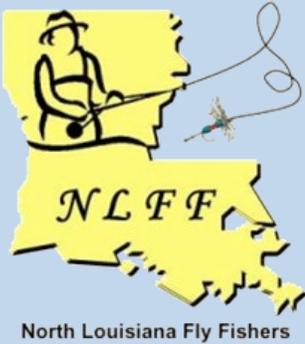


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July Meeting Topic

Chris Summerville is a very unique individual. He works for Ouachita Outfitters in Hot Springs Arkansas, located near all kinds of trout waters. But his passion is smallmouth bass fishing on the Caddo River. We have tried for years to find an authority on the Caddo River in general, and smallmouth bass fishing specifically. This type of expert has eluded our speakers calendar for decades. Finally, we have found our authority in Chris Summerville. Chris spends his free time, gliding down graceful pools of aqua green water of the Caddo stalking the elusive smallmouth bass. Fishing the Caddo can be tough in the summer. The river is popular with tubers, recreational kayakers, and families in canoes. Chris has figured out where to fish and get away from the crowd and experience the smallmouth dance on the end of his rod from dawn to dusk. You too can discover the secrets locked deep in this river.

The Caddo River has very limited public access. Come to the July 14th meeting and find out the best places to fish, where to launch a kayak, the length of trips, the level of rapids on the water you will traverse, the ideal water levels you desire to fish, the type of rods to use, the ideal line, and the perfect flies to tie on the end of your tippet. The board of the NLFF is working hard to bring you unique, interesting, entertaining and informative speakers month after month. Chris is driving down from Hot Springs to speak to our club. Your attendance at the meeting would be a great show of support and appreciation to Chris. This information packed hour will open up new adventures into your fishing world within a short drive of your home. The smallmouth are calling your name, even mocking you. Are you going to let them get away with that?! Come join us on July 14 for the tools to shut them up!

"Fly-fishing may well be considered the most beautiful of all rural sports." ~ Chuck Clark



June Meeting Recap

Eddie Brister, owner of Beavers Bend Fly Shop, was our featured speaker at our June meeting. He was originally booked to share



some of his knowledge of trout fishing on the Lower Mountain Fork river in Beavers Bend State Park. But since his booking, the river experienced some major flood damaged.

While the flood did cause some



damage that will need to be taken care of by man (washed out roads and bridges, removing downed trees and debris, etc.), Mother Nature's "damage" should be good for the river. According to Eddie, the Lower Mountain Fork River now has the potential to become one of the premier trout fishing waters in the country if the Lower Mountain Fork Foundation plays their cards right. There is talk of moving the cold water intake from the lake the feeds the river in order to produce 48 degree water coming out of the spillway. This would allow the river to support a thriving population of cutthroat trout! In addition, the missed trout stockings as a result of the flood are merely going to be delayed instead of skipped. This should bring the population of rainbows and browns back up quickly. The only real question is about how much damage to the entomology of the river and how quickly it will rebound.

Eddie presented some pictures, a few of which are shown here, of deep runs, holes, and

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falls that were not there before the flood. The vegetation on the banks has been scoured away. Fine rocks



and silt has been deposited along some of the riverbank making for some great casting lanes and easier trekking.

I understand that there is now a video of the river shot from a drone flying overhead that will really show the differences in the

