

SUMMER EDITION



TEXAS COUNCIL



*Educating,
Conserving,
and Fly Fishing
the Waters of the
Great State of Texas*

The Texas Line & Leader

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A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

My message to you the members of Fly Fishers International is intended to keep you abreast of the Councils activities, goals, and aspirations. I begin by stating your Council is working even harder to make your experience as a Fly Fishers International participant more informed, enriched, and beneficial.

Several areas we as a council are focusing on are as follows:

Communication: First and foremost, communication is the life blood of any organization. The Council is working hard on improving all forms of contact not only with the Newsletter you are reading but through our Instagram and Facebook accounts. We anticipate in offering up to date notifications as needed to give you all the most current information we all want.

Women's Programs: The Council is currently working on plans to accelerate our support and development of a significant women program. There is a very strong presence at Fly Fishers International in the form of "Women Connect." The council intends to assist and complement their programs. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact me Rick Haness, I will get you in touch.

Conservation: The Texas Council has always been interested in conservation involvement

and activities in your club's area, Texas statewide concerns and even on the national level. We have appointed and elected a strong conservationist in Russell Husted our new Vice President Conservation.

Website: Our website is still in the development stages. The success of the webpage is directly related to your contribution of content and your continued submissions of content to our webmaster. Please help make our website the most current and viable form of communication with our members, friends and the curious.

Fundraising: Fundraising is generally thought of at the Club level and rightly so. We all feel the crunch of expenses, even the Texas Council. The council has similar operating obligations as your club. Our goal is to increase our engagement with our clubs and those not affiliated with a club. Some of our objectives is to have a presence at the local/regional level while being available to assist in the areas of education, casting, fly tying and conservation. We have created a very unique win win raffle to generate revenue that will mainly be spent on your clubs and members. The win win is in the form of a 3-prong raffle offering a fly fishing trip with three of our states active and generous guides, purchase of a \$20 ticket can win you a trip with one of these guides, that is your win. Texas Councils win is in generating needed funds to support the Councils minimal operating expenses and mainly assist in expenses directly associated with presentations of events and programs to promote fly fishing in your community, your region and the State of Texas.

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PRESIDENT'S NOTE-CONTD.

I have touched on just a few of our goals and initiatives, if YOU are interested in getting involved in any or all of the activities outlines please don't hesitate in contacting me Rick Haness at rohdevelopment@aol.com or at president@texascouncilffi.com

I would also like to call your attention to a Fly Fishers International event. The virtual Expo is back for a second year and plans are underway to make this event even more enjoyable, informative, and fun. In addition to the Expo there will be fundraising activities in the form of auctions, buy me now events, and a few surprises. This event like last year is for our members, friends and the curious. The funds raised will go a long way in supporting the FFi Learning Center in its quest to develop content and continued development of FFi's Women's and Youth development programs. Please support all aspects of Expo 2022. Needless to say help is always welcome especially in the area of fundraising if you have time and or would like to donate to FFi's efforts please get in touch with me Rick Haness at rohdevelopment@aol.com I has immediate need of help.

The dates of the Expo are November 4, 5 and 6, 2022, the auctions will begin a few months before November.

The Summer is ON in all its glory, I hope you have some great trips planned, even if you do not, I trust you will find time to fish and enjoy.

I hope to see ya on our rivers, lakes and streams many times this year. Have a great and safe Summer and please get involved, you will be surprised of the results!

Rick Haness
President, Texas Council
Fly Fishers International

ALL FISH ALL WATERS; WHERE ELSE BUT TEXAS

CLUB PRESIDENTS TEXAS COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Texas Council is reconvening the monthly meeting of the Texas Council Club Presidents meetings.

These meetings are currently being held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Rick Haness
President, Texas Council
Fly Fishers International

JUNE IS NATIONAL RIVERS MONTH!

Help us celebrate our Trinity River as we finally host events announcing the designation as a National Water Trail!

Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies Begin

Two Ribbon Cutting Events begin our long delayed celebration of the Trinity River National Water Trail. June 18 at Hebron Parkway Launch in Lewisville and June 25th at Trammell Crow Park in Dallas--with more to come! Paddlers are welcome to come join the ceremony and show your spirit on the river!

[Event Details](#)

Share Your River Adventures!

Our new Trips Module is finally active on the website. Share your adventures on the Trinity or any other local waterway and we will publish them for everyone to read. Or check out existing trip reports to gain information and insights.

[Share your Adventures](#)

But we can't do it without you
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[or donate today](#)



PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE ANNUAL FUNDRAISING RAFFLE!

This year's raffle is a little (a lot) different from past raffles. The council feels we may "peak" more of our members interest and desires by offering something different.

Three of our states favorite fly fishing guides (we have a LOT of favorite guides we could not put them all on the raffle), have offered their services for a fly fishing trip. We will be selling raffle tickets for; one for \$20, three for \$50 or six for \$100.

Simply email Rick Haness at rohdevelopment@aol.com and make arrangements to buy tickets. A drawing for these trips will be held at Octoberfish. More information can be found in our flyer in this edition of the newsletter.

Please participate! You could win a great trip in our great State of Texas.

Rick Haness
President, Texas Council
Fly Fishers International

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FUNDRAISING – FLY FISHING RAFFLE 2022

3 Guided Fishing Trips – 3 Chances to win!

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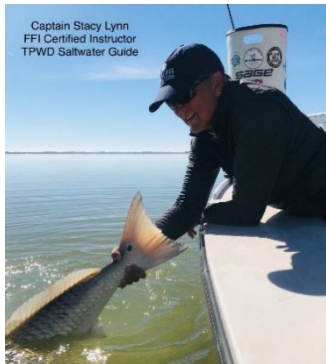
www.flyfishrockport.com

Expiration: April 1, 2023



Trip 2: Guided trip in the Galveston Bay area with Capt. Stacy Lynn.

The trip journey is for a full day for one/two anglers. Saltwater fly fishing instructions and guiding in Galveston or Rockport areas, possibly site fishing to Redfish.



Donated by: Capt. Stacy Lynn.

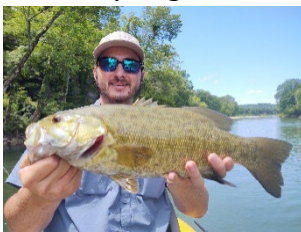
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Expiration: Dec.31, 2023



Trip 3: Guided wade fishing, Lower Illinois River, NE Oklahoma with Donovan Clary.

A full-day of guided wade fishing for 2 persons on the Lower Illinois River. This river is a hidden gem in Oklahoma that contains stocked Trout, Bass, Bream, and several other species of fish species. Take advantage of extensive Donovan's experience.



Donated by: Donovan Clary

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Expiration: April. 1, 2023



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1 TICKET for \$20 or 6 Tickets for \$100

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WOMEN'S FLY FISHING MONTH

The Texas Council wants to recognize women and their efforts in the outdoors as June is "Women's Fly Fishing month". The council has been using the Facebook page all month long, highlighting events, information from other organizations including FFI, and sharing inspiring accomplishments from women in Texas. Texas has one of the best women's fly fishing clubs in the country, and they teach and encourage women to learn to fly fish, tie flies and join the TWFF community. The club president is Joan Swartz. Instead of monthly meetings, they plan 6 weekend trips a year for members. Many men belong to the club as well! Many of these ladies are members of TWFF as well as a local club in their area. If you are not familiar with Texas Women's Fly Fishers, please check them out at:

<https://www.twff.net/> or <https://www.facebook.com/texaswomen>

Thank you all for what you do to promote fly fishing in Texas!! The council wants to highlight four ladies, not all fly fishing related, but ladies who have or will be making significant impacts in our great state.



The first lady we would like to recognize is **Emily Johnson**. Emily is co-owner of Living Water's Fly Fishing. Emily grew up on the South Fork of the San Gabriel River, one of the Texas Hill Country's premiere fly fisheries. Emily took her first fly casting lesson as a teenager and immediately fell in love with the sport of fly fishing. She was

especially drawn to the fact that the pursuit of fly fishing is a lifetime endeavor. Emily has fished in several different countries and multiple states in pursuit of a wide array of gamefish. Emily is a certified TPWD Angler ED Instructor and has been a custom fly tier for Living Waters fly Fishing. Her passion is to educate women about the simplicity and accessibility of fly fishing. No matter your age, Emily is a willing instructor who teaches from the heart, while accurately conveying the beauty of the sport. You can follow Emily on Instagram @flyfishroundrock. In addition to being a full-time mom, she coordinated the first Lady Fish event in 2018 and gathered women from across the state to learn more about fly fishing. Recently, Emily wrote a children's book, "Fly Fishing From Head to Toe" about a family fly fishing. She believes in children learning to fly fish at a young age with their family. You can find it on Amazon.

