



Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 4, 2013, 6:00 p.m.

Invited Speaker
Capt. Ethan Kiburz

Ethan Kiburz was Born and Raised in Safety Harbor. He has over 12 years of saltwater fly fishing experience in the Tampa Bay area. Ethan started learning how to tie flies at the young age of 10 and now offers classes at Flint Creek Outfitters. After recently receiving his Captain's License, he started his own business called Tampa Bay Native Fishing Charters. One of his biggest passions is to help people be more successful on the water and provide them with information they can use for a lifetime.

He will be going over different types of fly lines and leaders.

Featured Fly Tyer
Jeff Janecek

Jeff has been tying in the club for a couple years now. He has focused his fishing efforts to freshwater fishing from a kayak. His favorite set up: two Redington Voyant 7'6" 3wts with 10 ½ ft leaders; Sage and Hardy large arbor size 1 reels; #10 gurgler for the Rainbow, Weeki-wachee and Hillsborough rivers; # 8 for larger lakes. He prefers the Maxx polarized glasses with amber lens and a carbon fiber 250 manta ray paddle. He has both the Ocean kayak Big Game Drifter and Hobie Outback. Seair Sport Pacific Angler seats complement each kayak. He likes to challenge himself and see if a fly will fit under that low limb or in that tiny nook. When he isn't retrieving his fly out of the foliage, he's catching fish. See if you can talk Jeff out of a fly or two so we can get the "most fish" trophy back from Suncoast Fly Club.

It is time to pay your 2014 dues. For your convenience, an application form is printed on page 5, below.

Directions to Our Meetings: From I-75---Take Bruce B. Downs exit from I-75; go west 2 miles to traffic light, turn left onto Tampa Palms Blvd., then left on Compton Drive, and right at Compton Park. **From I-275---**Take Bearss East to Bruce. B. Downs; then Bruce B. Downs east/north to Tampa Palms Blvd. Rt. on Tampa Palms, then left on Compton Drive and right at Compton Park

OCTOBER 2013 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to October and the start of our busy fall season. Check the items on page 3 to decide which events you plan to attend, then be sure to set aside the appropriate dates. Of special note are the two October events, the traditional Carl Hanson Outing on October 12, and the Florida FFF Expo at the Plantation Inn in Crystal River on October 18 and 19. Our club will have a table for 8 at the dinner on the 19th, and at last count there were 2 seats available at the discounted rate of \$30 per person.

Congratulations to **Tony Smith**, winner of a half day guided trip with **Capt. Greg Peterson**. Tony's ticket number was drawn out of the hat at our September meeting.

Thanks to **Dave Chouinard** for his informative talk on the Simms line of products, plus some useful tips on how to splice lines and do other good things.

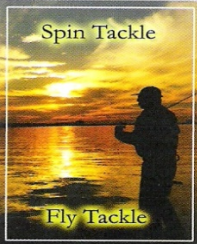
Thanks also to **Smitty** for showing us how to tie the very realistic Tomsu's Supreme Hopper fly, the recipe for which can be found on page 10.

Further thanks are due to all who helped TBFFC have a successful presence at the Florida Sportsman Show in mid-September, with a special tip of the hat to Walt Durkin for bringing it all together.

Hope to see you at the December meeting.

Tight lines,

Dick 



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The next meeting of the TBFFC Board of Directors will be at 6:00 P.M. on Wednesday, October 9, Location TBD

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TBFFC EVENTS

2012-213 TBFFC MEETING DATES

Here are the remaining meeting dates for 2013; October 2, November 6, December 4.

Please watch this space for any changes.

OCTOBER "CARL HANSON" OUTING

When: Saturday October 12, 2013, 7:00 am until Noon, followed by lunch.

Where: Hillsboro River

Includes: Great lunch at Rotary Park, Two beautiful Trophies (one for most fish, the other for biggest fish)

Sign up: At the October club meeting

TBFFC is the host club this year, so **Bob Gaulin** will be preparing another gourmet lunch.

This annual outing gives us a chance to interact with our friendly rivals across the bay, and to compete for the Carl Hanson Trophy honors.

It is necessary to have a boat, kayak, or canoe to enjoy the beautiful scenery of the Hillsboro River, and to fish for the many pan fish and bass in the river.

For more info call Dick Miekka at **727-866-8682**.

IFFF FL FLY FISHING EXPO OCT 18-19

The Florida Council of the Federation of Fly Fishers will hold its 2013 Expo at a nice resort, The Plantation on Crystal River, in nearby Citrus County on Friday and Saturday, Oct 18 and 19. If there is enough interest, TBFFC may purchase a table of 8 for the banquet to be held on Saturday evening.

