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# Tippets, Tapers & Tales

October 1, 2014

## President's Message

October! Fall is upon us and with it Salmon season, bow hunting, fall colors and cooler temperatures. Quite a contrast from the 80 degree plus days of a week ago. Of course I was in Sebastian Florida fishing for Snook and Redfish. I hope you all have had a good fishing season so far, less the fact that it is never long enough.

We have a few things coming up soon we need to put on our calen-

dars, GLC Fly Tying Expo, Salmon fishing outing October tenth, and of course our regular monthly club meeting. We have and presentation by our very own Harry and Bonnie Barnes on Texas Coastal fishing this month and a presentation for a Salmon in the Classroom program. Of course if you haven't paid your dues yet, please plan to take care of that this month. See you all on Tuesday evening... John R



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## RED CEDAR FLY FISHERS

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1981 McKenzie Cup Winners

The Red Cedar Fly Fishers is a Charter Club of the International Federation of Fly Fishers.

It's purpose is to promote fly-fishing through Education, Restoration and Conservation

## GLC Fly Tying Expo

By: Mark Johnson

Again this year the Great Lakes Council will be hosting the 15th Annual Fly Tying Expo. This year's Expo will be at a new location and date. The Expo will be Saturday, November 1, 2014 at the Best Western Plus in Lansing, Michigan. Same time as before from 9 am to 4 pm. Plans have been under way for some time now and we are looking forward again to a great assortment of tyers and vendors. There will be free seminars again like last year as well as the usual bucket raffles, silent auctions and live

auction. So make your plans now to attend this always fun event. More information will be posted at [www.fffglc.org](http://www.fffglc.org)

Update: It is reported that the hotel will be soon changing it's name to the Causeway Bay Hotel.

## Fish Tales

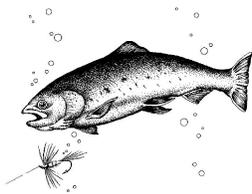
By: Mark Noel

An old fly fisherman in his final breaths called in his family and said, "I must apologize to you all. I suppose I haven't been the perfect husband or father."

"I shamefully admit that I spent as much of my life as I could on the rivers and streams. I was rarely at home during the fishing seasons and I'll admit that I spent way too much time at the fly shop, and way too much money on rods, reels, and lines."

He paused to rest for a minute, then continued. "I've been a terrible father and I hope you all forgive me." He paused again and looked around.

Then he closed his eyes and smiled and whispered to himself, "On the other hand, I've caught a helluva lot of trout."



## Time to Pay Membership Dues Again

By: Mark Johnson

It's that time again, the beginning of a new year when we need to pay our membership dues to the club again. The Red Cedar Fly Fishers is a 100% club, meaning everyone that is considered a member has paid their national FFF dues as well as the local club dues.

If you cannot attend the October meeting and would like to continue to be a member of the Red Cedar Fly Fishers, please send your \$10.00 dues payment in a check made out to Red Cedar Fly Fishers to P.O. Box 129, Okemos, MI 48805.



## High Water Marks 20th River Cleanup

This year marked the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Anglers of the Au Sable river clean up. The day was bright and sunny after a stormy, wet week but the rivers were running dangerously high and fast. As usual, a great cookout with added live music followed the clean up activities.

As usual, the Red Cedar Fly Fishers were well represented. While two members worked with an insect study, four waded the river from Gates Lodge to Spite road. Because of extremely high, fast water, two of the four (me included) got out at the canoe launch/pick up just below the lodge. The two of us joined two other members who policed the canoe launch. As with the past few clean ups, the amount of trash was significantly less than in the past. Our esteemed president John along with Steve braved the raging river to finish the wade to Spite

Road. We were all impressed with their dedication and courage. Thanks to the Red Cedar Fly Fishers who helped this year and to Josh Greenberg and Gates lodge for organizing and sponsoring a great "let's give back to the environment" event.