The second lady we would like to recognize is **Stacy Lynn**. Stay is the owner of WOW Fly Fishing. She has been an avid

saltwater and freshwater fly angler since 1995 with 20+ years as a professional fly fishing coach. She is an FFI Certified Instructor and a graduate of Joan Wulff's Fly Fishing Instructor's School as well as a USCG Captain and a TPWD licensed Saltwater Fly Fishing Guide in the Rockport/Corpus Christi area. Stacy is a TPWD certified Fly Fishing instructor, a member of the Texas Women Fly Fishers club and interacts frequently with several of the other FFI Clubs including the Austin Fly Fishers and the Texas Fly Fishers of Houston. She has been a featured speaker, demonstrator, instructor, and volunteer at many events across the state and has been working in the fly fishing industry for almost 25 years, mostly managing fly shops. She is a volunteer instructor and guide for

Casting for Recovery – a fly fishing retreat for women affected by breast cancer. Stacy is just one of the amazing ladies working to help others enjoy the great sport of fly fishing.



The next lady we would like to recognize is **Sky Lewey**. Sky has played a significant role in conservation in Texas. I first met her at Oktoberfest many years ago. She was at a booth speaking about the work she has been doing on the Nueces River. At the booth, she had litter bags that were biodegradable that caught my eye. We spoke about them, I asked if I could get some from her, and she helped arrange a small supply of them for me. We used them on a conservation day, and many raved about them. Later, I went back to her again, to see if we could get 200 bags to each fly fishing club in Texas, and again she was able to help us with that request. Litter projects began to abound in Texas, and these bags were used and seen all over the state. In 2014 she became a Land Steward in the State of Texas. We would like to recognize her for her many efforts in regards to conversation. Meet Sky Lewey, a



Nueces River rancher who takes care of her land and protects the wider watershed by reaching out to her neighbors. In her job with the Nueces River Authority, and on the Open V Ranch near Uvalde. This land steward helps keep a precious resource healthy. For more information about the

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Lone Star Land Steward Awards, including how to nominate a property, visit: <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/landwater...>

Thank you Sky for all your work. Check out this video of her significant efforts on the Nueces River.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rQLsD25pX3c>

You can still find these bags being used in conservation activities around the state and at Fish Access sites. I suggest following the UP2 U Litter Campaign to aid in conserving the resources of Texas and order some of these bags for your next conservation project.

<https://www.facebook.com/Up2UTexas/>



The next lady the Texas Council wants to recognize is **Wei Wei Startz**. Wei Wei is the first Asian American woman to become a Texas Game Warden. We would like to offer congratulations for this huge accomplishment. Becoming a Game Warden in Texas is a

very difficult path, although rewarding. It started for her as it did for most of us. Wei Wei went fishing with family as a kid and fell in love with fishing and the outdoors. It was from those early experiences that she knew she wanted to enforce conservation laws. She's even a TPWD certified Angler Ed Instructor! Thank you, Wei Wei, for taking on this role and making a difference. To read her complete story, simply click on the link below.

https://www.txamfoundation.com/maroon/spring-2022/from-city-girl-to-game-warden.aspx?fbclid=IwAR27edrZ1YvbKOV4zVdYU3Pb-Ul02PSnigu_WtA5Mrl0UayWzsQ4aYo2zM#.YpDIceXRM.facebook

Wei-Wei Startz credits her Texas A&M Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences education in helping her succeed as Texas' first Asian American female game warden.

From learning the basics of hunting and fishing from her grandparents to regular appearances on Animal Planet's **Lone Star Law**, this Aggie influencer has some stories to share.

Get to know Wei-Wei and her love for protecting Texas' wildlife!

And to end the recognition of great contributing women in Texas, the Council would like to recognize one of our Board of Directors, Keira Quam. Keira has been on our board for quite some time, assisting us in so many ways, with her major contribution as connecting us with Texas Parks and Wildlife. She does this in so

many ways. Keeping us informed of events, and communicating issues / programs they are working on. She has also been my partner in the Texas Council's social media campaign, informing the council of so many subjects / events, and been a big part of



our June's focus on women's fly fishing. She is also involved in nearly every event here in North Texas, and beyond, with her real passion being working with the youth, which is so needed in our society today. She also helps lead the Angler Education Program, which has been a great success. And in her spare time, which is hard to believe she has some, you will see her fly fishing, or fly tying at local locations.

Thank you Keira for all you do!!

Enjoy this video of what she loves to do.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=raXMsaLXTQ0>

To end our recognition, the council wants to thank all women for their involvement in the sport. It is truly rewarding to spend time with so many wonderful women who are amazing contributors. So look forward to where the future takes us.

Fish on!!!

Russell Husted, TX Council FFI Past President
& Keira Quam, TPWD Aquatic Ed. Training Specialist

MADE THE COVER!

Look who made the cover photo of the Texas Fishing Forum? It's Julia Bell. President of the Dallas Fly Fishers, and past Board of Director of the Texas Council. Julia is so active in many things



regarding fly fishing, and just all things about people!!

Thank you for everything you do, and what the club does in North Texas.

Much appreciated!!!

Casting for Recovery

A pink starburst logo with a registered trademark symbol, positioned to the right of the title.

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LAKE ATHENS FLY FISHING FESTIVAL REPORT



The 2022 Lake Athens Fly Fishing Festival is in the books! 50 Fly Anglers competed in two Fly Fishing Challenges plus casting. 6 clubs from Texas and Louisiana turned out! Winners came from Lonestar Fly Fishers, North Louisiana Fly Fishers, East Texas Fly Fishers, Fort Worth Fly Fishers, Red River Fly Fishers and Dallas Fly Fishers. Money from the event benefits Project Healing Waters and Casting for Recovery.

Friday evening was the “Sunfish Challenge” where 33 anglers competed to catch and correctly identify sunfish. 37 Sunfish were caught. (It was pretty hot!) Dinner was served inside the Marina’s RV park center.

The Winner of the Sunfish Challenge was **David Hudnall from Lonestar Fly Fishers.**

Saturday morning was the “Big Bass Challenge” where people competed to catch bass in one of three categories: boats, kayaks or bank fishing. 50 anglers competed and 47 Bass were caught. Breakfast and lunch were served inside the Marina’s RV park center.

Boat division:

- The Big Bass winner was **Rex White from North Louisiana Fly Fishers**
- The Longest Stringer was **Bubba Hendrick from East Texas Fly Fishers.**

Kayak/ small craft division:

- The Big Bass winner was **Norm Tremblay from Ft. Worth Fly Fishers.**
- The Longest Stringer was **Mark Ledyard from Lonestar Fly Fishers.**

Bank Fishing division:

- The Big Bass winner was **Nichol Starrett**

First Bass caught was **Cathy Case from Red River Fly Fishers.**

Distance Casting contest was held and **Cody Bell from Dallas Fly Fishers** had the longest cast.

Casting Accuracy was won by **Bubba Hedrick from East Texas Fly Fishers.**

Congratulation to the winners! It was another great event. Thanks to all my team of volunteers and for all the great sportsmanship and fellowship throughout the weekend.

Johnny Martinez, Dallas and East Texas Fly Fishers

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Location: Kerrville, Texas

Facility: Happy State Bank Expo Hall; TX-27, Kerrville, TX 78028

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Join our newsletter to keep informed.

thcff.org/oktoberfisch2022/

TEXAS COUNCIL CASTING TIPS: KNOW WHEN AND HOW TO STOP

A boss once threatened to fire me.

In August of 1996, my job was to establish security for US Air Force troops relocating from Dhahran, Saudi Arabia to an air base at Al Kharj, Saudi Arabia. A truck bomb had exploded outside a barracks housing US Airmen in Dhahran and leadership had determined to relocate forces to a more securable location – Al Kharj.

My boss and I had different views as to how best to establish security. We had three conversations.

During the first, the boss gave his direction. I offered respectful dissent. The boss said he would take my views into consideration, but that his course should not be delayed.

Days later, I initiated a second conversation to reiterate my views. Yes, he had fully understood them the first time. Was I nearing the completion of his plan?

A third attempt -- while driving out to examine the perimeter. The boss parks the truck turns to me, and says “Steve, you’re a good young Captain, but if you bring this up again, I’ll put you on the next flight home.” “Yes sir, yes sir, three bags full,” says I.

Knowing when to stop, and how to stop, is as important in fly-casting as it is in life.

Where you stop your rod determines the size of your loop. How you stop your rod determines the shape of your loop’s face.

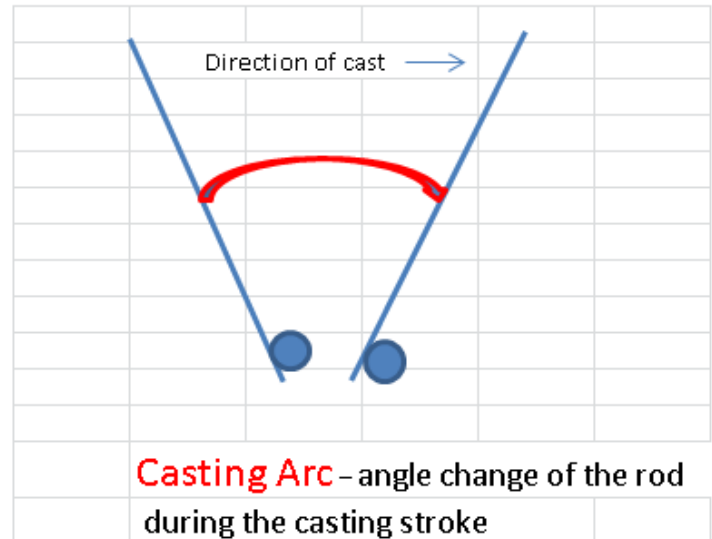
When to stop

Principle: Generally, the more line outside the rod tip, the larger the required casting arc.