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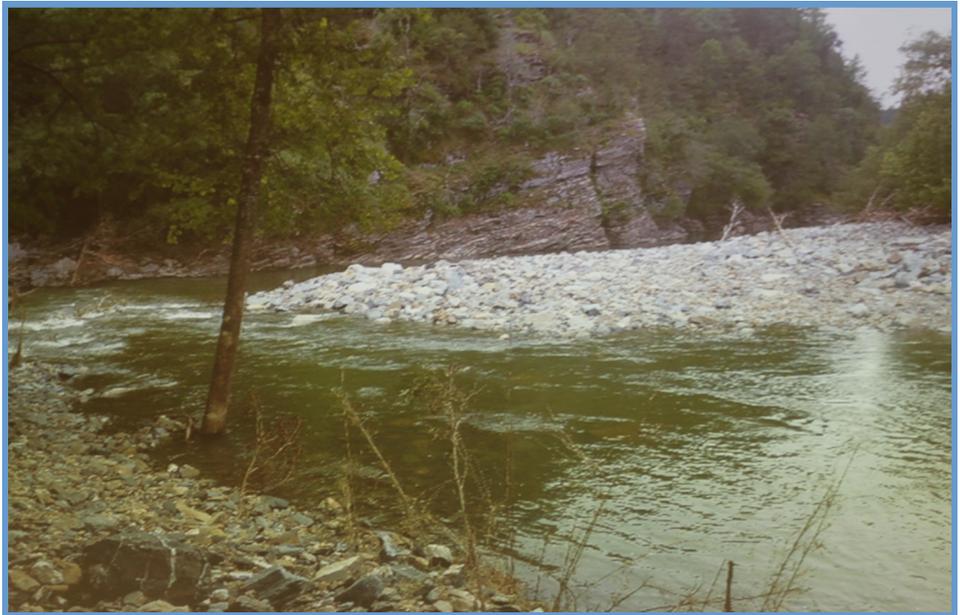
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river if you were familiar with it before the flood. Maybe once things get semi-normal again on the river, we can have Eddie Brister back for an update on the progress of the river's recovery. After all, Eddie will need time to re-learn the river again. Ahh, the life of a river guide... wonder if he needs any help!



Editor's Note: Just before this issue went to press, Rob Woodruff sent an email update along with his thoughts on the river post flood. The contents of that email are reprinted here with his permission starting on page 4.



Lower Mountain Fork River - After the Flood

By Rob Woodruff

As many of you know, on Memorial Day Weekend 2015, the flood gates at the Broken Bow Dam were opened to unprecedented levels. The resultant flood closed Beavers Bend State Park until June 13 and made major changes to the upper portions of the Trout fishery on the Lower Mountain Fork.

Now that I have had a few weeks to fish the river on my own, do guided trips, and sample the aquatic insect and crustacean populations, here is my report and opinions on the post flood Lower Mountain Fork River.

For those who want a quick recap without reading it all:

1. You really have to see it in person to take in the amount of changes to the Zone 1 section. Zone 2 and 3 have changed very little.
2. The fishing has been good to very good for myself, Jenny and our clients since Beavers Bend State Park reopened on June 12. Those who aren't catching trout aren't adapting their techniques to the current conditions.
3. Aquatic insect larvae, crustaceans and annelids are mostly absent from Spillway Creek

right now. Populations are normal once you reach the upper portion of the Evening Hole and proceeding downstream from there.

4. All of Zone 1 is under temporary Blue Zone regulations (bait and barbed hooks allowed, daily limit of 6 Rainbows & 1 Brown Trout over 20" per day, etc.) until a new section of Red Zone water is defined and marked by the ODWC.
5. The new release rate from the spillway is planned to be somewhere in the neighborhood of 150 cfs (old flow was between 85 and 100 cfs).

Physical Changes

Starting at the Spillway Dam and moving downstream. Keep in mind that things are still in transition as the river settles into new channels and flow rates.

Spillway Creek - Much WIDER! deeper and faster than before. It is stunning to see how different this stretch is. There are some really pretty water falls. I am really excited about the potential of this stretch.

Deeper water positioned where it receives the most cold, fertile water is always a good thing for Trout and the things they eat. The entire creek is a series of stair steps formed by the bedrock. You definitely will get a workout fishing it.

Cold Hole - Road crossing is gone. It is now one long deep run from the power line to about where the second conservation pool ended.

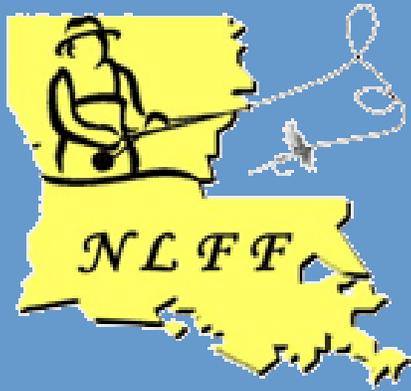
Lost Creek - Gone and will not be rebuilt. The former channel is under a mound of fine gravel and the new streambed of Spillway Creek is several feet lower than where the Diversion Dam was.

