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Our monthly meeting will be at the Springfield Nature Center, Thursday July 5th. It will begin at 6:00 PM for Fly tying and 7:00 PM for program and business meeting.

Our July Program will be by Alex Swartz from Plateau Fly Shop. He will tie carp flies and talk about what carp eat and how to catch them.

They are now having a contest to see who can catch the biggest carp on a fly.

See detail about this event on page 3.



Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association - Springfield Chapter

Calendar of Events for July 2018

July 5, 2018 Springfield Chapter Monthly Meeting @ 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
July 11, 2018 Branson Chapter Monthly Meeting @ 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
July 14, 2018 MTFA Fish Fry @ 4:00 pm – 7:30 pm at Living Memorial Park
July 18, 2018 Branson Expo planning meeting, Branson Lions Club @6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
July 26, 2018 Expo set-up @ 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
July 27, 2018 Branson Fly Fishing Expo @ 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
July 28, 2018 Branson Fly Fishing Expo @ 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

From John Dozier, President MTFA, Springfield, MO

Hello everyone,

It has been a very warm June and I hope everyone has been enjoying the outdoors.

As we all know the Branson Fly Fishing Expo is this month (27 and 28 and the Fish fry will be 14). I appreciate Harry, Bob, Matt and Ron for keeping everyone informed on the progress and arranging the Expo.

I will see you all at next meeting, John W Dozier

The Annual MTFA-Springfield Fish Fry

Living Memorial Park at 4323 S. Nature Center Way
Fry cooks and helpers show up at 4:00pm
Serve meal at 5:00 pm Deep-fried white bass, potato chips, and onions
Bring side dish, salad, or dessert
Club will furnish water, ice, and tea
It's going to be hot so be prepared.

A good video about fly casting.

Thanks to Ralph Eichholz for bringing this to our attention.

<https://vimeo.com/245423038> (must Control + Click to follow link)

Donations for Expo Raffle/Auction

We will be accepting donations for Expo raffles/auctions at the July club meeting and the fish fry. If you don't have an item but wish to donate something, consider buying a gift certificate from a local fly shop for donation. If you can't make it to either of those meetings and want to contribute, call Bob Randall 417-224-1104 to arrange pick up.

Carpapalooza 2018

Introduction:

Carpapalooza is an annual carp fly fishing event to celebrate the pursuit and learn about the sport, share information, and test our skills. Carpapalooza is for beginners and veterans alike. This year we have made a few minor changes to the rules to encourage both friendly completion and introducing new people to the joy of catching carp on the fly.

Three ways to register for Carpapalooza:

1. At the fly shop
 2. Call 417-889-6548
 3. Go To: plateauflyshop.com/lightspeedwebsor
- The Carpapalooza begins at 6 am on Saturday, June 16th, 2018 and runs until 1:00 pm on July 19th, 2018. Registration is allowed both before and during the tournament.
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 - The official “measure in” will be at 6:00 pm on Friday, July 20th at Plateau Fly Shop.
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 - Attendance at the measure in will be strongly encouraged with food and prizes

Prize(s)

- 1st Place : The Coveted Carp Cup (to be held for one year)
- Door prizes and participation prizes by random selection, must be present at the “Measure In” to win
- Largest Drum (new traveling trophy will start this year)
- Side Pot – \$10 side pot for longest carp of the tourney.

The Rules

- Fly caught fish only. No scent or bait may be applied to flies. No snagging or flossing. No chumming fish or fishing at any feeding stations (marinas). No fishing from private boat docks.
- Common carp only. No grass carp, buffalo, etc. Koi are the same species and therefore count.
- All public waters within 200 miles from Plateau Fly Shop are available to fish. No private farm ponds or private lakes.
- Public waterways only.
- Only individuals can register, however, there are no rules against a second person running a boat while the registered individual fishes.
- Anglers are to provide their own cameras.

Tournament Specifics & Photo Requirements

- Total length of the longest three fish added together wins the tournament. Tie breakers are based on the measurements of an individuals’ fish caught exceeding three. For example, Team Zoso’s fourth fish measures 36” and Team Whahuh?’s fourth fish measures 35”..... 36” > 35” so Team Zoso wins. If two teams fourth fish measurements are the same then the tie breaker goes to the longest fifth fish. For example, Team Golden Bone’s fourth fish measures 35” and fifth fish measures 33”

and Team WTF's fourth fish measures 35" and fifth fish measures 34" so 35"=35" and33"<34".....Team WTF wins. Tie breakers continue down the line until a winner is determined.

