
FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL TWIN TIERS FIVE RIVERS CHAPTER

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May 2017

May Program

Henry Ramsey, Co-Author - *Keystone Fly Fishing*

Presentation: Matching and Fishing the Sulphur Hatch

We welcome you to join us on May 1, when Henry Ramsey will be visiting to teach us how to fish the sulfur hatch and what flies to use for these popular hatches. The various species of mayflies characterized by fly fishers as sulfurs are very prolific in our area and in Pennsylvania. They provide local anglers many opportunities to catch trout on the nymph, emerger, dry fly, and spinner patterns that duplicate those insects. This presentation will go into the various stages of these insects' lives and the imitations Henry uses to fish them. Henry is our third co-author of the new *Keystone Fly Fishing* book. He is an extremely innovative and talented fly tier and speaker. He also co-authored *Matching Major Eastern Hatches*, which catalogues many of his favorite fly patterns. His tying work has been featured in several publications including the *Art of Angling Journal*; *The Game Journal*; *Fly Fisherman*; and the *Mid Atlantic Fly Fishing Guide*. He is a contract fly designer for Umpqua Feather Merchants and is a member of the Daiichi Hook and Regal Vise Pro Staffs. If you want to catch more trout this year on sulfurs, you won't want to miss this presentation. Prior to his presentation, Henry will be tying one or more of his patterns.

Fly Tying Materials for Sale: Over time, our Club has received numerous gifts from members and friendly fly fishers. We deeply appreciate those and seek to put them to use in our library, educational outreach, for youth, Scouts, and other programs. Recently, our leadership team has gone through a review of the Club's materials and is looking to clear out some that we have had in storage and no longer see the opportunity to use.

These materials will be available for sale at our May meeting from 6:00 pm to the start of the fly tying demonstration at 6.30 pm. The Program Presentation will start at 7:00, at the Big Flats Community Center, 476 Maple Street, Big Flats, NY 14814.

June Program

Casting Clinic and Practice

Chas Elliott, Certified Casting Instructor

On June 5, the Club will host our Annual Fly Casting get-together. This meeting will be outside on the lawn in back of the Big Flats Community Center, starting at 6:30. There will be casting challenges and contests for those that want to take part, and Chas Elliott will be available to help casters tune-up their casting form. If you are a beginner or just someone who wants to improve and work on their casting, this is a meeting you won't want to miss

Musky Fly Raffle

At our May meeting, we will also be raffling off the **Flathead Sucker Musky Streamer** shown in the **Fly of the Month** write-up in last month's Newsletter. This is the actual fly that Joe Goodspeed tied at our March meeting. If you are a musky fisherman you will certainly want to have this fly in your box. Raffle tickets will go for \$5 per ticket and will be sold during our May meeting.

Bottom View



Top View



President's Short Cast

Kirk Klingensmith ><(((°>

Spring is here! The Forsythia's are in blossom – and Hendrickson's are just around the corner. I hope you are ready!

I took an early season float on the West Branch of the Delaware with some buddies Easter Saturday. The streamer bite was slow but happening – and we landed 3 great wild browns. It won't be long until May hits and fishing explodes in our area.

Things with the Club are in super high gear. You do not want to miss our special speaker, Henry Ramsay, for the May meeting. Henry is from Pennsylvania, he's written two books, lots of magazine articles, and is a truly innovative tyer and student of fly fishing. Also, fishing trips are starting and will be slipping into high gear.

Volunteers Needed

The Club has been continuing to grow with many joining this spring. We have need for volunteers to help the Club leadership team. We currently are looking for help with the Newsletter, Academy Coordination, Conservation, Education, fly tying and several other roles. We would love to have additional voices on our leadership team. We are developing a slate of folks willing to serve the Club as officers – for election this June. If you would value volunteering your time to share our sport, we would be honored to have your help. Please contact Vince Leonard, our Membership Coordinator, at 607-738-4360 or leonardvm1@yahoo.com

Fly Fishing Academy – April 8



Our Annual Fly Fishing Academy was a great success. We had near capacity with 30 students and 17 on Staff. The school was well received and students had great fun – and we had a great time sharing our sport.

