



**Roubidoux
Fly Fishers
Association**

RIVER RAP

**February
2008**

Next Meeting
at 6:30 on
Wednesday
March 19th at
Home Town
Suite's
conference
room in St
Robert



**Missouri
Stream Team
#1**

**FEDERATION OF
FLY FISHERS**



**"If fishing
interferes with
your business,
give up your
business. The
fish do not rise
in Greenwood
Cemetery"**

Quote by
Sparse Grey
Hackle

Gary Flippin to Speak at the April meeting

Gary Flippin, (Owner of Rim Shoals Resorts on the White River in Arkansas) will be the featured speaker at the April monthly meeting. Gary's Program will discuss fly fishing on the White River. For those planning on going on the Staff Ride two weeks later, this is a great opportunity to pick up some tips and tricks.

Fishing Report from Current River Fish Outing By Lou Runnalls

We had a good turn out with Copper John Holler, Max, Bill Blunt, Matt Mayes and I meeting up at 0730 at Baptist Camp Access. Max gave Matt some pointers on casting and then they all went down stream, catching a few until they went to the lodge for lunch. Bill and I headed upstream, taking the fisherman's path until almost half way to Tan Vat Access. After taking a stream sample and finding a fly in Bill's box to match the green caddis larva, we started fishing our way back to Baptist Camp. We hadn't started fishing more than 15 minutes when Bill had a fish on. A couple of firsts - his first brown trout, his first brown on a fly he tied, and his first time on the Current. (See Photo) Not bad for a "newbie". He also lost a couple, which is incentive to go back and get them. I got two real nice shiners, one well over the width of my hand.



When we made it back to Baptist, we found a note - the other guys had gone to lunch at the lodge, so we followed them (although they left at 1205 and we didn't get back to the access until after 2:00 P.M.) After a nice hot bowl of chili, we went looking and sure enough, Matt and Max were behind the lodge fishing. We arrived just in time to see Matt pull in a real nice rainbow (knucklehead photographer forgot to take a picture - hmmm wonder who that was?). Max was around the corner at the dogleg before the bridge picking on some fish over there. John had taken a break and we had just missed him. We heckled both Max and Matt until the whistle blew, then we all broke camp and headed home.

To sum it up Copper John Holler said it the best - which it was definitely a repeat, especially since it was only 15 more minutes down the road than Bennett Springs and a lot easier to get into the zone.

Program for the March Monthly Meeting Changed

The March monthly meeting program has been changed. Ed Lemay and Lou will tie the Bitch Creek Wolly Bugger and Original Bitch Creek, respectively. The MOVIE MADDNESS that was originally planned for the March monthly meeting will rescheduled for a later date.

Date for April Fish Outing Change

Due to a conflict with the Staff Ride the date for the April fish outing has been changed from Sunday the 27th to Sunday the 20th. The location is still the same...we are still planning on going to Stone Mill Creek on Fort Leonard Wood.

February Meeting Notes

There was pretty big turnout of members at the February monthly meeting. The meeting was held in the conference room of All Town Suites. In attendance were Lou Runnalls, G.A. Maxwell, Chuck Tryon, Dave and Leona Tharp, Rich Williams, Jack Hale, John Holler, Ed Lemay, Dave Earl, Boot, and new member Bill Blunt. For this month we had two fly tiers doing the program. Max was tying Klinkhammers and Copper John Holler was tying Copper Johns.

March Fish Outing to Tanycomo

For those planning on going to the March 8th fish outing to Tanycomo John Holler submitted a homepage from McLellan's Fly Shop. John says they have some good information of fishing below the dam. www.mcflyshop.com

Hamburgers and Fish Stories after March 16th Fish Outing

After the March 16th fish outing to Blue Spring Creek, Boot Pierce has invited everyone to his house up the road in Sullivan for hamburgers and fish stories. Plans are to eat around 2:30 or 3:00 pm. This allows everyone to fish in the morning and also gives those wanting to fish in the evening time to get back to the stream. Boot will provide the burgers and fixin's, please bring your choice of beverage

BYLAWS

The February meeting also included a discussion of the clubs bylaws. Chuck Tryon was available to find a hard copy and distributed them at the meeting. Max did some digging through the clubs history and this is the latest set of approved bylaws found to be in electronic form. While the bylaws are "adopted in theory" several questions came up at the meeting as to the clubs ability to follow a strict reading of the bylaws. Take a bit of time to read over these, there will probably be further discussion of them at the next monthly meeting.

THE BYLAWS OF THE ROUBIDOUX FLY FISHERS ASSOCIATION (as revised by the general membership, August 3rd, 1992)

Article I

Name and Objectives

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the ROUBIDOUX FLY FISHERS ASSOCIATION.

Section 2. The objectives of this organization shall be:

- a. To promote fly fishing as the most sportsmanlike and enjoyable way of fishing and the most consistent with the preservation and wise use of our game fish.
- b. To practice conservation of natural resources and to support all efforts for environmental quality and pollution control.
- c. To provide advice, education, and assistance to promote the art of fly fishing.
- d. To demonstrate applied techniques in fly fishing, tying, casting and related subjects.

Section 3. This organization may incorporate under the laws of the State of Missouri or any other state as a non-profit organization upon the approval by the Board of Directors and the membership.

Article II

Membership

Section 1. Any person of good standing in the community who subscribes to the purposes and objectives of this organization shall be eligible for membership.

Section 2. Memberships shall be:

- a. Individual -- a person who contributes the individual membership dues as required.
- b. Family -- a husband and wife in a single family who contribute the family membership dues as required. The husband and the wife shall each be entitled to one vote.
- c. Honorary -- a person selected by the Board of Directors in recognition of outstanding service to the organization or for activities in conformity with the objectives of this organization.
- d. Corporate -- entitles a corporate sponsor to four individual memberships upon contribution of membership dues as required.
- e. Life -- an individual membership for the life of the contributing member, subject to the exclusions of Article II, section four, of this document.
- f. Family Life -- a membership as defined in Article II, section 2, of this document, for the lives of both husband and wife.