Bend Pool - That pesky, fly grabbing tree is gone. There are some



Spillway Creek

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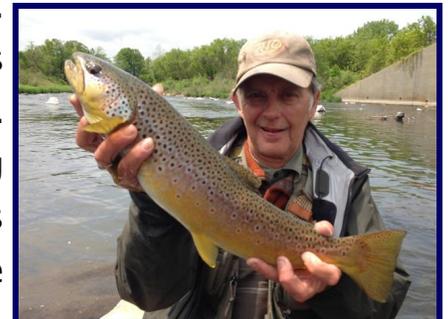
A Day with Davy Wotton - "Mastering the Nymph"

North Louisiana Fly Fishers' 3rd Annual Masters Clinic

What: "Mastering the Nymph"
Who: Davy Wotton
Cost: \$35.00, includes lunch,
coffee, and drinks
When: July 25th
Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Where: Red River
Wildlife Refuge
150 Eagle Bend Point
Bossier City, LA

Registration forms
available online at
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Attendance limited to first
75 registered individuals.

Davy Wotton has fly fishing experience in 40 countries and is a world recognized author, instructor, and fly tier. Listen to one of the best in the fly fishing world! Learn the history of nymph fishing, understand how stream flow and depth relate to various nymph presentation techniques: free-line, Euro-style, or indicator and its value (or not), and the anchor effect. Learn how to rig nymph systems to suit prevailing conditions. There will also be a casting clinic at the presentation. Here's your chance to learn from one of the best in the world!



June Tying Technique Sponsored by Bass Pro Shops®

During our June Tying Techniques class at Bass Pro Shops, Jamie Franklin taught us the art of “palmering”. Palmering is a method for wrapping a hackle feather over a section of the fly’s body.

Palmered hackle flies have been popular from the early days of flytying and were a feature of many of the early salmon flies. They are still popular with many of the traditional flies and are increasingly used on modern lures to impart movement on a fast retrieve, ie. Woolly buggers, Damsel nymphs and Yellow dancers.

There are two ways of tying in and securing the hackles on

palmered flies. Both are equally effective and it comes down to personal choice.

Method 1 – The Ribbing material is tied in at the tail end. The hackle is tied in by the but end at the head of the fly and wound down to the tail in open turns. The ribbing material is then wound from the tail to the head in open anticlockwise turns, securing the hackle, and tied off at the head. This is the more secure way.

Method 2 – The hackle is tied in

by the tip at the tail of the fly. The hackle is then wound in open turns to the head and tied off. The only benefit of this method is it saves weight on a dry fly.

In the photo sequence that follows, the colors were chosen to make the tying steps more easily visible. Pay special attention starting at step 4 for the palmering technique.

1. Tie on behind the eye of the



hook and lay the tail material - if used - along the top of the shank and wrap the thread down to the bend, binding the tail material to the shank to form a smooth underbody.

2. Strip one end of the chenille by



pinching and pulling the fuzzy stuff away with the nails of your thumb and forefinger, exposing about 1/4 inch of the string core.

3. Tie in the stripped end of the chenille at the bend, with the rest



of the chenille hanging back behind the rear of the hook.

4. Prepare the hackle feather by stroking most of the barbs perpendicular to the hackle's center stem,



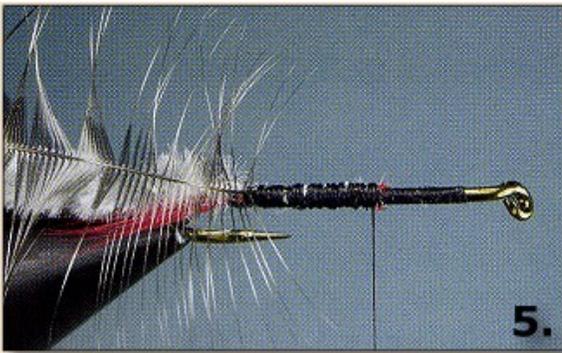
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then trim the feather square at its tip, leaving a small triangle.

