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NEWSLETTER OF THE FLYFISHERS OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA SEPTEMBER 2004

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

Meetings at Miraflores Park 17th Avenue between **Belmont and LaRua**

BUSINESS MEETING 1ST TUESDAY, 7 PM

BULL SESSION 2ND THURSDAY, 6:30 PM

CASTING & TYING CLINIC 3RD SATURDAY, 9 AM

BOARD MEETING 4TH TUESDAY, 6:30PM "Fishing Report"....Bob Quarles

President's Message Jay Williams

Bull Session Fly of the Month with Tom Regina



Bull Session and Clinic Photos





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ALL FFF CLUBS IN SOUTHEASTERN COUNCIL— We are happy to share our newsletter "Flies & Lies" with you each month and look forward to receiving yours in return. In order to cut costs, we have decided to distribute by e-mail rather than post. Please send your e-mail address to Jerry Aldridge, Editor at jamayfly@yahoo.com to continue receiving our newsletter. Please send your electronic newsletters to the same address or your paper copies to FFNWF, PO BOX 1041, Pensacola, FL 32591.

Bob Zuarles Fishing Report

After being gone for three weeks in the Keys on a diving job, it's great to be home. Fished the last two days and thought I'd give a report.

Took Ben with me on Friday, lots of small specks, some nice Spanish, one small red and a small flounder. Perfect for Ben, he was happy! Hooked up two nice sharks, but they got off. Played with the dolphins and went swimming, we had a great day on the water.



Today, I caught some specks on fly rod, some keeper flounder and a huge white trout, weighed two pounds on the boga grip. I don't have the heart to weigh him in on the Sertoma, I'd rather see a kid's name up there. Anyway, went back out in the Gulf to sightfish for the



sharks and thought you guys might want to see the pics. I know better than to put these fish in the boat. I had him on the side of the boat, but then



he flopped in the boat and went crazy. The good news, I was able to cut some heavy wire off his tail from when he had been previously hooked. The wire was cutting deeper and deeper into his tissue and I removed it all (and my leader) and released him. We have a good deal going because I'm a diver, I don't kill sharks, they don't kill me. The bad news, as you can see, he went crazy, breaking a rod, slinging blood everywhere, and even a left me a couple of souvenir teeth in the boat. Take it from me, don't drag them in the boat.



I finally built my own website, inserted my graphics, pictures, text, etc. If you guys want to, check it out and let me know what you think. EDITOR'S NOTE: Bob's web site is www. blueheronguideservice.com.

President's MessageJay Williams

FFNWF Anglers....The summer has seen less attendance at our various functions with the exception of the "usual suspects", many of whom are BOD members, plus other hard core attendees. This is not at all unusual for that time of year, and it just makes us all look forward to the fall (with cooler weather) where we can renew our friendships.

The September business meeting, September 7th, will have a program arranged for by VP Russ Shields.

Remember, our fall picnic is on Sunday, October 3rd. This is always fun, and a family affair, so put your ego and pride on the shelf and participate in the casting games. I won't be there to enhance your chance of winning, inasmuch as I will have been to my 45th medical class reunion at Emory in Atlanta, ending on the 3rd, and I plan to drive up to Helen GA. and Bryson City, N.C. for a look around and perhaps wet a line. Art, Tom and some others from the GCFF, will be at Black Bear Lodge during that week.

Also, at the October business meeting we'll begin to think about who we want to elect as our 2005 officers and board. The election will be held at the November business meeting. Nomina-

tions can be made from the floor even though Travis Akin's nominating committee will propose a slate.

It wouldn't be premature for me to take this opportunity to thank our excellent officers and board from the past two years, for their support and help in carrying out my duties as your president. I have thoroughly enjoyed it and consider it a great honor to have served. Again, I encourage each member to volunteer their talents, and serve the club. You will gain much from it, I'm certain of that.

The December business meeting will be pre empted by our annual Christmas party, again at Gus' Shack. This party gets better every year. The Angler of the Year Award will be announced at that time.

Be thinking about recruiting some new members, and feel free to invite them to any meeting we have, especially to the Saturday clinic, where as you know, there's always a gourmet meal awaiting you, by virtue of the hard work Tom Regina always puts into it.