Our Chapter donated registrations for two of the students, Tyler Allen and Jake Cotton, who will be teaching Fly Fishing merit badge at Boy Scout Camp Gorton this summer.

Many thanks to all who helped staff the Academy. Larry Kochalski, from the Lake Erie FFO Chapter, joined our staff. Lake Erie is considering doing something similar in the Buffalo area and Larry wanted to learn more about our successful school. Mike Lenetsky, great friend from Leon Chandler TU, joined the staff and led the streamer presentation. Nate Rohrbaugh also joined our Staff. He has just moved to the area and joined our Club. Nate has also worked with the Orvis School. Dr. Tony Ingraffea, who also just joined the Chapter, gave an excellent send-off presentation on “Why I Fly Fish.” Matt Towner took on a presenter role too. Matthew Rebis was the fly tying collector – and each student was presented with a handsome set of flies that members tied.

Many thanks to Steve Harris and Kirk Klingensmith for coordinating and everyone who helped staff. The club raised about \$1300 in funding from the Academy. I conservatively estimate that volunteers dedicated well over 500 hours to plan, publicize, prepare and conduct this school. Folks are truly so generous in sharing their love for our sport.

Spring Rod Raffle

You do not want to miss the spring rod raffle. This year we choose to raffle choice of any rod Douglas Outfitters sells. Douglas is an emerging rod company from upstate New York, which is really turning heads. Douglas stunned the fly fishing world by placing high in George Andersons 6wt and 5wt shoot outs – placing well above Sage and other elite rod makers. We are excited that Douglas is partnering with us and feel their rods are one’s anyone would be proud to own – and probably few have.

The drawing will be held at our May 1 program meeting. You can buy raffle tickets on-line through Paypal on our website www.twintiersfff.org. The link is in the center box at the bottom.

Fly Fishers International



The Federation of Fly Fishers has a new name. As part of a renewal strategy, defined several years ago, our organization is changing its name and logo. This is a part of a larger strategy to better serve as a worldwide voice for fly fishing.

The website also has been changed and has more information on future plans and the new look. Check it out, along with an introductory video, at www.flyfishersinternational.org

Our Chapter Facebook page name is changed now to **Twin Tiers Five Rivers FFI**. By the way, the Facebook page has lots of photos and information that changes nearly daily. You should check this out and join the fun on our FB group.

Fishing Trips Starting

The Club arranges fishing trips to various places through the year. There is a table of upcoming trips listed in this Newsletter. Trips are organized by Members who volunteer to lead them, and are open to both Members and Visitors. Please be courteous and contact the volunteer trip leader well before the trip to let them know you are coming. They will keep you informed of details or changes with the weather or stream conditions. Note that for many of these trips, the Club covers cost of food. Please let the trip leader know if your plans change and you won't be able to come. Many times there is a carpool and we don't want the group to be held up waiting if plans change. If you need some extra help in learning, or need to borrow a club rod, please tell the trip leader and they will try to help.

Upcoming Fishing Trips

Rainbow Paradise

We would like to welcome our Club members and those interested in our Club to join us for our first fishing trip of the year. The destination is Rainbow Paradise, a very well stocked trout farm with trophy fish consisting of 5+ species of trout. It's a great place to learn to cast and catch large fish.

The trip is scheduled for Saturday, April 22, 2017 and is being coordinated by George Roy. If you are going, please contact George at 607-962-5446 or geodorov@stny.rr.com, as we need to purchase enough food for all who attend. We will depart from Corning Wegmans @ 9:00 AM and usually have enough people to car pool.