5. Trap the aft-facing hackle feather (its dull, concave side facing up) by its triangular tip to the top of the hook at the rear of the shank, just ahead of the tied-in



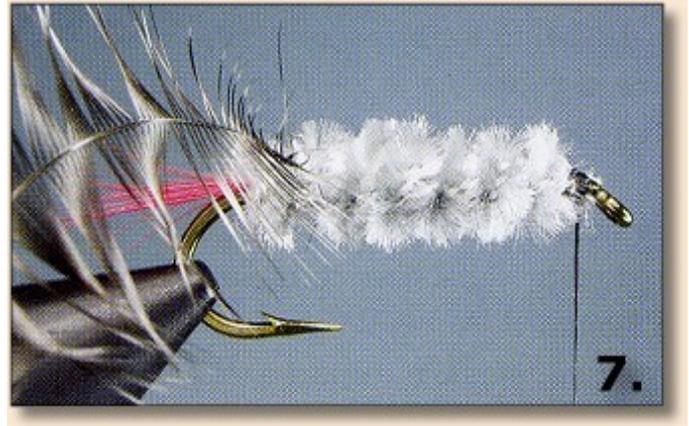
body material. Wrap the thread in evenly spaced, close spirals, forming a thread base that will keep materials from slipping around on the slippery steel shank.

6. Holding the hackle up and out of the way, take one wrap of chenille behind the hackle.



7. Wrap the chenille forward in three or four tight wraps, and clip

close spirals, each abutting the preceding wrap without overlapping it. Just behind the eye, tie off the chenille and clip the excess. Be sure to



leave enough room between the chenille and the hook eye to tie off the hackle and build a head in step 8.

8. Wind the hackle forward

the excess feather. It's a good idea to anchor the hackle with a half hitch or two before clipping the excess. Build a neat, smooth, rather large head (larger than for most trout flies) with the tying thread.



feather toward the rear, if you want most of the hackle barbs to angle forward. When you reach the front of the body, secure the hackle with

Whip-finish or use three half hitches. Clip the excess thread and - if you wish, it's not altogether necessary - apply a drop of head cement ("lacquer") to the thread. Once the head cement has dried, go out and catch a fish!

Lower Mountain Fork River - After the Flood - (Cont.)

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really nice runs and holding water here.

Bluff Holes - Pretty much gone as far as being holes or pools. Very narrow stretch of water with the bluffs on one side and a huge pile of rocks and gravel on the other.

Evening Hole - Back to being as wide as it was prior to the levee

being built in 2007. Water flow currently enters the stretch from about where the Junction Hole was, flows down the old flood relief channel and then cuts across the remnants of the levee and follows the course we have been used to since 2007. The river is creating a deeper channel through some of the sand deposited here.

Between Evening Hole Bridge and

the Fly Shop Bridge - Not much has changed other than some large piles of downed trees and debris along the shoreline.

Fly Shop Bridge to Swim Beach Bridge - Hard to tell since the blocks are in place at the bridge and it is covered up with paddle boats, kayaks, etc. most of the time. But, I doubt if it has changed much.

Swim Beach Bridge to Power House

Channel - This stretch may have actually been improved as far as Trout habitat. It is deeper and has more nice looking runs and holding water.

Zone 2 - Not much has changed. Some downed trees floated in from upstream. Footing seems to be better in some areas as some new gravel has been deposited and stabilized some of the rocks that used to move underfoot.

Zone 3 - Not many changes other than some trees below the Re-Regulation Dam were washed away.

Fishing

We have caught some really nice Rainbows and

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Healthy Rainbow from Spillway Creek

Lower Mountain Fork River - After the Flood - (Cont.)

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Browns since the park reopened. We have caught Trout on nymphs, streamers and dry flies in all three zones. Biggest change has been that the average size has been larger than

prior to the flood. The Trout look healthy and fight really hard. I think there was some selection taking place during the water release in that bigger, stronger fish were able to hold on and smaller, weaker or

freshly stocked fish went downstream. But, we have also caught some of the baby wild born Rainbows throughout Spillway Creek. In addition to the Trout, we have caught a Walleye, Smallmouth Bass, Kentucky Bass, Sand Bass, Bream and a Blue Catfish within zone 1. Keep in mind that in most

places the water is much deeper and faster than before. Many of the holes in Spillway Creek are now eight feet deep or more. Fly rigs, techniques and wading all have to be adjusted accordingly.

fast algae begin to form in the protected areas along the shoreline, indicative of the increased fertility of the water being released right now.

"Nature abhors a vacuum" is an

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28 Inch Blue Catfish I Caught on a Size 18 Nymph on June 13

Insects, Crustaceans, Etc.

