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FLY FISHING SCHOOL & FAIR June 12-14, 2015

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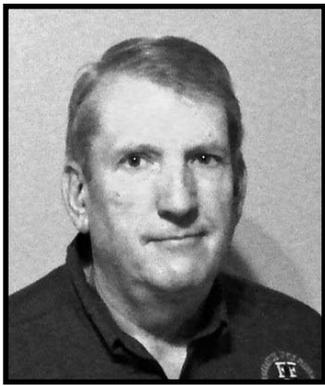
JOIN US TO LEARN, HAVE FUN AND FEDERATE

R.A. MacMullan Conference Center

Located on the north side of Higgins Lake near Roscommon and Grayling, Michigan.
Adjacent to the Center is one of Michigan's most popular parks, N. Higgins Lake State Park.

Educational programs will be offered for aspiring fly anglers as well as those experienced in the sport. Simultaneous programs and workshops for beginners, intermediate and advance anglers will be offered Friday starting at 1:00 p.m. and all-day Saturday. Programs and workshops on casting, warmwater fly fishing, and fly fishing for trout will be on the schedule.

Visit www.fffglc.org/ for complete information



PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Jim Schramm



This issue contains the information for our GLC Fly Fishing School & Fair held at the Ralph MacMullen Center on North Higgins Lake. This is a great event for the entire family and I urge everyone to consider attending. This event has something for everyone. I encourage you to make copies of the registration material and sweepstakes tickets and share with other fly fishers or have them visit our website at www.fffglc.org where all of the material is available for downloading.

The School is a great way to introduce fly fishers to the Federation. Please let everyone know that they are welcome to come federate, fish, etc. and this event is more than just a school.

On Saturday afternoon at the Fly Fishing School we will have our Annual General Membership Meeting and we will be electing directors for two year term. The Annual Board of Directors Meeting will be held Sunday morning. We encourage you to attend these meetings and see how your board works for you. We continue to look for directors and officers so if you are interested, please contact me. We also are still looking for someone to fill the Treasury position.

I want to remind everyone to consider joining or renewing your membership in the Century Club for 2014. A special thanks to those who joined or renewed for 2014. Hope to see you in June at the GLC Fly Fishing School & Fair.

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Beginning Fly Fishing School to include on-stream instruction. The instructor is Paul Drewry assisted by members of Flygirls of Michigan. You will learn about equipment and gear, knots, casting, entomology, fly selection, reading the water, on-stream tactics, and fly fishing etiquette. Saturday will be spent on the river with the instructors. Box lunch is provided. Students will need, all species fishing license, waders, rod, reel and line, nail nippers, and sunglasses. The beginning school starts at 12:30 pm Friday afternoon with classroom instruction and Saturday's instruction will be on the South Branch of the Au Sable River. Some loaner rod and reel set ups are available. Call Terry Greiner, 517-694-5358 or email tgreiner@comcast.net to reserve a rod and reel setup.

Fly Tying Workshops will be offered Friday afternoon, Saturday morning and Saturday afternoon. These workshops are for tyers with at least some experience in tying. The instructors will be Julie Neilson, Harry Barnes, and Christopher Soule. On Friday afternoon a workshop with Julie Neilson is being offered starting at 1 p.m. After extensive "research and development Julie has come up with a few "work everywhere" trout flies that she will teach, as well as the where and when to fish them. Just bring basic tying tools, materials will be provided. Harry's workshop is Saturday morning and it will be focused on tying South Texas Saltwater flies. In addition to basic tools, students should bring a hair stacker and black and white tying thread. Saturday afternoon's workshop features Christopher Soule who will be providing a program on nymph patterns. This will be a graduated presentation with patterns increasing in complexity. Nymphs may include the Frenchie, Purple Prince, Shaggy PT, and Shimmer Caddis. Only basic tools will be needed. 6/0 and 8/0 thread in black is fine. While there is no charge for tying at the workshops we do ask you to pre-register so we know how many tyers to have hooks and materials for (bring your own equipment). You are also welcome to just come and watch.

An Introduction to Fly Casting Class will be conducted by Terry Tatarchuk and Staff on Friday afternoon. On Saturday Morning you can continue to work on your casting at the Fly Casting Clinic with Terry & Staff. On Saturday afternoon, John Johnson & Staff will do a Intermediate Fly Casting Clinic. Rods are provided or bring your own. This year we are asking that you preregister for the casting workshops (no charge) so we can insure we have sufficient instructors available.