A little line requires a small, tight casting arc, while more line requires a larger arc. This principle presumes the caster’s force is the same for both lengths of line and that the caster desires to make similarly shaped loops. If, however, the caster desires a wider, less narrow loop, she may either open her arc (while maintaining the applied force) or apply less force (and maintain the original arc size).

Application: Practice forming your loops by watching where you stop your rod tip on both the front and back cast.

Experiment with different arc sizes and vary your applied force. Tight, two-foot loops are good for many fishing situations, but wider, more open loops may be better when casting complex set-ups -- such as when fishing a multi-fly nymph rig.



How to stop

Principle: The stop has a life of its own* (liberated from a wise Master Casting Instructor).

A crisp stop produces a tight, efficient loop face while a rolling, “California stop” produces a wider loop face. Crisp stops typically accompany tight loops and rolling stops are often an input to wide loops.

A caster’s arc size and force may be perfectly correct for the amount of casted line, but if the stop isn’t crisp, the loop will be misshapen.

Application: Practice your stops.

A frequent, problem we see in our Good Fly workshops with new casters is the rolling stop. To improve, we encourage them to stop as if flicking water from a brush or an apple from a stick. Students may frequently hear....” It’s stop, stop, not flop, flop.”

The line (or grass) drill helps train a caster to stop crisply. To execute the line drill, the caster should position herself below two cones – one to her left and one to her right. Casting horizontally, she should smoothly accelerate from the left cone and stop sharply at the right, allowing the line to extend and drop. The crisp stop should propel her loop to straighten parallel to a positioned (or imaginary) line. The caster should continue the drill by practicing from right to left and left to right.

*Note. The distance between the right and left cones will vary with the amount of line outside the rod tip. The caster can experiment with the distance between the cones.

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The Line Drill

Practicing when and how to stop your rod will improve your fly-casting and fly-fishing. You'll be "Lord of the River" and your friends will want to be seen with you.

And no one will threaten to fly you home.

Steve Weaver, CCI
Texas Council Casting Director
Co-founder, Good Fly Inc.

THEY CAST FLIES

We are not licensed, psychotherapists. We are not trained, counselors. We are not pastors, gurus, or life coaches. What we are is fly fishers and the therapy we offer is casting a fly. What we believe, and I think you will agree, is that the simple act of casting... the rhythmic, metronome-like cadence of producing a well-formed loop, and the concentration required to get the rod to load and unload with forty feet of line out is all-consuming and mind filling.

At Good Fly, we are often asked what we do at a one-day workshop that could possibly reduce stress and anxiety. Our answer is, 'we cast flies.' It is our job as instructors and facilitators for the day, to fill the mind and attention of our participants with this all-consuming task of the cast. If we are successful, we deny our Good Flyers the opportunity to think of anything but learning and performing the task at hand. All other thoughts, ideas, and

stress-filled activities must be put on the shelf for the day. It is a mental vacation.

We as humans are often consumed with the thought of the next vacation. Time away from the office to reconnect with family and friends. To simply sit on a beach and watch the waves roll in rejuvenates the will to continue to go to our jobs day after day and is important for our sanity. The anticipation of the trip is often as important as the trip itself in that it gives us a goal to work for and a reward for that work. The same can be said for fly casting.

At a recent Good Fly workshop with a group of people who have experienced the grief and profound loss of a loved one, one participant entered the classroom with the weight of the world on his countenance. He physically showed the signs of the burden of grief. His posture was slumped. His arms were crossed over his chest. His face wore the deepest creases and worry lines I have ever seen. He was a friend of mine and had friends in the room that understood his pain, but he was withdrawn into a protective cocoon. He sat at the edge of the introductory segment of the class not smiling or chatting with the others. I was deeply affected and very concerned for his well-being. Introductions were made and each of the participants shared their loss. We had simply asked them to introduce themselves but each on their own accord shared their loss story. It was heart-wrenching. We pressed on with a brief history of fly fishing and introduced the first task of the Pick-Up-Laydown cast.

This gentleman was in my pod of 4 casters. He was attentive and worked hard to grasp this new skill. As with each of our pods, the participants are asked to teach each other the cast to illustrate an understanding of the process. As the session progressed, I watched as he began interacting. To my amazement, the wrinkles on his face physically changed and began to lessen. I think I even caught a brief smile for the first time.

When we returned to the classroom, he sat closer to the group still reserved but his arms were no longer crossed in a protective posture. We talked briefly about the equipment that is used in fly fishing and introduced the second cast to be learned, the Overhead or False Cast. On the walk out to the casting lawn, I saw that he was talking with another participant and though I did not hear the conversation I knew from their gestures that it was about the previous cast and the anticipation of the next.

For the next 30 minutes, I watched him concentrate on linking a series of loops. We discussed the appropriate amount of force to apply, the angle of the casting arc, the required pause to allow the line to straighten and begin to load the rod for you, the timing of the returning cast, and how to reduce slack in the system to make the cast most efficient. All this concentration, physical effort, and learning was continuing to melt away the burden of his grief, even for this short time. Somewhere near the end of the session,

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I saw him at the end of the pod line looking at his phone. His countenance had shifted back to worry. When I approached and asked if all was ok, he related that his wife, who was scheduled to attend the workshop with him but opted out that morning, had texted and needed him to return home as she was experiencing a very hard emotional day. His statement was that he wished she was there with him to experience the relief he was feeling. He left shortly after. For that short encounter, casting a fly for the first time, his mind had experienced a mental vacation.

All of this is to say that the indispensable skill of fly fishing is the cast. It takes concentration. It takes physical effort. Generally, it requires being outside and it suspends the time continuum. The cast can, if you let it, take you on a journey that allows your mind to rest. Obviously, the next step in this process is casting a fly to fish will take you to beautiful places to experience the thrill of the tug. A therapy of its own.

But if you are ever asked what Good Fly does at a workshop that reduces stress and anxiety? We hope you simply reply.....'They cast flies.'

Alan King

NEWS FROM FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL

JUNE IS WOMEN'S FLY FISHING MONTH

Join us as we celebrate women fly fishers!

2nd Annual Women's Fly Fishing Month

Contact FFI Women Connect for more information:

womenconnect@flyfishersinternational.org



In addition to online events sponsored by FFI Women Connect, regional councils and clubs will also be hosting events in local areas.

Online Events sponsored by FFI Women Connect

- June 1, 8:30 PM ET - Online screening of athlete Emily Rodger's film - "Cadence", introduced by Emily Rodger.
- June 14, 8:30 PM ET - "Careers in Fly Fishing" featuring business owners Geri Meyer, Driftless Angler Fly Shop & Guide, Linda Leary, Fishewear, April Archer, SaraBella Fly Rods and Kim Ranella, Miss Mayfly

[Zoom Meeting Link](#)

- JUNE 21. 7:30 PM CT - Kit Mullen "Fly Fishing & Rowing"

[Zoom Meeting Link](#)

- JUNE 28, 7:30 PM CT - FFIWC Council Liaison Panel discussing regional Women's Fly Fishing Events held in June, and what's coming up

[Zoom Meeting Link](#)

Regional FFI councils are hosting educational fly fishing events for women throughout the us.

PHOTO CONTEST FOR FFI CALENDAR

Deadline for submissions: July 31st

[SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS HERE!](#)

FFI ADOPTS NEW STRATEGIC PLAN

Many organizations go through a bureaucratic process to develop a Strategic Plan, then unfortunately, when the project is finished the new Strategic Plan goes into a drawer. Not the case for Fly Fishers International.

The previous Strategic Plan was adopted by the Board of Directors in 2015 and was consistently used as a "roadmap" for the growth and development of FFI. The previous plan required the development of a new Education Committee, and the development of a Learning Center. As the Education Committee began to operate, the Learning Center was developed with a very specific set of tasks, standards, and protocol. Today, the FFI Learning Center has become a primary educational and instructional resource in the fly fishing community.

Since 2015, FFI has experienced incredible growth and reached the point where a new Strategic Plan was essential. FFI embarked on a nationwide search for companies to lead the process to develop a new Strategic Plan. The Texas Council is particularly proud since FFI selected "Ledge", a Strategic Leadership Group, LLC, and the process was led by Jack Gillis who is also the Texas Council Vice President.

After personally interviewing 67 individuals and working with the FFI Strategic Plan Development Committee, Jack presented a new proposed Strategic Plan to the FFI Board of Directors and it was adopted as the new FFI Strategic Plan.

The new Strategic Plan is very comprehensive and it includes specific reference to three Key Strategic Initiatives: Fund Raising, Communications, and Leadership Development. The Plan also offers an Executive Summary, Guiding Framework, Strategic and Operational Goals, Mission-Vision-and Values statements, SWOT analysis, performance measures and more. The Plan has a section offering Strategic Directions for FFI's Core Programs: Education, Conservation, Fly Tying, Casting, and Women's Programs.

