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# MO Fishing

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We will meet at the Nature Center on August 3rd. There will be fly tying at 6:00pm and the meeting will begin at 7:00pm. Bill Bramsch from the Branson Fishing History Museum will be doing our program.

Harry Morgan, President

## Branson Fly Fishing Expo, 2017

The expo was judged by the miles of smiles I saw the last two days. I've gotten lots of compliments from tiers and vendors and also E-Mails positive too. In my view it was a total success. Our team worked like a well oiled machine keeping everyone informed about things going on. We made some great new contacts with folks wanting to help us in the future of the show. Not much has to change but we can improve. Learning curve if you will. T.V. channel 10 had a story about our show aired last night at 10:00 and they gave us a boost for next year. I was on for about 6 seconds the rest is on the floor. The good thing here is we have established a platform for next year it will be better and better. Thank you again for you all's support and coming in and fellowshiping with ones there. A special recognition needs to go to Howard Hawkins and his Lions Club crew at the snack bar. A Job Well Done.

Harry Morgan, President



**Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association - Springfield Chapter**  
**Calendar of Events for August 2017**

August 1, 2017 Branson MTFA Monthly Meeting, @ 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

August 3, 2017 Springfield MTFA Monthly Meeting, @ 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

August 11- 13 Club Fishing Outing at Bennett Spring

August 12, 2017 MTFA-KC fishing derby at Bennett Spring

August 18, 2017 Insect-O-Rama, @ 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

August 31, 2017 MSU Fly Fishing Class, @ 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm, Kemper Hall

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**Gone Fishing - Poem by David Threadgold**

Fishermen cast out their nets  
We all in turn go fishing  
Some will use a rod and line  
While others fish by wishing

Some wish for so many things  
Like numbers in a line  
If the line is lacking some  
Next time they say that's fine

Others fish for gossip  
So they can tell to others  
No escape for anyone  
Not even someone's brothers

Fishing for a missing sock  
The washer won't release  
Hiding out behind the drum  
With fluff and bits of fleece

You see we all go fishing  
Not always using bait  
Just cast a line for what you want  
Then settle down and wait

Harry Morgan  
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From John Bush:

Our fishing outing for August will be at Bennett Springs on August 11th - 13th. This is the weekend of the MTFA derby as well, so it's a good opportunity to meet and visit with members of the other clubs.

I went ahead and reserved a campsite for August 11th and 12th, so please let me know if you'd like to camp out for the weekend and we can split the cost like normal. Please let me know if you're coming and if you'd like to share the campsite.

From Larry Wegmann:

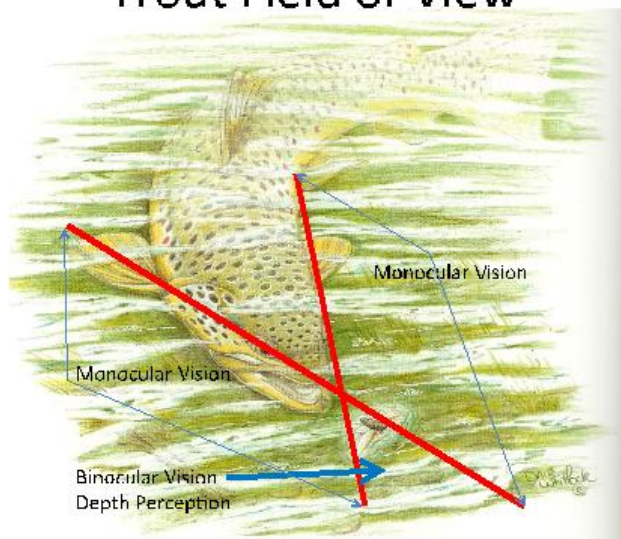
### What a Trout Sees

One of the first considerations we need to acknowledge is the difference in stocked and naturally reared trout. Stocked trout have become reliant upon us for food and safety. They retain this behavior for several weeks after stocking. Many of the facts regarding trout awareness of their environment change as they transform from agricultural stock to top-level predators.

Trout progress through the food chain as they change from fry to top predators. The trout we catch in the 6-12 inch range are in a state where they are both predator and prey. Their sight has developed to be efficient for both life styles.

Both rainbow and brown trout have a depth perception for prey items directly ahead of them. One of the techniques to sight fishing is to place your fly or lure in this zone without causing an alarm. Current in the stream can help in placing the “prey” in this cone of vision.

### Trout Field of View



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