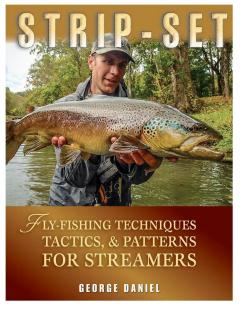
## INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS TWIN TIERS FIVE RIVERS CHAPTER

www.twintiersfff.org May 2016

## **May 2 Program**

George Daniel, Author and Fly Fishing U.S. National Champion Fly-Fishing Techniques, Tactics & Patterns for Streamers



You don't want to miss our featured speaker for the 2016 spring, George Daniel, coming May 2!

George will be fly tying at 6:30. At 7:00, George will be presenting on streamer techniques featured in Strip Set. His multimedia presentation is an overview of both floating and sinking line strategies, pattern design, casting and retrieving tactics.

George is a national known author, guide, and fly fishing instructor. George was a past member of the US Fly Fishing team in World Competitions, and a two time U.S. National Champion. Last year, George decided to focus his career as a fly fishing educator and guide. He now travels the country teaching and conducting seminars. George has written

articles in virtually every fly fishing periodical out there, and has authored popular fishing books, **Dynamic Nymphing** and his most recent, **Strip Set**.

We will be meeting in the large room at the Big Flats Community Center, 476 Maple St, Big Flats, NY 14814. Guests and visitors are encouraged.

The spring rod raffle will be drawn immediately following George's presentation. Be sure to buy your tickets for the great prizes.

The costs of George's visit will be co-sponsored by our friends from the Leon Chandler Trout Unlimited and Catherine Creek Trout Unlimited.

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## June 6 Program

#### Fly Casting Tune Up

June is our annual fly casting clinic on the lawn of the Big Flats Community Center. Chas Elliott, IFFF Certified casting instructor, and some of the club more experienced caster will lead sessions of casting instructions or be available for coaching and improvement suggestions. There will be opportunities, if you need some assistance in getting started casting – or if you want to hone advanced techniques. Though specifics have not been defined for this year, often a friendly competition is arranged to add to the fun. Visitors and guest are always welcome. In case of bad weather, a program inside at the Big Flats Community Center will feature a DVD from our club library.

#### **President's Short Cast**

Kirk Klingensmith . , . . • ´•`•, . , . . . ><((((°>

#### Mourning the Loss of Curtis Luster



We are heartbroken to share that TTFR member, Curtis AnDré Lindo Luster, passed away unexpectedly the weekend of April 17.

Curtis moved to the area last summer and immediately contacted me to transfer his IFFF membership to our club and to learn where the fishing is around us. We first met on the Chemung River, through a mutual friend – Bob Fuller – and began fishing together and building a friendship.



Curtis attended many of our club meetings and events. His outgoing and welcoming personality was contagious, as was his passion for our sport. Curtis had been fly fishing for only a few years – but he was an eager and constant learner – and spent a lot of time on the river and streams.

Curtis went to the Somerset Fly Fishing show with the TTFR group. We had such a blast together. The photo of him laughing with Lefty Kreh, while getting casting pointers from this icon in our sport, is a fond memory.

Curtis moved to Elmira from Rochester. Curtis led a group of us to attend the Fly Fishing Workshop this spring – where we built new connections to deep friendship Curtis had with FFF and TU chapters there. Later, we attended the Tie-One-On event in Syracuse – and again Curtis led us to build linkages to organizations and fellow fly fishers there.

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Curtis volunteered to become part of the TTFR leadership team this spring. He became our Fly Tying chair and organized the collection for the Academy. Curtis planned to host the Cohocton trip in May.

Curtis was on staff at the Elmira Christian Center, had previously worked at churches across upstate NY, and was pursuing a formal degree in ministry. He was highly regarded for his vocal and performing talents and his love of working with children and youth, often spending his summers working with youth camps as a fishing coach and instructor.

