



Flies and Lies



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An Affiliate Club of Fly Fishers International*

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February Meeting Nick Raftas owner of Wild East Outfitters



Screen shot of Smallmouth bass on the Susquehanna River yb Nick Raftas

Look for more information in this Newsletter for March Meeting which will be online. See inside the newsletter for how to get access to Zoom meeting.

The Delaware Valley Fly Fishers an affiliate club of Fly Fishers International and is a **non-profit 501 (c) (7)**, conservation and educational organization that has been promoting the sport of Fly Fishing and Fly Tying since 1984.

We meet the 2nd Thursday of the Month

Articles for the Flies and Lies newsletter must be submitted by the first week of the month to be published in the following

DVFF Facebook Page

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

From the President's Fly Tying Desk



Is it a new year? I am hoping 2021 will be a big turnaround but so far we are still not able to meet in person. We need to be safe and hopefully get through this together.

Fly Fishing Shows have been canceled all over the United States.

The club is meeting Virtually though Zoom with a good turn out each month. Fly Tying Workshops have been going great online. I know the members that are participating are enjoying them and learning.

I am hoping for a large turnout on the Fly Tying Box Contest. This is the perfect time to create a Fly Box and donate it to the club to have a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate.

I would like to thank those that graciously participated in our raffles. These donations are helping us with expenses that our dues do not cover.

I have been voluntold that my expertise is needed to help with the Fly Fishers International Virtual Fly Tying Expo in November. This is a short amount of time to get this up and running. My part will be organizing the fly tying workshops and demo tiers. ALL ONLINE.

Meanwhile I have been tying to get Fly Tying Online Programs up and running.

I am hoping by May we will be able to meet in person, at least outside.

Membership numbers have stayed very constant, we lost a few older members but gained new members. Not bad in a Pandemic.

I am planning the end of March for a Knot Tying workshop. I am hoping to get these done soon.

Big Conservation news was FFI and TU announcing a Conservation partnership between the two organizations. More info in the newsletter

One thing I have been hearing from many Fly Fishing clubs around the United States. "**Come Join Us, Learn to Flyfish Like a Pro**". How about Join DVFF and **Learn How to Enjoy Fly Fishing?** Why do we want to be pros? Why not learn fly fishing as a way to relax and decompress from a hard day of work. A Pro (Professional) is always being judged on their abilities. Is that what you want? To be under the microscope all the time? I would rather cast a fly, catch a fish and enjoy the day outside with my son or alone with nature Something to think about!

Here is hoping your hooks stay sharp and your flies do not end up caught in trees

Jerry Coviello

DVFF President
FFI Fly Tying Group Chairman
FFI Buz Buszek Fly Tying Award Recipient
Fly Tyer Magazine Columnist





March 11 Meeting

Group gatherings are being discouraged to help slow the spread of COVID. We at DVFF are complying with the health officials and with CDC recommendations. I believe we will get through this but in the meantime we will continue our meetings whether Online or In Person.

To Join in Zoom Meeting YOU MUST REGISTER USING THE BELOW LINK AND DUES PAID BEFORE March 10th

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYqd-yvpjojGdN31MluW2kOvzUZ910n_bOb

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.



Meeting Location (When Allowed)

Churchville Nature Center

501 Churchville Lane

Churchville, Pennsylvania 18966

7:00 PM EST

Local Fly Shops that support DVFF though donations and advertising

Mainstream Outfitters
1121 N. Easton Rd.
Doylestown, PA 18902
215-766-1244
<http://mainstreamoutfitters.com>

Tulpehocken Creek Outfitters
525 West Lancaster Avenue
Haverford, PA 19041
Phone: 610-527-3388
www.tcoflyfishing.com

Plymouth Meeting Orvis Retail Store
500 W Germantown Pike, Space
1515
Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

Fretz's Furled Leaders
www.fretzfurledleaders.com
WFRETZ@fretzfurledleaders.com

**March 11 2021
Rick Nyles
Penn's Creek the Hatch Factory**



Rick Nyles is the owner of Sky Blue Outfitters, Rick will go over Hatches, Fishing Techniques, Different Sections to fish and flies that work on Penn's Creek.

