
INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS

TWIN TIERS FIVE RIVERS CHAPTER

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January 2017

January Program

Gary Kell, IFFF Certified Casting Instructor

Mastering Intermediate Casting Skills

We welcome you to join us on **January 9, 2017** when Gary Kell, IFFF Master Certified Casting Instructor, will be presenting techniques and skills to improve your casting proficiency. This is a great speaker on a topic we all can learn more about. Fly tying demo will start at 6:30 pm, with presentation starting at 7:00, at the Big Flats Community Center, 476 Maple Street, Big Flats, NY.

Gary Kell has earned the level of Master Certified Casting Instructor with the International Federation of Fly Fishers. He worked 5 years as the lead instructor for the LL Bean two-day fly fishing schools in Virginia, and has taught hundreds of students various aspects of fly casting. Gary has written for Fly Fisherman and other fly fishing periodicals, has been a featured speaker at the Somerset Fly Fishing Show, and is a co-author on a just-released book titled "Keystone Fly Fishing - The Ultimate Guide to Pennsylvania's Best Water". He lives and still teaches fly fishing in the northwestern PA area, and is an expert on fishing streams in central and other areas of PA.

You will find Gary has a unique approach to teaching casting and learning indoors. His talk will center on mastering what he calls the five intermediate skill variables that, when used in various combinations, create most all of the presentation casts and solve most on-stream problems, such as slack line, curves, tucks, aerial mends, underbrush, limited back-cast, wind, etc.

If you want to improve your casting skills, you will not want to miss this presentation. Here is a testimonial from one of our Club members who heard Gary talk last year at the Somerset, N.J. Fly Fishing Show:

"I attended Gary's presentation at the world's largest fly fishing show in Somerset New Jersey in January 2016. He is a very dynamic speaker and I learned a lot. He has a unique teaching style which was fun to experience. I'm sure everyone in the Club will improve their fly casting skills after listening to Gary" – Vince Leonard.

February Program – Social Night Dinner

Speaker: Linda Wales, from *A Hope 4 Lyme, Inc.*

Presentation: Lyme Disease Informational Seminar

On February 6, we will be hosting our popular Social Night at *1157 North*, an Italian restaurant located in Elmira, NY. This quaint restaurant has been in this Elmira residential area for more than 60 years. Some of you may remember it as the Italian restaurant known as *The Palms*. Joe Steigerwald, former Manager of the Elmira Country Club, bought *The Palms* last February. We especially encourage you to bring spouses, family members or fishing buddies to enjoy the evening. Details on dinner, pre-registration and pre-payment are provided below.

The Speaker for the evening will be Linda Wales, President of *A Hope for Lyme Inc.* Linda, a Lyme disease survivor, will be talking about the disease and the impact it has had on her and others she knows. Lyme disease is caused by tick bites and can result in severe health issues. The disease often causes a variety of complications including pains in the muscles and joints, severe fatigue and cognitive issues. Serious health problems associated with the disease can manifest quickly, and can even be fatal. Many people don't know about the disease or that their family could be at risk. As Linda tells it, "I started spreading awareness and support because I didn't know about Lyme disease and didn't understand or know about ticks, therefore I got sick. It is my hope for others that they avoid going down the same path." Ticks that carry Lyme disease and other serious pathogens are present in our area, so it's important to be aware of the risk.

The evening will start at 6:00 pm with hors d'oeuvres and cash bar, then dinner at 7:00 pm. After dinner we will be treated to a very interesting presentation by Linda Wales. This will be a great evening. The cost is \$25 per person and will include the following:

Social Hour – Cash Bar with hors d'oeuvres

Dinner – choose one of the (3) entrée selections below:

- **Chicken Parmesan** - Chicken cutlet covered in a Marinara sauce, topped with melted Mozzarella cheese and served over homemade pasta.
- **Eggplant Parmesan** - Grilled Eggplant with meatless Marinara sauce, topped with melted Mozzarella cheese and served over homemade pasta.
- **Carne Grande** - A thick meat sauce made with Sausage, Beef and Pepperoni, served over homemade pasta.

* **Note:** Spaghetti squash may be substituted for pasta. If anyone has a special dietary need, please let me know and we will do our best to accommodate.

All meals include a tossed salad, coffee and tea.