- All photos are due by 1:00 pm on July 19, 2018. Email photos Mike.Kromrey0@gmail.com or bring your phone, flash drive, etc. into the shop with your photos. If you can't email photos then either bring your camera, phone, flash drives, etc. by the shop before 1:00 pm on July 19th and we'll get them downloaded.
- Photo taking procedure.....Measure the carp with the tape measure to get your measurement, lay the tape measure next to the fish and then take the photo you'll be submitting for the tournament. Include the entire fish and tape measure in the picture. Any partial photos won't be accepted.
- The measurement should be taken by holding the fish's tail together and placing the beginning of the tape at the point where the tips of the tail fin meet. The end measurement is at the terminus of the fish's mouth. Measurements will be rounded to the nearest inch". For example 27.4 inches=27 inches. 27.6 inches =28 inches. These photos will be used to determine the winner of the tournament. Any out of focus or misleading photos will not be utilized. Judge's decision is final.
- When emailing photos, include your name and lengths of the fish either within the text of the email, as the subject of the email or as the name of the file.
- Any questions give us a call or email.

Branson Fly Fishing Expo

by Ron Leggins, Expo Director

The Springfield and Branson Chapters of the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association will hold the Branson Fly Fishing Expo at the Branson Lions Club building on July 27 and 28, 2018. We'll have lots of stuff going on. Fly tying, fly casting demonstrations, kids fishing, raffles, auctions, conservation organizations, vendors, food, fun, and more. Special raffles will be held for a Simms G3 wader and guide boot set; an Orvis Helios 3D 9' 5 wt. 4-piece (The D stands for distance) and Hydros SL II large arbor reel loaded with backing and Orvis Hydros fly line; and a fishing kayak. Admission fees will be \$5 per adult but accompanied children are free. MTFA members who are volunteering to work or tying flies as part of the event will not be required to pay the admission.

The Branson Fly Fishing Expo is a fund raiser that not only keeps the chapters' budgets in the black and our other activities going, but it is going to be the financial vehicle that takes us into a greater involvement with teaching kids about fishing and conservation. It is a collaboration of the Springfield and Branson Chapters and since this is only the second year for this event, we're still planning and growing. One of the events we are trying to establish with the Expo is a kids' fishing event in Branson near the Shepherd of the Hills Fish Hatchery. This is the first year for the kids fishing event. We were able to arrange for the Branson Comedian of the Year to show up in the character of Barney Fife to help entertain the kids along with the fishing. We don't know how successful it will be, but we are confident that it will grow. One of our first tasks will be to simply buy the tackle we will loan to the kids. We hope to schedule more events for fishing education. For information: <http://www.mtfa-springfield.org/news-events/branson-fly-fishing-expo-july-27-28-2018/> (must Control + Click to follow link)



Branson Fly Fishing Expo 2018



The Springfield and Branson Chapters of the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association will hold their second annual Fly Fishing Exposition this year on July 27th and 28th. It will be a celebration of everything fly fishing and it will be held in one of the premier trout fishing areas of the Ozarks, Branson, Missouri. We have a fine venue at the Branson-Hollister Lions Club Community Center at 1015 E. State Highway 76 approximately one mile east after you cross the bridge over Lake Taneycomo from the Landing Boulevard.

We expect to have approximately 60 fly tiers demonstrating their skills, talking about flies, and sharing tying tips. We will have nearly 25 vendors and factory reps on hand to show you their products and make you a deal. We will raffle and auction off some fine tackle, nets, boots and waders, tackle bags, fly tying stations, artwork, signature flies, and more. One of our members, Larry Wegmann, will give a program about aquatic midges, of prime importance to our local tail water fishery. In addition to that, a very famous guide on the White River in Arkansas, Davy Wotton, will be on hand to present his program on fishing the White River! Also, another world famous fly tier, who specializes in "sculpting" deer hair, Mike George will be there to demonstrate his amazing deer hair flies. Adults can learn from fly casting experts demonstrating their skills on our casting pool. We're looking forward to a great Branson Fly Fishing Expo, and we hope we'll see you there!

On Saturday, July 28, we will hold a Kid's Fishing Event for children 15 and under at the Shepherd of the Hills Fish Hatchery below the Table Rock Dam from 9 AM to 11 AM. "Barney Fife" will be there to help the kids and entertain them. Terry Sanders, five-time comedian of the year, will play the Barney character. Terry plays numerous comedic characters at both Silver Dollar City and the CJ Newsome Classic Country and Comedy show. A limited number of rods will be available, but feel free to bring your own. Mentors will be on hand to assist the kids. Note: If you plan to attend this great event, please make hotel reservations early. Follow us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=branson%20fly%20fishing%20expo>) and our website (<http://www.mtfa-springfield.org/news-events/branson-fly-fishing-expo-july-27-28-2018/>).



Davy Wotton



Terry Sanders "Barney Fife"



Mike George, Deer Hair Flies

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