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The Newsletter of the Springfield Chapter of the
Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association

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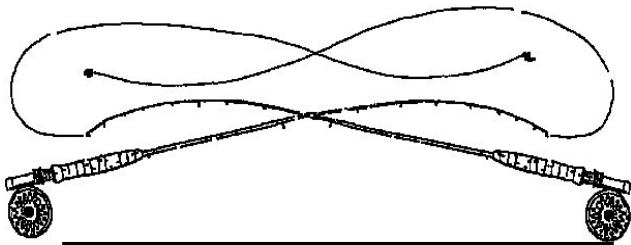
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**The December Annual Meeting and Christmas Party
is at the Golden Corral on South Glenstone,
December 2, starting at 6 pm. We will meet in the
group room at the northeast corner of the restaurant.**

If you plan to attend the Christmas Party and have not already contacted Russ Doughty, please do so immediately. You will need to pay Russ \$5 for each meal you order. The chapter will pick up the rest of the cost, including the tip. Contact him at 1-417-459-0107 right away.

We usually have a raffle with the proceeds being donated to the Pitkin Middle School so that they can distribute it to needy students. We are going to postpone that raffle until the January meeting. We will hold a 50/50 raffle at the December Annual Meeting.



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The following people have been nominated to serve in office for calendar year 2022.

President: Bruce Hinkston,

President-Elect: Kim Schultz,

Treasurer: Dennis Stead,

Secretary: Allen Stanley

Executive Committee 3-year assignments:

John Bush and Dick Solomon

The chapter will also accept nominations from the floor during the annual meeting portion of the Christmas Party for these positions after which we will vote on the candidates. At the same meeting, we will discuss and vote on the proposed by-law changes.

Thanksgiving: The last two years have been a challenge. Thanks to Dennis Stead for keeping things running during 2020 and thanks to Dan Ditzler for the same during 2021 and for representing Springfield at the Annual Derby at Bennett Spring. Thanks to the Executive Committee for their work over the last three months. Thanks to Bruce Hinkston for documenting our meetings.

If you want to pay the annual dues at the party, please print off the membership form I emailed you and bring it with a check or \$15 cash. There will be a box in which to drop it. Please have correct change.

Bob Randall

Chapter News:



The November Get Together was held at the Springfield-Greene County Library Center on November 4. The venue turned out to be satisfactory. It was chosen over the Nature Center because the library allows up to 35 people at a gathering in that size room instead of 25 allowed at the Nature Center. Fly tying occurred from 6:00 to 7:00. Kim Shultz and Rod Pennington presented a great program on Fly Fishing Kodiak Island in Alaska. Thanks, guys.

Kim Schultz won the raffle for a \$50 gift certificate from Dogwood Canyon for an hour of catch and release fishing. Congratulations Kim.

Estimates of the number of members in attendance ranged from 20 to 25. Chapter Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

MTFA Secretary's Report/Minutes for November 2021

Executive Committee came to order at 6:00 PM. A quorum of executive committee members was established: Committee members: Russ Doughty, Regina Leitle, Nelson Morrison, Dennis Stead Officers: Bob Randall, Bruce Hinkston

Reports:

- Secretary's newsletter report from the newsletter was approved.
- Treasurer's newsletter report was approved.
- Nominating Committee Report, Russ Doughty: The following people have been nominated to serve in office for calendar year 2022.
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 - Treasurer: Dennis Stead,
 - Secretary: Allen Stanley
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Motion to accept these nominees was seconded and passed. A vote by the full chapter will occur at the Annual Meeting in December.

-Christmas Party/Annual Meeting Report, Russ Doughty and Bob Randall: The Annual Meeting will be held at the Golden Corral on South Glenstone on December 2nd at 6:00 PM. Advanced meal payments are now being accepted by Russ Doughty, \$5.00/person.

-MSU Beginning Fly Fishing Class Report, Bob Randall: Potential Dates for the class are March 31, April 7, 21, 28, May 5 and 7 for field trips to Mountain Springs Trout Park and Roaring River State Park. A minimum number of students has to be met before the class will be scheduled.

Old Business:

- Dogwood Canyon gift cards have a \$50 minimum. Motion to increase the November gift card amount for the raffle was seconded and passed.
- The Pipkin school raffle has been moved to the January Meeting. A motion to conduct a 50/50 raffle at the December Annual Meeting was seconded and passed. Tickets for the raffle will be \$1.00 each.
- Finalize 2022 Budget: The proposed budget will remain the same as the 2020 budget. The chapter is expecting to receive an income of \$1,698.15 from the Branson Expo.

New Business::

- Fly tying demonstrations at Nature Center and elsewhere were discussed to occur next year.
- Fly fishing/tying material donation, Kim Schultz. Discussion to include these with the Pipkin School raffle in January.
- BSSP table project, installing new lumber on the picnic tables of Pavilion B at BSSP. The park would like for us to do the work. The preference of the committee is to keep the project within the Springfield Chapter and offer to include people from other Chapters if they would like to help. Using the memorial fund to pay for the lumber and supplies and doing the work on a weekday were also preferred by the committed. Bob will check with Park Staff on the option of doing the work on a weekend.

Bruce Hinkston

Executive Committee Meeting adjourned at 6:25.