Sky Blue Outfitters is the leading fly fishing guide service in Pennsylvania. Since 1999 Sky Blue has guided on the best streams in the Keystone State, Penns Creek, Spring Creek, Big Fishing Creek, Pine Creek, Kettle Creek, Slate Run, Cedar Run, Little Juniata River, Lackawanna River, Little Lehigh, Tulpehocken Creek, Manatawny Creek, Yellow Breeches and Big Spring. We offer drift boat

trips on the Juniata and, Susquehanna Rivers for smallmouth bass along with trips to the Delaware River for trout. Join us for a walk and wade, one of our PA overnight packages, drift boat trip or on one of our destination trips to Montana, Outer Banks or Labrador. We offer educational fly fishing, fly tying and casting programs. All of our trips are designed to help improve your fly fishing skills. Sky Blue is a Trout Unlimited Endorsed Business (Gold Level). Come join us and Learn From Our Experience and "Catch A Memory"

Topic: DVFF March 11 2021 - Rick Nyles

Time: March 11th 2021 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

To Join in Zoom Meeting YOU MUST REGISTER USING THE BELOW LINK AND DUES PAID BEFORE JANUARY 14

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYqd-yvpjojGdN31MluW2kOvzUZ910n_bOb

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

April 8th Tim Flagler

Euro-Nymphing without Breaking the Bank



Tim Flagler, well known for his fly tying videos throughout the world and his articles in Fly Tyer Magazine will present—Euro-nymphing – from the basics to advanced techniques. Presentation will illustrate how to get started by converting a standard trout rod, say, a 9' 5 weight into a functional Euro-Nymphing set-up and the multiple steps that can be taken after that to produce an advanced outfit. Presentation will cover not only equipment, but flies and on-stream strategies and techniques as well.

This is a great opportunity to learn how to get started in Euro Nymphing and use the equipment you currently own. No need to take out a business loan or beg for money to purchase new equipment.

Intermediate Tying by Jerry Covello

Weaving Is for

More than Rugs

Do two-tone flies catch more fish? Tie and fish the author's pattern, and see for yourself.

Many years ago, while fishing for trout on a local free-water stream, I picked up a recently nymphed fly that had crawled into the back of my waders. The insect's body was dark brown on top and yellowish cream on the bottom. I had yellow streaky nymph imitations on hand that had sort of imitated pulled over the fly. I thought, "Well, here's one using the same approach as this real stonefly. I also saw across a Birch Creek Nymph; it was tied with black and orange chenille woven together for the body of the fly. The black chenille stayed on top of the body while the orange was.

I learned how to weave as a Boy Scout, making lanyards using paracord; the technique was called the over weave. This weaved created a flat appearance, which is

perfect for tying a streaky nymph using floss or embroidery floss for the body. You can weave using a variety of materials, like wire, monofilament, and so forth. For example, Kevin Coffey, a fly tier living in Georgia, has a fly called Coffey's Western Candy Caddis Nymph. I found out about this pattern after reading a story by me in the *Fly Fisherman* magazine. The author, Kevin Coffey, and Kevin left a comment about how remarkably similar his tie was posted on the Ovis website. I looked to mine. I never saw the tie he posted, but I did see the tie he used to make the two-tone fly. The difference was the main fly used to weave the fly he used woven white and green Stretch Fiber. I have also seen that technique used on patterns called Pheasant Weave Flies, but this method of weaving flies has been around for decades. I find it always pops up with a different name.

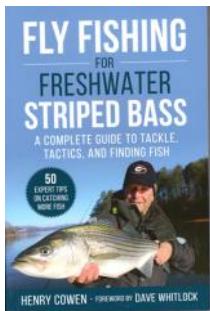
Jerry Covello is a regular contributor to our magazine. In addition to writing his great articles, he heads the fly tying program for Fly Fishers International and is president of the Delaware Valley Fly Fishers. Jerry lives in Pennsylvania.

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I also hit a milestone by getting my 4th article published in Fly Tyer Magazine. I filled 5 pages with step by step photos and directions

But more important is DVFF is mentioned in Fly Tyer Magazine

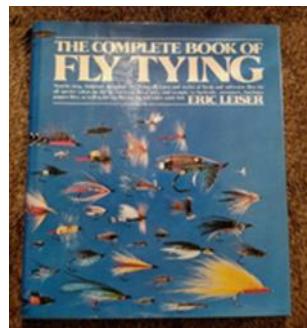
Delaware Valley Fly Fishers Winter Fundraiser



Winner
Rob Huebner



Winner:
Sheldon Slusser



Winner: Scott Griffith



Winner Jerry Coviello



Winner: Wayne Radel



Winner Michael Yamane



Winner: Scott Griffith



Winner: Scott Griffith

Total Membership that participated: 22 out of 68 members – 32% giving a Final Total: \$778.97
I would like to thank the following for donating and participating in the Online Winter Fundraiser