Dessert – Choice of Peanut Butter Pie or NY Cheese Cake

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Please indicate the entrée and dessert selection for each person. Make payment by check or cash for \$25 per person in your party. **Reservations must be made and payment received no later than Monday, January 30th.**

<p>Restaurant Location:</p> <p><i>1157 North</i> 1157 North Main St Elmira, NY 607-738-7571 www.1157North.com</p> <p>Note: North Main St. is a one way street going north.</p>	<p>Please send your name & your guest names, along with a check made payable to:</p> <p>Twin Tiers Five Rivers IFFF</p> <p>Send checks to: Bob Schaeffler 1554 Mt. Zoar Rd. Pine City, NY 14871</p> <p>(Bob's number is 607-734-2104)</p>
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President's Short Cast

Kirk Klingensmith . . . •••, . . . ><(((°>

As I write this, it is New Year's Eve and we will bid goodbye to 2016. I hope you have gotten out for some fall fishing. There are rainbows in the streams as the Finger Lake steelhead season closes. The Great Lakes tributary fishing has been hit and miss, with steelhead showing poor returns this year. Many of us are hunkering down for a winter of tying some new patterns and stocking up on some favorite flies.

There are many exciting things going on for the Chapter. Please check out these interesting opportunities listed throughout our Newsletter.

January Speaker

You do not want miss the speaker on January 8th! Gary Kell is a friend and one of the top casting teachers in the country. We are very blessed to have him present at our meeting. Gary just co-authored a long-awaited book on Pennsylvania fly fishing entitled Keystone Fly Fishing. Authors include Dave Rothrock (TTFR member), Brian Shumaker (spoke at TTFR two years ago), and several others. Gary will have copies of his book available for sale and signature.

February Social Night

Invite your spouse, fishing buddy, or family member to join us for the Feb social night. See details later in this Newsletter. This will be our first time to a great Italian restaurant in Elmira and featuring a very interesting speaker on Lyme disease. See you there.

New Treasurer

At the December 19 business meeting, Gene Nowlan asked to be relieved as the TTFR Treasurer.

We want to thank Gene for all he has done serving as Treasurer and our Club in many ways. We really appreciate all Gene does and look forward to him continuing as a leadership team member, supporting AV, and having fun with fly fishing.

Steve Harris has taken over as Interim Treasurer. The paperwork and records are officially transferred. We thank Gene for all he had done, and welcome Steve back to a familiar role.

Join Us to Go to World's Largest Fly Fishing Show Jan 27-29, 2017

Our Chapter has organized a group trip to the world's largest fly fishing show in Somerset NJ. (<http://flyfishingshow.com/somerset-nj/>) We stay at a reasonable cost hotel, attend the show, go to movie night, and have a great time. We have 6 rooms reserved and have 7 people signed up so far. Contact Kirk to join the group. We will leave Big Flats Community Center at 6 am Friday morning Jan 27 and return Sunday evening. This year, the newly named IFFF President, Len Zickler, will be there. Events to meet the new president are being planned. Contact Kirk for more information or to reserve a spot kklingensmi@stny.rr.com or 607-346-7189.

Andy Robinson wins Christmas Rod Raffle

Andy Robinson won the Temple Fork Outfitters TiCrX 7wt 9'0" rod. Congratulations Andy! The drawing was held at the Dec. 19 business meeting, just in time for Christmas. Andy is our Club Librarian. Many thanks to Bob Carlson, Dick Naylor and Matt Towner for leading the raffle. This was our first use of Paypal, which was successful in enabling on-line ticket purchasing and increasing participation in the raffle. We are planning a rod raffle for the spring. Watch for details.

Fly Fishing Academy Update - April 8, 2017

We have set the date for our **10th Annual Fly Fishing School** for April 8th at the **Campbell Savona High School**. See the Academy event flyer further along in this Newsletter for more information on this all-day event targeting beginning and advancing fly fishers.

Our surveys over the last three years show that most students are recruited from the Club or by Club members who invite family or friends. The second most effective avenue is from flyers which members post at their place of work. Please help us by inviting your friends and posting the flyers. Space is limited, so we encourage folks to sign up for this class early.

As in the past, we will be asking Club members to contribute their talents on the Academy Staff. Chas Elliott will start organizing the Casting Instructor Crew in several weeks. Publicity efforts will be getting underway soon, with contacts made at local Newspapers & TV stations, as well as with local TU & IFFF Clubs.

Ithaca Fishing Day – March 25

Our friends at Leon Chandler Trout Unlimited have set the date for Ithaca Fishing Day. TTFR will be partnering on this fun event. Watch for further details.