Spillway Creek - The flood scoured out 8 to 10 feet of gravel from most of the creek and took the majority of insects, crustaceans and annelids with it. But, I have found caddis larvae, leeches, annelids and crayfish that rode out the flood. It is amazing to watch how

now:

1. There are more bait fish within the creek now than pre-flood as they were pulled out of the lake.
2. The majority of the midge larvae in the upper portions of tailwater fisheries are being

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Crossword Puzzle

Fly Fishing Terms

Let's test your knowledge of some fly fishing terminology.
Below are the clues and the puzzle is on the next page.
Answers will be printed in next month's *The Fly Line*.

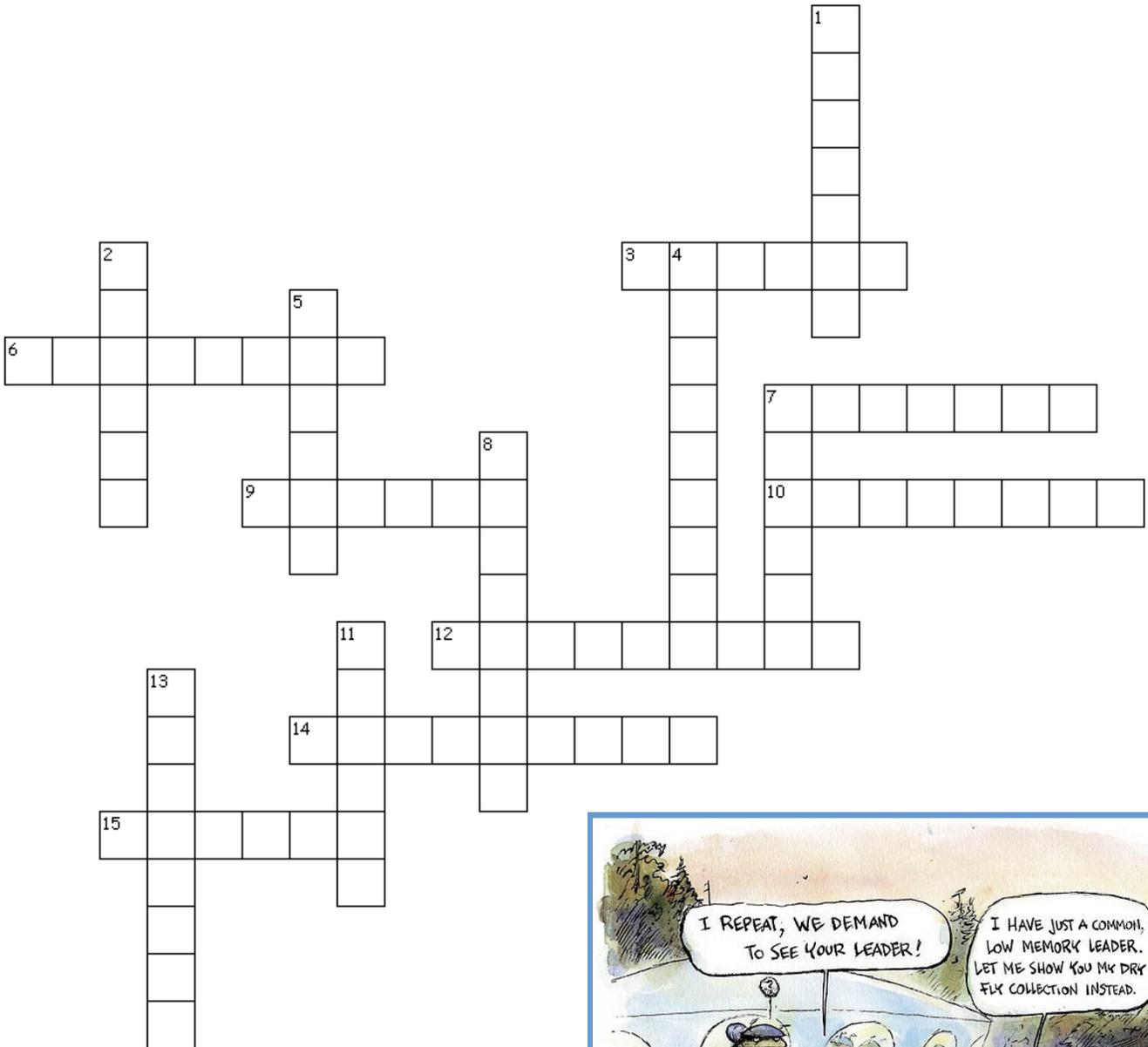
Across

3. Retractable device used to hang items from fly vest
6. Clamp or forceps used to remove hooks from mouth of trout
7. First segment of line on a fly reel, usually braided
9. The terminal segment of line tied on end of leader and connected to fly
10. The action of throwing the rod and line backwards before making a forward cast
12. Method for wrapping a hackle feather over a section of the fly's body
14. A forward casting action used to gauge the distance of the real cast, to dry a fly, or lengthen or shorten your line
15. Feathers from the neck or back of a specially bred chicken used to tie flies

Down

1. Aquatic insect that swims to surface before changing to a winged adult
2. Oldest rod building material still in use
4. Floating object placed on line to show the take or float path of a fly
5. Common aquatic insect with tent-like wings
7. A tier's tool for holding thread