Donald Shreve
Tony Cocchiara
Rob Huebner
Joseph Armenti
Dennis Heim
Ronald Cook
Gerard Higgins
Stephen Simco
Ed Sauer
Peter Onyskiw
Scott Griffith

Richard Fedele
Jerry Duffy
Michael Yamane
Dale Jones
Bill Ashcraft
Rob Huebner
Wayne Radel
James Brennan
Sheldon Slusser
Robert Horton
Jerry Coviello

Who Has the Best Fly Collection Contest

Attention DVFF Fly Tyers.

Tying season is upon us and here is your opportunity to help your club. Who can create the best fly box collection?

Here is a chance to show off your skills or your favorite flies and have some bragging rights in the process. We are putting together a little competition where you tie and fill up a fly box.

You then donate the fly box with your flies to DVFF. Once you are ready to enter your fly box, contact Jerry Covielo at jerry_coviello@verizon.net or send them to him directly so he can photograph your fly box.

Once photographed they will be added to the “Fly Box Competition Online Fundraiser” where everyone can vote for the best one or their favorite (\$1.00 per vote).

Each vote you cast gives you one chance to win that box, so vote often. The tier of the box with the most votes will win a \$25.00 Gift Certificate to J Stockard Fly Fishing

Deadline for your fly box collection is March 25st. Contest will start April 1st.



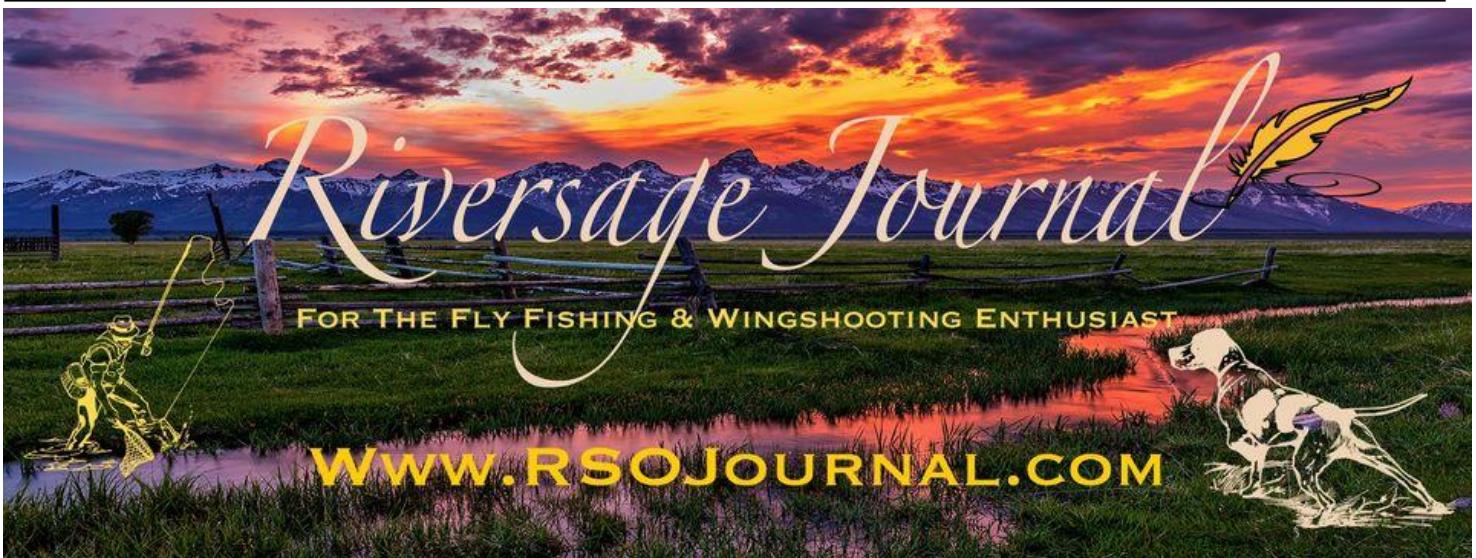
1st Entry of the Contest is Jerry Duffy with one dozen Shad Flies

