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It is the charge of the North Louisiana Fly Fishers to afford the general public and its members in particular, a better understanding of Fly Fishing, Fly Tying, and Rod Building. We wish to perpetuate the sport as a most pleasurable and exciting fishing method and provide education, instruction and the opportunities for relaxation to the membership.

NORTH LOUISIANA FLY FISHERS founded in 1984

This Past Month

Scott Irwin and I got to go to the Reel Recovery Retreat on the Lower Mountain Fork as a fishing buddy a couple of weeks ago. We hope that we get to do it again in the future. Had a great time working with our participant partner. Seems like everyone involved enjoyed it.

The spring outing was pretty good at Caney Lake. The turnout was not that big but those of us who went had a great time and caught very few fish. I mean what else could you ask for?

Don't forget the Refuge Summer Camp June 9th & 10th. If you possibly can please donate a couple hours of your time. See the article on page 4 for more information.

I will be out of town the 10th, see you later.

Next Meeting:

June 10th at 7:PM at the Red River National Wildlife Refuge, 150 Eagle Bend Point, Bossier City, LA. Guest speaker will be Harry Boyd, Bamboo rod builder. Come early and bring your rod for casting practice

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North Louisiana Fly Fishers

2nd Annual Masters Series Event



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Date

Saturday, July 26, 2014
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Location

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Headquarters Unit
150 Eagle Bend Point
Bossier City, LA 71112



Agenda

- Fly fishing techniques and tackle for largemouth and smallmouth bass
- Tying, casting, and fishing bass flies
- When and where to catch bass on the fly
- The life, art, and wisdom of Dave Whitlock

About Dave

Forty years ago Dave pooled his talents in painting, illustrating, writing, photography, fly fishing and lecturing, resigned his position as a research chemist, and embarked on a new career as a full-time professional in the arts of fly fishing.



Dave's art and writing appear regularly in many fly fishing and sporting publications. He has written, co-authored, and/or illustrated over 30 books, and demonstrated his fly fishing, fly tying and teaching skills in numerous videos. Dave is also known internationally for his innovative fly tying designs, including the popular *Dave's Hopper*. Dave has taught fly fishing around the world, and he and his wife Emily have shared the magic of fly fishing at their Whitlock Fly Fishing School for over 15 years. Dave's experience and creative outlook on the whole spectrum of fly fishing have earned him the reputation of being one of the top professional fly fishers in the sport. Learn more at www.davewhitlock.com.

Cost: \$35 per person

(includes lunch, coffee, drinks, etc.)

*Space is limited to 75 participants;
pre-registration required (see reverse).*

Visit the NLFF website or Facebook page for additional information.

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Registration Form

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Cost is \$35.00 per person (includes lunch, coffee, drinks, etc.). Note: As space is limited to 75 participants, this fee is non-refundable.

Send payment (check or cash) to: NLFF, P. O. Box 8542, Shreveport, LA 71148-8542

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

_____ Please reserve a position for me in this program. I understand that my \$35.00 must be received by June 30, 2014 or my position will be forfeited to others on the waiting list.

_____ Please place my name on the waiting list if all of the 75 slots have been taken.

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GRAND ISLE FISH FRY AND FLY FISHING EVENT

The annual Grand Isle fly fishing event, hosted by Red Stick Fly Fishers is coming up the weekend of June 27 and 28th. , open to anyone who is a member of an IFFF club. People meet up at an open patio at the Blue Dolphin Inn Friday night to visit. Saturday morning everyone fishes and returns for a fish fry of the day's catch., enjoying a fine meal, congenial company and lots of questionable fish tales. One of the best things about being involved with NLFF is the varied fishing experiences available to us: the cold waters of the north, our own warm water and the salt water to the south. Grand Isle offers opportunities we shouldn't miss. This remote coastal town is not home to McDonalds or Burger King, just old-fashioned restaurants and diners. There are numerous hotels and beach front properties for lodging, as well as the outstanding state park for campers. Be sure to make reservations ASAP for lodging and at the state park, as all facilities fill up quickly.



TIME TO PAY THE RENT

The Red Fiver Wildlife Refuge graciously allows the NLFF to use their \$3 million facility at no cost, only asking that we help out with a few programs the put on during the year. One of those events is the upcoming Red River Wildlife Refuge Outdoor Recreation Camp for children 9-15 years of age. This weekday camp features all sorts of outdoor activities. We have been requested to teach fly-tying at three sixty minute workshops hosting 10 campers each. (You don't have to know how to tie flies to help.) Please be 30 minutes early to help set up.

June 9th workshops and 10:00 and 11:00

June 10th workshop 10:00

To see how involved the kids get in this workshop, see the photos from last year's camp. If possible, donate a few hours in this golden opportunity to advance our mission of educating the public about fly fishing as well as "hooking" kids on fishing!

To sign up to help with the camp, call Scott Irwin 318-742-2190



A few photos from the summer camp last June at the Red River National Wildlife Refuge.



FREE FISHING DAYS COMING SOON

Oklahomans looking to try something new with the family this summer may want to give fishing a try. A great time for that will be June 7-8 during Oklahoma's Free Fishing Days, which allow people to fish without state fishing licenses or permits.

"Free Fishing Days gives people a chance to just 'test the waters' and see if they would enjoy the sport," said Ken Cunningham, assistant chief of fisheries for the Wildlife Department. "We are confident they will."

Urban areas across the state offer angling opportunities through the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation's Close to Home Fishing program, which provides quality fishing opportunities without a long drive from home. Anglers also have access to public lakes, rivers, streams and ponds across the state. People who just don't know where to start can turn to the "Where to Fish" map found in the Wildlife Department's "Oklahoma Fishing" regulations guide, available online at wildlifedepartment.com or where fishing licenses are sold.

Anglers may also sign up to receive the weekly Oklahoma Fishing Report. Compiled by Wildlife Department personnel and independent reporters, the report reveals inside information on the best places to go fishing, when the fish are biting and what baits they are hitting the most. Anglers can have the fishing report e-mailed to them by subscribing wildlifedepartment.com/fishing/fishrpt.htm.

Participants in Free Fishing Days should note that certain city permits may still apply to specific fishing areas June 7-8. Also, all of Lake Texoma is open for free fishing on June 7, but will only apply to the Oklahoma portion of the lake on June 8. Anglers must abide by all Texas fishing license and permit requirements when fishing the Texas portion of Lake Texoma on June 8.

Oklahoma was the first state in the nation to offer Free Fishing Days about 30 years ago and has since been followed by dozens of other states that have established similar days.

While Free Fishing Days allows people to fish without having a state fishing license, anglers still must abide by all other fishing regulations including daily bag limits and size restrictions.

Anyone can wet a line in Oklahoma on June 7-8 during Free Fishing Days without a state fishing license. But keep in mind that other permits or licenses might still be required by local controlling agencies. Have fun and good luck!

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UPCOMMING EVENTS:

June 5th: 6-9pm Louisiana Tech University “Intro to Kayaking” class LTU campus in Ruston, instructor Stephanie Herrman. Registration fee \$50. 318-257-4433

June 7th-8th: Louisiana’s Free Fishing Weekend . All ages can fish free the first weekend of June with a fishing license on any of the state’s public waters, fresh or salt. All other fishing regulations apply.

June 12th-14th: 1st ever Texas Council Expo at the New Braunfels Civic Center, New Braunfels, TX. Go to texascounciliff.com for more information.

June 27th-28th: Grand Isle Weekend week end . Blue Dolphin Inn, Grand Isle, LA. See www.fsff.org for details.

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