8. Fly made of long feathers or animal hair to imitate baitfish or other non-insects
11. Section of line used between the flyline and the tippet, often a tapered section
13. Material applied to flies and leaders in order to cause them to stay on the surface of the water

Crossword Puzzle - (Cont.)



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pulled out of the hypolimnion (Editor's note - see graphic) of the lake above it.

- The forest that surrounds the creek is rich in terrestrial insects. These will be an important food source until the winter.

Evening Hole Downstream to Highway 70 Bridge - No changes and we may see an increased population of macro-invertebrates for a few years as they take advantage of the increased fertility of the river caused by the flood stirring the stream bottom and washing in organic matter from the shore.

The Future

The most up to date information from the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife is best expressed by the email that Southeast Fisheries Supervisor Don Groom sent to be read in his absence at the June 27th meeting of the Lower Mountain Fork River Foundation:

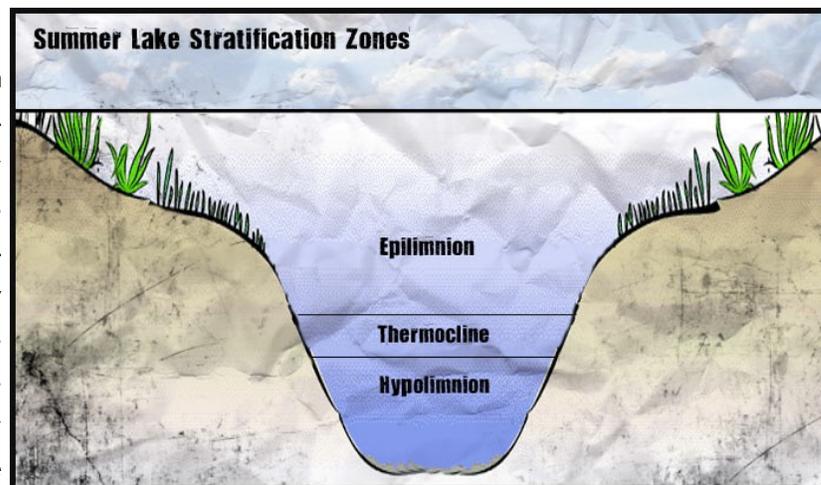
"Thank you for your patience as we continue to evaluate recent impact to the trout stream. I know there are a few rumors floating

around, and I hope that the following will ease concerns.

After the releases our main priority was to resume stocking as soon as possible. In the recent weeks we have conducted maintenance at existing stocking locations to facilitate continued stocking, and we have replaced sections of pipe on the stock-

vendor for the Lower Mountain Fork.