Take a look at their site for additional information: <http://www.rainbowparadisetroutfarm.com/>

If we have 8 or more people attending, the price will be \$7.00/hr instead of the normal \$9.00/hr. When we get there we suit up then go to the office and register. We clock in and fish. On bio breaks or lunch we clock out, then clock in when finished. You are not paying for non-fishing time.

Cohocton River

Although still a few weeks away, we are starting to plan for our annual trip to the Cohocton River. This trip is usually quite productive, with fresh-stocked browns added just a few weeks prior to our outing.

The trip is scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 2017 and is being coordinated by Matt Towner. If you are going please contact Matt at 607-542-0285 or mtowner23@gmail.com, as we need to purchase enough food for all who attend. We will depart from Corning Wegmans @ 9:00 AM and usually have enough people to car pool.

We usually start fishing in Avoca near the King farm and lunch will be held at the picnic area there. Once we arrive, the group will usually disperse from there up or down river to everyone's favorite fishing spots. A few places even hold native brook trout that always put up a good fight. There are usually quite a few caddis to be found on the surface in early May, so be sure to include those in the flies that you bring.

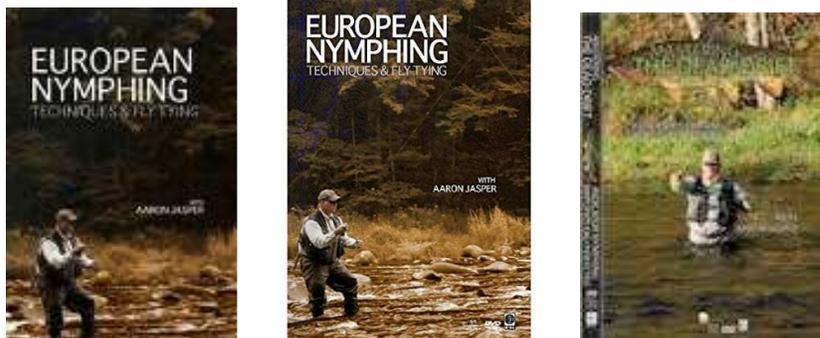
2017 Spring Rod Raffle
International Federation of Fly Fishers
Twin Tier Five Rivers Chapter



FIRST PRIZE - WIN your Choice of any Douglas Outdoors Fly rod,
including the Douglas Sky, winner of Angler's 2016 Six Weight Shootout! !!



SECOND PRIZE - 3 DVD set of Aaron Jasper's nymphing videos



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Douglas Outdoors is an innovative rod company located in upstate New York. Douglas brought together a leading industry engineering and design team with a legendary conservation family to bring a fresh approach to the building of fishing rods and reels. They aim to push the science and practice of angling, and in 2016 were **declared the winner of the prestigious Yellowstone Angler's 6 weight shootout. Out of 16 rods Yellowstone Angler tested, including rods from, among others, Orvis, Sage and Winston, the Douglas Sky was ranked Number One and the Douglas DXF finished 7th**

Raffle tickets – 1 for \$10, 3 for \$20, 6 for \$35 - Drawing May 1, 2017

Rod includes rod tube and sock. Winner may choose any weight and model Sky, DXF, DHF LRS, or Upstream rod. (see additional details below) Douglas rods are **warranted for the lifetime of the original owner.**

Douglas SKY Retail \$695 Four piece fresh and saltwater rods is constructed with the next generation of nano carbon matrix materials. SKY represents ground breaking high performance with rods that possess unique weight-to-strength actions as needed for each rod, capable of producing distance and seemingly unlimited power for fly casters of every skill level. Available in 9'0" in 3-12 weight, 10' in 2-4 weight, 11'0" in 3-4 weight, all rods 4 piece rods.