An On-stream Workshop will be conducted on Saturday morning by Jon Stefanciw. This highly popular on-stream workshop will focus this year on streamer fishing tactics and will be geared to beginners and intermediate fly fishers. Jon will cover proper techniques, mending, casting indicators and nymph selection. He will discuss rod, reel, line, fly selection, and water types to look for. You will need fishing license, waders, flyrod & reel, and sunglasses. An On-stream Workshop will be conducted on Saturday morning by Herb Grenke. Herb will be teaching and demonstrating the Czech nymphing technique. The Czech national team has dominated the international fly fishing championship for several years. The key to their success is a technique that uses three nymphs and enable the fisherperson to keep the bait

in the feeding lanes. It is a simple technique that will enhance your ability to properly apply power in the cast. The workshop begins in the classroom and then you will move to the Au Sable River for the on stream portion. You don't need specialized equipment for the class. Bring the longest, lightest rod you have. Have some nymphs of choice to use on the river. Herb will have some 8 pound mono to construct leaders. You will need fishing license, waders, fly rod & reel, and sunglasses.

An Introduction Spey casting Workshop will be conducted by Peter Humphreys and Bob Braendle on Saturday afternoon. Peter and Bob will introduce you to Two Handed Casting on site. Rods will be provided or bring your own.

Club Casting Instructor Workshop will be conducted by John Van Dalen on Saturday afternoon. John will cover what you need to know to be your club casting instructor. This is not a certification class but basic instruction on what and how to teach someone to cast. Lunker Smallmouth on the Fly will be a program on Saturday morning by John Johnson. John will cover the best time of day and time of year as well as the flies, equipment and methods for catching large urban smallmouth bass.



Digital Photography for the Fly Fisher will be a program Saturday morning by John Johnson. John will review basic digital techniques and cameras. He will discuss how to take pictures of your fish and the rivers and lakes where you caught them. Also covered will be the methods for taking pictures of adult and aquatic forms of aquatic insects, fish, and crustaceans, the use of Go Pro video camera to take movies and still pictures of your fishing experiences.

Don Sawyer on Friday evening will do a special program **“Smallmouth on the Grand River, Tippy Pond, and the Au Sable”** This along with the usual refreshment orientation will make your evening if you want something to do besides fishing. Auction/raffle and awards will take place Saturday afternoon. The auction will feature fishing equipment, boxes of flies and artwork. Fisheries Division Chief Jim Dexter will be the guest speaker.

FFF Casting Certification will be available on Saturday. John Van Dalen head up the certification team. You must register for the School AND register with the National office of FFF. Contact the national office at (406)222-9369 for information and registration. John will also teach a Fly Casting Instructors Workshop on Friday afternoon for advanced casters. This workshop is open to anyone interested in teaching casting and is a requirement for the certification test on Saturday. It is a good prep for taking the certification test and provides a good opportunity to pick up tips from a great casting instructor. The raffle & auction display will be ongoing in the hallway of the Au Sable Classroom in the Education Building on Friday and Saturday.

Fishing opportunities in the area include not only the famous Au Sable and Manistee River and their tributaries but also float tubing on nearby Wakely Lake, a catch and release lake with outstanding fishing for Bass, Bluegill, and even Northern Pike. Youth are welcome to participate in all programs. Youth under 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. This is a great opportunity for a learning experience for father/son or daughter; mother/son or daughter or grandparents/grandchildren. Registration is open to anyone. Registration costs for Federation members is \$35 for individuals and \$45 for families. Add \$10 to these costs for nonmembers. Special package rates are available (\$210 double occupancy and \$260 single occupancy) which include registration, two night lodging, Friday dinner, breakfast, lunch and dinner Saturday and breakfast Sunday.

LUNCH WILL BE AVAILABLE AT NOON ON FRIDAY. YOU MUST REGISTER FOR THE FRIDAY LUNCH UNLESS YOU HAVE REGISTERED FOR ONE OF THE SPECIAL PACKAGES.

See the registration form for special rates for spouses and children. The beginning fly fishing class cost is \$170 and The Fly Casting Instructors Workshop and the On Stream Workshops will cost \$60.00. The remaining programs and workshops are free with registration.

Lodging accommodations are provided at the R.A. MacMullan Conference Center located at the north end of Higgins Lake, with sandy beaches and activities for the entire family. Adjacent to the MacMullan Center is the popular North Higgins Lakes State Park which boasts shaded campsites and a sandy beach. Other lodging is also available and information on private campgrounds and nearby motels will be provided upon request. Reservations for the MacMullan Center will be made on a first-come, first-serve basis. If you are not staying at the Center, you can still register for meals at the Center. Advanced registration for meals is required to be guaranteed availability.