Dutch Baughman



November 4 - 6

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Hands-on workshops, presentations from experts, fly tying, conservation, casting, break-out rooms, social gatherings, entertaining activities, fly fishing film competition and more...

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THE FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL **GUIDES & OUTFITTERS ASSOCIATION** IS A COMMUNITY OF MEN AND WOMEN DEDICATED TO PROMOTING AND ENHANCING AN ANGLER'S FLY FISHING EXPERIENCE.

Fly fishing guides and outfitters provide valuable services to members of the fly fishing community around the world each year. Many Fly Fishers International (FFI) members are guides who provide fresh or salt water fishing experiences to their clients. However, many fly fishing guides are not members of the current Guides & Outfitters Association or FFI.

The expanded Guides & Outfitters Association is an effective way to establish a program that provides its members substantial benefits that include the best industry liability insurance and assist them in developing new clients.

It is the mission of FFI to support and protect fly fishing opportunities around the world for "all fish – all waters." It further is our intent to support members of the Guides & Outfitters Association as ambassadors who assist in the achievement of the FFI mission.

BENEFITS:

- » Insurance (United States only)
- » Travel and business programs
- » Access to FFI Learning Center materials
- » Promotion of services through FFI social media and publications

VISIT FLYFISHERSINTERNATIONAL.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION.



TPWD UPDATES AND NEWS

Great news for fly fishing clubs: conservation projects!

The Habitat and Angler Access Program, awards competitive grants to restore and enhance freshwater fish habitats and to improve or expand bank and shoreline-based angler access on public creeks, rivers, ponds, and lakes throughout the state. The Program enables cooperation between Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Inland Fisheries Division biologists and local partners to make fishing better for all Texans. Check out the link below for this year's projects and information about proposals.

[Habitat and Angler Access Program - Habitat - Land and Water - TPWD \(texas.gov\)](#)

To learn more about the Habitat and Angler Access Program or any of the projects described above, please contact Michael Homer, Jr. by phone at (325) 692-0921 or by email at FishGrants@tpwd.texas.gov.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department expects to announce the 2024–2025 Habitat and Angler Access Program request for proposals by summer 2023.

ONLINE Webinar, Live from Outside: Adventure, Conservation and Paddlefish

6:00 to 7:00pm CST
Thursday June 16, 2022

Distance Learning Zoom Webinar
Dustin Schrock
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Nestled in northeast Texas, Caddo Lake State Park provides an excellent jumping off point for exploring the biologically diverse Caddo Lake and surrounding wetlands. Join a park ranger, a conservationist, and a wildlife biologist for a webinar on conservation at Caddo Lake and the prehistoric paddlefish! Join us for the second program in our "Live from Outside" webinar series!

Caddo Lake is home to hundreds of species of birds, over 50 kinds of mammals, more than 90 species of amphibians and reptiles, and over 90 types of fish, including the oldest fish in North America! Have you ever wondered what it takes to preserve this Texas treasure?

[Register to attend](#) this special webinar from Caddo Lake State Park!

[More information about this event...](#)

Fishing for Opportunities to Volunteer with TPWD?

Park Host - Unique Inland Fisheries Opportunity at the [Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center](#)

If you love to fish, here's a unique opportunity for a park host at an Inland Fisheries facility! The Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center has an available position starting immediately for a 3-month term with options for shorter or longer stays. TFFC is a full-production fish hatchery with an aquatic nature center and stocked fishing ponds. Visitors to TFFC enjoy touring the freshwater animal exhibits, viewing a dive show, fishing at the casting ponds and exploring the 0.6 mile Wetland Trail. We provide all equipment for fishing and brief instructional assistance for new anglers. TFFC's hatchery focuses primarily on largemouth bass production while raising and stocking catfish, koi and trout.

Park hosts are provided a 50/30 amp full hook-up campsite at an adjacent RV park in exchange for a minimum of 20 volunteer hours per week at TFFC and 5 volunteer hours per week at the adjacent RV park. TFFC shifts are primarily weekend with a few weekdays. The main duties of park hosts will be to provide basic fishing instruction, distribute fishing poles and assist with catches. Other duties may include but are not limited to:

- Facility maintenance (sweeping, checking and cleaning bathrooms, etc.)
- Grounds maintenance
- Interpretive programs and tours
- Supervising event rentals
- Assisting with special events

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age. Criminal background check is required along with 3 references (character, employment, or previous park host). Married couples are welcome to apply together as ample hours are available.

For more fishing opportunities, check our website: [Texas Parks & Wildlife Department \(samaritan.com\)](#)

Coming Soon – Your New Texas State Park (I hear the fishing will be amazing!)



Your newest park is slated to open in 2023! Located 75 miles west of Fort Worth, [Palo Pinto Mountains](#) has a 90-acre lake and

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almost 5,000 acres of rambling hills. It will offer hiking, biking, fishing, swimming, camping and more. Palo Pinto Mountains will be Texas' 90th state park where you, your family and friends can connect and enjoy nature.

Retired Florida Largemouth Bass Broodfish Headed to Rio Grande Valley Community Fishing Lakes

CORPUS CHRISTI – The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) Inland Fisheries Division will stock several retired Florida largemouth bass broodfish into three Rio Grande Valley community fishing lakes in June. Dean Porter Park Resaca in Brownsville, Town Lake at Fireman's Park in McAllen and the Old Hidalgo Pumpouse Channel in Hidalgo will receive these special fish.

The broodfish, adult bass that average more than four pounds, are coming from their former home at the A.E. Wood State Fish Hatchery in San Marcos and are expected to provide excellent fishing opportunities and rewarding catches to anglers. In addition, the broodfish will add outstanding Florida largemouth bass genetics to these popular fishing destinations.

"We are excited to bring these extraordinary fish to these local communities and are committed to improving freshwater fishing in the Rio Grande Valley," said Greg Binion, Inland Fisheries Corpus Christi District Supervisor.

Old Hidalgo Pumpouse Channel will also receive 3,000 bluegill this fall. A popular prey of largemouth bass, the bluegill will offer additional food for the largemouth bass and offer additional fishing opportunities for anglers. The City of Hidalgo received a Habitat and Angler Access Program (HAAP) grant to enhance fish habitat and improve shoreline angling access at the historic Old Hidalgo Pumpouse Channel site. The grant funding will enable the construction of a T-head fishing pier and an additional fishing dock, plus fish habitat structures and a pond aeration system.

The program, which launched in June 2021, is primarily funded by the purchase of freshwater fishing licenses. HAAP supports projects to restore and enhance fish habitat in Texas' public inland waters as well as develop, enhance, and increase shoreline fishing access. The TPWD Inland Fisheries Division is dedicated to improving fishing opportunities in the valley and throughout the state.

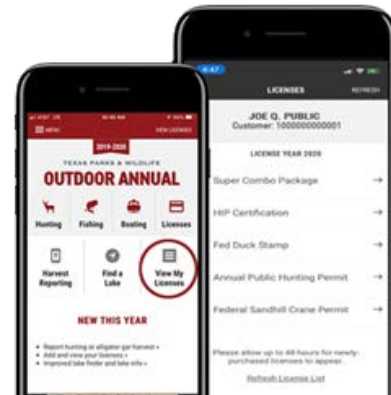
For more information about the HAAP, visit the [TPWD Grants Page](#).

August 31st is the date that yearly licenses expire. Did you know you can renew your license online?

Buy licenses online: [Purchase Now](#)

Purchase official Texas hunting & fishing licenses, tags, permits and stamps on the Texas License Connection sales website txfgsales.com. A \$5 administrative fee will be charged for online transactions. [See list of licenses available online.](#)

In addition, are you aware you can tie your licenses to the Outdoor Annual app? Instead of keeping up with your license, you can show a Game Warden your app on your phone that has your license linked to it!



Looking for a place to fish?

[Where to Fish - Fishing - TPWD \(texas.gov\)](#)

Keira Quam
TPWD Liason

INTRODUCING THE AGGIELAND FLY FISHERS WEBSITE AND MONTHLY MEETING

At the Southwood Community Center in College Station, TX
June 28, 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Our new web site is www.aggielandffi.org

I know some of you are not in the area but this will be a community of fly fishers from all over and will also have state wide events you may be interested in like the Fly Fishing Round-up on October 1, 2022! See the events section of the home page for details.

Meeting Details

- We will offer casting from 6:00 to 7:00.
- Pizza and a meeting from 7:00 to 8:00
- There will be fly tying talk and demonstrations by Graydon Snowden and Ben Tedrick. Bring your rods and your vises.
- Social hour from 8:00 to 9:00.
- Please RSVP to let us know you are coming so we can order enough pizza.



Reel Recovery is a national non-profit organization that conducts **free fly-fishing retreats for men recovering from all forms of cancer.** Combining expert fly-fishing instruction with directed “courageous conversations”, the organization offers a unique experience for men coping with cancer, a time to share their stories; learn a new skill, form friendships and gain renewed hope as they confront the challenges of their recovery.