Curtis was the founding member of Urban Waders - a popular website/facebook page dedicated to encouraging others into fly fishing, faith and a meaningful life. Through Urban Waders, Curtis shared a passion to bring more African Americans to fly fishing. He told me "Fly fishing is so fun. I don't understand why more African Americans don't fly fish." I agreed – and together, we had begun a dialogue with Eastern Waters Council to consider how IFFF international could support this mission.

Though Curtis only was active in our club for less than a year, his welcoming spirit, love of life and people, and passion for our sport has touched us forever.

A memorial service will be held Tuesday, April 26, at the Elmira Christian Center, 235 E Miller St, Elmira, NY. from 7-8pm in the sanctuary, and at 8-9pm there will be open mic and kids carnival in the gym. There will also be a Homegoing Service for Curtis, Saturday, April 30, First Baptist Church, 5258 Main street, South Fallsburg, NY 12779; Visitation: 11am - noon, Service: 12 noon (Obituary: <a href="http://colonialbryantfuneralhome.com/tribute/details/634/Curtis-Luster/obituary.html#tribute-start">http://colonialbryantfuneralhome.com/tribute/details/634/Curtis-Luster/obituary.html#tribute-start</a>)

Please keep Curtis' family and friends in your prayers as we mourn his loss.

## Al Gerth

Please keep member, Al Gerth, in your thoughts and prayers; he suffered a major heart attack this past Wed April 20. He is in serious condition at Cleveland Clinic. We have received messages from his friends and family that Al is showing some positive signs of recovery. Al Gerth has been a chapter member for a number of years and is a professor at Corning Community College.

## Fly Fishing Academy Great Success

The 2016 Fly Fishing Academy on April 2 was our best ever. We filled to capacity at 32



students, our largest group ever. The staff was also the largest ever – with 21 members serving as instructors, hospitality, casting coaches, etc. We had many old guards and many new faces helping. It was great fun.

Many thanks to our staff who generously volunteered their time. A special shout-out to Scott Frederick and Josh Filter, who joined the instructional staff for the first time.

Bill Kessler presented the 'Why I Fly Fish" closing talk. His presentation included world-class quality photos and was a wonderful personal illustration of the joys of fly fishing.

Here is an e-mail we received from one of the students:

Just wanted to send a note of thanks to you and the other club members for the Fly Fishing Academy on Saturday.

It was extremely professional and well executed. It completely exceeded my expectations. Well organized, well-paced, good thorough mix of topics, the right amount of hands-on practice, and extremely helpful staff. I was blown away, in fact, by the ratio of instructor/staff to students.

I know firsthand how much work it takes to pull something like this off. It was very well done!

I've signed up with a 3 year membership.

Thanks again!

Eric D. Elder, Ph.D.



#### **Rainbow Paradise Trip:**

The first fishing trip of the season was held April 23 at Rainbow Paradise in Coudersport, PA. Kirk Klingensmith, George Roy, Paul DiPietro, Vincent Leonard, and Roger Vincent had a great time. Many thanks to George Roy for organizing the day.



### **Best Raffle Ever!**

You do not want to miss this year's rod raffle. Temple Fork Outfitters is helping us offer the best prize ever. The winner of this raffle will get to choose a rod from virtually any rod TFO sells. This means you get to choose the rod which fits your need. Chose a great trout, spey, muskie, tuna, or whatever-you-desire rod. See the flyer at the end of the newsletter for the list of choices.

Runner-up winners will get an excellent series of Aaron Jasper Nymphing 3 DVD instructional videos. These DVD's thoroughly cover Euro and indicator style nymphing. (BTW: these videos can be borrowed from the club library, if you don't win this prize).

Another runner up prize is a impressive collection of over 5 dozen "Favorite Flies" tied by members and recent presentors, including flies from Joe Ackourey, Joe Cambridge, and many others. This prize includes a very cool fly box donated by Bob Schaeffler – who oversaw the fly collection.