In the past week, I have toured the trout stream with our new Commissioner, Assistant Director of Operations, Law Enforcement Division Chief and Fish Division Chief to discuss the recent impacts and future management options. Discussions were positive and supportive in re-



gards to: increasing and improving stock locations, improving fishing access in the cold hole area, improving flows in the evening hole and the respective bridge area, and dealing with the Lost Creek diver-

ing tube above the cold hole area. This pipe is temporarily supported by rock, and we will be going through the appropriate compliance channels to secure the pipe long term as well as any other improvement or repair activity. We had temporarily suspended stocking during the flood releases, but have since resumed stocking on June 18th and again on June 26th to make up for the postponed stocking. Stocking will now resume as usual (every two weeks). We begin our new three-year contract period July 1, 2015, and Crystal Lake Fisheries is once again our

sion structure. In the immediate future, I will be working closely with USACE Project Managers, the State Park, and my Leadership to further explore these options. As you are aware, Lost Creek is buried under a mound of sediment. I can confirm that this section of the stream will not be rebuilt.

Any regulation changes that are necessary surrounding the loss of Lost Creek will go through our normal rule change procedures. I know there are many rumors surrounding

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regulation changes, but we have not started working on any regulation changes as internal discussions continue. Again, any rule changes pertaining to the trout stream will be going through the normal rule change process and public input will be sought before any changes are made. I do not foresee any emergency rules at this time. I will update the group with more information as it becomes available.

We are also monitoring the water temperatures closely. The water channel, exposed bedrock and loss of canopy all contribute to warmer water. The remote temperature monitoring station at the swim beach bridge is intact and operational, and we are still able to remotely monitor water temperatures. We manually check water quality from the spillway down to the powerhouse this past week to better understand the heating. It appears that some of the heating is coming from Lake conditions as a result from the recent flood event. I have requested that 150 cfs be released through the spillway to maintain flows and water quality in response to new channel properties. The 150 cfs request appears adequate; therefore, there are no plans to alter the flows at this time. Actually flow will vary slightly

from the request depending on the lake levels. We will continue to watch it closely.

Other notes of interest - We are tentatively scheduled to remove the bubble diffuser project week of July 27th. Also, our hatchery staff is currently working out a trade for brown trout this fall from Wyoming in return for hybrid bluegill. I will provide the group more information as it becomes available.

We are not considering any new projects such as low flow pipe extensions at this time. Please continue to be patient as we systematically work through the challenges the flood releases have presented. I appreciate your continued support, and will communicate our intentions, progress, and any help that we could use from the foundation as things become more final."

My Thoughts and Opinions

The steady water releases and nearly unchanging conditions that make tailwater fisheries so attractive to Trout and fly anglers also make us forget that rivers are dynamic, ever changing ecosystems. Many undammed rivers see water flows and streambed changes of this scale every year or every few years. Most of these rivers also support top notch Trout fisheries.

I have to say that I was pleas-

antly surprised at the number and size of Trout I caught on my first exploration of the "new" River less than 12 hours after the park reopened. Most of all I was surprised that I caught Trout pretty evenly from the Dam all the way to the Snake Hole (which was as far as I went that day). The first guide trips I did the week of June 15th were equal to or better to any that I had done before the flood. What is notable about these fishing trips is they took place before stockings had resumed. An amazing amount of Trout rode out the flood in areas where most would think it was impossible.

A little over a hundred fifty years ago Rainbow Trout were only found west of the Rocky Mountains in streams that flow into the Pacific. Brown Trout were only found in Europe, West Asia and North Africa. Since that time, with man's help, they have spread and thrive in the Rocky Mountains, the southern US, South Africa, New Zealand, South America and other parts of the world. They have done so by adapting, taking advantage of new opportunities and seeking out new areas. There is an important lesson in that for those who try to catch them on a fly rod.

- Rob Woodruff

NLFF Calendar



July 14th: **NLFF monthly meeting.** Red River Wildlife Refuge, 150 Eagle Bend Point, Bossier City, LA. Social hour at 6pm, meeting starts at 7pm. Chris Summerville from Ouachita Outdoor Outfitters speaks on smallmouth bass fishing the Caddo River in Arkansas.

July 16th: **Fly Tying Workshop.** White River Fly Shop in Bass Pro Shop in Bossier City, LA., 6:00-7:30pm. Jamie Franklin will show how to tie the Bream Killer, a great summer fly and good practice for attaching imitation insect legs.

July 25th: **NLFF's 3rd Annual Master's Clinic.** Red River Wildlife Refuge, 150 Eagle Bend Point, Bossier City, LA. Program: Davy Wotton will present "Mastering the Nymph - Means, Methods and Techniques". 9:00am-5:00pm. Admission Fee - \$35.00 limited to 75 pre-registered attendees. Lunch will be provided.