Douglas DXF Retail \$350-475 The DXF premium proven tapers are a combination of modern action and carbon matrix with a traditional fit and finish. DXF is tailored toward most species and environments with a pulse on current angling practices. It anticipates the full confidence an angler requires in their tackle. Available in 9'0" in 3-12 weight, 8'6" in 5 weight, 10' in 2-5 weight, 10'6" in 4-6 weight, 11'0" in 3-4 weight, and 11'6" in 7-8 weight (Switch), all rods 4 piece rods.

Douglas DHF Retail \$170-300 An "every angler" rod, DHF offers high quality at a reasonable price. DHF is about years on the water and understanding what an expert and first-casters alike appreciate in a fine fly rod. Available, 7'6" 4 weight; 8'6" 5 weight; 9'0" 5 -10 weight; 10'0" 6 weight; 11'6" 6 weight; 12'0" 7 weight; 13'0" 8 weight.

Douglas LRS Retail \$170-300 The LRS, Lake, River and Sea, series of fly rods are designed for game fishing multiple species in numerous environments. These are two piece rods in a range that can cast multi-fly rigs or monster streamers. The LRS is all about affordable durability and versatility. All LRS rods are 10'0" available 6-10 weight with interchangeable 2" and 4" Fighting Butts, all rods 2 piece rods.

Douglas Upstream Retail \$350-425 Unique, ultra-lite fly rods for bush and upcountry fishing environments. The challenge of both close casting and designing a rod that will control your line, fly and catch with authority, is a balance that Upstream strikes with ease.

ROD	LENGTH	LINE	WEIGHT	PIECE	MSRP
Upstream 3662	6'6"	#3	1.13 oz	2	\$350.00
Upstream 3706	7'0"	#3	1.75 oz	6	\$425.00
Upstream 3734	7'3"	#3	1.42 oz	4	\$350.00
Upstream 3766	7'6"	#3	1.68 oz	6	\$425.00
Upstream 2804	8'0"	#2	1.43 oz	4	\$350.00
Upstream 3806	8'0"	#3	1.75 oz	6	\$425.00
Upstream 3834	8'3"	#3	1.59 oz	4	\$350.00
Upstream 4884	8'8"	#4	1.72 oz	4	\$350.00

Fly of the Month

Isonychia Bicolor Nymph

As tied by Dave Rothrock.



Hook: 2X long, Size 10, 12, and 14

Thread: Brown Danville 6/0

Tail: Tie in 3 dark Brown ostrich tail fibers so they extend 1/3 of hook shank past back of hook.

Legs: Tie in Brown mottled hen fibers so they hang over front (eye) of hook (to fold back later).

Tie in Brown poly thread for rib on side and white poly thread on top for stripe, both tied in at the back of hook.

Body: Dub a very tight noodle of medium brown rabbit dubbing. Starting 1/3 of way back on shank, wrap dubbing back to tail and then forward again, wrapping tightly.

Fold over white stripe along middle of back. Stretch and tie in at front of hook. Then wind brown poly rib forward over white stripe, coming first under tails to lift them slightly, then wrap forward tightly.

Abdomen should be 2/3 of hook, wing case 1/3

Wing Case: Black poly yarn (could also use black Glo-Bug yarn). Tie in at front, fold back and then dub some of the thorax. Fold back legs and tie them in place. Then add more dubbing to tie in legs, splitting legs into two groups on each side.

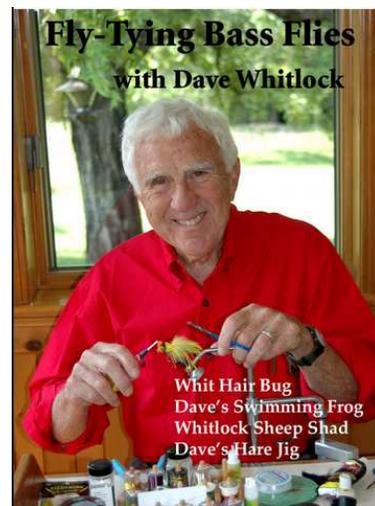
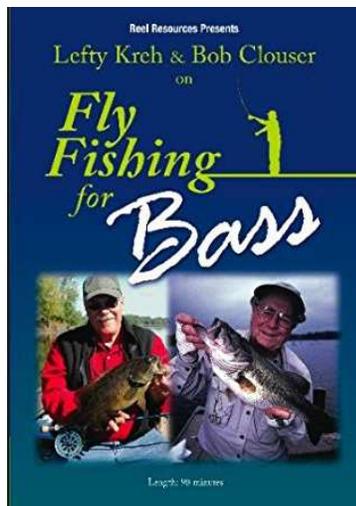
Fold over wing case and white stripe and tie off, then tie head using thread.