Proceeds from the raffle go to our youth scholarship and the general fund. Tickets are 5 for \$20 (or \$5 each). Drawing will be at the May 2 meeting.

## 2016 Raffle

#### International Federation of Fly Fishers Twin Tier Five Rivers Chapter

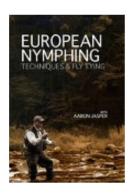


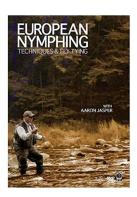
#### WIN Your Choice of any TFO FLY ROD !!!!

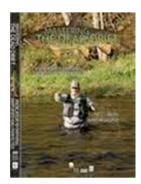
<u>FIRST PRIZE</u> - NEW Temple Fork Outfitter Fly Rod - winner gets their choice of nearly any fly rod that TFO sells (Detailed List of rod choices is shown below:



#### **SECOND PRIZE** – A three (3) DVD set of Aaron Jasper's nymphing videos







**THIRD PRIZE** – A box of flies hand-tied by Club Members

Raffle tickets - 5 for \$20 (or \$5 each)

Drawing will be May 2, 2016

#### **BVK Series Axiom Series** Signature TF 03 80-4B TF 02 60-2S TF 05 90-4A TF 04 86-4B TF 03 76-2S TF 06 90-4A TF 04 90-4B TF 04 80-2S TF 07 90-4A TF 04 10-4B TF 04 86-2S TF 08 90-4A TF 05 86-4B TF 05 86-2S TF 09 90-4A TF 05 90-4B TF 05 90-2S TF 10 90-4A TF 05 90-5B \*\* TF 06 90-2S Finesse Series TF 05 10-4B TF 07 90-2S TF .5 50-3F TF 06 90-4B TF 08 90-2S TF 01 69-4F TF 06 90-5B \*\* TF 09 90-2S TF 02 73-4F TF 06 91-4B TF 10 90-2S TF 03 79-4F TF 06 96-4B Deer Creek Two TF 03 89-4F TF 06 10-4B TF 04 79-4F TF 07 90-4B Handed Rods TF 04 89-4F TF 07 96-4B TF 45 126 4DC \*\* TF 05 79-4F TF 07 10-4B TF 56 126 4DC \*\* TF 05 89-4F TF 08 90-4B TF 67 130-4DC \*\* TF 08 90-5B \*\* Finesse S-Glass TF 67 140-4DC \*\* TF 08 10-4B TF 3/4 70-4FSG TF 78 130 4DC \*\* TF 09 90-4B TF 4/5 76-4FSG TF 78 140 4DC \*\* TF 10 90-4B TF 89 136 4DC \*\* TF 12 90-4B Bug Launchers TF 89 150 4DC \*\* TF 03 10 5B \* TF BL PR (Practice) TF 910 140 4DC \*\* **Professional Series** TF BL 4/5 (7' 2 pc) TF 910 150 4DC \*\* TF BL 5/6 (8' 2 pc) TF 02 80-3P 2 Mangrove Series TF 03 76-4P 2 Tenkara TF 04 90-4M TF 03 86-4P 2 TF CUT 86 TF 05 90-4M TF 04 80-4P 2 TF SH 106 TF 06 90-4M TF 04 86-4P 2 TF SH 116 TF 07 90-4M TF 04 90-4P 2 TF 08 90-4M NXT Rods TF 05 76-4P 2 TF 09 90-4M TF 05 86-4P 2 TF 4/5 86 4NXT TF 10 90-4M TF 05 90-4P 2 TF 5/6 90 4NXT TF 12 90-4M TF 05 10-4P 2 TF 8/9 90 4NXT TF 06 90-4P 2 Esox Series Deer Creek Switch TF 06 10-4P 2 TF 10 90-4E TF 04 11-4DC \*\* TF 07 90-4P 2 TF 12 90-4E TF 05 11-4DC \*\* TF 07 96-4P 2 Clouser Series TF 06 11-4DC \*\* TF 07 10-4P 2 TF 07 11-4DC \*\* TF 08 90-4P 2 TF 05 89-4X TF 08 11-4DC \*\* TF 08 96-4P 2 TF 06 89-4X TF 09 11-4DC \*\* TF 09 90-4P 2 TF 07 89-4X TF 10 90-4P 2 TF 08 89-4X **Pandion Series** TF 09 89-4X Bluewater Rods TF 6 129-4P \*\* TF 10 89-4X TF 8 133-4P \*\* TF BW Baby TiCr X Series TF 9 139-4P \*\* TF BW LD TF BW MD TF 05 90-4X TF BW HD TF 06 90-4 X (lt) TF 06 90-4X Mini Magnums TF 07 90-4X TF MINI 6/8 TF 08 90-4X **TF MINI 8/10** TF 09 90-4X TF 10 90-4X TF 12 90-4X TF 7/8 113-5X