Headline speakers at the meeting will be Chico Fernandez and Flip Pallot. For more details about the extensive program, navigate online to the IFFF Florida Council home page and click on -Expo-

HEALING WATERS – RESTART & NEW

Update on project healing waters:

. A soon-to-be new member, Deb Brooks, has volunteered to help re-start our Healing Waters Project at the Veteran's Hospital. Deb has moved here from Colorado and already has experience with the program. She will attend our August meeting to join the club and meet members. We look forward to helping her move this worthy project forward.

Additionally, McDill AFB has agreed to a Project Healing Waters for the base starting in the fall. We will meet out there once-a-month to start fly tying. More details to come as we work them out. //Walt

TBFFC NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED

I have had no response to my request for a replacement as editor of the TBFFC newsletter. If no one is able to take this position, I will produce the November and December newsletters, but starting in January 2014, will just send out a 1-2 page announcement of the next meeting plus upcoming events.

Dick

FUTURE EVENTS

- **Bob Gaulin is Planning an Overnight Everglades trip** for Oct 16-17-18
- **BIG GUN SHOOTOUT** November 17
- **CASTING CLINIC JT WITH SUNCOAST** Nov. 23
- **PLAY HOOKY** on Friday, December 13
- **DON COLEMAN OUTING** at Desoto Park, sponsored by Suncoast Club, Saturday, December 20 (Tentative date)

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TIPS FOR TBFFC – No. 63

Casting Tip for TBFFC: 46

"A clock face is for telling time, it has nothing to do with fly casting"

On a recent trip to Montana with my son Chris and friends, I was helping someone with their casting when an observer offered, "Stop the rod at 2 o'clock." I walked over and told him the above quote from Lefty Kreh, who has been a wonderful influence on me and many others. When teaching or giving demonstrations, I often use a spinning rod with a practice plug making 3 casts, stopping the rod at 11 o'clock. Releasing the line at the right time will send the plug perfectly straight to the target, an early release sends the plug vertically, a late release to the ground. Always remember that the line will follow the rod tip in the direction it is going when you speed up and stop. When practicing, keep this in mind.

Pat Damico, MCI 

Helpful Websites and Miscellaneous Hints

Go to this web address to learn how to untwist your (twisted) fly line

(note: highlight item then hit CTRL + Click to follow these links)

<http://www.ginkandgasoline.com/fly-fishing-tips-technique/fixing-a-twisted-fly-line-in-seconds/>

Here is a great video on the economics of fishing with Aaron Adams

<http://video.cnbc.com/gallery/?video=3000180758>

Force IE to open in Desktop Mode on Windows 8

If you've used Windows 8 for any length of time, you've probably clicked on a link to open a website in an email or document and it's opened in the "UI that was formerly known as Metro" version of IE. It may not have rendered correctly – which you rectified by opening up the site in "Desktop Mode" of IE.

This tweak will force all links to open in Desktop Mode IE instead of "the modern interface browser".

Open Desktop Internet Explorer. Go to Internet Options. Click on Programs. Select "Always in Internet Explorer on the desktop" for How you Open Links.

Drain Cleaner

For light drain cleaning, mix a 1/2 cup of salt in 4 liters of water, heat (but not to a boil) and pour down the drain. For stronger cleaning, pour about a 1/2 cup baking soda down the drain, then follow it with a 1/2 cup vinegar. After 15 minutes, pour in boiling water to clear residue.





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Member Photos, October



Pat Damico sent in “Photos from Seven Events” that were taken during his recent trip out west. He didn’t specify which seven events were involved, but you can see that they were all very pleasant. (This page plus 4 on following page)

Member Photos, Continued



Below and on the next page are photos from the Parker family's epic fishing trip to Alaska this past month. **Steve Parker** wrote on 9/14/13: "Dear Friends, We are back to Kodiak center and will be in Tampa tomorrow. We had a spectacular trip catching hundreds of silver salmon." Looks like **Amber** was top rod! Other TBFFC members taking the trip were **Frank Rhodes, John Millns, and Rick Happle**. We hope to have more of their photos next month.



Member Photos, Continued



STOP STEALING MY FISH!

HEAD TO THE FLATS

By Pat Damico,

What's hot: Flats fishing in shallow water will improve as water temperatures cool. But anchoring in one spot for hours where you caught fish on a previous outing is a prescription for failure. Tides, weather, water temperature and wind affect not only where fish will be, but their willingness to strike your fly.

Technique: Use the wind and tide to pick a grass flat and minimize boat manipulation. If alone, a bow-mounted electric motor run at slow speed can keep you on course without frightening fish. Poling the boat with a partner is preferred. Your ability to see fish is improved on a sunny day. When you can't see fish, cast to grass edges (especially irregularities), pot holes (clear areas in the grass) or where you see nervous water or scattering baitfish.