By: Bob Bawden



## Odds and Ends

By: Mark Johnson

As John mentioned in his President's Message we are looking forward to a presentation from Harry and Bonnie Barnes this month on Texas Coastal Fly Fishing. By the way, Bonnie was a winner of a Spey Rod at the recent Speyfest in Newaygo. We also anticipate a visit to this month's meeting by a high school teacher from Fowlerville who the board recently voted to help fund her Salmon in the Classroom program this year. The Club Fall outing is still planned for this Friday, the 10th. It's getting late, but if you want to attend, contact Brad Reynolds ASAP at 517-243-1198. John mentioned at the first meeting about having a magazine swap. If you have any of your old fly fishing magazines lying around bring them to the next meeting and we will put them on a table and let others take them home to read. You might find a new one there your self you would like to read. The club will have it's Sunday Tying Nights again starting after the first of the year. More details on that as it gets closer.

## Files from the Past

From the first Tapers, Tippets & Tales – December 1979

Hello and welcome aboard for the maiden voyage of Tapers, Tippets and Tales. Hopefully it will not only be pleasant voyage but also a long one. It can be both especially with member contribution. Rest assured, you will be asked to make contributions in later issues. Together we can and will make this newsletter a successful and useful organ of our organization. Part of the joy of belonging to a club such as ours is the sharing of information and self with the other members and – for that matter – with all concerned. Perhaps, too, to those unconcerned. And the best way to share these “goodies” is through your newsletter. Perhaps a little clarification of the newsletter bannerline is in order. Tapers will signal that section of the newsletter dealing with past, present or future news and events that will be useful and informative to the membership. Tippets will broadcast techniques and tips which will be gleaned from each members’ vast storage of knowledge. Remember that the least can educate the best and that which is not shared is not a treasure. Those who have reached the apex of their

learning quest had best think about learning to plow the field again. A swap or sale segment, if warranted, will also be in this section. Tales will contain elements of prose or poetry and what -have-you. Perhaps, as a continuing feature, a profile of a member would be in order. Let me know about this. While the initial issue will not strongly adhere to the format, future issues will.

TAPERS:  
Our off season bust will be held December 11 at 7:00 P.M. at the Kinawa School in Okemos. This will be a family affair with the gang bringing a main dish and salad/dessert. You have been or will be contacted as to your appearance. Make it a point to show up and be a federator. Also the internal raffle at the dinner be our only fund raiser for the year. With that thought in mind lets have 100% participation and get that green out of your pockets/purses. The prizes will be personal donations, preferably self-created, of each member. There should be some jim-dandies. And last but certainly not least, the Grand Prize will be a free weekend jaunt at Barothy’s Lodge on the Pere Marquette. As a few of the guys may attest, this well be a glorious prize. The only way to go to Barothy’s for that weekend without spending \$95 is to

participate in the raffle. The entertainment for the evening will be choice of guitar/harmonica music featuring J. Balthazar Jarrett and his Dancin’ Bears or a superb movie called Three Trout to Dream About. I haven’t seen this one for a long time but do remember that I bought a TV set just to watch it. I was not disappointed.

See you at the dinner!

Right? Right!

The January meeting of the club will not be at the normal meeting place, Kinawa. Instead we have a special treat in store. Ray White has graciously invited us to spend an evening at the Natural Resources Building (the polar bear building). Ray will demonstrate and explain the workings of the fluvarium – a created trout stream. Mark down January 8<sup>th</sup> on your calendar.

TIPPETS:  
Next issue.

TALES:  
Likewise.



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## Refrigerator Reminders

### October

14th: RCFF Monthly Meeting, 6:30 P.M. Room 221, Natural Resources Building at MSU

24th-26th: GLC Fall Outing  
See the GLC website at [www.ffglc.org](http://www.ffglc.org) for more information

### November

1st: GLC Fly Expo, Causeway Bay Hotel, Details inside this newsletter

11th: RCFF Monthly Meeting, 6:30 P.M. Room 221, Natural Resources Building at MSU