Mentorship Program

By William Ashcraft

A club is an association of it's members united by a common interest or goal. Our interest is fly fishing. We benefit from each others experiences and we grow with each other. It is the purpose of a club. In an effort to expand our impact we are going to develop a mentoring program in order to help new members grow into the sport with us. We are looking for volunteers to assist our newcomers both on the stream and off. The amount of time you are willing to invest is up to you. Off stream skills could be rigging up, knot tying or even casting lessons. I wouldn't suggest going golfing without spending time on the driving range, and I wouldn't suggest going fly fishing without spending a few hours getting the feel for casting a fly line. This just invites frustration. With our increasing number of club trips this year we would like to offer some on stream advice and guidance. Fly selection, reading the water and bringing a fish to net on a fly rod are areas where we could be of tremendous benefit to our new members. We have all witnessed beginner fly fishers who have retired their fly fishing equipment after an attempt or two on the water and have returned to their spinning rods. Let's give our new members a fighting chance. This will take some coordinating. First we need some volunteers. While a commitment, we need to be flexible. Not all members will be able to make all scheduled trips, and not all new members will make all scheduled trips. And no one says you have to be attached at the hip with your mentee. Mentees must let it be known before any trip if he or she would like a mentor. We will have a list of volunteer mentors and try to match each student with a teacher. Each and every one of us has something of value to offer, so please consider sharing your skills with those who have shown interest in our club. We want to keep them around.

**Contact William Ashcraft if you would like to be part of the DVFF Mentorship Program—
washcraft@comcast.net**



I guess Riversage Journal started a very long time ago, when I was just a young boy and so passionate and excited about every adventure into the outdoors. Those memories are still so vivid in my memory as we searched the lakes and rivers for trout, bass, really just about anything the swam, plus wandering the fields in search of small and big game. Those memories still burn bright within me to this day.

Over the years since my youth, I have had the opportunity to hunt and fish throughout the world from Argentina to Alaska and everywhere in between! After many years of traveling to these exciting locations plus guiding both in the East and the West and working for the Fly Fishing Shows and planning my own fly fishing & Wingshooting expos. Something became quite evident to me there was a lot of conflicting ideas and information pertaining to the sports of fly fishing & wingshooting. Plus I found a huge number of armchair sportsman who were eager and willing to give you their advice, even if you did not want it! Now my guiding days are over, but my contacts that I have acquired from over 25 years in the industry are still available as a resource for Riversage Journal. Associates that I trust and believe to be the best or "Real Deal" have agreed to be a part of Riversage Journal. So as you browse through the pages of our "Free" online Fly Fishing & Wingshooting Magazine, know that what you are reading and enjoying is coming from the "Best of the Best". In addition I am constantly searching for new and creditable authors to join in on our new venture.

We have designed the online journal to be easy to navigate with a huge emphasis on our most valuable asset, our Contributing Editors. Riversage Journal is a labor of love and passion for everything outdoors from hunting, fishing, photography, wild game cooking, fine wines, cigars and so much more! Our goal for Riversage Journal is to spread the most creditable information about our sports and get our visitors excited to get outdoors!

Riversage Journal is a free resource for all anglers and wingshooters. As you all know, everything has its expenses and we ask if you would kindly make a donation to our efforts, any donation amount will be greatly appreciated and will ensure we can continue to bring you this fun and exciting resource. We do understand If this is not possible and can assure you Riversage Journal will be available to all who enjoy the outdoors!

If you would like to go a step further we are offering a VIP Membership. The VIP Membership in addition to access to all content within the magazine you will receive exclusive Members only benefits, to include priority invitations to all RSO Journal events, such as online and in person classes with our pro staff and editors. You will also receive a 10% discount on all future RSO events and classes plus a 10% discount on select merchandise in the RSO Store.

We hope you take the time to visit Riversage Journal and thoroughly enjoy your time while browsing through the pages of Riversage Journal. We look forward to bringing you many years of the most informative and exciting articles and videos from professionals in the fly fishing & wingshooting sports

Ray Miller Publisher

Spend a Day with Sean Crocker



I would like to thank Sean Crocker for donating his time for this great raffle. The raffle brought in , \$350.00 and the drawing was held at our February Meeting. The lucky winner was Tom Dobson

I would like to thank the following for participating in this raffle and helping DVFF

Tom Dobson (WINNER) , Jerry Coviello, Bill Ashcraft, Dave Kimble, Jay Kapolka, Lane McHugh, Rob Huebner, Ken Mc Daniels, Geo Peruzzi, Peter Onyskiw, Jeff Martin, Gerry Higgins, Dale Jones, Dave Wermuth, Wayne Radel, Fred Hendrickson

Thank you again Sean you are welcome at our meetings anytime.