“This was the best time of my life! It’s by far the best thing out there for men with cancer.”

Retreat Participant

Retreats are conducted over a two-and-a-half day period at a comfortable facility with onsite or nearby fishing access.

All meals, lodging and fly-fishing equipment are provided at

no cost to the participants. Retreats are led by professional facilitators, trained retreat coordinators and expert fly-fishing instructors. A maximum of 12-14 men are invited to participate, to ensure the quality of the instruction and to create a powerful, small-group dynamic.



“I discovered that while fly-fishing, I was in another place. In this place there was no cancer, no pain and no fear.”

Retreat Participant

“This retreat was so much more than fishing; this was a life-changing experience.”

Retreat Participant

“Reel Recovery is a gift. Being here has given me the strength and courage to move forward with my life.”

Retreat Participant

GOALS

- **Provide a safe, reflective environment** for the participants to discuss their disease and recovery with other men with shared experiences, thereby providing support and information to help them in their recovery.
- **Provide expert fly-fishing instruction** that enables the participants to learn a new skill, form a healing connection with nature, and participate in a sport they can continue throughout their recovery and lifetime.
- **Provide participants information about cancer-related resources**, both in the local community and nationally to facilitate networking and enhanced management of their recovery.

If you would like to be a participant, volunteer, or make a donation please contact us.

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TEXAS FLY FISHERS MINI EXPO

Come enjoy a fun filled day of: Fly Tying, Casting Instruction and Demonstrations, Travel Presentations, Rod Building Exhibitions along with a day which will include drawings for Prizes at **Terrace United Methodist Church, 1203 Wirt Road, Houston, Texas 77055**

The Texas Fly Fishers (Houston) will present its 13th Annual Summer Mini Fly Fishing Exposition, Saturday, August 20, 2022, 8:30 am until 4:30 pm which will include fly fishing related topics of interest to most every fly fisher be they beginner, intermediate or expert!

History of the Annual Summer Mini Expo

Most Texas FlyFisher's monthly meetings play to a full house; every month with the exception August. For some reason, the August meeting was drawing less than half of the audience of the other 10 months. So, in 2009, then Club President David Lemke came up with a plan to pick up the August monthly meeting attendance. David's idea was, instead of holding a typical meeting with a guest speaker, to hold a mini expo featuring the club membership's talent at fly tying, rod building, knot tying / leader building, casting and fly fishing destination travel and to do so in an exposition format.

So, the first Texas Fly Fishers Summer Mini Expo was held on August 25th 2009 at Bayland Community Center, the same venue as the club's monthly meetings. Inside the Center, club members were set up to demonstrate their prowess at fly tying, rod building, basic knot tying, leader basics and rigging. Other members were on hand to report on their trips to destinations such as the Bighorn River in Montana, the Guadalupe River in the Texas Hill Country, fly fishing for salmon in Alaska and fly fishing along the Texas Gulf Coast. Outside, the Club's Certified Casting Instructors were holding casting demonstrations and clinics. The night went on without a hitch and was closed with a drawing for some great prizes.

After the success of the initial Mini Expo, it was decided to make this an annual event with the only change coming in 2014, when it was decided to move the Summer Mini Expo from the traditional last Tuesday night of the month to the Saturday before and making it a day-long event in hopes of offering a few additional programs and in an effort to attract a few more interested fly fishers. Since its inception, the Mini Expo has continued to grow; so, the club is looking for another large turnout at this year's event. We look forward to seeing you there!

Fly Tying

Inside, there will be non-stop fly tying demonstration and instruction. Learn tips and techniques or, how to tie that special pattern of interest to you from the club's fly tying members.

Rod Building

Club members who participate in the rod building section of fly fishing will be demonstrating their custom built rods and will be available to discuss rod building techniques.

Casting

Have ever wanted to learn how to fly cast but, you didn't know how to go about it? Well, here is your chance. At the Mini Expo, you will have the opportunity to receive personal, individualized casting instruction from Fly Fishers International Certified Casting Instructors. Additionally, casting clinics will be offered on specific casting techniques such as fly fishing in saltwater, casting in the wind and the basic essentials of fly casting. So, come learn the basics or take your skills to the next level!

All participants are encouraged to bring their own rod with line and leader for the casting clinics; however, the Texas FlyFishers will have a limited supply of rods for anyone who is interested in participating but did not bring a rod.

Coming in February 2023

Get ready and start planning for next year!

On Saturday, **February 11, 2023**, The Texas FlyFishers will host the **30th Annual Dr. Ed Rizzolo Fly Tying Festival**. So, start planning now to attend this great event and spend the day watching and participating in a day of tying flies! Stand by for further details!



CONSERVATION NEWS

First off, the Texas Council wants to recognize David Reichert for his life-long efforts in regards to conservation. David was the Conservation Chairman for the Council, and passed away last year. David was very passionate about conservation and was part of many important issues that affected Texas and beyond. His efforts will be missed. With a void in this important leadership role, and with all of the important conservation concerns in the state, I will fill in for the rest of the year, and hopefully beyond. Currently as the Communications Director, leading our social media campaign, adding conservation to the responsibilities makes sense, as I will communicate activities and concerns we are seeing in the state.

I have been involved in conservation activities ever since I joined the Fort Worth Fly Fishers years ago. Participating in events across DFW, it was difficult to see how we are the problem to most, if not all of our conservation issues. I have been involved with area club activities, Trinity Trash Bash, Brushy Creek Cleanup, Brazos River Cleanup, and for the last many years, I have joined up with TRWD and the FlyFest teams working on the Trinity River. I have been involved with not only trash pick-ups, but with water quality preservation for our future.

The critical conservation issue we currently have in Texas is water! Water quality, water shortages, trash in our waters, and rights plaque our state right now. As the population in Texas grows at an alarming rate, and don't get me started on that, we are seeing growing pains in regards to our most critical resource, water. Many areas in the state are dealing with waste water being re-introduced into our water sources. Areas like Brushy Creek, Rucker Creek, Mary's Creek, and the Trinity River. These issues will continue as the population explodes. We can be a voice in these issues by getting involved, as many of you have. Special recognition goes out to Chris Johnson with Living Waters Fly Fishing. His efforts have really highlighted a major concern, and through his involvements, will make a difference. We need more concerned members, to do the same. To get involved and let our voices, concerns be heard. TCEQ is the direct link to be used for voicing any concerns we have about water issues.

Water rights are, and will also be a major issue Texas will be dealing with. Do land owners truly own water? Can they dam up creeks and rivers for personal gain? Can they put up fences and signs up to keep others from using water as a recreation source? Texas has many of these issues being discussed currently. One such issue is with the possible dam permit in place on the Llano River. Again, we as Texans have a say so with these issues. Our ask is to get involved in any of these concerns, and voice your opinions. They can help!!

Texas is also experiencing a very serious drought right now. Conditions have been bad for many years, and wild fires throughout the state are a result of the drought. If the state

does not get any significant rains in June, we could see a very hot and dry summer. The DFW area was down by well over 5 inches of rain until the 3rd of June. My hometown area received over 5 inches of rain as I write this article, and caused many flood events in the area, with one such event that led to the drowning of an Arlington youth. So sad to hear this news. We will see more flooding when these rains come, due to the increased use of concrete in our urban developments. The excess water will be channeled into low water areas, and if not planned out properly, will lead to more flooding and possible loss of life and property.

In other news, there is a proposal for a permit out there that a landowner wants to dam up a section of the South Llano River. A very large contingency is opposed to this possible action, and there are many groups protesting this permit. At this time, Texans have got involved and spoke up, about the issue. Next steps are to see if a public meeting has been granted, and for this that will be allowed to speak do so.

If you would like to see how the process works, you can go to TCEQ and see the many issues that are currently in play in regards to water issues in the state.

<https://www.tceq.texas.gov/>

More info! There is a water rights application currently filed at TCEQ to dam and retain water feeding our beautiful South Llano River. The South Llano River, itself, is at stake. Read the documents. The water supply of Junction could be at risk! INFORMATION. Written hearing requests, public comments, or requests for a public meeting have been submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at <https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/> by entering "WRPERM 13524" in the search field. Be sure to put a space before 13524. Read the permit application, investigate and be informed on what is taking place.

Please share with the Texas Council how you and others have gotten involved. You can do so through the Texas Council Facebook Page, or email me at:

communications@texascouncilffi.com

Thanks,
Russell Husted
Texas Council Communications and Conservation Director

LITTER PLEDGE



Quick testimony about a fishing adventure, that turned into a conservation project, I had a couple weeks ago. A friend and I fished at an urban lake here in the DFW area. We had such a great time, and caught a good amount of bass. It is such a scenic, urban area and while we were there we saw beavers, wild birds, and a coyote. However, I could not get past the incredible amount of trash around the lake. It was awful! That night, I could not get that out of my mind.

So, the next morning, I gathered up my trash picking up gear, and went back to the area. It was very rewarding for me to do this, as conservation has always been a part of me, dating back to my scouting days. Growing up in scouts, and then successfully becoming an Eagle Scout, I was always involved in some sort of conservation effort. This still is a part of me, as I have helped in many conservation projects around the state. Trinity Trash Bash, Brushy Creek Cleanup, Brazos River Cleanup, to name a few. I recruited some friends, and we returned this area back to where it should be!

