

Flies and Lies

Newsletter of the Fly Fishers of Northwest Florida

November, 2018

FFNWF

PO Box 1041 Pensacola, FL 32591 **www.ffnwf.org**

PRESIDENT David Handley dmhandley@gmail.com (850) 417-9233

VICE-PRESIDENT Ed Hamkens Gysgthamkens @gmail.com

SECRETARY
George Norton
geonorton@gmail.com

TREASURER Jay Brykczynski (850) 232-7504 jaybryk@yahoo.com

NEWSLETTER
Paul Wargo
586-943-3155
flyfishersnwf@gmail.com

MONTHLY MEETINGS at Miraflores Park 17th Avenue between Belmont and LaRua

Business Meeting 1ST Tuesday, 7 PM

Bull Session - Tying 2ND Thursday, 6:30 PM

Clinic -Casting, Tying, Lunch 3RD Saturday, 9 AM

Christmas Party December 11

It's time! Get your tickets for the Christmas Party.





Buy your tickets from Jay at any November club event. If you can't make it to the club mail your check payable to FFNWF to:

Jay Brykczynski 4983 Prieto Drive

Pensacola FL 32506

Club Meeting Tuesday, Nov 6 7:00

A most important meeting. (See Below). Kent Reagan will be at the meeting to report on his PHW trip to Freedom Ranch in Montana.

Fly Tying Thursday, Nov 8 6:30

The Jerk Bait. No, you don't have to be a jerk to use it. Bass fishermen use them all the time and they aren't jerks. They don't run full bore right into a school of redfish on top.... Anyway, same week as the meeting.

Clinic Saturday, Nov 17 9:00 AM

Casting will include the PHW Competition course. Test your skill! Menu will include Don Smith's Chicken Brunswick Stew. Test your taste buds. Yum!!

The Pres Says The November Meeting is the deadline for nominations for officer positions and our Angler of the Year. Those nominations will be voted on at that meeting. The selection of the Angler of the Year will be announced at the Christmas Party.

Current Club Officer Candidates:

President : Dave Handley Member-at Large:
Treasury: Jay Brykczynski Member-at Large:

Secretary: George Norton Educational Committee:

If you are unable to attend the meeting on 6 November 2018, please provide your candidate nomination and vote to me at

dmhandley@gmail.com. it's your club, ensure your voice are heard. Dave

Oktoberfest Clinic Pictures



FYI Fly Fishing Show

December 7 and 8 inTitusville. Bob Clouser and Bob Popovics among the speakers

 $\underline{https://www.facebook.com/floridakeysoutfitters/photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218295/2119166541479832/?type=3\&theatewards.photos/a.138448776218290/219160/2191$

Fishing Report A Fairhope friend and I made a long postponed trip up to the Flint River ~ Thomaston, GA - beautiful river and surrounding country - you would think that you were several more hours north in the NC and TN mountains.

We were chasing the endangered Shoal Bass (Micropterus cataractae) indigenous to only a few fast moving, wild rivers ~ deep South. Small but very aggressive, they look and act a lot like a Smallmouth - beautiful little fish. Fast cool water, big rocks and shoals and cataracts only ~ 5 hours from home.



We caught a few fish each - I lost a monster after a big jump and we had a ball. Some call these, and similar red eye bass, 'Bama Brook Trout! I'm gonna call it redneck trout fishing... with advantages in my opinion... indigenous, wild, native, fish, better fighters. Remote, wilderness fishing - we saw only 1 couple of canoe campers all day, and all much closer to home! This was technically an Eastern Shore club trip... a cooler water alternative for our slow, hot, dog days of summer - Might make a good trip for FFNWF? **Jeff Deuschle**







Coincidentally, Bob Korose reported on Shoal Bass in his presentation at the October meeting. Bob sends us this 'follow up':

http://www.flyfishga.com/flint.htm

Here is a link that talks all about shoal bass on the Flint. I fished it with Kent Edmonds and really enjoyed it. Go in summer and wade wet. Kent Edmonds is a great guide that will put you on the fish and teach you some things at the same time. His web site has lots of info and some interesting fly tying patterns. The rubber legged dragon (a dragon fly imitation) is the best bream fly I have ever used. I led tying it a few years ago in FFNWF (FL0613 newsletter). **Bob**

PHW - November

We will meet Monday the 5th, the 12th and the 26th . All at 10:00am. On Monday the 5th we are going to tie a barred shrimp pattern Clouser and epoxy the head. We will order in lunch while the epoxy sets!

My PHWFF slogan for the month is: "He climbs higher who helps others up". Not original, an old Chinese proverb. **Russ**

Fly of the Month TOP WATER JERK BAIT

This fly can be tied as a top water or submerged fly by adjusting the foam body. As a top water, retrieve action can be used to create a "walk the dog" action as used in bass fishing. Enjoy

MATERIALS:

HOOK: GAMAKATSU B10S #2

2MM CRAFT FOAM 3/16" WIDE CRINOLINE TUBING WHITE

TRAILER HOOK: B10S \$4-#6

SENYO 20LB TRAILER WIRE

SNAP RING

OLIVE THREAD 140d

INSTRUCTIONS:



- 1. Start thread mid shank to hook bend. Tie in doubled trailer wire, extend 1-1/2 X hook shank. Extend past hook eye &fold tag end back & secure.
- 2. Foam strip length double & cut to half hook shank length. Secure at wire hump, top of hook. Advance

thread down shank & make two more tie downs. Return thread to eye &whip finish. Make sure to leave room at eye. Remove fly from vice.