## Fly of the Month

## Blue Quill Comparadun

Tied and demonstrated at the April 4 club meeting by speaker **Joe Ackourey.**Instructions and photo captured by Bob Carlson



#### <u>Pattern</u>

**Hook:** Size 18 Dry Fly. This pattern can be tied 18, 16, 14, and 12 to match Quill Gordon hatch

**Wing:** Spin deer hair around hook for Comparadun wing, then clip back of deer hair and move hair to sides and top of hook, then build up thread dam in front of deer hair so that it maintains 90 degrees from hook shank

Tail: next tie in medium dun hackle fibers

**Abdomen**: stripped peacock quill tied in at tail and wrapped forward

**Thorax -** medium dun dubbing wrapped in front and back of deer hair wing, then whip finish

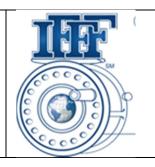
#### **Fishing Trips:**

The club is planning some great fishing trips this coming season. Club members organize these trips. We welcome more volunteers to help the organizers.

If you would like to attend a trip, these are open to club members and visitors. We ask that you contact the trip organizers (contact information on the trip table) and let them know of your plans. We would like to know at least a week before the trip, that you plan to come. We would ask that you confirm those plans two days before the trip. Trip organizers will communicate through e-mail details of the trip, and may need to change plans if weather or water conditions become unfavorable. Also, for some of the trips food is provided – so it is especially important to know who is coming.

# Twin Tiers Five Rivers 2016 Conservation & Fishing Trips

4/23/16 Version



Please inform coordinators at least 2 days beforehand by phone or e-mail that you plan to attend, so we can arrange food and fishing.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>	Trip Coordinator	Meeting Time/Location
May 7 Saturday	Cohocton River Lunch Provided	<u>Dick Naylor</u> h 607-962-5592 h 607-346-6160 maylor5@stny.rr.com	9:00 am depart from Corning Wegman's
May 21 Saturday	Cayuta Creek Cleanup & Fishing Litter pickup in morning, fish after lunch Bring own lunch	Steve Harris c 607-377-4956 sjh529@stny.rr.com Gene Nowlan c 607-936-3988 ENowlan@gmail.com	10 am North Side of Swartwood (Rt 223) Bridge on Cayuta Creek
June 11 Saturday	Genesee River Lunch Provided	Chas Elliott h 607-587-8763 chasman@frontiernet.net Bob Schaeffler c 607-738-7956 schaeffler56@hotmail.com	7 am depart from Corning Wegman's
June 18 Saturday	Delaware River Trip With BC Fly Fishers. Bring own food. Mid-afternoon lunch. Will fish late.	Kirk Klingensmith c 607-346-7189 kklingensmi@stny.rr.com Nick DiNunzio BC Fly Fishers	9am depart from Big Flats Community Center.
July 23 Saturday	Chemung River Float With BC Fly Fishers. Sign up reqd. Lunch provided. Bring a canoe, kayak, or boat. Canoe rental available.	Kirk Klingensmith c 607-346-7189 kklingensmi@stny.rr.com	9 am departure details TBD

### **Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter IFFF**

#### **Business Meeting Minutes**

4-18-2016

#### 1. Call to Order

Kirk Klingensmith called to order the Business meeting of the TT5RC IFFF at 1915 on 4-18-2016 at the Corning American Legion Hall. The following members were present: Kirk Klingensmith, George Roy, Steve Harris, Dick Naylor, Gene Nowlan and Bob Schaeffler. Bob Carlson joined by phone.