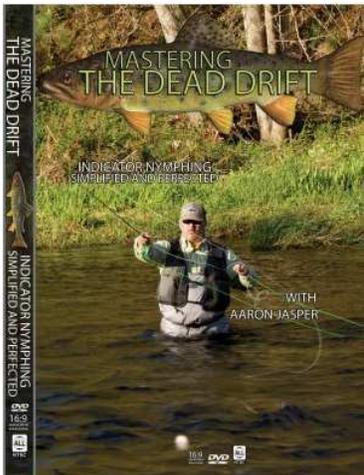
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Facebook Page

Our Chapter hosts a Facebook page – Twin Tiers Five Rivers IFFF. We currently have 54 members of the group – about half are Chapter members and the others from area IFFF Chapters, or are interested in learning more about fly fishing. Group members share fish photos, fly tying hints and fly fishing information. The Club also posts announcements on upcoming events, programs, etc. We recently changed the settings to allow members to share posts on their own timelines and help us get the word out about the Chapter. This also helps folks who might be interested in our Club to connect with us. It is great fun. If you are on Facebook, join our page.

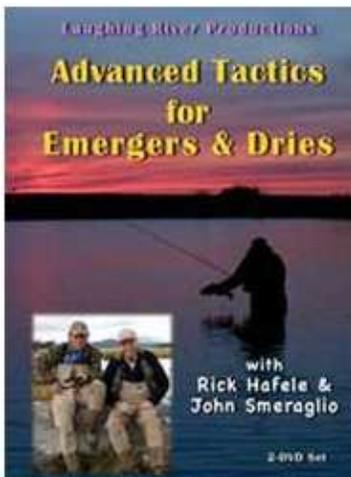
Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter Library News

Winter is here and for those of us who are no big fans of standing in steams in sub-freezing temperatures, fishing opportunities are few and far between. Winter is however a great time to learn how you might improve your fly fishing or even learn something new. The library has a variety of DVD's that may improve your fly fishing experience once the weather warms a bit.

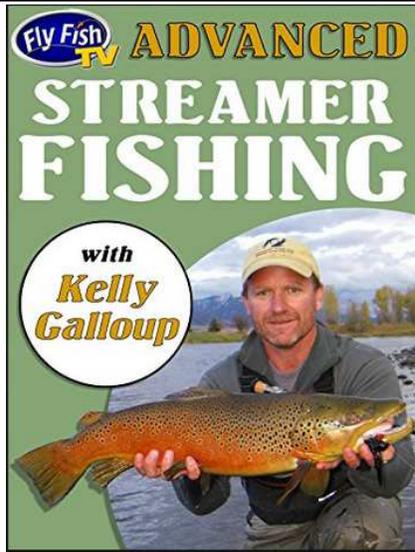


Included in our collection is “**Mastering the Dead Drift: Indicator Nymphing Simplified and Perfected**” by Aaron Jasper (item # D-J-2, 215 min, 2013). Online reviews have described this DVD to be an “excellent start for a new fly fisherman, and good info for a seasoned veteran”.

For an online video overview go to:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v46AbVoT3zs>
to learn if you'd be interested
in borrowing the full DVD.



Another good bet for getting better results when your flies are in the water is **Advanced Tactics for Emergers and Dries** by Rick Hafele and John Smeraglio. (D-H-5, 109min, 2011)



Our last DVD recommendation is **Advanced Streamer Fishing** by Kelly Galloup (D-G-3, 90 min, 2010). One reviewer stated: "Kelly does a great job for beginners and experienced fisherman alike. You don't have to be an advanced level to get valuable information from this. Kelly explains things in a simple, down to earth way that makes it easy. Lots of good fishing wisdom"

If fly tying is your focus during the cold months ahead, the library has plenty of books, DVD's and even VHS tapes that might broaden your fly tying collection.

To check out any of these materials from the Thomas Krajci Memorial Library, just e-mail me (Andy Robinson) at Robby@Ithaca.edu and I'll bring your choice to the January 9th Twin Tiers Fiver Rivers Chapter IFFF meeting at the Big Flats Community Center. You may browse our library holdings on other fly fishing topics at <http://www.twintiersfff.org/>

Fly of the Month

The France Fly

As Tied by Ethan Law



Materials List:

Hook: #16 Orvis barbless jig hook

Bead: 2.5 mm tungsten slotted

Thread: Veevus 12/0 brown

Tail: several Coq de leon fibers

Abdomen: brown thread under body, with brown D- rib tied in at back and wrapped forward to bead

Thorax: UV bronze fine peacock dub

Fly Fishing Academy

Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter, IFFF
Campbell-Savona High School
Saturday, April 8, 2017

8:00 am to 5:00 pm



Learn to Fly Fish in a Day

The TT5R Chapter of the International Federation of Fly Fishers is sponsoring its 10th Annual Fly Fishing Academy. This is a high-quality fly fishing course, open to Adults and to Youth 11 yrs old and over. The class will provide beginner fly fishers with the basic knowledge and skills to get started, and will help those familiar with the sport onto a fast track to improve.