But this is a temporary fix. If we don't dig into the root / cause of the problem, the problem will return. As the new Conservation Chairman for the Texas Council of Fly Fishers International, it is easy to see now more than ever, conservation needs to be at the center of our lifestyles. Urban areas are now seeing a tremendous upswing in use, as gas prices soar to new, higher levels. Long distance fishing trips are now trips to the local pond or lake. With this new surge of traffic, our urban areas are getting pretty beat up, due to poor conservation behaviors. Did you know you can report someone who litters? After doing so, TxDOT then compares the information through the Department of Motor Vehicles registration database, and when an exact match is located, will send the litterer a Don't mess with Texas litterbag along with a letter reminding them to keep their trash off of our roads. A great way to get the point across, and change the behavior.

It will take more than just that. The council has plans to adopt this area, and make it a priority to keep the area clean. We are also partnering with the community on future events, meeting with them to discuss additional conservation best practices to encourage others to do the right thing, and hopefully set an example for their children to do the right thing. Yes, it take a lot

of effort to be conservation minded and make a difference, and we do have a choice to do so or not.

So let's do our civic duty to help keep Texas areas clean!!

<https://www.dontmesswithtexas.org/get.../report-a-litterer/>

But conservation is so much more than just a liter problem. Texas has water issues, recycling improvement needed and so much more. Why not see what you can do to help keep Texas, Texas!!

Take the pledge. I just did.

<https://takecareoftexas.org/take-action/take-action>

Thanks for taking that next step.

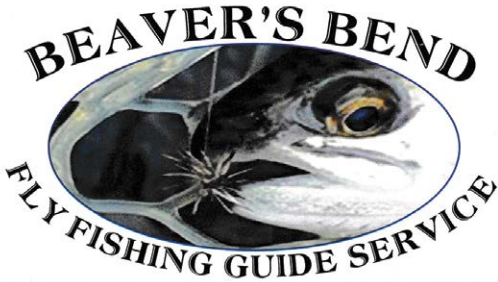
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TEXAS COUNCIL ADVERTISING SUPPORT

The Texas Council wants to thank you for your support. Our goal has always been to promote fly fishing in Texas, and help the organizations that do just that. We are fortunate for these businesses and individuals, and will highlight them in the newsletter, and on social media as well.

Follow us on [Facebook](#) to see more about these groups.



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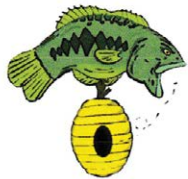


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LOTTE 'REUSE FLY

Lotte 'Reuse, as in "a lot of chartreuse," is designed for warm water species. I fish it on both floating (9 foot leader/1 foot tippet) and sinking lines (14" leader/1 foot tippet) targeting bass, sunfish, gar, catfish, crappie. I've casted to carp who showed no interest. I hope to try it in the saltwater this summer.

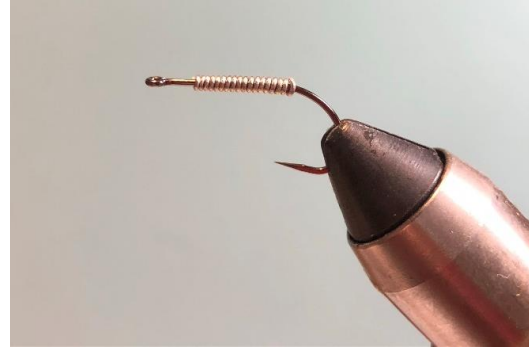
I love the FNF Creeper material, but the parts that make it fishy also make it a bit fiddly to tie, so be patient.

Materials



Hook: Gamakatsu B10S Stinger Size 8
Thread: Lead Free Round Wire Size .020, UTC 140 Fluorescent Chartreuse, and UTC 140 Waxed Black
Tail: Salar Synthetic HD AH in Hot Greenlander Gre
Body: FNF Creeper in Hulk and Black Marabou
Dubbing Loop Tool
Legs: Round Black Rubber Legs, small
Zap-a-Gap Head Cement

Step 1: Tie on wire



Tie in wire just above the hook point and wind towards eye leaving a 1/8" gap between hook eye and wire body. Wind wire in opposite direction of how you tie on thread.

Step 2: Wrap Thread



Start wrapping chartreuse thread at the rear of the wire body with several wraps to prevent wire from slipping down the bend and bring thread forward, wrapping several wraps in front of the wire body to keep it from moving forward, and then continue back down the hook shank to the tie-in point.

LOTTE 'REUSE FLY-CONTD.

Step 3: Tail



A. Select a pencil diameter width of Saylor about six inches long and fold in half over thread.



B. Tie in on last wire wrap and wind several wraps toward hook bend.



C. Raise tail and make four to five wraps over shank and underneath tail to ensure it lays in-line with shank.



Make several more wraps over tail and hook shank stopping just before wire.

Step 4: Body



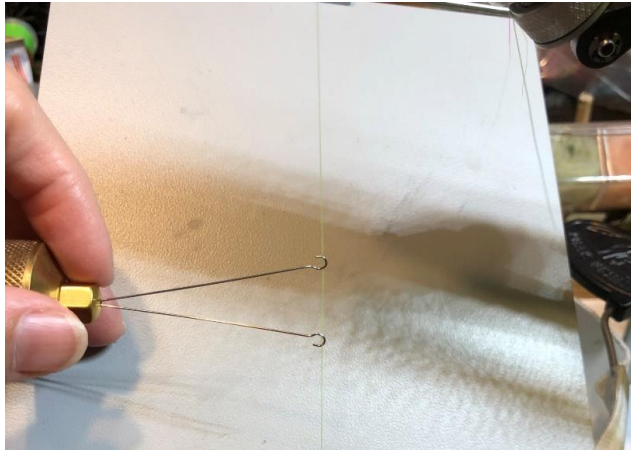
Tie in FNF Creeper with end towards hook eye.



Make two touching wraps and tie off FNF Creeper.

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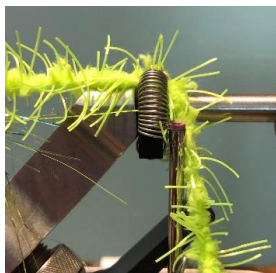
Body cont'd.



Make a dubbing loop by pulling bobbin six inches from hook shank. Place dubbing tool in the middle of thread.



Take thread back up to hook shank behind down thread, then bring bobbin thread forward and over hook shank, wrapping three times back towards Creeper and then forward three times to lock the loop.



Pull Creeper material and line back into material tamer.

Step 5: Dubbing



Pull off the marabou feathers that have white in the downy barb and discard. Section about an inch width of marabou feathers closest to the quill and pinch off. CUT barbs from quill; DO NOT PULL!



Place barbs in dubbing loop.

LOTTE 'REUSE FLY-CONTD.

Dubbing cont'd.



Spin loop about 10 turns; then, spread barbs along the length of the loop.



Pull Creeper and thread over hook shank towards the hook eye. Make two touching wraps with the Marabou dub over the Creeper and thread. Tie off dubbing loop and cut.

Step 7: Finishing the Body



Make two touching wraps of the Creeper in front of the dubbing. Your wraps should finish in alignment with the wire wraps. Tie off Creeper and cut. Make two half-hitches and cut chartreuse thread.

LOTTE 'REUSE FLY-CONTD.

Step 8: Head



Switch to the black thread. Wind in beginning at the hook eye. Hold the tag end up at a 45 degree angle while wrapping thread towards the body. Cut tag. Wrap thread back to the eye. Cut about a 5 inch piece of rubber leg. Fold it in half over the thread and wrap thread back towards body ensuring each leg stays on each side of the hook shank. Taper the head. Tie off with two whip finishes near the body, not the eye.

Step 9: Shaping



Cut tail at an angle about 1" in length from the hook bend. (I use my vise arm as my guide).



Trim the marabou barbs to be about the length of the rubber legs in the Creeper. Go slowly and patiently. Finish with Zap-a-Gap on the head. Once trimmed Lotte 'Reuse is ready to fish.



Tied by Julia Bell

FORT WORTH FLY FISHERS

SPECIAL RAFFLE 2022

***3 Chances to Win**

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1ST PRIZE

WINSTON Air 2, 9'0" 5wt Rod and ORVIS Mirage IV Reel



The next generation of all-around freshwater fly rods. These rods can do anything – present tiny dry flies to wary trout on flat water, cast a heavy streamer to the far bank in the wind, launch the entire line when you need it, and make quick, accurate close-range shots. The new AIR 2 Freshwater Fly Rod with Boron is a pack rod, a travel rod, a beautiful rod, and an all-around rod. And it's a **Winston**. When you can only bring on e rod...the amazing new Boron AIR 2. You won't want to leave home

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A technologically superior reel conceived and designed from the ground up and built in New England by American craftsmen to battle angry fish and laugh in the face of corrosive saltwater environments. The Mirage features a sealed and maintenance-free carbon and stainless steel ball and ramp smoother reduction in line



of corrosive saltwater environments. The Mirage features a sealed and maintenance-free carbon and stainless steel with an aggressive knurled drag knob that goes from zero to full drag in a single drag knob rotation. Patent-pending drag mechanism provides a smooth turning drag that follows a non-linear curve as the drag knob is turned to give adjustments in the fishing and fish-fighting range. The reel is a super large arbor for increased retrieve rates and coil. Machined in the USA from strong, yet lightweight 6061 T6 aluminum barstock.