Pick out dubbing with dubbing needle to form gills.

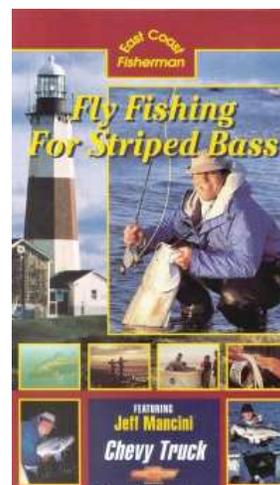
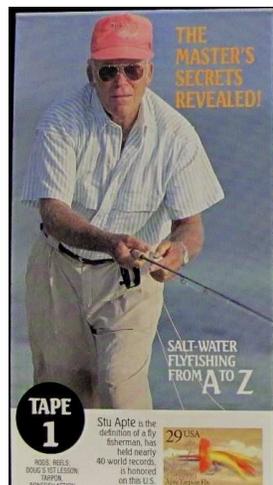
Recipe, compliments of Bob Carlson

Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter Library News

As the trout season moves on and summer approaches you may be interested in getting prepared for a different fly fishing experience by watching some DVD's. The Thomas Krajci Memorial Library of the Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter of the FFI may have the resources you need to succeed. If you want to cast for bass you might consider viewing our DVD *Fly Fishing for Bass* by Lefty Kreh and Bob Clouser (D-K-6). With eight 5-star reviews, you are sure to get all you need to get started or a number of new tips to land more bass. To get ready for that bass outing you might also want to borrow Dave Whitlock's *Fly Tying Bass Flies* (D-W-1) or take a look at his DVD on *Fly Fishing for Bass* (D-W-5) that's also in our collection.



If you're headed to saltwater this summer, your best bet may be Stu Apte's *Salt Water Fly Fishing from A-Z* (D-A-2) or Jeff Mancini's *Fly Fishing for Striped Bass* (D_M_1). These just might lead you to catch that big one.



Our library listing available on the chapter website at <http://www.twintiersfff.org/> through the Tom Krajci Memorial Library link has been updated to include all of our recent additions. Please feel free to browse the listing at your convenience for other DVD's and books. Or if you want an old school experience and have the equipment we've got dozens of VHS tapes in stock.

If you are interested in checking out something new from our library just e-mail me (Andy Robinson) at Robby@Ithaca.edu and I'll bring your choice to the next meeting at the Big Flats Community Center.

A reminder.... We don't have all of our collection at the Big Flats Community Center so it's important to let me know before the May 1st meeting if you wish to check something out.

Tip of the month: "Keep the water out of your waders"

Twin Tiers Five Rivers

2017 Conservation & Fishing Trips



Schedule Mar 22, '17

Please inform coordinator, at least 2/3 days in advance, by phone or e-mail that you plan to attend; so fishing, food, and beverage can be arranged.