Classroom topics include fly fishing equipment and its use, fly types and their usage, knot tying, reading water, basic entomology, fishing dry flies, streamers, and nymphs, catching and releasing fish. Students will most importantly develop fly casting skills through three sessions throughout the day.

Students can bring and learn on their own equipment, but are welcome to use the club's equipment.

More than 15 members and fly fishing experts staff the school, bringing over 200 years of fly fishing experience to help you learn and have fun. Kirk Klingensmith is our Lead Instructor for the Academy. Chas Elliott leads our fly casting staff and is an Internationally Certified Casting Instructor.



Class fee is \$85 for Adults (ages 16 and over) and \$40 for Youth (ages 11-15, accompanied by a registered Adult). TT5R Members are also eligible for a \$10 discount. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Prepaid registration is required by Fri., March 31st. Class size is limited, so please register early.

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Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter IFFF
Business Meeting Minutes

12-19-2016

1. Call to Order

Kirk Klingensmith called to order the Business meeting of the TT5R IFFF at 1908 on 12-19-2016 at the American Legion in Corning, NY. The following members were present: Kirk Klingensmith, Bob Carlson, Dick Naylor, Gene Nowlan, Andy Robinson, Steve Harris, Vince Leonard, Bob Schaeffler.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report shows an opening balance of a \$3272.81 and a closing balance as of \$3202.81 from Oct-Dec. The treasurer's report continues to show a (\$90) discrepancy and will be rectified with the year-end report. Bob C motioned to accept business meeting minutes & Oct & Nov financial report, Vince seconded, motion carried.

3. Treasurer

Gene Nowlan asked to be replaced as treasurer. He will serve until replacement plan is defined.

4. Programming

December meeting with Ethan Law speaking on competition fly fishing and European nymphing techniques was very well received by all that attended. His tying presentation on tying Euro style nymphs on jig hooks was very interesting.

Upcoming programming includes:

- January – Gary Kell, master certified casting instructor for LL Bean, will speak on tips and tricks for casting
- February Social night – Linda Wales talking on Lyme disease at the 1157 restaurant in Elmira
- Bob Schaeffler has defined menu and will coordinate reservations with venue
- March – Joe Goodspeed, from Thomas + Thomas – talk will be on musky fishing and will tie musky flies

5. Fly Rod Raffle - The rod raffle drawing was held at the Leadership Meeting on 12/19/16, and the winner is Andrew Robinson. Club made ~\$400. Plans underway for spring rod raffle.

6. Club Facebook Page – Motion adopted to change status of Facebook page to public for a 6 mo trial period. Motion gives administrators (Kirk & John Lively) discretion to revert to closed group. Dick motion, Andy second, motion carried

7. Ithaca Fishing Day – date is set for March 25th

8. Eastern Waters Council – Kirk reviewed grants and new member drive from the regional council. Plans underway to host fly tying evening with Council officers in next few months.

9. 2017 Academy Planning - Confirmed that Fly Fishing Academy will be at Campbell High School on April 8, 2017. Advertising will begin in January. The fee for adults will be \$85 and the youth \$40. IFFF members will still receive a \$10 discount. Facility fee will increase \$30 from last year's cost.

10. Library Update - Library is updated with materials from Rominger estate. DVD's awaiting delivery from vendor. Older and low circulation materials culled to allow room. Their disposition will require future action by leadership team.

11. Membership E-mail will be sent shortly to encourage lapsed members to rejoin.

12. Meeting adjourned at 2202

Submitted by: Bob Carlson

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Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter of the IFFF

The International Federation of Fly Fishers is a non-profit organization working to conserve, restore and educate through fly-fishing. The IFFF is the only organization that advocates for fly anglers on all waters. Our local Chapter is the Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter, named after the Canisteo, Chemung, Conhocton, Susquehanna, and Tioga Rivers in southern New York and northern Pennsylvania. Since we are a charter club, current membership in the national IFFF is required of all members, but there are no additional dues or fees.

Join the International Federation of Fly Fishers online at www.fedflyfishers.org or by phone at 406-222-9369. The Club Secretary has paper applications that can be mailed in. Be sure to mention Twin Tiers-Five Rivers as your Chapter affiliation, so you will be recognized as part of the TT5R Chapter.

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