Section 3. Dues shall be:

- a. In the amounts established by the Board of Directors.
- b. Payable on or before January 1 of each year for the year(s) due.
- c. Dues will be pro-rated on a calendar year from January 1 through December 31, on a quarterly basis. Membership for any portion of a quarter shall be paid for as the entire quarter.

Section 4. Termination of membership shall be:

- a. Annual membership is terminated 31 March of the new calendar year if dues are unpaid.
- b. For cause, by action of the Board of Directors, whenever the Board shall deem the member undesirable or for any conduct injurious to this organization, its objectives or its members. The action of the Board in terminating a membership shall be approved or disapproved by a majority vote of the members present at the next regularly scheduled meeting if so requested by the expelled member.
- c. By resignation upon application of a member.
- d. Any member in financial arrears in excess of thirty days for other than dues to the Club shall have their membership terminated. Financial arrangements can be made with the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Officers of this organization shall be:

- a. President: Presides at meetings of the club and shall execute the policies and guidance of the Board. The club President shall approve all correspondence.
- b. Vice-President: Serves as the presiding officer of the Board of Directors. Shall be responsible for club programs throughout the year.
- c. Secretary: Keeps club records and minutes. The Secretary shall maintain an up-to-date mailing list of members.
- d. Treasurer: In charge of billing and collection of dues, disbursements, etc. Keeps an official list of members and prepares an annual budget in a format specified by, and for approval of, the Board of Directors.
- e. The Secretary/Treasurer positions shall either be filled with 1 or 2 people at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
- f. Terms for the above offices shall be one year each and until their successors have been elected.

- g. Newsletter Editor: Responsible for production and distribution of newsletter. In charge of promoting input from all club members in relationship to newsletter publication.

Section 6. Any officer who shall have been absent from three consecutive business meetings of the Club shall stand automatically removed from office unless their absence is excused by action of the Board of Directors.

Article III

Board of Directors

Section 1. The Board of Directors consists of all officers and five Directors elected from the general membership. It meets once monthly, before the regular club membership meetings, to transact routine business of the club. The club membership must approve the budget, but the Board authorizes all expenditures. Only matters of direct importance to the entire membership are presented at regular membership meetings.

Section 2. The Vice-President shall preside over all Board of Directors meetings.

Section 3. The General Directors of the Board of Directors shall be three members with 2-year terms and two members with 1-year terms.

Section 4. In the event of a vacancy the President shall nominate to the Board of Directors a new Director to complete the vacated term. Approval by the Board of Directors shall be by a plurality in secret ballot.

Section 5. Management and control of the property and affairs of the organization is vested in the Board of Directors.

Section 6. Any Director who shall have been absent from three consecutive meetings of the Board of Directors shall stand automatically removed from the Board unless their absence is excused by action of the Board.

Section 7. The Chairman may submit written proposals or motions to the members of the Board of Directors and, if said members respond to such proposals or motions in writing, their written answer may constitute a vote of such proposal or motion the same as if they had been present at the meeting.

Section 8. The immediate past Club President shall be a general member of the Board of Directors for the period of one year.

Section 9. The Club founders may serve as ex-officio members of the Board of Directors at their discretion for the duration of their membership.

Article IV

Committees

Section 1. Committees shall be appointed by the President as necessary.

Section 2. Nominating Committee: A three-member nominating committee shall be appointed by the Club President at the September business meeting. The nominating committee will make its accepted recommendations known to the general membership at the October business meeting, and publish them in the November newsletter.

Section 3. Awards Committee.

Section 4. Standing committees shall be:

Membership

Education

Conservation

Article V

Organizational Assets

Section 1. All monies or other earnings, property or assets coming into or belong to this organization shall be used only for the purpose of promoting, developing or advancing the purposes for which this organization is created.

Section 2. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, Directors, Officers or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and make payments and distribution on furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article I, Section 2.

Section 3. The Roubidoux Fly Fishers Association may be dissolved upon a resolution proposed by the Board of Directors or a member with reasonable notice to the Membership and upon a two-thirds vote of the membership.

Section 4. Upon dissolution of the organization, all assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

Article VI

Awards

Section 1. Names the standing awards of the Club. Additional awards can be originated and presented as fitting.

Section 2. Awards:

Angler Award -- presented to the person who has contributed the most to the development of fly fishing within the organization as outlined in Article I, Section 2 of these bylaws.

Conservation Award -- an award or awards made to individuals, groups, or organizations that have made extraordinary contributions to the conservation of our fisheries resources.

Tryon Educator Award -- awarded to the individual who has made significant contributions to the education of individuals and groups in accordance with Article I, Section 2c.

Fly Tyer Award -- awarded to the individual who has demonstrated an unusual devotion and advancement of personal skills in the art of fly tying.

Man and Woman of the Year Awards -- presented to the man and woman who have demonstrated unusual devotion to the Club and through this devotion has benefitted the Club.

President's Award -- given ONLY by the President of the Club to those who have been of assistance to that office in some manner.

Section 3. These awards need not be given annually if no worthwhile recipients are available.

Article VII

Standing Rules

Section 1. Establishes Robert's Rules of Order as the guideline for business at meetings of the Club and Board of Directors. Lists additional special Rules of Meetings.

Section 2. The number of members needed to transact business shall be a plurality of those present at a duly constituted meeting and 50% of the Board of Directors at the respective gatherings.

Section 3. An annual banquet shall be held at a time determined by the Board of Directors.