2nd PRIZE

TFO Axiom 2x, 9' 0", 6 wt. Rod and BVK III+ Reel



TFO's patented and exclusive Axiom technology embeds a double-helix of Kevlar within the blank. The superior tensile strength of the Kevlar acts to buttress the rod's carbon fiber matrix in compression. The result is that Axiom series fly rods stabilize faster and smoother, absorb shock better and comfortably tolerate over-loading. The angler benefits because Axiom technology virtually eliminates the ability to overpower the rod when casting. Bottom line – whether you carry more line in the air or push the rod to the limit, you won't feel any mushiness – What you will feel is line ripping out of your hand as it launches.

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fully-sealed drag system with super easy LH/RH retrieve changes and minimal maintenance. The drag system is fully sealed Delrin® and stainless-steel to keep drag clean and functioning in rough and dirty environments. This new drag system provides a noticeably broader range of resistance. The BVK SD series of reels are machined aluminum and anodized for durability and use in fresh or saltwater. The super large arbor design gives these reels huge line capacity and enables the angler to pick up line with incredible efficiency. The four reel series is perfect for everything from rainbow trout and bass all the way to bonefish and baby tarpon. All models of the BVK SD come packaged in a black nylon reel pouch.

3rd PRIZE

Ute Bluff Lodge, 6 nights stay Southfork, Colorado

Creatively decorated lodge rooms, and fully equipped RV what you will find at Ute Bluff Lodge. National Forest, close to the Rio from Wolf Creek Ski Area.



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1 TICKET \$ 20

3 TICKETS \$ 50

6 TICKETS \$ 100

Drawing will be Sept. 10, at Wild Acre Brewing Company

SPECIAL EVENT 6:00 PM

Attendance not required to WIN

www.fortworthflyfishers.org

TEN TIPS FOR CATCHING CARP ON THE FLY



The popularity of fly fishing for carp has exploded in recent years. What was once seen as a trash fish, is quickly becoming a respected target for the long rod. You only have to skim Facebook or Instagram to see how many people are targeting carp in our local waters, and it's easy to understand why - they are plentiful, grow to huge size, are challenging to trick, and fight harder than any other species in fresh water.

From 2000 to 2004, I was on a work assignment in England. While I was there, I was introduced to coarse fishing, and I quickly developed a lasting respect for carp. When I returned to Central Texas, I wanted to target our carp on fly; but I wasn't sure where to start. At the time, almost no one was intentionally fly fishing for carp, and it was difficult to find much published on the subject. I decided to dedicate myself to catching carp, and for the last 18 years I have been developing proven techniques that have resulted in over 2000 carp on fly.

I'm going to share with you my top 10 tips for putting carp in the net.

1. Be stealthy. If a carp sees you or senses your presence, they will be almost impossible to catch. You should avoid wearing bright colors and stay out of the water as much as possible. Try and stay back from the waters edge and use cover to stay hidden. If you have to move, move slowly. If you have to be in the water, move even slower.

2. Be Observant. You need to see the carp before they see you. I spend far more time watching than I do casting. I move very slowly, looking for signs of fish - movement, bubbles, mudding, tails.

3. Be Selective. Look for fish that are feeding in water that is 2 1/2 feet or less. A feeding fish is often distracted, and will eat your fly if presented correctly. I like to wait until the fish is quartered away from me and drop the fly where it is feeding. I want to be able to see the take. This is key. You will not feel the take, and carp are very quick to spit out a fly.

4. Be Patient. The less you cast, the more fish you will catch. I wait for the right opportunity to present a fly. I want to be able to place the fly right where the fish is feeding without "lining" the fish. I do this by casting past the fish, dragging the fly back, and then dropping it a few inches in front of the carp's mouth. When it's done right, most carp will eat.

5. Have the right equipment. I've caught 95% of my carp on a 5wt. This includes fish that have been 20 pounds or more. I don't believe the rod matters that much. A decent reel with an adjustable drag is important. The most important gear is a hat, good polarized sunglasses, a few carp flies and a big net. Since you are sight fishing, the need for a hat and sunglasses is obvious, and of course

you need some carp flies. Maybe the most overlooked piece of kit is a net that is big enough for carp. Landing big carp without a net is a challenge, and it's very stressful for the fish. A net will help you land more carp and it's much less likely to cause damage to the fish.

6. Take advantage of opportunities. I spend a lot of time fishing for carp, but you don't have to make a dedicated trip to catch them. I'll often find feeding carp when I'm fishing for other species. I always keep a few carp flies in my box, ready when I need them. If I see a good opportunity, I'll sit down and tie on a damselfly. My go to fly is an olive damselfly. If you are interested in tying my version, you can find it here - <https://vimeo.com/438628048>

7. Cast Accurately. Mudding fish are stirring up the bottom and concentrating on a very small area. You need to put the fly right in front of the fish. Cast 3 feet past the fish and drag the fly back over the carp. If you make a bad cast, just pick it up and recast. Most of my casts are 15 feet or less. The best angle to take a fish is when it's facing away, at a 45 degree angle. Fish that are facing you can be very hard to hook.

8. Be Gentle with your hookset. I broke off the first 6 carp I hooked. You can't set up on a carp like you would with a bass. Carp are very powerful and will bolt when they feel the hook. If you strike hard, or hold the reel, you will lose the fish. I use a short hand strike, and then immediately take my hand off the reel when I feel the fish. If the fish wants to run, let it run.

9. Be Confident. I probably make 30 dedicated carp trips each year. I estimate that I've made around 500 dedicated carp trips over the past 18 years. In that time, I've failed to catch a carp on 6 trips. The data doesn't lie. Carp can be caught with consistency if you work at it. When I go fishing, I know I'm going to catch carp. The only question is how many.

10. Persistence. It's rare that I don't see at least a dozen carp on an outing. Some days I'll see 50. Don't worry if you spook a fish, or two, or ten. Keep at it. I might spend several hours working an area for a fish. Don't give up. Keep after them, because they will eat.

I'll end with a final word of advice - enjoy yourself. Carp are great fun, and in a very real way, they have spoiled me for other freshwater fish. There's nothing like fooling a big carp with a fly and then fighting the fish into the net. I know they are introduced and compete with some of our native fish, but they aren't going anywhere, so we might as well enjoy them.

Jim Gray



TEXAS COUNCIL SUPPORT LETTER



Thank you for your support of the Texas Council and Fly Fishers International. Just as the Texas Council focus is on the member clubs, the larger FFI focus is to ensure the legacy of fly fishing for all fish in all waters continues by focusing on conservation, education and a sense of community.

To align ourselves with this national strategy, the Texas Council is focusing on our local clubs. Our goal is to provide a source of community feedback, support, direction and funding to assist local clubs with the grassroots movement and avocation that is fly fishing.

To this end, our council is seeking funding to help. We will always be grateful for donations we receive, but in 2020 we will also focus on raising funds through our newsletter. We will promote the FFI Texas Council and our newsletter through the Texas Council website, social media, through our clubs across the state, and through the National FFI website.

The Texas Council newsletter has been in place for many years now, and has successfully promoted both commercial and non-profit activities both across the state and nationally. With our growing group of over 1,000 members throughout the state, our newsletter is uniquely positioned to reach niche market customers for your business.

Please consider advertising in our Council's newsletter. We have a very affordable advertising rate for the reach you will receive with your ad, which includes placement in all four newsletters.

Prices for advertising with the Texas Council newsletter's four issues are:

- Business Card - \$50 a year
- 1/4 page color ad - \$100 a year
- 1/2 page color ad - \$200 a year
- FULL page color ad - \$300 a year (That's only \$75 a season!)

The newsletter will be published four times a year. Each edition will publish at the beginning of each season, as follows:

Deadline for content and advertising

Spring Deadline: **March 1st**

Newsletter sent out **March 20th**

Summer Deadline: **June 1st**

Newsletter sent out **June 21st**

Fall Deadline: **September 1st**

Newsletter sent out **September 22nd**

Winter Deadline: **December 1st**

Newsletter sent out **December 21st**

Thank you for your support in the past, and we look forward to your future involvement with the Texas Council to promote fly fishing across Texas.

Contact us at: president@texascouncilffi.com

or

communications@texascouncilffi.com

Thanks,

Your Texas Council

THANK YOU!

Club Leaders

The 22 active FFI clubs (including 3 Project Healing Waters Affiliates) that make up the Texas Council require a commitment of time and effort from approximately 200 dedicated, unselfish men and women who provide leadership to these clubs. Each club (except PHW Affiliates) elects the following positions, at a minimum: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Chair, Conservation Chair, Education Chair, and Outings Director. Most clubs would also designate leaders in Casting, Fly Tying, Womens Programs, Youth Programs a Webmaster/Social Media Director and a Fundraising Chair.

