

Upcoming Flycasters Education Seminars

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One of the principal goals of our club is to provide a foundation of basic skills to everyone and provide ample opportunities for members to continue to expand and enrich their flyfishing experiences. There are ongoing classes, hands-on learning experiences, rod-building and fly-tying classes and many more topics offered on a regular basis throughout the year.

Casting Classes

By Luke Sing at the casting ponds

Luke Sing and a team of teachers provide basic and advanced lessons in a series of 6 classes over 3 weeks. The program is ongoing at this point occurring on the weekends of April 13-14, 20-21, and 27-28, 2024. Details are available on the web if you are interested in attending.

Basic Skills and Tips Seminars Series

If you're new to fly fishing, new to the club or just want to tune up your basic techniques, the *Basic Skills and Tips Seminar* series is meant for you. The series provides a curriculum of 5 basic lectures in a low-key classroom setting taught by experts from the club.

Spring Seminars

Fly Fishing 101 by Bob Shoberg

May 14 and 16, 2024 7-9pm

Moreland Apartments Community Center

This two-part series is aimed at fly fishing beginners. It is intended to familiarize participants with the fundamentals of fly fishing in a lecture setting. The first session covers basic equipment, including rods, reels, lines, clothing and gear. The second session covers entomology and flies in great detail. In both sessions there is ample opportunity for questions and discussion in a casual setting.

Fall-Winter Seminars

Fly Fishing 101 two sessions. By Bob Shoberg

See description above.

Knots. The basic knots that are essential in fly fishing are presented. The class is set up with small tables so participants can practice tying knots. Necessary materials including hooks and line are provided.

Fishing Moving Water. This classroom lecture provides an overview of fishing in streams and rivers. Discussion includes various types of moving water such as pocket water, pools, riffles etc. Flies, nymphing, dry fly fishing, special casts, and more will be covered. Target audience is newer members, but all members are invited.

Fishing Stillwater. This classroom lecture provides an overview of the joys of stillwater fly fishing. Topics include preparation for lakes, ponds and reservoirs, types of gear, equipment, techniques and flies. Target audience is newer members, but all members are invited.

Learn to Fly Fish Series

By Ray Chin at the casting ponds

“Learn to Fly Fish Program” Session One

Basic Nymph and Dry Fly Fishing

The “Learn to Fly Fish” Program is comprised of different sessions that cover the basics and intermediate levels of Fly Fishing. The first session will cover a number of basic elements of Nymph and Dry Fly Fishing, including a review/tune up of some of the fly casts. For Nymph fishing, covered are some basic nymph fishing set ups, how to read water to find places where fish will hold, and types of flies to use on rivers or streams as a function of conditions. The type of casts needed for Nymph fishing will be reviewed and taught. For Dry Fly fishing, leader set up for different stream conditions, types of flies to use and most importantly fly presentation will be covered. Different casts to use for different dry fly fishing conditions will also be covered. The class will be limited to 10 people and will be held on May 19th from 8:30am to approximately noon.

“Learn to Fly Fish Program” Session Two

This Session will start with a short review of the basics of Nymph and Dry Fly fishing. More advanced topics of High Stick Nymphing and Czech/Euro Nymphing (the short game) will be taught. This includes multi-color leader set ups and type of rod to use. Use of Intermediate lines for near subsurface fishing will be covered to deal with subsurface feeding fish. The session will review Fly types, what sizes and conditions to use various flies. This includes Mayflies, Caddis and Stone fly nymphs. For Dry Fly fishing, we will cover types and sizes of Flies to use depending on the conditions and time of year. What casts/mends to use for good presentations, and how to increase casting distance to avoid spooking fish will also be covered.

Rod Building Series

By Tom Key and Albert Yi.

This is a six session series aimed at those who want to build a custom fly rod. The series begins with a presentation of the different features and corresponding materials that are incorporated into a quality fly rod. Tom is an expert rod builder having built numerous bamboo, fiberglass, and graphite rods over the years. Albert has many years of experience in rod building and is a true calligraphy master, his finish work is second to none.

The seminar will take place over 6 nights – The first week will include two classes followed by a two-week break, and the last 4 sessions will occur over a final two week period. The break between the first classes and the following sessions will give members time to buy blanks and materials they need to build a rod.

Fly Tying Series

By Bill Zuravleff

Ten classes via Zoom for beginning fly tyers, or those who want to hone their fly tying skills. Approximately ten different patterns will be presented. Materials, detailed written instructions, and a live online demo are provided for each pattern.

Don't miss out on these opportunities to expand your fly fishing experience. Details on dates and sign-up instructions are posted on the web and in the monthly newsletters. There are many more topics available periodically throughout the year. If you have suggestions for topics, please let us know.