- 3. Singe tubing ends, thread hook down tube like you are threading a rubber worm. Now thread foam down tube. Return fly to vice. Extend tube just past eye & trim. Reattach thread and whip finish.
- 4. Turn fly around in vice, extend tube +/- 1/4" past trailer wire & trim. Squeeze tube, singe ends & hold until tube cools.



Release tube, wire should extend just pass end of tubing. Attach split ring.





6.Now dress trailer hook with your choice of materials and colors.



7. Attach trailer hook to split ring. You can make different trailers to adjust to conditions.

Pat Murphy

Fishing with Capt. Dan

Sorry, I don't have a report for this month. Storms and inconsistent weather have made it tough. We managed a few redfish on the flats on the few decent days we had, but the bulls haven't been up consistently just yet. Spanish are still in the bay on the grass flats that everyone already knows about. **Dan Storey**





October Meeting – Tarpon Bob Korose gave a great presentation (as usual) about catching BIG fish with big rods





Pensacola
Day of
Play
And a good time
was had by all

October Minutes By George Norton: Club Secretary

BOARD OF Directors Meeting Called to Order at 1800 by the President Officers Present: President, Treasurer, Secretary, Past President, Two Members at large, project healing Waters, Education, Club Librarian.

Financial Report Russ approved and Gerry seconded a report by the Treasurer. The club finances are in good shape. Ticket sales for the Christmas Party are an important part of our finances so please buy your tickets at the next meeting or mail them to the Treasurer. Acceptance of the minutes of the last BOD Meeting in July were accepted by Jay and seconded by Jim.

Old Business: None reported

Committee Reports:

Christmas Party: On December 4th we will finalize the number of tickets and the menu will be based on the ticket sales. There will be lots of prizes and two \$50 gift certificates for spouses.

Education: Russ is our education chairman and he is looking for a replacement for the 2019 term.

Russ has done this for many years and he would like to step down. Please volunteer.

Newsletter: Paul is always looking for ideas on your tying station, book reviews, etc. for the newsletter. If you would like to write something for the November newsletter they are due October 29th.

Club Outing: No new date for our rainout in September to Johnson beach was set as George has been gone for half of October. We will probably postpone our next wade fishing trip to next spring. **Library:** No report but a reminder to club members we have a library and you can check out books. **Saturday Clinic:** Food for the luncheon is covered to year end. The November clinic will focus on casting and PHW competition.

New Business: A token of appreciation was suggested by Jonas in appreciation to Kent Gilliland for his casting instruction at our Saturday clinics. A certification for Kent was approved by Gerry and seconded by Russ.

Christmas Party tickets are an important part of our club's finances so please buy your tickets at the next meeting or you can mail them to the Treasurer; Jay Brykczynski 4983 Prieto Drive Pensacola FL 32506. December 4th is the cut- off date to buy tickets. Please also consider donating boxes of flies for door prizes. .

Nominating committee: If you want to run for a position on the Board of Directors see Jim White who is heading up the Committee at the next meeting in November.

Nominations for Angler of the year, this is a person who has given exemplary service to the club. Nominations will be accepted at the November meeting.

Parks and Recreation Day: We reviewed our participation which was a plus for our club in the city but it was felt that we served mostly very young children rather than older people who would have considered joining the club. The club will evaluate the event and decide if we plan to participate next year.

Dismissal: The President proposed an adjournment at 1900 and Oleta seconded.

General Membership Meeting 2 October 2018

The president welcomed the group at 1912 and our new members Mick Milo who just moved here. Welcome aboard Mick.

Program: Bob Korose gave another excellent program on fly fishing for sailfish in Guatemala. This would make a great club trip if we run a big budget surplus!! The technique of "bait and switch" where a trolled baitfish is literally jerked out of the sailfish's mouth at the last moment and the fly angler presents the fly at that exact moment was fascinating. Sailfish were caught on sinking and floating line and pink and while tube flies were the best colors but 3/0 Clousers also worked. Bob described the take as like buck fever as he ripped the fly out of the sailfish's mouth the first time. He also caught a 175 pound striped marlin. The Lxtpa resort is the top sailfish destination. Next up was his presentation on tarpon fishing in the Florida Keys on the ocean side flats in 3-6 feet of water. The best time isMay-June during the pololo worm hatch. Bob recommended a 10 weight nine foot fly rod. Bob also presented on Rooster fishing in Panama and Stripped Bass fishing the ChattahoocheeRiver in Georgia which is a trip I would like to make this winter. Thanks Bob and you really whet my appetite.

Minutes of 7 August meeting were approved.

Treasure's report was approved.

Old Business: None

Committee reports as discussed in the BOD Meeting notes above.

New Business: Same as BOD meeting.

Fishing Reports: Bob Korose caught a big red in the Bay. Pompano, ladyfish, bluefish and trout were all caught inshore on flies.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2015 proposed by the President and seconded by George.