July 28rd: **NLFF Executive Board meeting.** 6:00pm at Bass Pro Shop in Bossier City, LA upstairs in the conference room directly across from the elevator. Any club member is welcome to attend.

Aug 11th: **NLFF monthly meeting.** Red River Wildlife Refuge, 150 Eagle Bend Point, Bossier City, LA. Social hour at 6pm, meeting starts at 7pm. Jerry Driskill speaks on fishing the Current River in Missouri.

Aug 20th: **Fly Tying Workshop.** White River Fly Shop in Bass Pro Shop in Bossier City, LA., 6:00-7:30pm.

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Sept 17th: **Fly Tying Workshop.** White River Fly Shop in Bass Pro Shop in Bossier City, LA., 6:00-7:30pm.

Sept 22nd: **NLFF Executive Board meeting.** 6:00pm at Bass Pro Shop in Bossier City, LA upstairs in the conference room directly across from the elevator.

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Color Coding Key

Red:	Monthly Event/Outing
Blue:	Monthly Meeting
Green:	Fly Tying Workshop
Orange:	Board Meeting

NLFF Weekly Fly Tying Gathering

"Tying Flies and Telling Lies"

While we will still have our usual Bass Pro Shops sponsored fly tying event every 3rd Thursday of the month, we will temporarily suspend the fly tying on the other Thursdays. Please note that this is just a temporary hiatus due to other commitments that our members have

during the summer months.

Our Bass Pro Shops sponsored event is undergoing some changes requested by Bass Pro Shops and agreed to by the club board. Club member Jamie Franklin will be teaching tying classes geared around proper tool usage and tying techniques that will help begin-

ner level tyers become more comfortable with tying their own flies. We will also have club members available to answer any and all questions from on-lookers about our club and fly fishing in general.

Look for our casual tying classes to return soon and we promise that they will be better than ever!

Upcoming Events

July 25th: "NLFF's 3rd Annual Master's Clinic". Program: Davy Wotton will present "Mastering the Nymph - Means, Methods and Techniques". 9:00am-5:00pm. Admission Fee - \$35.00 limited to 75 pre-registered attendees. Lunch will be provided. Ask at a club function or send email to nlffclub@gmail.com for more information.

Aug 11-15th: "50th Annual IFFF National Fly Fishing Fair". 9am-5pm daily. Bend, OR. Free Entry on Saturday! Join us for: - fly fishing, tying, casting workshops - fly tying demos, casting demos, programs - exhibitors and vendors, book authors - special activities for youth and women - awards banquet, barbecue, and other social events.

Aug 14-15th: "Ride the Bull 6 - Extreme Kayak Fishing". Bridgeside Marina, Grand Isle, LA. Friday- Captains Dinner and Film Festival, starts 7pm. Saturday- Tournament and Awards Ceremony. The format is simple - land a Bull Red from your Kayak or other authorized paddle craft in Caminada Pass. Awards will be given for largest Bull Red landed and weighed (and released). For rules and info, go to www.calmwatercharters.net/ridethebull/index.html.

Aug 22nd: "11th Annual Contraband Fly Fishing Expo". 8:30am-4:00pm. PPG - Porter Hall, 2250 Prater Road, Westlake, LA. Fly Tying, Casting Demos, Lure Exhibits, Auctions/Raffles, Food and Refreshments, Equipment Displays and more! Free admission open to the public! For details, go to www.contrabandflycasters.net or contact Warren Landry (337) 853-7755.

Nov 10th: "NLFF's 2015 Banquet". Details to come, but mark your calendar today!



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The North Louisiana Fly Fishers (NLFF) Club serves the Ark-La-Tex area surrounding Shreveport. As the closest cold water fishery, we consider the Little Missouri (Little' Mo) River near Murfreesboro, AR our home waters. We also fish the local rivers and lakes. We even have a growing group of kayak fishermen that, as well as the local rivers and lakes, will fish the gulf coast marshes for some saltwater action!

We meet the second Tuesday of every month at the Red River Wildlife Refuge (150 Eagle Bend Point, Bossier City, LA). Meeting starts at 7pm but come about 6pm to visit, tie flies and practice casting when the weather permits. See you there!