

Free State Fly Fishers Monthly Meeting

Minutes

October 4, 2023

16 participants

Welcome

- New Members and Visitors
 - Jim Rios
 - Was a member 16 years ago
 - Returning to club at his retirement
 - Saw us in Fishtalk magazine.

Fishing Reports:

- Ed W.
 - Rangely, ME in Sept
 - 11.5 hr drive
 - Landlock salmon and Brookies
 - #18 nymphs and indicators
 - Rivers, lakes, ponds
 - Closed 9/30.
 - Good fly shop
 - Gary G mentioned: don't say "pike" in fly shop
- Gary Grey
 - Marley Cr. 1 22.5" Rock in 4 hrs
- Duber Winters
 - South R. – 14" puppy drum
- Rich Batiuk
 - Patapsco
- Scott Bambry
 - Chesapeake Beach guide – Pt Lookout to 50
 - Choptank - good flounder, puppy drum, small rocks, 40" reds

New Social Media Coordinator

- Scott Bambry
- Teaching a Fly School 10/22/23

Door Prize Tonight

- Joe DeMeo – Fly box

Raffle Tonight

- 50/50

Other Activities:

- Bluegill Tournament – M Bange
 - Larry Oakey 1st place
 - Amy H. 2nd place
 - Smallest – Andy G.

- Closes 11/15/23
- Pickerel Tournament
 - Starts 11/1/23
 - John Rench and Larry Oakey rebuilt stage, found inactive termites in club building
 - Club Treasurer's Report: largest in history
 - Gary Grey – Adirondacks Outing
 - There will be a 2024 outing – June 21 - 25
 - Rich Batiuk
 - Free books on tables in club house
 - Holiday Party – Dec – Don V. to organize.
 - Raffle person – ?. Was Jack Prouty last year.
 - Gary Grey
 - Events tab on web site – slow
- Trout Schools with Duber: \$250.
 - 3/23/24
 - 4/13/24
 - Star Tannery, VA
- Fly Fishing 101 with Duber - \$0
 - 3/9/23, 8:00 am – 11:00 am
 - Catoctin Cr

Upcoming:

- Nov Meeting 11/1: E. Shore Ponds
- 11/4 Fly Tying with Joe Bruce
- 11/18 Planning for and Going on Fly Fishing Trips with Guides – Duber W
Mark Bange – Kayak Fly Fishing Talk at Boat Show, Tent 7, Sun. 2pm

Upcoming in Oct

- Sat fly tying
- with Harry Steiner – Murdich minnow
- Hands On Session 10/21/23
Andy Groko
Macroinvertebrates
- Janes Island outing CANCELED due to wind. Some folks going early, before the winds.
- Beer Tie – 10/25 – Now includes Door Prizes for all
- Casting Clinic 10/26 Thu, 5:00 PM to Dark - Club House
Duber Winters, Mark B, Tom P., Joe B: Instructors
BYO rod or use club's.

We Need Volunteers:

- Outings Coordinator
- Upgrade website

Tonight's Meeting Presentation: Erik Zlokovitz, DNR Fisheries Outreach Coordinator

50/50 Winner: Scott Bambry
Door Prize Winner: Larry Oakey