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Trip Coordinator</u>	<u>Meeting Time/Location</u>
Final	Apr 22, '17 Saturday Reservation by: Thursday 9 pm	<u>Rainbow Paradise</u> There is a fee (\$7/hr) for fishing these private ponds. Food, Soda & Water Provided	George Roy H: 607-962-5446 geodoroy@stny.rr.com	Depart: 9:00 am Corning Wegman's on the Left
Final	May 06, '17 Saturday Reservation by: Thursday 9 pm	<u>Cohocton River</u> Food, Soda & Water Provided	Matt Towner C: 607-542-0285 MTowner23@gmail.com	Depart: 9:00 am Corning Wegman's on the Left
Final	May 20, '17 Saturday Reservation by: Thursday 9 pm	<u>Cayuta Creek Cleanup & Fishing</u> Litter pickup in morning, fish after lunch Please bring your own lunch & beverage.	Steve Harris C: 607-377-4956 sjh529@stny.rr.com	Meet: 9:00 am North Side of Swartwood (Rt 223) Bridge on Cayuta Creek
Final	Jun 10, '17 Saturday Reservation by: Thursday 9 pm	<u>Genesee River</u> Food, Soda & Water Provided	Chas Elliott H: 607-587-8763 Chasman@frontiernet.net Bob Schaeffler C: 607-738-7956 Schaeffler56@hotmail.com	Depart: 7:00 am Corning Wegman's on the Left
Final	Aug 05, '17 Saturday Reservation by: Wed 9 pm	<u>Chemung River Float</u> Bring a canoe, kayak, or boat. Canoe (\$45) or kayak (\$35) rental available. Burgers with fixings & Water Provided. Please bring food &/or drink to share.	Kirk Klingensmith C: 607-346-7189 kklingensmi@stny.rr.com	Depart: 9:00 am Details TBD

Twin Tiers Five Rivers Chapter IFFF
Business Meeting Minutes

4-17-2017

1. Call to Order

Kirk Klingensmith called to order the Business meeting of the TT5R FFI at 1906 on 04-17-2017 at the American Legion in Corning, NY. The following members were present: Kirk Klingensmith, Matt Towner, Bob Carlson, Dick Naylor, Gene Nowlan, Vince Leonard, Steve Harris, George Roy.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's Report

Dick motioned to accept business meeting minutes and Treasurer's Report, Vince seconded.

3. Programming

April's program with Dave Rothrock was a wealth of knowledge for both the technical fly experts as well as beginners. The advanced fly fishers appreciated the higher level topics covered.

Upcoming programming includes:

- May – Henry Ramsay (co-author of Keystone Fly Fishing) speaking on meeting and fishing sulfur hatches. This is the main event for this year's programming and we're inviting non-members to join as well.
- June – Annual Casting night with Chas Elliot

4. 2017 Academy Close Out

30 students attended after 2 last minute cancellations and 1 last minute addition. Two students, who will be teaching fly fishing at Camp Gorton later this year to earn Boy Scout merit badges in fly fishing, were given complimentary passes to attend. Net profit from this year's academy was \$1304.

5. Fly Rod Raffle

\$568 in ticket sales to date. The drawing will be held on 5/1 at the May program meeting and the winner will be announced after the meeting via email.

6. Fishing Trip Plan

The first fishing trip is planned for 4/22 to Trout Paradise followed by a trip to the Cohocton on May 6. The plan will be included newsletters until the end of the season.

7. Federation of Fly Fishers Name Change

The organization has officially changed its name to Fly Fishers International. Our club will be rolling out the new organization name to publicity and emails as time permits.

8. Officer Nominations in June

The end of our program year ends in June and we have the following positions open: Treasurer, Newsletter editor(s), Academy coordinator/helpers and a Conservation/Education leadership chair. Nominations will take place at the end of the Casting Night on June 5.

9. Club Assets

\$205 in sales from club assets (books, fly tying material and broaches) was made in March/April. An additional sale will be held at the May program meeting.

10. Gift to American Legion

A motion was made by Matt Towner to provide the Corning American Legion with a donation of \$100 for the use of their facility for our leadership meetings. George seconded and motion approved.

11. Meeting adjourned at 2052

Submitted by Matt Towner, Secretary

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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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