2020—2021 Dues LAST CALL

Since we missed almost 50% of our meetings the Officers and Directors have decided to give a discount on RENEWING MEMBERS ONLY, for 2020-2021 season, we will only charge \$25 for the year. BUT if you would like to donate the other \$10 to help DVFF, we would be very grateful. You can pay online, pay in person or fill out the form and mail it to the club.

Paying online includes a \$2.00 processing fee

You could "Hold the Control Key Down and Click the Pay Dues Symbol

[Pay Dues Click
Here](#)

Or copy the below link and paste into your browser

https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=R7ZMVKRCWE5UG&source=url

By January 10th if your dues are not paid you will be removed from the membership and will have to rejoin.



Kettle Creek Lodge DVFF overnight outing

For June, 10th thru 12th lets get together in Potter county for some prime season Trout fishing. Kettle Creek lodge is located on the Little Kettle Creek and has direct stream access for Anglers. Also it is located just above Kettle Creek, just a short walk downstream.

They have single and double occupancy rooms available. Offer Breakfast and dinner and the rates are reasonable

LODGE RATES for Bed & Breakfast Guests

\$105.00, lodging and a full breakfast
\$155.00, lodging, full breakfast and dinner (evening meal optional)
\$80.00, lodging and a full breakfast
\$105.00, lodging, full breakfast and dinner (evening meal optional)

LODGE RATES

Contact Bill Fretz for more information

wwfretz@gmail.com

DELAWARE VALLEY FLY FISHERS



MEMBERS ONLY FACEBOOK GROUP PAGE

For members to posts fly fishing and tying discussions



A new feature has been created off the Delaware Valley Fly Fishers Facebook Page, it is a Facebook Group Page. You can find it on the DVFF Facebook page in the Group Box.

This was created because of a survey comment that asked for a way so members can communicate, comment and discuss with the group fly fishing, tying and any other topics you feel is important.

The difference between the DVFF Facebook Group Page and the DVFF Facebook Page is, the DVFF Facebook Page is accessible to the world but only comments can be left on the page. Only Admins and Editors can post to the DVFF Facebook Page. The DVFF Facebook Group Page is members only and only the members can post and comment on this page. This becomes an interactive page for our members to use for discussion topics.

This is a **PRIVATE GROUP** and if you would like to join it you need to click on the Group Page Link in the box and answer the questions and you will be accepted to the page if you are a paid member.

There are currently 3 Posted Topics in the Group Page now. **Online Meetings, September Fishing Outing** and **Online Fly Tying Workshops**, more topics will be created as needed.

DVFF Group Page rules:

Be Kind and Courteous

We're all in this together to create a welcoming environment. Let's treat everyone with respect. Healthy debates are natural, but kindness is required.

No Hate Speech or Bullying

Make sure everyone feels safe. Bullying of any kind isn't allowed, and degrading comments about things like race, religion, culture, sexual orientation, gender or identity will not be tolerated.

No Promotions or Spam

Give more than you take to this group. Self-promotion, spam and irrelevant links aren't allowed.

Respect Everyone's Privacy

Being part of this group requires mutual trust. Authentic, expressive discussions make groups great, but may also be sensitive and private. What's shared in the group should stay in the group

This page is moderated so any violations from a member, will cause the member will be removed.

Please enjoy and be responsible

Jerry Couiello

Future Trips

By Bill Fretz

We will take a break with trips for December, January and February. We will continue starting in March. Below are the future trips planned

March- McMichaelsCreek- Saturday, 03-27-2021.
Meet @ 10am
Hickory Valley Park
1303 Hickory Valley Rd, Stroudsburg, PA

18360

<https://goo.gl/maps/ZMoJLY9Ft2bjWGJF9>

APRIL- LIZARD CREEK – Saturday 04-24-2021. Meet @ 9am Ashfield Playground. Weissport, PA 18235
<https://goo.gl/maps/2DcbkSVwjsUvLwTe6>

MAY- BROADHEAD Creek. Saturday, 05-22-2021.
Meet @ 8am Broadhead Creek Park
3318 N 5th St, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
<https://goo.gl/maps/muFDZZ1YVvXsUk7L9>

Workshops

With COVID DVFF will have the Fly Tying Workshops online. To better understand what needs the membership needs or wants we will have a sign up sheet available at the October and November meetings **Instructor: Jerry Coviello, FFI Fly Tying Group Chairperson and FFI Buz Buszek Memorial Fly Tying Award Recipient**

Beginner Fly Tying Workshop—January 13th through March 3rd.

