledge of the aquatic insect world. Throughout the year, the club shared expertise through fly tying demonstrations, fishing dates with kids and families, conservation programs, educational classes and public offerings, such at the F3T film series. The club also expanded its marketing, highlighted by a rebranding for the club's logo. During the course of the year, membership continued to grow and online followers grew to well over 350. Other highlights of the year included The Annual New Year's Day Single Fly event, the annual banquet and raffles, and involvement by club members sharing experiences and techniques on both the local and the national levels.



Jessica Balu provided expertise on aquatic insect life, while Jason Randall shared a vast knowledge of fly fishing.







Club trips to Canada and Roaring River, as well as individual outings to Michigan, Colorado, Arkansas, Missouri and all around Kansas, gave members some great experiences this year.



Rick Brown awarded Glenn Personey with the December Door Prize—a gift certificate to J Stockard Fly Shop.





On 12.30.18 at Kanopolis, Chas Snodgrass caught his largest rainbow trout on a Rhodo from TenkaraUSA, using an orange mopfly.





Education Page

Rick Brown, Education Chairman

"Back to school!" It's that time of the year again - time to start putting away your fall wardrobe and remember where you put your winter fishing gear. So if anybody knows where my winter fishing gloves are at, please let me know. Anyway, the WSU winter/spring fly fishing classes are forming now, so make this the year you take that casting class you've been putting off. Call Linda at WSU today!

THE ART OF FLY FISHING 101

Fly Fishing 101 is a course for the beginner, as well as the intermediate, interested in learning more about the art of fly fishing. This course will cover all aspects of the sport, from the history of fly fishing to the equipment needed to get started in the sport. Topics covered during this course will include: fish, entomology, water, conservation and etiquette. Participants have the opportunity to learn about both wet and dry flies. Students will receive information about how to buy their first fly rod and reel and how to maintain fly fishing equipment that they already own. Participants will also get hands-on training on how to tie fly fishing knots used while on the water as well as how to rig a fly rod for fishing different types of flies. All equipment will be provided. *Instructor: Rick Brown, Education Chairman, Flatland Fly Fishers Club*

Location: HMC Weeks: 6 Starts: 9/24 Day: M Time: 7-9 p.m. Fee: \$74

THE ART OF FLY FISHING 102

Learn more about the art of casting a fly rod. This course will cover the basic casts needed to get started in the sport. Topics covered during this course will include becoming proficient with the overhead and roll casts. Students will receive hands-on instruction on these casts. The course will provide the equipment you will need. *Instructor: Rick Brown, Education Chairman, Flatland Fly Fishers Club*—Class size is limited to 12 participants.

Location: HMC Weeks: 6 Starts: 9/25 Day: T Time: 7-9 p.m. Fee: \$74

THE ART OF FLY FISHING 202

This course is designed for the intermediate caster interested in learning more about the art of casting a fly rod. This course will cover more advanced casting technique. Students for this class must have taken Fly Casting 102. *Instructor: Rick Brown, Education Chairman, Flatland Fly Fishers Club* - Class size is limited to 12 participants.

Location: HMC Weeks: 6 Starts: 11/5 Day: M Time: 7-9 p.m. Fee: \$79

From: Dave Campbell

Subject: Pumpkin dip recipe

Message Body:

- 4 cups powdered sugar
- 2 (8 oz.) pkgs. cream cheese
- 1 can (30 oz.) pumpkin pie filling
- 2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 tsp. ginger

Combine sugar and softened cream cheese until well blended. Beat in remaining ingredients. Store in airtight containers in the refrigerator. Serve with gingersnaps (best are from World Market Nyakers brand in round tin).

Tyer's Corner:

Dan Stark

The Perdigon fly is a fly easy to tie and the fly is effective. Rumor has it that the fly was originally designed by the French, but, then was developed by Spansh competition fly fishers and has been used in competition fly fishing events all over the world with great success. The recipe that I use to tie the Perdigon fly is:

Tie some Perdigon flies up and try them out on your favorite trout streams and lakes.

I also wouldn't be surprised that the larger Perdigon size flies would make a good Panfish fly as well..



Hooks size: 12-18 either jig hooks or nymph hooks **Thread:** size 70 or smaller of any color of thread that

you want

Body: any color of the thread, flash, tinsel or even quills

to make the bodies with.

Hot spot: orange or red thread (optional).

Wing case: black magic marker or black finger nail pol-

ish.

Tail: Coq del Leon feathers. You can use partridge, pheasant tails but the original calls for Coq de Leon.

UV Resin: I use Loon, but any good UV resin will work.











Bill White Memorial Fly Tying Contest

This year's winners are Dottie Thompson and Rick Brown. Each entrant submitted one fly of his or her choosing. This year there were two divisions—Men and Women. The voting took place at the December club meeting.







Congratulations to this year's winners!!



Flatland Fly Fishers Annual New Year's Day Single Fly Event—January 1, 2019

This year's event will be held at the Plum Shelter at Sedgwick Park. Breakfast will be served beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Each angler will be allowed only one fly for the fishing competition, which will run from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Total inches caught, along with the largest and smallest fish measurements, will be turned in at the end of the event. Fishing will last four hours or until the angler loses the fly.

Remember to get your 2019 fishing license before the event!

Fly Swap, January

The annual fly swap will be at the January meeting. Each tyer will need to bring 12 flies to the January meeting in a container labeled with the tyer's name. The flies will be collected by Jim Keller before the program begins and then distribution will be made at the February club meeting. So start tying!!!!

January Program

Come and learn about techniques used for Steelhead on the Pere Marquette and Manistee Rivers in Michigan.

2019 Club Board Members

Elected Members:

President: Neal Hall

Vice President: Charles Snodgrass

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Appointed Members:

Activities: Greg Stuever, Gale Brown Conservation: Darrel Atteberry

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Flatland Fly Fishers



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Flatland Fly Fishers meet monthly at the Great Plains Nature Center, located at 6232 E. 29th St. N, Wichita, KS

Questions and Answers

If you have questions regarding any aspect of fly fishing, please submit them to: keller.jim@sbcglobal.net

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Flatland Fly Fishers Club 2019 Upcoming Activities:

-January 1—One Fly —Plum Shelter-Breakfast begins at 8:30 a.m. — Fishing Contest from 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

-Fly Tying the 3rd Friday of each month at the Nature Center 2:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

-F3T—Date to be announced



Media Team

You know us as Ryan, Steve and Jim, but we are also called "Flatland Fly Fishers' Media Team".

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