Watch the newsletter for some fall fishing tips from Jerry and others; and for trips from Art, our well traveled trip chairman. Tight Lines....Jay

Volunteers Needed!

Tom Regina will be out of town for parts of September and October. Tom usually buys food and drinks and prepares food for many of our activities so we need volunteers to help while Tom is gone. For the September 18 clinic we need someone to buy and prepare the food. For the October 3 picnic and the October 16 clinic we need someone to supply the drinks. If you can help please contact Tom at reginat@gulf.net or 458-2978.

Orvis inflatable pontoon boat. Steel frame, 8' x 4.5'. See listing in Orvis fly fishing catalogue for \$495 plus shipping. First \$200 takes it! Contact Art de Tonnancourt at 492 3833, 516 4076 or artdetonnancourt1@cox.net.

Shellback Scud.... 70m Regina

Hook Mustad C49S size 12

Thread 3/0 Gray

Rib Fine Copper Wire Shellback 1/8" Gray Scud Back

Body Gray Hareline Krystal Dubbing





1. Crush the hook barb and mount the hook in the vise. With a jam knot, start the thread one hook eye distance in back of the hook eye. Cover the hook shank, well down into the hook bend, with touching thread wraps. At the back end of the thread wraps, tie in the rib wire and the scud back. The rib wire and scud back should lay along the top of the hook shank. Cut away the butts of the rib wire and scud back. Wrap the thread forward to the thread tie in point completely covering the rib wire and scud back butts. Spiral wrap the thread back to the rib and scud back tie in point.



2. Dub a stout, loose, buggy body.



3. Pull the scud back over the top of the fly scratching it just enough so it conforms to the top of the fly without going down *too* far over the sides of the fly. Tie the scud back off behind the hook eye and trim the excess scud back.



- 4. Wind the rib wire forward in four or five open wraps to form a segmented body. Tie the wire off behind the hook eye. Cut away the excess wire, form a thread head, whip finish and cement the head.
- 5. Use a needle or a dubbing teaser to pick out dubbing from the underside of the fly. This creates an illusion of legs.

Zuick Ties with Terry McCormick.... Black Tadpole

Hook Mustad 79580, size 6, (4XL)

Thread 6/0 Black

Weight .025 Lead Free Wire

Tail Black Marabou

Body Medium Black Chenille

Thorax Medium Lime-Green or Yellow Chenille

Hackle Black Cock





1. Prepare the chenille by steaming to fluff it up. Most chenille comes packaged wrapped around a card and is crushed and nappy with creases about every three inches through out. Steaming the chenille over the spout of a teapot will puff the fibers back out and remove the creases. When steamed, the chenille makes a much nicer dressing and it will be easier to see how close the wraps are).



2. Crush the hook barb and place the hook in the vise. Starting opposite the hook point wind on touching turns of the weighting wire. Wind the wire forward to 1/4" in back of the hook eye.

3. Attach the tying thread to the hook at the front of the weighting wire. Wind the thread in spiral turns back and forward several times over the weighting wire ending with the thread at the hook bend.





4. Tie on a bunch of marabou for the tail. The tail should extend beyond the hook bend one to one and a half hook lengths.



5. Cut several inches of the prepared black chenille from the skein. Expose 1/4" of the chenille core and tie the chenille in by the core at the base of the tail. Spiral the thread forward 2/3 of the hook shank length.

6. Wind the body chenille forward in close touching turns to cover 2/3 of the hook shank length. Tie off the black chenille and cut away the tag end.





7. Attach the lime-green or yellow thorax chenille at the front of the body chenille and wind it forward to a two hook eye distance in back of the hook eye. Tie off the chenille and cut away the tag end. Wind the thread forward to the hook eye and back to the front of the thorax chenille.

8. Tie on a black cock hackle at the front of the thorax and wind the hackle forward in three close turns. Tie off the hackle and cut away the tag end. Build a thread head, whip finish, cut away the thread and cement the head.



Tying, Chillin' and Chowin' Down....Bull Session & Clinic



















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SEPTEMBER 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6	7 Business Meeting 7 PM		9 Bull Session-Tying Tall Tales 6:30	10	11
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26	27	28	29	30		