This is a beginner class 8 weeks long and will cover, the woolly bugger, gold ribbed hare's ear nymph, Gold Ribbed Hares' Ear Soft Hackle Wet Fly , Dark Cahill Wet Fly, Dark Cahill Dry Fly, Black Nose Dace Bucktail Streamer , Elk Hair Caddis Dry Fly and Dave's Hopper . This will be a Zoom Online Class, starting January 13 for 8 consecutive Wednesdays at 7:30PM. Registration is required. Must have 5 students for the class to go. <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAlD06orzsuhdalDEwyYw-3cZTOMeg4Y-Os> Material, Tool List, PDF Manual will be emailed after registration. Please register early so you will have time to purchase your tools and materials. Paperback book available through Amazon. <https://www.amazon.com/Beginners-Tying-Manual-Jerry-Coviello/dp/1709415010>

Fly Fishers International Silver Fly Tying Award Demo—January 19 thru March 16

Some of our members took a Bronze Fly Tying Award tying class hosted by DVFF. This was done around 3 years ago. Jerry Coviello will be doing an Online Silver Fly Tyng Award Demo to go over the 9 Evaluation flies for the award. This workshop will be though the eyes of what an evaluator is looking for, and will go over the update award coming out later in 2021. **Soon to be filled**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwocuGsrT0iE9YvbYGpZ52vTU-2-Ms4dxY1>

Working with UV Resin—Date to be determined based on interest

This will be a Intermediate Class using flies to show how to apply UV Resin in your fly tying. Flies covered will be the Thunder Creek Streamer, Crease Fly, Surf Candy, UV Resin Ultra Shrimp, and CF Streamer. Instructor uses Solarez UV Resin, Thick, Thin and Flex. Class will be 6 weeks.

Spinning and Stacking Deer Hair—Date to be determined based on interest

This will be an Intermediate Class tying flies that require Spinning or Stacking Deer Hair. There is a difference between just Spinning Deer and Stacking Deer Hair. We will cover this topic with the following flies, Irresistible Dry Fly, Goddard Caddis, Deer Hair Popper, Muddler Minnow and Diver.

Beginner Fly Fishing Workshop—March

This will be an online class to go over knots, flies, equipment wading safety, and basic stream etiquette. Casting will be done at the Lizard Creek Saturday 04-24-2021. Meet @ 9am . The DVFF Learn to Fly Fish Day

**Mink Pond Club Trip
May 1st and 2nd
(Limited to 8 people)**

Tony Cocchiara has graciously set up a fishing outing to the Mink Pond Club for Delaware Valley Fly Fishers.

We would arrive at Mink Pond Club at 9:00 am on May 1st and depart at 4:00 on May 2nd. We will fish the Little Bushkill Creek, which flows through the club property and is stocked with 14-16" trout. We also release trophy trout, 19"+ weekly so there is a real chance to catch a nice rod bender. A 3 or 4 wt. rod seems to be ideal but many people also use 5 wt. rods so bring the rod you're most comfortable casting. The stream is about 30 feet across at its widest point so not a lot of long casts are needed. Mink Pond is a private club with 2500 acres and approx. 1.5 miles of stream that is broken up into 3 sections. The upper stream is a calm flowing stream ideal for dry fly fishing and streamers. The middle stream is filled with pocket pools ideal for nymph fishing and streamer fishing and the lower stream is a forest stream that is ideal for the person who likes tight quarters and short casts. We will limit this trip to 8 people because we'll have two members of Mink Pond there to help guide two groups of 4. The stewards will provide lunch and dinner for us on Saturday, May 1st and breakfast and lunch on Sunday, May 2nd. Overnight accommodations will be private rooms with shared bathrooms. The clubhouse is very comfortable and all sheets and towels will be provided. There is a member stocked bar area so we'll have everyone bring their favorite beverage of choice. The bar is fully stocked with mixers and soft drinks so no need to bring tonic or soda. I'm attaching a brochure about the club here in case anyone would like to view the details. Call Tony for any questions for about what to bring and what flies to use. This is going to be a fun trip and it's not unusual for the experienced fly fisherman to have a 20 fish day. The cost of this trip is \$150 which includes all meals, daily rod fees and overnight accommodations and a valid PA fishing license will be needed along with a trout stamp. My cell phone is 201-410-6987 for anyone who has questions about the trip.