#### 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report showed opening balance of \$3161.74 and closing balance of \$3710.61. Expenses included \$175 for Joe Ackourey speaker honorarium, \$552.50 for Campbell HS Academy facility fees and \$388.45 for Academy food. Income included \$475 in Rod Raffle ticket sales revenue and \$1295 in Academy registrations. Dick made motion to accept previous meeting minutes and Treasurer's Report, George seconded.

- 3. Programming 22 people attended the April program meeting with Joe Ackourey. Joe tied about 8 flies, with great narratives. Program was highly educational and very enjoyable.
  May 2 George Daniels will begin fly tying at 6:30 and at 7 PM will talk about Streamer Fishing based upon his new book, Strip Set. June meeting will be casting tune up.
- **4.** Academy We had an excellent event with 32 Students (the most ever) and a large Staff of 21. Profit was ~ \$1310. Five (5) Students have joined the Chapter membership. Also, (23) students have been added to our mailing list. Steve is working on an Academy Process/Procedure Manual for next year's event.
- **5.** Rod Raffle TFO will provide rod at pro forma cost (<50% of retail) for the rod raffle fund raising event for the Club. Raffle winner will get choice of any rod TFO sells, Club will pay for the cost of the rod. 2<sup>nd</sup> place 3 Aaron Jasper DVD's, 3<sup>rd</sup> place box of flies. Bob Schaeffler has a good supply of flies and a nice fly-box to fill. Current total ticket sales revenue is \$795.
- **6.** Fishing Trips Tentative 2016 fishing trip schedule Rainbow Paradise 4/23 (George), Cohocton May 7 9 AM meet (Dick and/or Bob C.), May 21 Cayuta clean up and fish 10AM start (Steve and Gene), Genny (June 11 Chas + Bob S.) June 18 for Delaware River with BC Flyfishers (Kirk).
- 7. Officer Planning for 2016-17 Steve will mark up Club Membership list to identify prospective candidates for leadership Team to call and invite to contribute their talents as an Officer or Chapter Leader.
- **8.** Newsletter Steve will send Kirk a draft of the May Newsletter on April 20<sup>th</sup> to finish up. Steve will be on vacation April 23 to May 7. Newsletter is scheduled to be sent out April 28th.
- 9. Meeting Adjourned at 2110

Submitted by: Steve Harris, Newsletter Editor



#### Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter of the IFFF

The International Federation of Fly Fishers is a non-profit organization working to conserve, restore and educate through fly-fishing. The IFFF is the only organization that advocates for fly anglers on all waters. Our Chapter is the Twin Tiers Five Rivers chapter, named after the Canisteo, Chemung, Cohocton, Susquehanna, and Tioga Rivers in southern New York and northern Pennsylvania. Since we are a charter club, current membership in the national IFFF is required of all members, but there are no additional dues or fees.

Join the International Federation of Fly Fishers online at <u>www.fedflyfishers.org</u> or by phone at 406-222-9369. The Club Secretary has paper applications that can be mailed in. Be sure to mention Twin Tiers-Five Rivers as your Chapter affiliation, so you will be recognized as part of the TT5R Chapter.

Our club meets from September through June the first Monday of each month (a week later if a holiday), at the Big Flats Community Center, 479 Maple Street, Big Flats NY. Directions: Exit off NY Rte 17/I-86 at Exit 49. Go south. At the "T", turn left onto Maple St., then follow Maple St. for approximately a quarter of a mile. The Community Center is on the right just beyond the shopping plaza and town hall.

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