

Missouri Trout Fishermen' Association

Next Meeting: May 2, 2018

Where: **Branson Lion's Club**

1015 E. State Hwy 76

When: 6:00-7:00 PM Fly-tying

7:00-9:00 PM Meeting

President's Message :



Hi everyone. Well Spring has finally sprung here in the Ozarks. Along with the warmer weather, fishing season will really begin in earnest. The MTFA Trout Derby will be held at Bennett Springs on May 19 & 20. This is the premier event for MTFA this year. Make sure you clear your calendar for this event. The derby is open to all who wish to participate, but remember that if you want to be eligible to win one of the many prizes, you must register by 8:00 AM Saturday morning. The hatchery personnel will tag a number of fish to be released Friday evening after fishing has ended. I have never been to the derby, but I hear that they have some dynamite prizes for the

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Generation Schedule

1-866-494-1993

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tagged fish! If you aren't lucky enough to catch a tagged fish, don't despair-on Sunday's event @ noon there will be a raffle for all prizes not claimed by returning a tagged trout! Remember that this is a fund raiser for the state organization. So plan to attend, have some fun, catch some trout and meet other members from the other clubs. Speaking of fishing, we had our monthly outing to Mt. Springs Trout Park this past Saturday. Myself, Howard Hawkins, Ron Leggins, Ron Ward and Mike Kidd were there, along with a number of the Springfield Chapter members, Harry Morgan, Dennis Stead and many others!

If I were to describe this experience in two words, it would have to be "FISH ON"! I didn't count numbers of fish, but you certainly would not have any problem

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catching fish there. These were very feisty trout. They were beautiful, hard fighting, trout that were eager to bite! Here are a few pictures.



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Sorry I don't have more pictures, to busy catching fish!

Tomorrow, May 1, there will be no generation on Taneycomo until 6:00 PM

Whoopeee!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! I'll be there!



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Make sure you attend the May meeting as we have “Missouri Trout Hunter”, Walt Fulps. Walt guides for trout here in Missouri and also in Alaska for Salmon, so make sure you attend to see his presentation “Be the Trout”. I’ve included one of Walt’s Youtube video’s below!

<https://youtu.be/P24jOBdetd8>

Lake Taneycomo water levels are some what problematic at times! When I lived in California, water levels were always reported in CFS (cubic feet per second). I knew that the water’s I fished were a little tricky once the levels exceeded 450 cfs. Here, everything is reported in MW(Mega watts/hr). Only maximum cfs is listed on the SWPA web site. I did find a CFS chart that I thought I would include in this newsletter!

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702.0 feet	— 000 m.w.	— 0,000 c.f.s.
703.0 feet	— 010 m.w.	— < 1,000 c.f.s.
704.0 feet	— 035 m.w.	— 2,500 c.f.s.
705.0 feet	— 050 m.w.	— 4,000 c.f.s. — 1 turbine (unit)
705.5 feet	— 075 m.w.	— 5,000 c.f.s.
706.0 feet	— 085 m.w.	— 6,250 c.f.s.
707.0 feet	— 100 m.w.	— 7,500 c.f.s. — 2 turbines (unit)
708.0 feet	— 125 m.w.	— 8,000 c.f.s.
708.5 feet	— 150 m.w.	— 10,000 c.f.s. — 3 turbines (unit)
709.0 feet	— 175 m.w.	— 11,500 c.f.s.
710.0 feet	— 200 m.w.	— 13,500 c.f.s.
711.0 feet	— 220 m.w.	— 16,000 c.f.s. — 4 turbines (unit)

Events This Month

May 2, 2018 Branson MTFA Meeting
6:00PM

May 19-20, 2018 State MTFA Derby
Bennett Springs

May 23, 2018 Branson Expo planning
meeting, Branson Lion’s Club, 6:30 PM-8:00
PM

Everybody needs beauty as
well as bread, places to play
in and pray in, where nature
may heal and give strength
to body and soul.

John Muir

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