Mink Pond Club Registration

Mail Registration from to Delaware Valley Fly Fishers at 207 Hibiscus Drive, Chalfont PA 18914 C/O Jerry Covielo. Make checks payable to Delaware Valley Fly Fishers. **ONLY 4 spots**. left

Trip Cost \$150 MAY 1st to May 2nd

Name: _____ **Phone** _____

Email: _____



FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL

<https://flyfishersinternational.org/Membership/Membership-Overview>

Since 1964, Fly Fishers International has been an organized voice for fly fishers. We represent all aspects of fly fishing – from the art of fly tying and casting instruction, to the protection of and access to fisheries around the world. A 501c3 non-profit organization formally known as The International Federation of Fly Fishers, FFI is driven by three fundamental pillars: Conservation, Education, and Community. Together, these pillars provide the foundation for our vision of the future of fly fishing — a future in which anglers have access to prime waters and fish can thrive in healthy, protected habitats; in which learning never stops and artistry is not forgotten; and that recognizes the true value of camaraderie. If we want this legacy to be experienced by future generations, we have to work to make that happen.

WHO WE ARE

- An international non-profit organization
- Fly fishers, fly casters, and fly tiers
- Conservationists of all fish in all waters
- Educators of all things fly fishing
- Supporters of the fly fishing community

WHAT WE DO

- Help to protect and enhance fish and fisheries worldwide
- Provide top-quality fly casting and tying instruction
- Cultivate and strengthen the fly fishing community
- Curate and preserve fly fishing artifacts, art, and literature
- Pass on the legacy of fly fishing

WHAT MEMBERS GET

- Access to an unmatched repository of knowledge (Learning Center)
- Special offers and discounts
- Recognition for special skills or achievements
- Access to a network of like-minded outdoor enthusiasts
- A chance to help make a positive impact on the sport

<input type="checkbox"/> 1-Year General.....	\$35	<input type="checkbox"/> Student (22 & under)*	\$20
<input type="checkbox"/> 3-Year General.....	\$90	<input type="checkbox"/> Business*.....	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior (65+)*.....	\$25	<input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime	\$1,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Veteran*.....	\$25	<input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Premium**	\$1,500

Note: General memberships include spouses, cohabitating partners and children under 18 years of age. Lifetime memberships include spouses and cohabitating partners.

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

**Lifetime Premium member will receive a custom-built rod from TFO Rods.

PRINTED FLYFISHER MAGAZINE:

- \$10/yr U.S. residents \$20/yr International residents
- Lifetime and Business members will receive a free printed copy of *Flyfisher*.
- All members have free access to *Flyfisher* on our website.



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CONSERVATION / EDUCATION / COMMUNITY

CUT FORM ON LINE

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Country _____

Email _____

Club Affiliation _____

Delaware Valley Fly Fishers PA

Referred by _____

Check Enclosed (Payable to Fly Fishers International - U.S. funds)

Visa Mastercard Discover Amex

Card# _____

Exp. Date MM/YY _____ / _____

Please do not share my information with organizations outside of FFI.



Delaware Valley Fly Fishers, Inc.

Membership Application



Delaware Valley Fly Fishers, Inc. is a non-profit conservation and educational organization promoting the sport of fly fishing and fly tying. We meet at 7:00pm, the 2nd Thursday of each month, except December, at the Churchville Nature Center, located at 501 Churchville Lane, Churchville, PA 18966. The programs of the organization are structured to be personal and informative for maximum interest and lasting value. Activities include monthly guest speakers and refreshments, monthly raffles, a full video library available for rent at each meeting, fly fishing and fly tying classes, a December holiday party, coordinated fishing trips, and much more. We cordially invite you to join our organization knowing that you will fully enjoy participating in our activities. Annual club dues are \$35.00 payable by check to "DVFF". A \$10 initiation fee is charged to new members making the total initial sign-up cost \$45.00. Junior membership (under 18 years old) is only \$5.00. Membership renewals received after December 1st. will be subject to a \$10.00 late charge.

Please complete this form and give it to Steve Wermuth, Membership Director. The form and dues can be submitted to Steve at a club meeting or mailed to:

Steve Wermuth
1041 Richardson Ave.
Bensalem, PA 19020

If you have any questions, please call Steve Wermuth, at 215-809-4687.