This effort amounts to thousands of hours of personal time and talent committed to the success of the broad mission of FFI; *Preserving the Legacy of Fly Fishing for All Fish, All Waters®*

Members of the Texas Council Board and the leadership and staff of FFI thank all of you for the hard work and dedication you apply everyday toward our pillars of Conservation, Education and Community.

Here are your current Clubs and their Presidents for 2020:

Club	President	City
Abilene	Rick Meyers	Abilene
Alamo	Karson Foster	San Antonio
Austin	Kathi Harris	Austin
Collin	Ed Bowen	Wylie
Collin PHW	Kevin Grogan	Plano
Conroe	William Heugel	Conroe
Corpus Christi	Robert Schneider	Corpus Christi
Dallas	Julia Bell	Dallas
Fort Worth	Jack Gillis	Fort Worth
Kekoa	Chris Gorman	Melissa
Lonestar	Mike Maris	Tyler
Lubbock	David Crawford	Lubbock
New Braunfels	Dan Cone	New Braunfels
Pineywoods	Walter McLendon	Lufkin
Red River	David Pate	Sherman
Rowlett	Derrick Meis	Rowlett
San Gabriel	James Reese	San Gabriel
SCTX	Fred Dupre	Georgetown
Texas Fly Fishers	Don Pucket	Houston
Texas Hill Country	Lindsey Hollin	Fredricksburg
TWFF	Joan Swartz	Texas

Volunteers

Your Council Board is composed of 16 directors serving in various capacities very similar to the structure of Club Leadership. Since the members of the Council Board come from eight different clubs within the Council, with rare exception we must meet electronically. In 2020, along with millions of other people we upped our game and now use Zoom for our meetings. Being able to see the director who is speaking improves understanding and meeting efficiency.

The Council is an extension of FFI with the primary purpose of assisting in the delivery to our Clubs and Members the benefits and opportunities provided by FFI. All of the Directors are fully dedicated to the same mission and objectives as our Clubs. We will focus heavily on enhancing the flow of communication in both directions between the Members of our Clubs, FFI and the Council by sharing knowledge across the entire organization.

The Council will be seating new board members in early January and we are always looking for volunteers to serve on our Board. If you are interested please contact any of the directors to start a conversation. Email addresses of the entire board can be found at <https://tcffi.org/>

Texas Council President	Rick Haness
First Vice President	Jack Gillis
At - Large	Barry Webster
Membership	Brett Morehead
Conservation / Social Media	Russell Husted
Treasurer	Reid Winger
Secretary	Jim Richards
Women's Outreach	Gwen Sitton
Webmaster	Tim Gikas
At - Large	Dutch Baughman
At - Large	Jacob Sherwood
Casting	Stephen Weaver
Tying	Ron Mayfield
Youth Outreach	Austin Orr
TPWD Liason	Keira Quam
FFI At-Large	Dutch Baughman
At-Large	Barry Webster
TPWD Liason	Keira Quam
Past President	Vacant due to resignation
At-Large	Jacob Sherwood

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Texas Council Clubs

Club	City	Website/Email
Abilene Fly Fishers	Abilene	www.facebook.com/abileneflyfishers
Alamo Fly Fishers	San Antonio	www.alamoflyfishers.org
Austin Fly Fishers	Austin	www.austinflyfishers.com
Collin County Fishers (PHWFF)	Plano	jerry.walker@projecthealingwaters.org
Collin County Fly Fishing Club	Wylie	www.collincountyflyfishing.org
Conroe Fly Fishers (PHWFF)	Conroe	txfritz4134@suddenlink.net
Corpus Christi Fly Fishers Inc	Corpus Christi	www.lmflyfishers.com
Dallas Flyfishers	Dallas	www.dallasflyfishers.org
Fort Worth Fly Fishers	Fort Worth	www.fortworthflyfishers.org
Kekoa Outdoors	Melissa	www.kekoaoutdoors.org
Lone Star Fly Fishers	Tyler	www.lonestarflyfishers.com
Lubbock Fly Fishers	Lubbock	www.lubbockflyfishers.org
New Braunfels Fly Fishers	New Braunfels	www.facebook.com/newbraunfelsflyfishers
Pineywoods Fly Fishers	Lufkin	www.pwff.org
Red River Fly Fishers	Sherman	www.rrff.org
Rowlett Fishers (PHWFF)	Royse City	derrick.meis@projecthealingwaters.org
San Gabriel Fly Fishers	Georgetown	www.sgflyfishers.com
SCTX Fly Fishing Club	Georgetown	flytyerfred@gmail.com
Texas Fly Fishers	Houston	www.texasflyfishers.org
Texas Hill Country Fly Fishers	Fredericksburg	thcff.org
Texas Women Fly Fishers	Statewide	www.twff.net

Note: PHWFF clubs serve only disabled veterans.



PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN FFI

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Access to exclusive features and content on our website including:

- The New Learning Center
- The *Flyfisher* magazine
- The Tying Times newsletter and Fly of the Month
- The Loop - The Journal of Fly Casting Professionals
- The Fly Tying Video Library (over 300 videos!)
- Exclusive Discounts on Hotels, Car Rentals and Insurance
- Searchable Casting, Fly Tying, Guide and Club Directories
- Fun Fly Tying and Casting Challenges

Discounted entry into FFI events

FFI Decals and Patch

Most importantly, the knowledge that you are helping to preserve fish habitats, the education of our next generation of fly fishers and our on-going conservation efforts.

AT THE FFI HEADQUARTERS IN LIVINGSTON, MONTANA


- The 2018 FFI Annual Fair held in Boise, ID, was jam packed with hundreds of workshops, seminars, famous authors and over 100 expert tiers and casters sharing their skills.

- FFI just launched the Learning Center with online classes in Fly Casting, Fly Tying, Fly Fishing Skills, and Conservation Education for the benefit of FFI members and the fly fishing community.

- Our ever-growing fly fishing museum includes the 7th fiber-glass rod ever made, the Fritz Gerds collection that includes over 150 fly plates, and an impressive collection of Lee Wulff memorabilia.

- FFI has provided grants and joined our partners in fighting mining proposals on the Menominee River in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, in the pristine Boundary Waters Wilderness in Minnesota, in Alaska's Bristol Bay and the Yellowstone Park watershed in Montana. These efforts will protect thousands of river and stream miles that impact our opportunities to fly fish.

**PLEASE RENEW
TODAY!**



**Please join us in our fight to
preserve and protect our fly
fishing heritage, so future
generations can enjoy it too.**

FFI TEXAS COUNCIL IS AT WORK IN YOUR REGION!



We now have 19 clubs throughout the state!

*Visit www.texascouncilfff.com
to learn all the happenings in your council*

Llano River Flood:

With YOUR help, the Texas Council (TxC) is partnering with Texas Parks and Wildlife to create a strategic plan to help restore the storm ravaged Llano River in Texas. The long-term outlook for fish populations depends on how riverside landowners and communities respond to the aftermath of downed trees and other debris deposited along the river.



Hill Country Youth Ranch:

The TxC awarded Hill Country Fly Fishers (one of its local clubs) an educational grant to purchase fly rods for the Hill Country Youth Ranch of Leakey, Texas. The youth ranch is a non-profit organization that helps abused and orphaned children.

YOUR support helps provide therapy for these kids through fly fishing!



Fairs/Shows/Clinic:

YOUR membership dollars allow the TxC and its clubs to be committed to offering tying, casting demos, and Boy Scout Fly Fishing Merit Badges throughout the year. The council and its clubs are also very involved in Casting for Recovery and Project Healing Waters.



**YOUR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL
HELPS US CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THESE PROJECTS
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NEW MEMBERSHIP & RENEWAL APPLICATION

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior - (65+) \$25 * | <input type="checkbox"/> Fly Tying Group Lifetime \$285 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran - \$25 * | <input type="checkbox"/> Guides Association 1-Year \$30 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth/Student - (22 and under) \$20 * | <input type="checkbox"/> Guides Association 3-Years \$70 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business - \$100 * | <input type="checkbox"/> Casting Renewal 1-Year \$45 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Premium - \$1500 ** | (Casting Renewal is for certified instructors only) |

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NOTE: -General memberships include spouses, cohabitating partners and children under 18 years of age.
-Lifetime memberships include spouses and cohabitating partners.
-In order to join a specialty group (Guide, Fly Tying, Casting) you must also maintain an FFI membership.

*Membership eligible for up to 3-year purchase (multiply price by number of years)

**Includes custom built TFO rod. Refer to: <http://www.tforods.com/fly-fishing/custom-fly-rods.html>

Membership Number (renewals) _____ New Member

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Business Website _____

Street Address / PO Box _____

City/State/Zip/ _____ Country _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Club Affiliation _____

If you are a new member, is there an FFI Club or Council that you would like to receive credit for the Rod Credit Program? _____

Total Charge \$ _____ Auto Renew? ☐ Yes, I want to save time & resources!

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