**Questions can be directed to Jim Schramm (231) 869-5487 or (231) 740-7278, e-mail jdschramm@oceana.net
Up to date information and registration materials are on the GLC website at www.fffglc.org.**

GREAT LAKES COUNCIL FLY FISHING SCHOOL & FAIR JUNE 12-14, 2015

RALPH A. MACMULLEN
CONFERENCE CENTER
ROSCOMMON, MICHIGAN



*Under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult

** Pre-registration Required

Friday, June 12

12:00 p.m.	Lunch	Dining Room
12:00 p.m.	Registration	Lobby Main Building
1:00-4:20 p.m.	Raffle & Auction Display	Hallway, Au Sable Classroom
4:00-5:30 p.m.	Hospitality	Au Sable outside porch
5:30 p.m.	Dinner on the Beach (Weather Permitting)	Dining Room

FRIDAY CLASSES/WORKSHOPS

12:30-4:30 p.m.	"Beginning Fly Fishing School"*** Paul Drewry & Flygirls (Pre-registration required)	Au Sable South Branch
1:00-4:00 p.m.	Fly Tying Workshop* Julie Neilson Au Sable Main stream "Works Everywhere Trout Flies" (Requires basic fly tying skills) (Pre-register to tie) (Materials provided, bring your fly tying equipment or just come and watch)	
1:00-3:50 p.m.	Fly Casting Instructors Workshop John Van Dalen (For advanced casters) (Pre-registration Required)**	Lake Superior
2:00-3:00 p.m.	Entomology*	Au Sable South Branch
2:00-4:30 p.m.	Introduction to Fly Casting* Terry Tatarchuk & Staff (Rods provided or bring your own)	North field across from Conference Center
5:30 p.m.	Dinner	
7:30-9:00 p.m.	"Smallmouth on the Grand River, Tippy Pond and the Au Sable" Don Sawyer	Au Sable Main stream

REGISTRATION FORM

GLC Fly Fishing School & Fair, June 12-14, 2015

Name _____
First name(s) as they should appear on badge(s) _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone () _____ FFF Member # _____ e-mail address _____

FFF Membership - Make your statement in support of FFF -

- Date of Birth ___/___/___ New Member Former Member Renewal
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Membership \$35 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3-Year Individual \$85 | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior (65 yrs +) \$25 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Membership \$45
(Spouses & Children under 18) | <input type="checkbox"/> 3-Year Family \$100 | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Life \$500 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth/Student (up to age 22) \$15 | <input type="checkbox"/> Couple Life \$750 |

Special Packages:

- Double occupancy \$210 (per person)*
- Double occupancy \$190 (spouse)*
- Double occupancy \$170 (per child)*
- Single occupancy \$260.00*

* includes lodging, Meals & Registration
add \$10 for non-Federation member

Meals:

- Friday Luncheon @ \$10.00
- Friday Dinner @ \$20.00 __ Shrimp __ Chicken
- Saturday Breakfast @ \$8.00
- Saturday Luncheon @ \$10.00
- Saturday Dinner @ \$20.00 __ Steak __ Fish
- Sunday Breakfast @ \$8.00

Lodging: \$60 shared; \$80 single (per night)

48 hour notice required for meals to be guaranteed

Registration:

- Individual FFF member \$35; non-member \$45
- Family FFF member \$45 (children under 12), non-member \$55
- youth (12-17) \$10 Friday Only \$10
- Saturday Only \$20 Century Club Members (free registration)

Other:

- Friday Afternoon Fly Tying Workshop (NO CHARGE FOR FLY TYING WORKSHOPS)
- Saturday Morning Fly Tying Workshop Saturday Afternoon Fly Tying Workshop
- Introduction to Fly Casting Fly Casting Clinic Intermediate Fly Casting Clinic (NO CHARGE CASTING WORKSHOPS)

- Beginning Fly Fishing School, Friday & Saturday (\$170) (Limit 10) (Includes Box Lunch)
- Fly Casting Instructors Workshop, Friday (\$60) (Limit 10)
- On Stream Workshop, streamer fishing tactics, Saturday, (\$60) (Limit 6)
- On Stream Workshop, Czech Nymphing Techniques, Saturday, (\$60) (Limit 6)
- Spey Casting Workshop, Saturday (\$60) (Limit 8)

Donation included for Sweepstakes Tickets \$ _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Credit Card Payment: Visa MasterCard Card# _____ Expiration Date _____

Signature required for Credit Card Payment _____

Mail this form and payment to: Make check payable to GLC-FFF

GLC Fly Fishing School, c/o Jim Schramm P.O. Box 828, Pentwater MI 49449-0828

For questions contact Jim Schramm at (231) 869-5487, (231) 740-7278 or e-mail at jdschramm@oceana.net.

GREAT LAKES COUNCIL – FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS

Fly Fishing School & Fair Sweepstakes 2015

Prizes include Graphite fly rod, tackle, and more

Donation: \$1 each; 6 for \$5; 13 for \$10; 19 for \$15; 26 for \$20; 32 for \$25

• Need not be present to win • (no purchase necessary) • Drawing June 13th, 2015 in Roscommon, MI

Return to: Jim Schramm P.O. Box 828, Pentwater MI 49449-0828

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