Date: _____

Circle One: New Member Membership Renewal

Name: _____

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Are you a current member of Fly Fishers International? Yes No

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FFI & TU Formalize Conservation Partnership

Fly Fishers International and Trout Unlimited have entered into a formal conservation partnership, consummating the collective conservation focus of each organization to greater substantive effect.

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The agreement formally recognizes and acknowledges the shared conservation commitments of TU and FFI on behalf of the organizations' members, customers, and communities. It also establishes communication between the groups as they collaborate toward achieving mutual conservation goals.

The partnership has been approved by FFI's chairman of the board and president and CEO upon recommendation by the board's Conservation Committee.

Trout Unlimited President and CEO Chris Wood said the partnership makes good sense for both TU and FFI. "Fly Fishers International is driven by the three fundamental pillars of conservation, education and community," Wood said. "That philosophy perfectly aligns with Trout Unlimited's vision.

"Because we share mutual conservation goals, we are natural allies."

Patrick Berry, President and CEO of Fly Fishers International, added: "FFI is dedicated to partnering with leading conservation organizations such as Trout Unlimited to ensure protection of our fisheries and their associated habitats for the benefit and enjoyment of the broader fly-fishing community. When we work together to achieve our collective missions, we are able to realize more success than working individually."

When a group of avid fly anglers formed Trout Unlimited on the banks of Michigan's Au Sable River in 1959, the founders envisioned an organization that would work toward shared goals of protecting and restoring trout, salmon and their watersheds. Trout Unlimited has over 300,000 members and supporters in more than 400 chapters throughout the U.S.

Fly Fishers International, based in Livingston, Mont., was chartered in 1964 and is home to almost 270 clubs and 17 regional councils around the US and parts of the world. In addition to focusing on conservation initiatives, FFI provides premier virtual and in-person programming for fly fishing education, featuring the online FFI Learning Center as a centerpiece of this effort.

Further, like TU, FFI focuses on the importance of a thriving community of individuals who value the camaraderie of angling and appreciate that learning never stops.

Fly of the Month

The Possie Bugger

Fly tied and photos by Bill Fretz



The Prince Nymph is a searching nymph pattern making use of peacock herl which is iridescent and reflects points of light. Adding a bead head helps to get the fly down to where the fish are located. The gold ribbing and bead reflect light mimicking air bubbles forming inside the

shuck of emerging nymphs or the air bubble carried below the surface by some beetles

Materials

Hook: Nymph 2x Long Hook size 8 - 16

Thread: Black 6/0

Tail: Australian Possum length of the hook

With Pearl Flashabou

Body: Possum dubbing

Ribbing: Pearl Flashabou AND Sm. Gold Wire

Hackle: Hungarian Partridge

Neck: Black Color Dubbing



Step 1

With the bead added to your hook, Wrap 6 to 8 turns of .015 dia. Weighted wire



Step 2

Tie in your thread behind the weighted wire, wrap forward to lock in the wire wraps. Then wrap towards the hook and stop at the bend



Step 3

For the tail. Use a small pinch of Australian possum, a hook gap in length. Tie onto the top of the hook Shank at the bend of the hook.



Step 4

To add some flash. We are now going to tie Pearl Flashabou to each side of the tail. With a piece tied to the far side and one to the near side, trim the Flashabou just a little longer than the tail



Step 5

Now we will be tying in the ribbing. The ribbing is 2 parts.

First tie in the Gold wire to the underside and pull the wire underneath and place it to the far side. Next tie in a lenght of Pearl Flashabou. Placing that to the near side of the hook.



Step 6

For the body, Possum dubbing is used. Dub a noodle and starting at the bend, make touching wraps forward. Bring the dubbing forward to just behind the bead and stop. Leave a little space behind the bead to allow for the hackle and neck to be tied in .



Step 7

To rib the body, first take the Flashabou and make open wraps in the same direction that you dubbed and tie off just behind the bead.



Step 8

Next take your Gold wire and in the reverse direction make tight open wraps and tie off behind the bead.



Step 9

For the hackle, we are using Hungarian Partridge. Tie in the tip of the feather. Fold the feather heels in half and make 2-3 wraps and Tie off behind the bead.



Step 10

To finish off, add Black colored dubbing, tightly wrapped behind the bead and whip finish

IF you would like to have one of your flies in the DVFF newsletter, send an email to Jerry Coviello

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Thank you Bill for your fly that you shared to everyone

Jerry Coviello



Flies and Lies



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