Tip: Casting far is an advantage, so lawn practice will fine-tune your distance and accuracy. Reds, trout and snook will be boat shy in the shallows. Use flies that match available baitfish in size and color. Keep your rod tip close to the water to feel strikes, strip set a sharp hook and start your next cast without slack.

Indian River Lagoon Paddle Adventure – December 2 to 21, 2013

The IRL Paddle Adventure is the brainchild of two long-time fishing buddies – fishing guide and author John Kumiski and author and publisher Rodney Smith. The two plan to paddle the entire 160 miles of the IRL between December 2 and 21, 2013.

Their stated purpose is to raise awareness of the IRL's incredible diversity and to highlight challenges facing the lagoon system. They are seeking sponsors, and all donations will support the IRL Educational Trust.

John and Rodney invite paddlers to join them on all or part of the trip. A number of social gatherings and parties are planned along the way. Information on the trip, with a tentative schedule, is posted on the IRL Adventure web site.

Nick Colantonio is intrigued with the idea of going beginning to end, alpha and omega, and he plans to join the IRL adventure "for as much of the fun as I can stand".

NICK COLANTONIO, 9/9/13

TEN YEARS AGO AT TBFFC

In October of 2003, the following items were in the TBFFC newsletter:

1. Nanette Holland (now O'Hara) was president and noted in her President's Message that 12 members had helped out at our table in the Florida Sportsman's Show
2. The Carl Hanson outing, Big Gun Shootout, "Battle of the Bays" outing with Mangrove Club, and an Oregon Steelhead fishing trip were all in the planning stages.
3. Rick O'Hara published his recipe for a Low Country Boil
4. Terry Tomalin wrote an article on Angler Evolution featuring Jeff Abeles.
5. Don Coleman's "Random Thoughts from the Tying Bench" monthly article discussed polarized light and instant weed guards.
6. Fly of the Month was an Elk Hair Caddis tied by Paul Tidroski
7. Floyd Holder wrote the monthly fishing report that featured a lot of snook being caught.
8. Dan Lagace's casting tip No. 46 discussed how to cast open and tight loops. (note coincidence with Pat Damico's tip No. 46 this Mo.).

FLY OF THE MONTH **Tomsu's Supreme Hopper**

As Tied by Layne Smith



Materials

Hook:	Mustad C49S #8
Thread:	Danville Flatwaxed Nylon in Tan
Body:	Tan 2mm Foam
Legs:	Tan 1mm Foam
Wing:	River Foam Wing Sheet Material
Pronotum:	.5mm Tan Foam
Legs:	Baby legs alive, colored

Tying Instructions

1. The foam and wing material is cut using River Road Creations foam cutters — specifically, the Tomsu's Supreme Hopper Body cutter set.
2. After cutting the foam body, legs, pronotum and wing, tie the hopper body using an extended body tool or the preferred method of your choice.
3. Attach the hopper body to the hook, applying a small amount of super glue to secure the foam to the hook.
4. Attach the legs on each side of the body, being careful to equally space the body segments continued from the extended body segments.
5. Next attach the rubber legs, the wing and the foam pronotum. You might want to dab a bit of super glue onto the underside of the pronotum to secure it to the body.
6. Whip finish and apply a small amount of super glue to the tie-off point.
7. Take special note in spacing the body segments, especially the last segment forming the head. Leaving too little space for that last segment will result in a tiny, unrealistic head shape.
8. Finally, as desired, use a marker to add some coloration variation on the underside of the body and the legs.

Smitty 🍷

Fishing Report and Forecast ***“What a great time to go fishing!”***

OCTOBER 2013

October should bring favorable fishing weather. I went fishing September 19 at Mountain Lake and caught two small specks. The air was cooler than last week. Hope to do better next time.

Capt Rick Grasset reports his clients are catching snook, trout, triple tail, blues and Spanish mackerel on fly.

Jeff Janecek reports that fresh water lake fishing is slow. River fishing has been very productive when using a size 8 chartreuse gurgler on a 3 wt fly rod.

A report from **Capt Frank Rhodes** tells the story of up to 100 silver salmon being caught by **Steve and Amber Parker, John Millns, Rick Happle** and himself.

Dick Miekka fished the Miramichi in New Brunswick for Atlantic salmon but the water was too high and only one fish was caught.

The kayak guide reports plenty of trout early in the morning using homemade white poppers.

Tight lines

Bob Gaulin 🍷

Waspfly32@gmail.com



Member Benefits

TBFFC is famous for its value and focus on the sharing of information, experience, and craftsmanship with its members. As a TBFFC member you will enjoy many benefits free or at nominal cost, plus enriching experiences.

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