Treasurer's Report

2021 Income and Expenses		Bank Balance
Beginning Balance 1-1-2021-->		\$ 8,719.69
<u>INCOME</u>	2021 Actual	
Memberships	\$ 165.00	
Memorial-Dick Deerfield	\$ 1,135.00	
Misc. (gifts)(others)	\$ 90.00	
Expo**	\$ 1,698.14	
Total Income to date	\$ 3,088.14	\$ 3,088.14
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>		
Derby*	\$ 299.95	
Equipment (Includes storage)	\$ 660.00	
Liability	\$ 104.25	
Library	\$ 79.95	
Programs	\$ 120.00	
Socials	\$ 860.25	
Total Expeditures	\$ 2,124.40	\$ (2,124.40)
Ending Balance 11-26-2021--->		\$ 9,683.43

Dennis Stead

Fishing Reports:



Crane Creek, November 20, 2021, Wayne Frizzell: "A group of us went to Crain Creek Saturday, fishing was tuff, a few fish caught, Cris Miller, Amanda Miller, Debb Hall, Russ Dougherty, John Bush, Paul Goodwin, Wayne Frizzell and three or four other's, Most of us tried Euro nymph for the first time, had a great time, beautiful stream and country. Thanks to Cris for all the tips and instructions."

Fly Talk:

Wrong Fly?, Wrong Color?, Wrong Size?, Wrong Depth?, Wrong Action?

After ten unproductive casts, change something. Length of strip, speed of strip, cast across the stream and swing, cast just above a pool, fish deeper, etc. If you still have no success after ten casts, change fly color, tie on a smaller fly, switch from streamer to nymph, switch from scud to nymph, consider a smaller more sensitive indicator, change depth, etc.

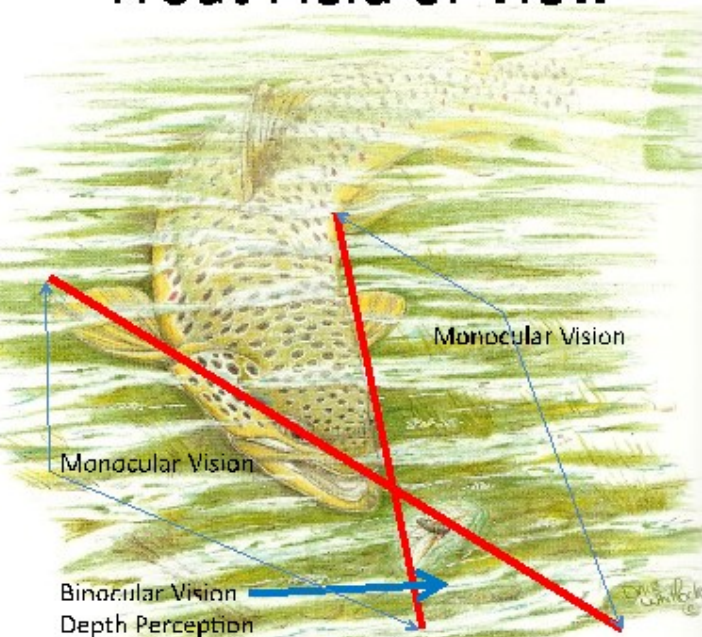
If success continues to elude you, consider another type of fly, maybe a dry. Drift it, twitch it, swing it, etc. Still nothing? Move.

The photo on the left shows a white mayfly right in front of and above the trout. Even though the trout's eyes are pretty far apart on the sides of its head, it still has the mayfly within the binocular field of view.



Goodbye mayfly!

Trout Field of View



Fishing Pics

Bighorn River, Montana, 9/14/20212, Larry Olson:



Mke Kidd, Taneycomo on peach egg patterns:



David Reynolds:

**"Caught this nice blue on bluegill.
Using jugs**



**Dick Solomon: "I fished Bennet Saturday
with Keith Coffee, fishing was so, so.
We caught several in the Gut Hole
and it started to get crowded around
11:00 and I moved up to the Spring area
the fishing was good up there we
caught some nice keeper size we both
left around 2:30 had a nice visitor drop in."**





Casting Talk:

There is a “casting” method called the blow technique. Never heard of it? Me neither. It’s used during a high wind when accuracy is very important. The angler must be upwind of the target but downstream of the target. Got that? It’s not uncommon for the wind to blow in a counter current to the water flow so that’s what we’re talking about. Face your target and have the wind to your back.

Using the blow technique no back casting or wrist flicking will be required. Bring much of your line in. Start with just enough line that you can feed it out. Lift your rod tip into the air, and gradually let your line, leader, and fly out. Then simply lower it over your targeted spot on the water. From here you continue your drift or fly presentation as you normally would.

I haven’t tried this technique yet. I’m looking forward to it. If you try it, let me know how it works for you.

Bob Randall

Water levels:

Roaring River water level: [National Weather Service Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service](#)

Taneycomo water level: [National Weather Service Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service](#)

Bennett Spring water level: [National Weather Service Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service](#)

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If you would like to submit an article for the MTFA newsletter, please put MTFA NL in the email subject line and send to Bob Randall: bobbyleensandy@gmail.com

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2022 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I have an interest to improve the grand sport of Trout and Game fishing in Missouri and desire to give support to activities directed towards this end.

Make Check Payable to: MTFA-Springfield

Dues are not deductible for income tax purposes

Mail to:

Bob Randall
2239 W. Buena Vista St.
Springfield, MO 65810

Date _____

Your Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Home or cell Telephone:

e-mail address:

If applying for family membership, please list names spouse and children age 16 and under who should receive membership.

Spouse:

(1) _____

(2) _____

(3) _____

Please circle or list a response to the following questions:

Are you an individual member of CFM paying dues directly to this organization?... Yes or No

Name a topic or program of interest. _____

What would you like more from the club? _____

Newsletter preference: electronic e-mail? _____ or hard copy by U. S. mail _____

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES Family/Individual\$15.00 Contributing\$25.00

Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association - Springfield through calendar year 2022

Use the following if receipt is needed for cash payment:

Received 2022 MTFA dues payment of \$_____ from: _____ this date _____.

Signature of Treasurer or Membership Chairperson _____